**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Weekend Masses**
Saturday at 5:00 pm  
Sunday at 9:00 am  
Latin Mass at 11:00 am

**Confessions**
First Saturday 10:30 - 11:15 am  
Saturday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Saturday 4:00 - 4:40 pm

**Weekday Masses**
Tuesday 5:00 pm  
Wednesday - Friday 9:00 am  
First Saturday 10:00 am

**Holy Day Masses**
9:00 am and 5:30 pm

**Adoration & Holy Hour**
First Fridays 9:30 am - 3:30 pm  
First Saturday after Mass until 11:15 am  
Saturdays 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Anointing of the Sick**
By request - contact the parish office

**CLERGY**
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Music Director  
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facilities@holytrinitycos.org

**Catholic Legacy Society**
Jamie Crane . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 866-6518  
jcrane@diocs.org

**Office Hours:**
9:30 am - 2:00 pm  Monday - Thursday  
9:30 am - 12:00 pm  Friday

**Parish Office** is located in the house to the north of the church.

**The nearest Catholic schools are:**
**Elementary:** Corpus Christi Catholic School, 2410 N. Cascade, phone: 632-5092

**High School:** St. Mary’s, 2501 E. Yampa St., Phone: 635-7540

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**Fourth Sunday of Advent**
**December 18, 2022**
**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.

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**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 LOSE... AND ETERNITY TO GAIN!**

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

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**New Parishioners**

*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, pre-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.
Weekly Events Calendar

Sunday, Dec 18
Coffee & Donuts after morning Masses
1:00 pm: Senior Dinner - cafeteria

Wednesday, Dec 21
9:45 - 11:15 am: Choir Practice - Church

Thursday, Dec 22
Office Closed

Sunday, Dec 25
NO Coffee & Donuts this week
Merry Christmas!!

Mass Times & Intentions

Monday, Dec 19
No Mass

Tuesday, Dec 20
5:00 pm:  Lola Karels
by: Myra Karels

Wednesday, Dec 21
9:00 am:  Dan & Christopher Nichols
by: Betty & Jeff Burger

Thursday, Dec 22
9:00 am: Maddie Ross
by: Theresa Stewart

Friday, Dec 23
9:00 am:  Dan & Christopher Nichols
by: Keith and Kaipo McArtney

Saturday, Dec 24
5:00 pm:  Clyde & Helen Hibbs
by: The Sebben & Hibbs Families
6:45 pm: Pro Populo

Sunday, Dec 25
9:00 am: Richard Phelps
by: Deacon Chris & Becki Phelps

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.

Schedule Change

The office will be CLOSED from December 22, 2022 - January 1, 2023.

No morning Holy Hour or Confessions December 24.
4:00 - 4:30 pm Confessions available December 24
5:00 pm Mass December 24
6:45 pm Latin Mass December 24
9:00 am Mass December 25
January 6, weather permitting, there will be First Friday Adoration following Mass.

No First Saturday Mass, Adoration and Confessions the morning of January 7, 2023.

Offertory

Offertory December 11 $ 9,488.00
Weekly Goal $ 7,000.00
YTD Goal $ 168,000.00
Actual Offertory to Date: $ 163,570.48
Over (Under) Goal $ (4,429.52)

Thank you to all who continue their support to the church with tithes. Please feel free to continue to mail or drop off your donation at the office.

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:

Dec 18: Fr. Brad Noonan
Dec 19: Fr. George Fagan
Dec 20: Christian Vaca, Mt. St. Mary’s Seminary
Dec 21: Fr. Bogdan Siewiera
Dec 23: Fr. Luis Alfredo Garcia
Dec 24: Fr. Ricardo Rosales

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.
**Marian House Soup Kitchen**

**When:** December 29 & 31, 2022 (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.**

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**Senior /Family Dinners**

Dinner will be held today, from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm in the cafeteria. The cost is $3 per person. The menu includes ham, scalloped potatoes, corn, candied carrots, salad, dessert, and rolls. Please RSVP to Mike Bartusek at 640-8057.

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**Adult Catholic Studies**

On **December 18th and 25th**, we will not have class.

On **January 8th**, we resume the wonderful Footprints of God series we’ve been sharing. In this episode, Steve Ray – who has led hundreds of pilgrimages to the Holy Land – focuses on places significant to Peter’s story.

We first ‘travel’ to Bethsaida, where Peter and Andrew grew up. We then go to Capernaum, visiting the ancient White Synagogue as well as Peter’s house, where the paralytic’s friends lowered him through the roof. (We also get to see a 1st-century fishing boat discovered in the Sea of Galilee in the 1980s, after a terrible drought.)

The next site is the massive wall at Caesarea Philippi, which Jesus chose as the ‘backdrop’ when He proclaimed Simon as “the rock upon which I will build My Church.”

Steve concludes our journey with stops at Mt. Tabor, where Christ was transfigured, and at Tabgha, where the resurrected Son of God fixed breakfast for His friends!

