

*Welcome to*

# Most Blessed Trinity Parish

*of the Diocese of Allentown*

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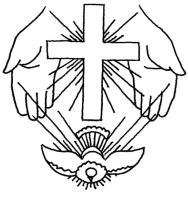
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**Facebook: Fr Johnson Trinity**



<b><u>Liturgical Schedule</u></b>		<b><u>Holy Day Mass always in Church</u></b>	
Church: Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM, Sunday 10:30 AM Chapel: Sunday 9:00 AM Daily Masses: 9:00 AM, except for Tuesday at 6 PM in the Rectory for the winter season; no Saturday morning Mass		Church: 9:00 AM, 5:00 PM Chapel: Vigil 7:00 PM	
<b><u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u></b>		<b><u>Sacrament of Marriage</u></b>	
As needed		Couples should contact Fr. Johnson as soon as they are engaged, at least 6 months before the date of the marriage.	
<b><u>Sponsor Certificates</u></b>		<b><u>Sacrament of Baptism</u></b>	
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.		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.	
<b><u>Home Bound Outreach</u></b>		<b><u>Diocesan Schools in Pottsville</u></b>	
Please call the rectory if you are physically unable to attend Mass and you will be visited during the first week of the month.		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	
<b><u>PREP</u></b>		<b><u>Office Hours</u></b>	
Church: Sun. 9:00 – 10:15 AM Loc. Sup.-Mary Kreiser Chapel: Sun.10:00 – 11:15 AM CRE-Maria Flynn		Monday-Thursday 10:30 AM — 4:00 PM Friday Closed	



# MOST BLESSED TRINITY PARISH

## Second Sunday of Advent

December 09/10, 2023  
Year B — Cycle II

### WELCOME!

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

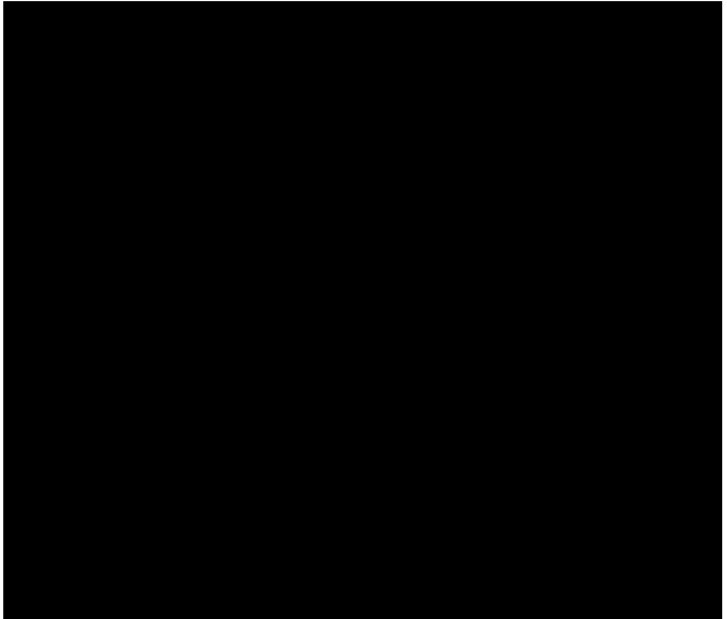
**Parish Mission Statement**—Most Blessed Trinity Parish is a Christ-centered sacramental family, modeled after the love of the Trinity—the Father, Son and Holy Spirit—three persons in one God.  
We are dedicated to grow in their love and continue the Great Commission of spreading the Gospel to all nations,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



### **Estate Planning:**

Please consider remembering Most Blessed Trinity in your Will Planning so as to promote the future strength of our parish for generations to come.

**Our Second Collection next weekend, December 16/17 will be taken up for Christmas flowers.**



**PARISH CALENDARS**—Our special thanks goes to Mr. Paul Dimon of **Dimon Funeral Home** in Tower City for providing our 2024 calendars. Each family may take home a calendar while supplies last.

