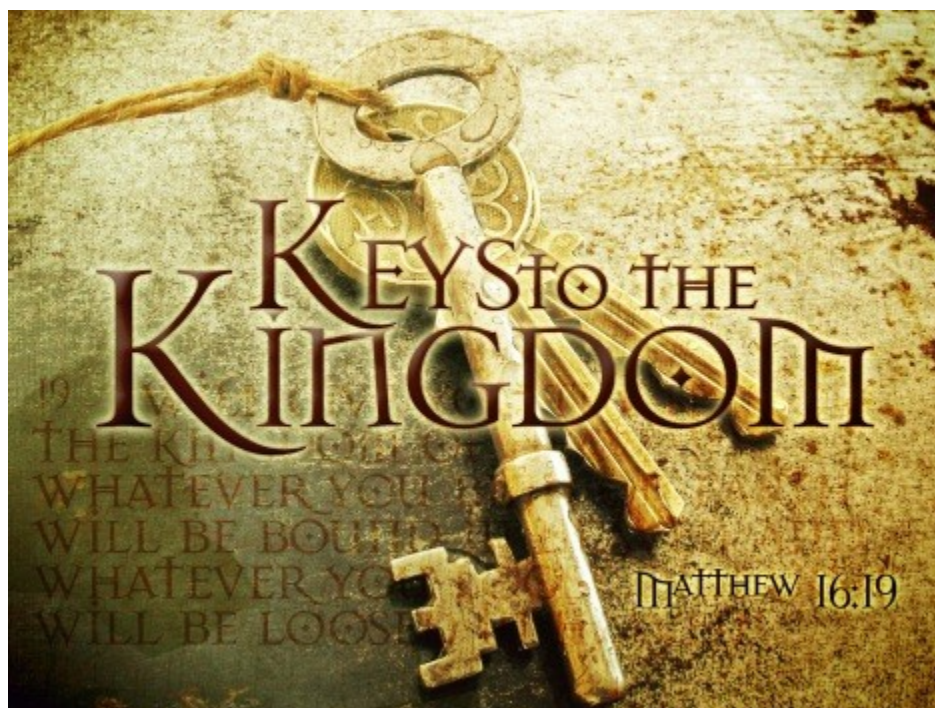


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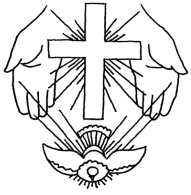
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



August 22-23, 2020

Most Blessed Trinity Parish is a Christ-centered sacramental family, modeled after the love of the Trinity—the Father, Son and Holy Spirit—3 persons in 1 God. We are dedicated to grow in their love and continue the Great Commission of spreading the Gospel to all nations, starting right here in Western Schuylkill County.

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MOST BLESSED TRINITY PARISH

Pastor: Rev. Paul L. Rothermel
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Coordinator of Religious Education: JoAnn Yesenosky
August 22/23, 2020, Year A—Cycle II

WELCOME!

All are most welcome at Most Blessed Trinity Parish. Please register as soon as possible. Also, please call the rectory when changing your address.



Twenty-First Week in Ordinary time

Saturday, August 22

Church—Vigil: 4 PM +Mary Guidas by Marcia Burke

Sunday, August 23

Chapel—9:00 AM +Mary Grzeslo by the Fox Family

Church—10:30 AM +Betty Sabadish by Bob and Mary Frances Miller

Weekday Masses are held at the Church in Tremont

Monday, August 24—St. Bartholomew

8:00 AM +Palmer Koch by Grant and Sue Witmer and Family

Tuesday, August 25

6 PM For the People of the Parish by Father Johnson

Wednesday, August 26

8:00 AM +Happy Birthday Stephanie

Thursday, August 27—St. Monica

8:00 AM Health and God's Blessings for Jean Jeppson by Charlene and Tony

Friday, August 28—St. Augustine

8:00 AM For the People of the Parish by Father Johnson

Saturday, August 29—The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

8:00 AM +Eleanor Yuschock by Vince and Virginia

Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

Church—Vigil: 4:00 PM +Catherine Kohr by Kathy Krammes

Sunday, August 30

Chapel—9:00 AM +Alma Buggy by Grandchildren

Church—10:30 AM Health and God's Blessings for Mitchell Lesh on Your Future Endeavors by Sis



Next Week's Readings

Jer 20:7-9 Ps 63:2-6, 8-9

Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27

Thank YOU for supporting our Parish, during this crisis, by attending Mass, mailing us envelopes or doing on-line giving !

Meetings of Parish Groups in our buildings?

As long as the Diocese prohibits such meetings to guarantee public safety, ONLY devotional gatherings are allowed inside until further notice.

Sunday Collections

Total-August 15/16 \$1,827.00

Thank you for your continued support for your Parish.



Ask Father Paul: "What is good for me and others to know about your next duties?"

