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 - 11:15am Saturday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Saturday 4:00 - 4:40 pm

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 12:00 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

Pastor: Fr. David Boroff..... ext. 1001 pastor@holytrinitycos.org

Deacon: Andy Dunnam denadunnam@holytrinitycos.org

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dcnpmccann@holytrinitycos.org

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Becki Phelps ext. 1000
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music@holytrinitycos.org

Ryan Dayberry. ext. 1003

Director of Facilities

facilities@holytrinitycos.org

Catholic Legacy Society

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: Our Lady of Walsingham, 2410 N. Cascade Phone: 719-368-9131 St. Mary's, 2501 E. Yampa St.,

Phone: 635-7540

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

3122 Poinsetta Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80907 Phone: 719-633-2132 HOLY TRINKY COMEN

Website: www.holytrinitycos.org

Email: holytrinitycatholicparish@comcast.net

Social Media: Facebook & Gab



The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them,
"What are you looking for?" (John 1:37-38)

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 14, 2024

Readings

Jan 14, 2024 through Jan 21, 2024

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19, Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10,

1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20, Jn 1:35-42

Monday: Is 15:16-23, Ps 50:8-9,16-17, 21, 23

Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13, Ps 89:20-22, 27-28, Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51, Ps 144:1-2, 9-10,

Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7, Ps 56:2-3, 9-14, Mk 3:7-12 **Friday**: 1 Sm 24:3-21, Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11, Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27, Ps 80:2-3, 5-7,

Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10, Ps 25:4-9 1 Cor 7:29-31,

Mk 1:14-20

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@diocs.org or 719-866-6518.

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 httparishoffice@holytrinitycos.org.

Thank you for your help!!

Sacraments

<u>Baptisms:</u> 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. <u>Marriage:</u> 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.

Please contact the parish office for additional information at (719) 633-2132.

Marian House Soup Kitchen

When: January 25, 2024 (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.

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.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14, 2024

Weekly Events Calendar

Sunday, Jan 14

K of C Breakfast Burritos - cafeteria

Monday, Jan 15

7:00 pm: Boy Scouts - Hope House

Tuesday, Jan 16

6:30 pm: Latin Study Group - Hope House

Saturday, Jan 20

11:00 am: Adoration and Confession - Church

Sunday, Jan 21

Coffee & Donuts after Mass until 1:00 pm - cafeteria

1:00 pm: Senior Dinner - cafeteria



Schedule Change

The office will be closed January 15, 2024.

Breakfast Burritos

The Knights of Columbus will have breakfast burritos for sale after Masses today.

Offertory

Offertory Jan 7	\$ 16,828.10
Weekly Goal	\$ 7,400.00
YTD Goal	\$ 207,200.00
Actual Offertory to Date:	\$ 226,308.29
Over (Under) Goal	\$ 19,108.29

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.

Mass Times & Intentions

Monday, Jan 15

No Mass

Tuesday, Jan 16

12:00 pm: 4 Helen Menner

by: The Kilman Family

Wednesday, Jan 17

9:00 am: The Mildred McCann

by: Deacon Pete & Margaret McCann

Thursday, Jan 18

9:00 am: Angela French

by: The French Family

Friday, Jan 19

9:00 am: Barry Krueger

by: Deacon Chris & Becki Phelps

Saturday, Jan 20

5:00 pm: & C J Rutherford

by: Larry & Mary Thompson

Sunday, Jan 21

9:00 am: 4 Linda Bartusek

by: The Dronenburg Family

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.

Vocations Prayer Calendar

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

Jan 14: All the Seminarians of the world

Jan 15: Most Rev. James Golka

Jan 16: James McCann, Mt. St. Mary's Seminary

Jan 17: Michael Pokorny, Mt. St. Mary's Seminary Jan 18: Dominic Ambuul, Mt. St. Mary's Seminary

Jan 19: Johnathan DeCook, Spirituality Year

Jan 20: Stephen Ambuul, Spirituality Year

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.

REFRESH YOUR FAITH!!!

On January 14th, we will discuss Salvation, Purgatory, and the flawed Rapture Theory. We will learn the Catholic distinctions between redemption, sanctification, and salvation; see that purgatory, a cleansing waystation or heavenly anteroom, has biblical roots and is God's wonderful gift of mercy; and contrast Biblical teaching on faith and works



with Luther's misunderstanding of them.

