Now that very day two of them were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him.

Luke 24:13-16
Sacraments

**Baptisms:** Baptism preparation class is required for all parents and godparents, and they must be registered in a Catholic parish and members in good standing. Contact the parish office to schedule an appointment. 

**Marriage:** All engaged couples participate in a Marriage Preparation Program (a policy of the Diocese of Colorado Springs), Contact the parish office AT LEAST ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE of your planned marriage to begin preparation.

**Sacrament of the Sick/Emergencies:** Dial 633-2132, x1002. Calls are monitored on a regular basis.

**Funerals:** Please call the parish office before scheduling date and time with a funeral home. The parish office schedules presiders, musicians, and servers in consultation with family members.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Do you want to better understand the Catholic Church?

Do you wonder what your Catholic spouse believes... and why?

Have you ever thought about entering the Catholic Church?

Have you been baptized but have not yet received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation?

If you answered yes to any of these, we hope you’ll consider the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Our RCIA program offers the opportunity to learn about the Church’s beliefs, Biblical foundations, and beauty...as well as her 2000-year-old history, traditions, and practices.

Our classes focus on the teaching of the Church and the experience of being Catholic. They will prepare you to enter the Church at Easter, when we celebrate the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation.

Please join our RCIA process, to ask your questions, get answers, and share your own insights and faith story.

YOU HAVE NOTHING TO loose... AND ETERNITY TO GAIN!

For more information, please contact us at (719) 633-2132, Ext. 0 or rcia@holytrinitycos.org.

Update Membership Information

If you have moved, changed your phone number, name or email address, have a new baby in the family or a child who is no longer living at home, please let us know so we may update your registration. Please call the church office at 633-2132 or email htparishoffice@holytrinitycos.org. Thank you for your help!!

Bulletin Announcements

Bulletin announcements must be submitted no later than noon on Tuesday. Please send announcements to: htparishoffice@holytrinitycos.org.
Weekly Events Calendar

**Sunday, Apr 23**
Coffee and donuts after Mass until 1:00 pm - cafeteria
9:50 am: Children’s Religious Ed - classroom
10:00 am: Adult Catholic Studies - Hope House
11:30 am: RCIA/Catholic Refresher Course - HH

**Monday, Apr 24**
7:00 pm: Boy Scouts - Hope House

**Tuesday, Apr 25**
6:30 pm: Latin Study Group - Hope House

**Wednesday, Apr 26**
6:00 pm: Knight’s 4th Degree Assembly - Hope House

**Thursday, Apr 27**
6:00 pm: Knights of Columbus - Hope House

**Saturday, Apr 29**
11:00 am: Adoration and Confession - Church

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Coffee and donuts after Mass until 1:00 pm - cafeteria
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Office Closed

The office will be closed May 3 - 5, 2023.

Mass Times & Intentions

**Monday, Apr 24**
No Mass

**Tuesday, Apr 25**
5:00 pm: ⚓ John Bautch  
by: Matt Niedzielski

**Wednesday, Apr 26**
9:00 am: ⚓ Patricia Voss  
by: Arthur Voss

**Thursday, Apr 27**
9:00 am: ⚓ Roger Pennington  
by: Paul & Sharon Pennington

**Friday, Apr 28**
9:00 am: ⚓ John Joseph Jackobs  
by: Mary Lou Nichols

**Saturday, Apr 29**
5:00 pm: ⚓ Julio Desello  
by: The Piedad Family

**Sunday, Apr 30**
9:00 am: ⚓ Elias Phelps  
by: Deacon Chris & Becki Phelps
11:00 am: Pro Populo

To request a Mass intention, please call or email the parish office. Donations for already requested Masses can be made through the parish website, by check or cash. Be sure to specify ‘Mass Intentions’ with your donation so we can match it to the requested date.

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You may also donate online at: www.holytrinitycos.org.