Please join us as we follow The Footprints of God!

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

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, nor adore, nor hope, nor love You.

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which He is offended, through the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of You the conversion of sinners.

Amen.

NATIVITY SCENE

Also known as a creche, this tradition dates back to Saint Francis of Assisi, who is credited with creating the first live nativity scene in 1223 as a way to make public worship of Jesus part of the Christmas season. The recreation of the birth of Christ, featuring people dressed as Mary, Joseph and the shepherds, was meant to bring the Bible to life for a population of believers who were not literate. The use of small figures and elaborate displays was perfected during the 1700s in Naples, Italy. These recreations are featured in churches and homes around the world to this day. Typically the manger is kept empty and only filled with the baby Jesus on Christmas Day.

CHRISTMAS EVE/DAY

The day before Christmas is widely observed as a full or partial holiday in anticipation of the birth of Jesus. Celebrations throughout Christendom have a tradition of starting on the evening of December 24 due in large part to the liturgical day starting at sunset the previous day, a practice inherited from the Jewish tradition of marking the sabbath. Catholics, as well as some Protestant denominations, celebrate mass at midnight. The ceremony, held in churches throughout the world, celebrates the birth of Christ, widely believed to have occurred at night. Although the date of Jesus’ birth is unknown, several factors contributed to the choice of December 25. Most notably, it was the day of the winter solstice on the Roman calendar. Saint Augustine, in his writings, said the date chosen to remember the birth of Jesus was “on the day which is the shortest in our earthly reckoning and from which subsequent days begin to increase in length. He, therefore, who bent low and lifted us up chose the shortest day, yet the one whence light begins to increase.”

FEAST OF SAINT STEPHEN

The day is set aside to remember the first Christian martyr and used to extend the Christmas holiday. Celebrated by Catholics on December 26, it is considered a holiday in much of Europe. A deacon of the early church who lived in the first century, Saint Stephen aroused the ire of rabbinical authorities for his teachings. Accused by them of blasphemy, he delivered a speech denouncing Jewish authorities in Jerusalem who sat in judgment of him. The Book of Acts chronicles that Saint Stephen was stoned to death.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY

Jan. 1 not only marks the start of a new year, but is also a day Catholics attend Mass. The feast is a celebration of Mary’s motherhood and dates back to the early days of Christianity. In later centuries, Christians observed the circumcision of Jesus on that day, seven days after his birth as is customary in the Jewish tradition. In 1965, the Vatican set aside that practice and replaced it with the ancient tradition of dedicating the day to Mary.

Food Item of the Week

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

“Macaroni & Cheese”
Please pray for Francisca Rose who passed into eternal life on December 10, 2022.

“Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon her.

Rocky Mountain March for Life

Rocky Mountain March for Life
Civil Rights Begin in the Womb
Monday, January 16, 2023
9 AM to 1 PM, MLK Day

In January 2023, the center of focus for the Rocky Mountain pro-life movement will shift from the State Capitol to Colorado Springs. Respect Life Denver’s decision to forego their annual January Celebrate Life March opens the door for pro-life witnesses to gather in Colorado Springs for the traditional MLK Rocky Mountain March for Life. The theme is ‘Civil Rights Begin in the Womb’.

The day begins with a Rally on the Sidewalk near Planned Parenthood at 9 AM. (For parking if you intend to join the march, plan to arrive at Corpus Christi Catholic Church at 2318 N Cascade Avenue between 8 and 8:30 and ride the shuttle up to the sidewalk.)

In addition to prayers, the rally will include remarks by Catherine Wheeler, M.D. who performed abortions during her years of medical practice but had a profound conversion of heart and now speaks out as an advocate for the sanctity of all human life.

The March for LIFE will commence at 10 AM and will conclude at Corpus Christi Church where we will share more prayer, Catholic Mass, a pizza lunch, and fellowship.

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Christmas Flowers

All orders for Christmas flowers are due to the office no later than Monday, December 19, 2022.

If you send a donation electronically (through the parish website, using the dropdown menu to Flowers), please send an email to htparishoffice@holytrinitycos.org with the names of those being honored/remembered and be sure to put (L) for living or (D) for deceased.

Flower bulletins will be printed on Tuesday morning.

2022 Contributions

Reminder: Only donations made through December 31, 2022 will count for 2022 contributions.

Contributions made on Sunday, January 1, 2023 will be on your 2023 contributions statement.

Second Collection

Jan 22 Church in Latin America

Saturday Night Hospitality

Please join us for our Saturday Night Hospitality after the 5:00 p.m. Mass January 7. We will have coffee & goodies, bring some to share if you can. We hope you will come & join us for a casual gathering of friends & family.

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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.


December 18, 2022, through December 25, 2022

Sunday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24
Monday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25
Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
Thursday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
Friday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66
Saturday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79
Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]