On **January 21**st, we will begin our study of the Sacraments which, as the Baltimore Catechism said, are "outward signs instituted by Christ to give grace." But we will learn that the dimensions of the Sacraments are much wider and deeper than that one sentence.

Beginning with a brief, general introduction, we will then turn to two Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism and Confirmation. We will explain their characteristics and Biblical bases; discuss their effects; learn water's symbolism in the Old and New Testaments; and highlight how the grace of Confirmation completes the grace of Baptism, empowering us to witness to Christ.

Our upcoming Refresh Your Faith classes are:

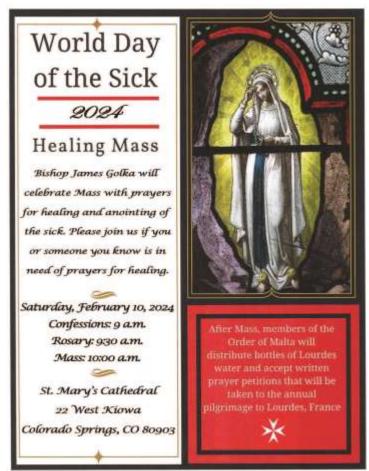
- Jan 14 Salvation, Purgatory, & Rapture Theory
- Jan 21 Introduction to the Sacraments; Baptism; Confirmation
- Jan 28 Sacrament of the Eucharist
- Feb 4 The Mass
- Feb 11 Introduction to Morality
- Feb 18 Preparing for Penance and the Sacraments of Healing
- Feb 25 The Sacraments of Service & Communion

Refresh Your Faith meets in the Hope House on Sunday mornings at 11:30.

Food Item of the Week

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

"pasta sauce"



Talitha Koum Ministry Presents



who: High School Girls Retreat

where: St. Francis of Assisi - Colorado Springs

when: 5 PM Fri, January 26, 2024 - 10:30 PM Sat, January 27, 2024

cost: \$80/person

All meals included beginning with dinner Friday evening

register: Register by January 20, 2024

Register: www.diocs.org/talitha-hourn-beloved-girls-retreat

bring: Sleeping bag, air mattress, personal toiletries, and a snack to share (optional)

Parents are invited to a brief presentation 5:30 PM Friday
 Mobile use is restricted during the retreat. In case of

info: emergency contact: 719-396-4215

questions? Contact Carol Heithoff, 719-528-8407, cheithoff@saintgabriel.net





Discalced Carmelites Secular Order

The Community of the Teresian Carmel & The Little Way Discalced Carmelites Secular Order in Colorado Springs will be accepting aspirants during our monthly meeting on January 27, 2024.

Our monthly Carmelite meetings are held at Holy Apostles Catholic Church on the 4th Saturday with a few exceptions due to holidays.

Aspirants will journey one year to discern whether they have a vocation in Carmelite spirituality.

The deadline to apply is Friday, January 19, 2024.

If interested, please contact Mikell Humpert, OCDS President at 719-651-3727 or email Mikell at mhumpert5@msn.com. Additionally, you may email Mary Lou Posch, OCDS Formation Director at mlcposch@aol.com or call Mary Lou at 719-510-6800 for more information."

Senior / Family Dinner

Dinner will be held next **Sunday**, **January 21**, **from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm** in the cafeteria. The cost is \$4 per person. The menu includes chicken & dumplings, mashed potatoes, broccoli, salads, dessert, and rolls. Please RSVP to Mike Bartusek or the office.

Together for Life

Together for Life: January 21 As the state of Colorado continues to promote a radical antilife agenda, the necessity to engage our culture on the grassroots level has also become increasingly clear.

Not all of us have the time or ability to volunteer at a pregnancy resource center or to do Sidewalk

Advocacy—but all of us can converse and engage with coworkers, neighbors, friends, family, and acquaintances. This battle can and will be won – one person at a time. But we need the right tools to do so.



As the fight to defend ALL Human Life continues, PPCFL will host a "Together for Life" event so we can discuss how to be more effective in communicating the truth about life to others. Join us on Sunday, January 21, 2024 at 1:30 pm in the parish hall at St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church (8755 Scarborough Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80920).

Adult Catholic Studies

On January 14th, we will begin our study of the fascinating, often baffling Book of Revelation. This week we will set the general context of the Book, discussing its main points and relevance; its authorship, audience, and purpose; its symbolism; and its historical and scriptural context. We will also touch on interpreting



the Book with the mind of the Church.