**Second Sunday of Advent**  
**Saturday, December 9**  
**Church**—4 PM +Joseph D. Zernhart by JoAnn & Elmer  
**Sunday, December 10**  
**Chapel**—9 AM +Gayle Kobularik by Dot & Teresa Plesnarski  
**Church**—10:30 AM For the People of the Parish by Fr. Johnson  
**(Daily Masses are now being held in the Rectory)**  
**Monday, December 11**  
**9:00 AM** +Anne Joyce by John & Paty Adams  
**Tuesday, December 12—Our Lady of Guadalupe**  
**6:00 PM** +Ann Joyce by Bob & Mary Frances Miller  
**Wednesday, December 13—St. Lucy**  
**9:00 AM** +Anne Joyce by Pat VuKmanovich  
**Chapel—1:00 PM Rosary**  
**Thursday, December 14—St. John of the Cross**  
**9:00 AM** +Diane Centeleghe by the Flemings  
**Friday, December 15**  
**9:00 AM** +Mary Kahl by Jean  
**Third Sunday of Advent**  
**Saturday, December 16**  
**Church**—4 PM +Floyd F. Krammes by Mother & Family  
**Sunday, December 17**  
**Chapel**—9:00 AM +Gerald Tallon by Kitty, Kathleen & Rob  
**Church**—10:30 AM +Richard Sapinski by Frank & Suzanne Fox

### **Next Week's Readings**

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11 (Ps) Lk 1:46-50, 53-54  
1 Thes 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



**The Sanctuary Candle burns in Tremont for Mary Kahl**



### **Diocesan Coordinators for Minors**

**Safe Environment:** Ms. Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W, M.S., Secretary, Youth Protection & Catholic Human Services, P.O. Box F, Allentown, PA 18105-1538 (610) 871-5200, ext. 2204 [prusso@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:prusso@allentowndiocese.org)

**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](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner of the page.

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 1-800-276-1562.

**Advent Spiritual Practices**

Our Bishop, Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert encourages the clergy and faithful of the Diocese of Allentown to celebrate the Ember Days for the Season. Ember Days are quarterly observances with three days set aside (Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday) to pray in gratitude for the blessings of the season and human labor, to thank God publicly. There are twelve Ember Days in all.

In particular, the Advent Ember Days are a heightened time of expectation and waiting in preparation for Christmas. Fasting and abstinence would follow the current laws of the Church, with abstaining being from all meat, and fasting would be one full meal a day, with the allowance of two smaller meals that do not equal the main meal, and no eating between meals.

The Advent Ember Days for 2023 are as follows: Wednesday, December 20, 2023, Friday, December 22, 2023, and Saturday, December 23, 2023.

Please see the bulletin board for more events happening in neighboring Churches.

**Trinity Guild News: Congratulations to the following winners on the Calendar of Give-A-Ways for November 26-30: Barry Koch, Mike Renninger, Janice Clouser, The Hentz's, and Frances Frantz. Thank you everyone for your support.**

**Memorials**

**In Memory of Anne Joyce  
By Joseph Coddington**

(If anyone would like to give towards a Memorial for someone who has passed away, they can send it into the Rectory office and it will be posted in the bulletin.)

**Altar Servers for December 16-17:**

**4:00 PM Saturday-Lector: Paty Adams EM: George Guidas**

**9:00 AM Sunday-Lector: Amy Leitzel EM: Debra Savage Server: Mallory & Mason Leitzel**

**10:30AM Sunday-Lector: Annette Fleming EM: Paty Adams Server: Jacob Fletcher**



**SS. Peter & Paul Ladies' Club News:** The ladies are also selling chances for a Holiday Basket of Cheer for \$5.00 each. The drawing will be Sunday, 12/17/23 after the 9 AM Mass in Tower City. Tickets are available at Masses in Tower City and Tremont. Please help with your support.

The Ladies Club will have a Cookie Exchange on Sunday, December 17th, after Mass in the Tower City Social Hall. They are asking for donations of "batches" of your favorite cookies. All the cookies will be placed on the buffet in the social hall, and everyone is invited to walk by to fill a box with your favorite cookie choices for \$5.00. The purchase of cookies is open to ANYONE, not just to those who bake! Cookies can be brought to the social hall that morning before Mass.

**Friends of Birthright**—Once again, they will only be accepting monetary donations or gift cards. The donations will be used by only Birthright staff to purchase items needed for babies; the families will not receive the cards or donations. Your contributions can be mailed to the Birthright Office at 10 N. Lehigh Ave., Frackville, PA 17931. If you have any questions, contact the Birthright Office at (570)874-2621 or (570)874-4307.

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