On-line Donations:

There are two DONATE HERE buttons on our web page. Quick Links on the right side or under the Follow Us On Facebook link. When you click on either of the DONATE HERE buttons, it will take you to a donation page that has ‘Holy Trinity Catholic Church’ and a little tiny picture of our parish in the upper left hand corner. If you have any questions, please call the office.

Vocations Prayer Calendar

Please pray for our Diocesan Seminarians and Priests. This week’s schedule is:

**Apr 23**: Patrick DiLoreto, Mt. St. Mary’s Seminary  
**Apr 24**: Military Chaplains  
**Apr 25**: Christian Vaca, Mt. St. Mary’s Seminary  
**Apr 26**: Retired Priests of the Diocese  
**Apr 27**: Fr. Timothy O’Connell  
**Apr 28**: Fr. Mark Zacker  
**Apr 29**: Dominic Ambuul, Mt. St. Mary’s Seminary

Eternal Father, we lift up these priests, deacons, and seminarians of our Diocese. Sanctify them, protect and guide them, and mold them into the likeness and holiness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.
Adult Catholic Studies

On April 23rd, we'll focus on the Church’s role in “Preserving the Truth” through apostolic succession, the primacy of Peter, and the Church in Rome.

We’ll begin with Egeria, a late-4th century woman called The Pilgrim because of the journal she kept of visits to OT and NT sites.

We’ll learn that, like Peter and Paul, and Saints Clement, Ignatius of Antioch, and Irenaeus emphasized the papacy and apostolic succession.

We’ll meet Pope St. Leo the Great, who not only confronted the Arian, Nestorian, and Monophysite heretics of his time, but also bravely faced down Attila the Hun and, later, the invading Goths.

And we’ll end with a discussion of Pope St. Gregory the Great, who emphasized the unity which comes through the Eucharist; ended liturgical abuse; and promoted what we now call Gregorian Chant.

On April 30th, we’ll learn how St. Ephrem outsmarted heretics who’d been confusing the Christians of Edessa. We’ll discover how graffiti and sacred images in the catacombs – and ancient mosaics in Ravenna – taught the connection between OT types and NT fulfillments, in a time when there were few books and extensive illiteracy.

We’ll learn about the ‘disciple of the secret,’ so important before Constantine legalized Christianity.

We’ll also see that, before Easter, those coming into the Church learned about the Creed, the Lord’s Prayer, and Salvation History…and between Easter and Pentecost, they learned that all was ordered to the Sacraments, where we get a taste of heaven and the grace we need for Earth.

Join us to learn about the powerful witness both the Bible and the earliest believers give to our Church. Find out how to better share these truths with non-Catholics who, through no fault of their own, don’t yet understand.

April 23  Preserving the Truth
April 30  The Doctrine of the Mysteries
May 7   All in the Family

Holy Trinity Adult Catholic Studies meets Sunday mornings at 10AM in the Hope House. Please see the bulletin boards or contact Phil & Connie at ppratt@holytrinitycos.org.

Marian House Soup Kitchen

When: April 27 & 29, 2023 (Always the LAST Thursday and FIFTH Saturday of the Month)
Where: Marian House Kitchen, 14 W. Bijou St.
Time: 7:00am – 1:30pm
What: Marian House Kitchen is now serving hot lunches every day.

Needed: 10 Holy Trinity Volunteers

Please call or e-mail the office if you have any questions or if you wish to volunteer your time working at the Marian House Soup Kitchen. We will get you in touch with Evelyn or Dick as soon as possible. May the good Lord bless all abundantly!!!