On **January 21**st, we will cover chapters 1 through 3 of the Book of Revelation. Looking at John's exile on Patmos, we will discuss his encounter with the angel who commissions him to record his forthcoming visions because "the time is near."

The angel also commands John to write to seven churches in Asia Minor to comfort those who are suffering, correct those who are straying, and encourage all to persevere in the faith and ultimately conquer. We will also explain how those long-ago letters were also intended for the universal Church thereafter.

Our upcoming Adult Catholic Studies classes are:

- Jan 14 Revelation: Overview and Context
- Jan 21 Revelation: Introduction; Inaugural Vision; Letters to the Seven Churches
- Jan 28 Revelation: Visions of the Lord, the Scroll, and the Lamb; The Seven Seals
- Feb 4 The Seven Angels and Seven Trumpets
- Feb 11 The Seven Figures
- Feb 25 The Seven Angels and Seven Bowls of God's Wrath; The Great Whore and the Scarlet Beast; The Fall of Babylon
- Mar 3 The New Heaven, New Earth, New Jerusalem; The River of the Water of Life; Epilogue and Benediction

Holy Trinity Adult Catholic Studies meets Sundays at 10 am in the Hope House.



Second Collections				
Jan 28	Church in Latin America			
Feb 14	Church in Central & Eastern Europe			

Catholic FYI

The remote origins of the Liturgy of the Hours lie in the Old Testament practice of praying the psalms, which was continued by Christians in the early Church. With the peace of Constantine in the fourth century, Christians could for the first time build churches and gather publicly to pray in them. There quickly arose a tradition of gathering in the church as the day began and again in the evening for what was called Morning and Evening Hymns — that is, the praying of the psalms.

Contemporary documents testify to this practice throughout the early Church — in Palestine, Antioch, Constantinople, and Africa. It is also attested in councils of bishops in Spain and elsewhere.

In the morning and in the evening, Christians gathered in the church. If a bishop was present, he would lead; otherwise a priest would lead. The people would sing the psalms provided for the morning or the evening. Because they did not vary, the people could learn them by heart and sing them tunefully.

Other prayers were added from other parts of the Bible. In some places, a brief homily was given. The service concluded with intercessions for the needs of the Church and a final prayer. The origins of the Liturgy of the Hours, which follows a similar format, are readily apparent in this practice.

https://catholicexchange.com/where-did-we-get-the-liturgy-of-the-hours/

Snow Closures

Snow **delays** for Corpus Christi Catholic School or District 11, we will have Mass on Tuesdays at noon; **no** Masses if delay falls on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday.

Snow **closure**; **no** daily Mass on that weekday.

Rocky Mountain March for Life

Rocky Mountain Rally and March for Life will take place on January 15. Shuttles from Corpus Christi parking lot start at 8:30am. Rally begins at 9 with prayer and speeches. March from Planned Parenthood to Corpus Christi for prayer, adoration and Mass. Pizza lunch to follow. Contact Julie Bailey with questions(jbailey@diocs.org)

Indulgence

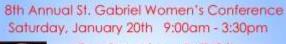
Catholics will be able to receive a plenary indulgence through February 2nd, 2024, the feast of the Presentation in the Temple of Our Lard Jesus Christ, by praying before a Nativity scene in a Franciscan church.

This year marks the 800th anniversary of the first live Christmas crib and Nativity scene in the Italian town of Greccio, December 24th, 2023. In celebration and gratitude for this Christmas tradition for 800 years, the Church has granted to all Franciscan churches the wonderful grace of this indulgence. As a reminder, a plenary indulgence cleanses a person of all temporal punishment due to sin, under these conditions:

- 1.A detachment from all sin, including venial sin.
- 2.A visit to the Church (in this case the Nativity scene in a Franciscan church) with prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father.
- 3. Sacramental Confession and Holy Communion within 20 days before or after the visit.

The Catholic Center at the Citadel will have a nativity scene up until - February 2, 2024.

The indulgence also applies to visiting the nativity scenes at St. Francis of Assisi parish in Colorado Springs or Castle Rock.





Guest speaker - Beth Sri
Born To Do This: Hope, Healing and Encountering
Jesus in the Depths of our Hearts
beth Sri is a mather of 8 children and married to Catholic
Preologian Edward Sri. A graduate of Benedictine College,
she was among the first focus riskstorates and hose led
numerous bible studies and women's groups.