On Tuesday, August 25, I am scheduled to begin my new duties within our Diocese. The Bishop considers this more suitable work for me. I recall the day way back in 1988, when a Jesuit priest introduced me to Bishop Thomas Welsh. Bishop Welsh asked me what I would like to do if I became a priest in our Diocese. I thought for a moment, and then told him that I wanted to serve God here as the Pastor of a Parish, because it is the essential ministry, or as a Diocesan Missionary, because I could touch every part of the Diocese with the truths of the Catholic Faith. That day I thought only about the people-work aspects of both ministries, oblivious to all the paperwork. Although I technically am not becoming a Diocesan missionary, my new assignment is a Diocesan-wide one. In the official language of the Episcopal Appointment, I will be doing "SUBSTITUTE SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY." This means that I substitute for over-worked priests serving in every part of the Diocese, those over-worked because of the priest shortage, when they contact me for temporary help for Masses, confessions, or other sacraments in their parishes. Often, between responsibilities in a parish, I will stay overnight there. I am truly excited about this opportunity to be of help to other priests by means of a Diocesan-wide ministry. For years the priest shortage has been making it harder and harder for our priests, with ever more and more to do, to get their promised vacation time. Some also need an otherwise unexpected break to preserve their own mental health. I am happy to help them. My ministry should reduce these injustices to them whenever possible. I will be living in the St. Francis DeSales rectory in Robesonia. The pastor there is a seminary classmate of mine, Father Edward Essig. I welcome a visit from you. Because of the nature of my duties, though, you will need to contact me first to make sure that I will actually be there when you arrive at 321 N. Church Street in Robesonia. So you do not inconvenience the pastor, his staff, or anyone else, always contact me by my cell phone: 484-347-8276, OR by the mailing address indicated above. The zip code to use is 19551.

Our Second Collection envelope next weekend, August 29—30, has been designated for Utilities.

Diocesan Coordinators for Minors

Safe Environment: Ms. Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W, M.S., Secretary for Youth Protection, (610) 871-5200, ext. 2204

Victim Assistance: Ms. Wendy Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC, Direct Phone (800) 791-9209

To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner of the page.

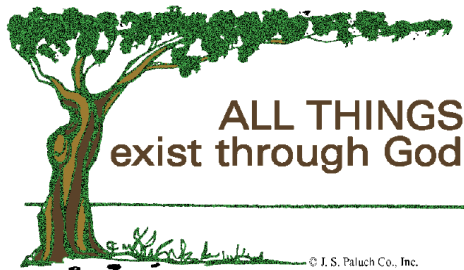
BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL

As of today, 17.31% of our parish families have joined the 2020 *BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL*. In other words, 45 parishioners have contributed \$12,226 to support food programs, senior services, community outreach, Catholic schools, and more. Every dollar helps those in need. Imagine what we could do if 100% of our parishioners participated! Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at www.BecauseWeareCatholic.org

The Bishop encourages the faithful to PRAY with their family members frequently, and to pray the Rosary as a family, both for all affected by this virus and for all who care for the sick at home, as first responders, and in hospitals and other institutions.

SAVE THE DATE!—September 28, 2020

**Diocese of Allentown Annual Golf Tournament at the Steel Club
Proceeds to benefit Seminarian and Catholic School Education
For more information contact Michele Mullikin at 610-871-5200, ext. 2282
or mmullikin@allentowndiocese.org**



PARISH WEBSITE

<http://mostblessedtrinity.us> for
information and updates
**Coming soon a secure parish
website with a new look!**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!—September 13, 2020—Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Married couples around the Diocese will be invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage during the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, September 13th. This year's Mass will be on-line so that all can participate safely from their homes. To receive the recognition and certificate from Bishop Schlert, couples can register with the Diocese at www.allentowndiocese.org/anniversarymass

SCHEDULE YOUR CONFESSION WITH FATHER

This requires face-to-face social distancing, masks worn by both the priest and the penitent, and good ventilation.

SACRAMENTS AND LAST RITES

A Co-Vid 19 Virus Epidemic allows the administration of Sacraments with some changes. Do not hesitate to call the rectory to have these explained, so you and your loved ones can receive these important gifts from God.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE:

The community food pantries in Tremont and in Tower City are once again accepting donations of non-perishable food items for needy families. A box has been placed near the entrance of both the Church and the Chapel for your donations. Thank you for your generosity!

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or contact this service by calling this toll free number: 1-800-276-1562

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Liturgical Schedule</u></p> <p>Church: Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM, Sunday 10:30 AM Chapel: Sunday 9:00 AM Daily Mass: 8:00 AM at the Church (except Tuesday at 6 PM)</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Holy Day</u></p> <p>Church: 8:00 AM, 7:00 PM Chapel: Vigil 7:00 PM</p> | | | | | | |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u></p> <p>Church: Saturday 3:15-3:45 PM, 1st Friday 6:00 PM Chapel: Sunday 8:15-8:45 AM or by appointment</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sacrament of Marriage</u></p> <p>Couples should contact Fr. Paul as soon as they are engaged, at least 6 months before the date of the marriage.</p> | | | | | | |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sponsor Certificates</u></p> <p>Letters of recommendation for sponsors may be obtained by calling the rectory, and will be issued for registered parishioners who meet the qualifications as set forth in Canon Law.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sacrament of Baptism</u></p> <p>Parents must be registered for at least 3 months and be practicing their faith. Baptism classes are set at the convenience of the parents and rectory.</p> | | | | | | |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Home Bound Outreach</u></p> <p>Please call the rectory if you are physically unable to attend Mass and you will be visited during the first week of the month.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Diocesan Schools in Pottsville</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td>Assumption BVM School (gr. K-8)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">(570) 622-0106</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nativity BVM High School (gr. 9-12)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">(570) 622-8110</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St. Joseph Center for Special Learning</td> <td style="text-align: right;">(570) 622-4638</td> </tr> </table> | Assumption BVM School (gr. K-8) | (570) 622-0106 | Nativity BVM High School (gr. 9-12) | (570) 622-8110 | St. Joseph Center for Special Learning | (570) 622-4638 |
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| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>PREP</u></p> <p>Church: Sun. 9:00 – 10:15 AM Loc. Sup. Dawn Myers Chapel: Sun. 10:00 – 11:15 AM Loc. Sup. Stella Durkin</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Hall Use (Church and Chapel)</u></p> <p>Pastor must first approve. Rent and liability fees may apply.</p> | | | | | | |