Essential donations are needed for the Marian House Kitchen, Marian House Marketplace, and Family Connections:

• Fresh produce
• Canned goods (vegetables, fruit, soups, ready to heat items)
• Dry goods (e.g. cereal, rice, beans, pasta, flour, powdered milk)
• Professionally packaged frozen meat within 1 year of expiration date
• Non-soda beverages (milk, water, juice)
• Hygiene products, bathroom tissue
• Household cleaning products (incl. laundry: liquid, pods, powder, paper towels)
• Frozen ready-to-heat meals within 3 months of expiration date (pizza, lasagna, pot pies, etc.)
• Dairy (butter, margarine, cheese)
• Baby wipes
• Baby food (jars or squeezable tubes)
• Pull-ups (all sizes)
• Formula (Enfamil AR)
• Formula (Enfamil – Gentlease)
• Size 6 diapers

Donations are received at 14 W. Bijou St, Colorado Springs CO 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday – Saturday. Questions, please call the donations line at 719-229-9942.

Food Item of the Week

Feed the Poor . . . Please help us feed the poor by donating the following item of the week:

“pasta”
Walk for Life

Join over 2,000 others on Saturday, June 3rd as we Walk for Life and raise funds for the ministry of Life Network! The 2-mile Walk and 5K Fun Run is a family friendly event for people of all ages, and is a great way to get your kids involved with supporting and protecting the sanctity of life!

After Walk - Vendor Fair and Kid’s Zone

The goal of the Walk for Life is to raise funds for the ministry of Life Network, educate community members about Life Network and its outreaches and make a strong life-affirming statement to our community.

We will be celebrating life with thousands of others from the community at Memorial Park, located near downtown Colorado Springs. The Walk for Life will have many family friendly activities - we hope you'll bring your family and friends and join us! (more information at www.walkforlife.com)

Whether you walk or run, we ask that you will raise funds for the ministry of Life Network. For every $150 raised, Life Network can provide life-changing services to three women facing unplanned pregnancies. All pledges are a one-time pledge, not a per-mile pledge. This is not an athletic event, choose your own pace for the 2-mile walk or the 5k Fun Run. Receive prizes based on your individual fundraising efforts. See the website for this year’s exciting prizes!

Choir

On Sunday, April 30, 2023, the St. Cecilia Schola Choir of Colorado Springs will sing at the 9:00 AM Mass.

The choir will be directed by Valerie Niemerg. 14 middle-school singers will sing choral music of Faure and Tye.

Sacramentals

Sacramentals “are sacred signs which bear a resemblance to the sacraments. They signify effects, particularly of a spiritual nature, which are obtained through the intercession of the Church. By them, men are disposed to receive the chief effect of the sacraments, and various occasions in life are rendered holy” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, No. 1667).

“Among sacramentals, blessings (of persons, meals, objects, and places) come first. Every blessing praises God and prays for his gifts. In Christ, Christians are blessed by God the Father “with every spiritual blessing’” (Catechism, No. 1671).

Blessings of priests and bishops have the power, so to speak, to turn objects such as a new rosary or statue into a sacramental. While the laity can bless, their blessings are more of a prayer or a plea to God.

The blessing at meals is a chance to offer God a prayer of praise and thanksgiving. It makes holy the mere need for nutrition and is a reminder of the most blessed meal, the Eucharist.

A parent’s blessing of their children serves as a petition to God to keep their kids safe from all evil.

An exorcism is a sacramental. It takes place when the Church asks publicly and authoritatively in the name of Jesus Christ that a person or object be protected against the power of the Evil One and withdrawn from his power.

Exorcisms may be minor, also called simple exorcisms, or major, called solemn exorcisms. Minor exorcisms occur in the Rite of Baptism and during the RCIA process, where candidates are asked to rebuke Satan and all his evil ways. If you have been baptized you have been part of an exorcism. A major exorcism, which attracts much attention and curiosity, is directed at the expulsion of demons or freedom from demonic possession through the spiritual authority which Jesus entrusted to his Church (see Catechism, No. 1673). Often used in a major exorcism are the sacramentals of holy water, blessed salt and a crucifix.

Thank you!

Thank you! Together Holy Trinity raised $481 to give to James McCann, son of DCN Pete, to help support him while he's in the Seminary.
**Diocesan Ministry Appeal Update**

Today, Jesus reveals Himself to His disciples in the breaking of the bread. We cannot experience Him so utterly in any other way than the Eucharist. It makes a sacred union possible: God with man, man with God, one in both soul and body. What a mysterious exchange.