Event will be in Cr Annunciation Holl of Re

Childcare available (advanced registration required)
Register at www.saintgabriel.net
Registration fee is \$25 per person



Sacristan & Lector Schedules

We are currently scheduling Sacristans and Lectors for February through May. This schedule will include Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14), the Triduum (Mar. 28-30), and Easter (Mar. 31). We need to know your availability. Please contact Chuck Pavlica at c.pavlica@yahoo.com or the Parish Office.

Jan 20 /Jan 21 ***3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time***						
5:00 PM		9:00 AM				
S	Mike	Bartusek	S	DeWayne	Scott	
S	John	Dronenburg	S	Doug	Fackelman	
L1	Ed	Flannery	L1	Pauline	Staton-Dunn	
L2	Susan	Pavlica	L2	Gretchen	Dunnam	

Please pray for...

Jennifer Ayala ~ Barbara Barbee ~ Brent Barkley ~ Michael Becerra ~ Kimberly Bergeron ~ Tom Berwager ~ Patricia Beyerl ~ Alverna Bieker ~ Brett Billesbach ~ John Billesbach ~ Mark Billesbach ~ Mike Bosso ~ Georgina Bromberick ~ Don Brown ~ Bernadette Bruno ~Ken & Catherine Budzon ~ Ralph Cabrera ~ Charles Caldon ~ Zachary Canaday ~ Joan Carr ~ Bill & Freeda Chase ~ Cerissa Cheffy ~ Jamie Chitwood ~ Cheryl Collins ~ Tara Conklin ~ Henry Copeland ~ Karen Cross ~ Mercy Cruz ~ Amanda Dennis ~ Elaine DeWitt ~ John DeWitt ~ Leon Dunn ~ Carol Durell ~ Anita Edwards ~ Shari Edwards ~ Rochelle Epperson ~ Tim Epperson ~ Mildred Espinoza ~ Anthony Falletta ~ Matthew Feller ~ Mick Finnerity ~ Kevin & Dustie Flynn ~ Demian Fontanella ~ Cindy Fuller ~ Randy Garcia ~ Barbara Garcia ~ Elizabeth Gohlke ~ Tom Gonzales ~ Jennifer Gonzalez ~ Donna Griffin ~ Timothy Hagin ~ Robbie Harmes ~ Betty Hart ~ David Hocens ~ Drew Hoffman ~ Karrie Hoskisson ~ Barbara Isner ~ Eric Jones, Jr. ~ Jadon Michael Kalp ~ Stephanie Kelley ~ Mike Kenny ~ Pat Kiruy ~ Penny Klube ~ Delores Krones ~ Rose LaBlanc ~ Jim Lahey ~ Catherine Lahey ~ Ed Lahey ~ Harry Lambrecht ~ Beverly Lemmon ~ Betty Lucero ~ Scott Maestas ~ Raymond Magic ~ Heidi Arbogast Manus ~ Aiko Marinko ~ Marie Marinko ~ Ron Marinko ~ Mae Martinelli ~ Stephen Martinelli ~ Joyce Mason ~ Denise Mastro ~ Alice Matthew ~ Jesse McCoon ~ Judith McIntire ~ Louise McPhillips ~ Maria Michaels ~ Doug & Cheryl Moloney ~ Tiffany Mothershead ~ Steven Nagel ~ Mark O'Donnell ~ Ann O'Leary ~ Justin Petterson ~ Richard Phelps ~ Sarah Phelps ~ Jason Piaggio ~ Dan Pitsko ~ Danelo Pohlson ~ Jim & Jessy Pratt ~ Reed Pratt ~ David Putnam ~ Erin Quijano ~ Joseph Rivas ~ Mary Ann Rivas ~ Theresa Robertson ~ Valerich Romero ~ Tony Rowan ~ Cliff Rutherford ~ Jennifer Rutherford ~ Andy & Dee Sabol ~ Linda Schell ~ Meredith Schell ~ Avla Anne Scott ~ Dana Scott ~ D. Gregg Scott ~ Judie Scott ~ Barbara Sebben ~ Jeff Sebben ~ Ray Seldak ~ Juanita Sharpe ~ Patrick Shook ~ Tom Sinnott ~ Moira Silva ~ Adam Smith ~ Joe Arthur Stegall ~ Kathy Stiffler ~ Stanley Strock ~ Barb Taylor ~ Bob Thompson ~ Lynn Toth ~ Gloria Tuttle ~ James Vanderwerf ~ Simon Vanderwerf ~ Cynthia Vialpando ~ Carol Wadman ~ Angel Weis ~ Carole Woolman ~ Don Wurr ~ Robert Wurr ~ Verl Wurr ~ Joyce Yost ~ Wilma Young

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.

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.

Bulletin Announcements

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

Volunteer Ministries at Holy Trinity

Adoration Altar Linens Altar Servers **Baptismal Prep Classes** Bereavement Dinners **Bulletin Stuffers** Coffee and Donuts Communion - Home Bound Communion - Nursing Homes

Confirmation Environment Faith Formation Finance Council **FOCCUS**

Health and Wellness Holy Trinity Ladies Guild Knights of Columbus Lectors / EMHCs / Greeters Lending Library Lighthouse Catholic Media Marian House Soup Kitchen

Marriage Prep / Marriage Retreat Money Counters Outdoor Environment Pastoral Council **RCIA** Respect Life Scouts Senior Dinners

& Giving Tree Stewardship Ushers Vocations

Welcoming Newcomers

SHARE Food Program

Cindy Dronenburg Pauline Staton-Dunn

Clergy Clergy Judie Scott

Terry & Judy McIntire Bud & Judie Scott

Judie Scott 550-0943 Clergy Joan Kilman Gretchen Dunnam Joan Kilman Bill Zimkus

Den Andy & Gretchen Dunnam

Judie Scott John Dronenburg

Darrin French Dick & Evelyn Koprowski

Chuck Pavlica

Pastor Jane Biondi Danielle Hrovat Don Dornan Phil & Connie Pratt Matt Niedzielski Mike Bartusek Mike Bartusek Jane & Vince Biondi Larry & Mary Thompson

Susan Pavlica Pete Dunn Pastor

For more information, call the Parish Office 633-2132

Martyrs; Saints Thomas More & Saint John Fisher

Throughout the 1400s, the Catholic Church played a central role in the religious, cultural, and political fabric of England. Magnificent churches were built, monasteries thrived, clergy wielded influence, religious holidays were nationalized, and the Catholic Church collaborated with the state, in union with Rome.

Thomas More was born in London, England, in 1478. His father, a well-respected lawyer and judge, ensured that Thomas received an education at one of London's finest schools. At the age of twelve, Thomas served in the household of Archbishop John Morton of Canterbury, who was also the Lord Chancellor of England. Thomas' intelligence quickly became evident, leading to his enrollment at the University of Oxford to prepare for future legal studies. During this time, he developed a strong faith, influenced by the witness of the Carthusians monks, and he contemplated a monastic vocation himself. Although he eventually chose a career in law, his life of prayer and penitential practices blossomed.

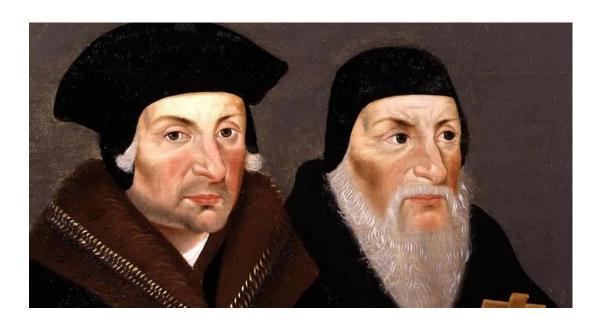
...Thomas More refused to support the king's claim that he was the head of the Church of England

https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/june-22-saints-john-fisher-bishop-and-martyr-and-thomas-more-martyr/

John Fisher was born in Beverley, Yorkshire, England, in 1469. At the age of fifteen, Fisher enrolled in the University of Cambridge, where he pursued studies in theology. He was ordained a priest around the age of twenty-two. His academic excellence led to an invitation to remain at Cambridge, where he fulfilled roles as a chaplain, professor, and eventually Vice-Chancellor and Chancellor. In 1504, when he was approximately thirty-five years old, Father Fisher was ordained a bishop and appointed to the Diocese of Rochester.

Despite serving in one of the smallest and poorest dioceses in England, Bishop Fisher became renowned for his preaching, pastoral care, and adherence to orthodox faith.

Bishop John Fisher firmly defended the bond of marriage, stating that he was willing to die, just as Saint John the Baptist did, for the defense of marriage.



Catholic and cultural topics are discussed at the Sts. More & Fisher Society meetings. You are invited to join us with your perspectives and questions on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM in the Hope House.