Please support our Diocesan Ministry Appeal so that we can share the delightful news that God is here and ready to commune with those who hunger and thirst for Him. It is abundantly true that “the harvest is abundant” (Matthew 9:37). When you think about it, it’s shocking how accessible God is through the Eucharist. Tens of thousands of parishes throughout the world offer the most profound, satisfying, intimate experience ever. Our local community’s salvation is counting on us to reach out to help them. Please generously join our Annual Appeal. Please help us help Him reach them!

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**Mission Appeal**

Fr. Frank Tinajero SVD, a member of the Society of the Divine Word, will be at Holy Trinity Catholic Church on May 6-7, 2023. He will celebrate Masses for a mission appeal. Fr. Tinajero will share stories of his congregation, whose member Brothers and priests work in 79 countries including South Sudan, Russia and Ukraine.

Fr. Frank has been involved in detention ministry for more than 30 years, working in several county, state and federal correctional institutions as chaplain and clinical psychotherapist. He sits as a board member with the Center for Restorative Justice Works and assists the California Conference of Catholic Bishops. Fr. Frank is currently in residence at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in South Los Angeles. He assists various parishes in the Los Angeles Archdiocese.

Please be generous in the second collection to help support the work of Divine Word Missionaries. This collection will support their missions in the most challenging areas of our world. To learn more about them, please visit www.svdmissions.org.

**Eucharistic Congress 2024**

Want to go to the Eucharistic Congress in July 2024? Good news! There are still tickets available for $200/each through the Diocese. First Come- First Serve!!!

Email ibaron@diocs.org with your request. Your request will be confirmed when payment is received. Checks can be made to the Diocese of Colorado Springs. Sent Attn: Fr. Jim Baron

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Leave a Legacy to Holy Trinity

When planning your estate, please consider including *Holy Trinity* in your will. Bequests and/or planned gifts are wonderful opportunities to provide the Church with a significant gift in your memory. Contact Jamie Crane, Director of Development and Planned Giving at jcrane@diocsw.org or 719-866-6518.

Not a parishioner of Holy Trinity? There are many reasons to become a registered member: religious education classes, opportunities for Christian service in the community, letters of recommendation to serve as godparents and sponsors for newcomers to the faith, printed tithing envelopes (if desired), an annual report of your charitable offerings and a subscription to the Colorado Catholic Herald. Registration forms are available in the foyers or online at www.holytrinitycos.org.

Communion to the Homebound

Do you know someone in our parish who is temporarily or permanently homebound or in a nursing home and would like to receive communion weekly? Please call the office to schedule a homebound visit or to schedule a nursing home visit. If you are a mandated EMHC or would like to become one and would like to volunteer for this ministry, please contact the parish office.

Readings

**April 23, 2023 through April 30, 2023**

**Sunday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33, Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11,
1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:13-35

**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15, Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30,
Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday:** 1Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17,
Mk 16:15-20

**Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8, Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a, Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20, Jn 6:44-51

**Friday:** Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1-2; Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17, Jn 6:60-69

**Sunday:** Acts 2:14a, 36-41, Ps 23:1-6, 1 Pt 2:20b-25,
Jn 10:1-10

Note: If your loved one’s name has been on this list for more than two years or has recovered please call the office to remove their name from the prayer list to make room for others in need of prayer. Thank you.
TRINITY TREASURES — COOKBOOKS FOR SALE

Are you in need of a gift for Mother’s Day?

A gift for a graduation?

A gift for a wedding or bridal shower?

Members of the Holy Trinity Cookbook Committee will be selling cookbooks after Masses the next three weekends:

- April 29-30
- May 6-7
- May 13-14

The cookbook is a bargain at $10: 400 recipes and 16 pages of tips for cooks, all in a 3-ring binder with tabbed dividers (which also have cooking tips on the back). Give a practical gift that she (or he!) will treasure — Trinity Treasures!