Holy trinity
catholic church
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"And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light." (Matthew 17:2)

Second Sunday of Lent
March 5, 2023
### 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.

### volunteer ministries at holy trinity

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*for more information, call the parish office 633-2132 x 0*

### 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.

### 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, Mar 5**
Coffee & 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, Mar 6**
7:00 pm: Boy Scouts - Hope House

**Tuesday, Mar 7**
6:30 pm: Latin Study Group - Hope House

**Thursday, Mar 9**
9:30 am: Bible Study - Hope House
6:00 pm: Knights of Columbus - Hope House

**Friday, Mar 10**
5:30 pm: K of C Fish Fry - cafeteria
6:00 pm: Confessions - Church
6:30 pm: Stations of the Cross - Church

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

**Sunday, Mar 12**

**Daylight Savings Time Begins**
Coffee & 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
12:30 pm: Polish Palms - cafeteria

**Weekly Events Calendar**

**Mass Times & Intentions**

**Monday, Mar 6**
No Mass

**Tuesday, Mar 7**
5:00 pm: Gregory Barstad  
by: Noble & Kathleen Kilman

**Wednesday, Mar 8**
9:00 am: Joanne Urbanski  
by: Matt Niedzielski

**Thursday, Mar 9**
9:00 am: Dan Biondi  
by: Jane & Vince Biondi

**Friday, Mar 10**
9:00 am: Joyce Nagel  
by: Deborah Lane

**Saturday, Mar 11**
5:00 pm: Mavis Clynch  
by: Frank & Hatsi McCormick

**Sunday, Mar 12**
9:00 am: Wilfred McKee  
by: Chuck & Susan Pavlica
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.

**Offertory**

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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:

**Mar 5:** Joshua Wojcik, St. Gregory the Great Seminary
**Mar 6:** The Holy Father & his intentions
**Mar 7:** Permanent Deacons in the Diocese
**Mar 8:** Transitional Deacons being Ordained this year
**Mar 9:** Kevin Ward, Mt. St. Mary’s Seminary
**Mar 10:** An increase in Vocations to the Priesthood
**Mar 11:** Mark Rocco, St. Gregory the Great 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.

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**Marian House Soup Kitchen**

**When:** March 30, 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.**

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**Inclement Weather Policy**

In the event of bad weather Holy Trinity will follow both District 11 and/or Corpus Christi Catholic School policy. If either are closed or have a late start, or are e-learning, there will be no 9 am daily morning Mass. Please be prudent in making a decision to come for the daily evening Mass if weather is questionable.

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**Adult Catholic Studies**

**OUR SPECIAL LENTEN PROGRAM**

On **March 5th**, we will focus on **The Afterlife**, that instant when our minutes run out and we experience the Particular Judgment…seeing our entire lives and instantly realizing we will forever remain what we have become.

We will hear that all who end up in hell have chosen it for themselves…and that, because they closed themselves to God, their need for Him will eternally burn them.

We’ll learn purgatory makes so much sense that, if it didn’t exist, we’d have to invent it. We’ll discover that its fire, unlike hell-fire, makes strong all in us that is good.

We’ll ponder the moment Dante describes on his climb up Mt. Purgatorio, when he hears singing that grows ever louder and realizes it’s the angelic chorus welcoming each soul as it steps into heaven. We’ll realize that, since the Beatific Vision is infinite, we’ll be able to enjoy it forever!

On **March 12th**, we’ll focus on **The Hour of Our Death**, beginning with the Little Sisters of the Poor who, by ‘keeping watch’ with the dying, show us that, after baptism, death is the most significant moment in life.

We’ll see how a memento mori reminds us to be ready for the day we die by being ready to die every single day.

We’ll discover that our final suffering is a vocation, a call to pray with our body, make a sacrificial act of love.

We’ll conclude with Last Rites, the final ‘rung’ on the ladder up to God. We’ll walk through the process, seeing the three elements paralleling the Sacraments of Initiation. We’ll be reminded that Viaticum, bread for the journey, nourishes us as we near the door of death. And we’ll hear the beautiful Commendation: “Go forth, Christian soul…”

Please join us for this important Lenten Journey!

**March 12:** The Hour of Our Death
**March 19:** The Faithful Departed

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.
**Friday Fish Fries**

The Knights of Columbus would like to say ‘Thank You’ to the parishioners who have so generously supported us in the past by providing a free fish fry on March 10th and 31st at 5:30 pm in the cafeteria. Donations are gladly accepted to cover the cost of the fish.

**Friday Soup Suppers**

Holy Trinity will have Soup Suppers in the Hope House March 17th and 24th only.

**Senior/Family Dinner**

Dinner will be held **Sunday, March 19, from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm** in the cafeteria. The cost is $3 per person. The menu includes corned beef, cabbage, potato halves, carrots, salads, dessert, and rolls. Please RSVP to Mike Bartusek at 640-8057.

**EWTN Schedules**

The EWTN quarterly schedules are available at either entrance; please pick one up to have handy at home.

**Craft Fair**

The Spring Craft Fair will be held in the gym March 25 & 26, 2023.

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**Polish Palms**

Please join us to make Polish Palms for Palm Sunday at Holy Trinity on March 12th at 12:30 PM in the Cafeteria to be carried along in your Palm Sunday procession!

We will supply materials to craft paper flowers to decorate the palm branches. To make sure we have enough supplies, please RSVP by March 9th to Marie at andersonmariecarol@hotmail.com. Any donation to help cover the cost of the supplies would be much appreciated.

**Catholic FYI**

The Paschal candle is one of the most sacred and enduring elements in Christianity. Made of beeswax to represent the purity of Christ, the candle’s wick signifies Christ’s humanity, and the flame His Divine Nature. It is adorned with one or more Christian symbols, often the cross to represent His redemptive sacrifice; the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet - Alpha and Omega – to signify that He is the beginning and the end; symbols of wheat and grapes, or a chalice and host, for the Eucharist - the true presence of Christ and our spiritual strength; the 12 Apostles – witnesses and scribes to the passion, death, resurrection and ascension of Christ; and other symbols such as the Good Shepherd, the Lamb, the Sacred Heart, and the Risen Christ.

The Paschal candle is a rich symbol of our faith. It reaches its pinnacle at Easter. Each year during the Easter Vigil service on Holy Saturday night, a fire is kindled in a metal bowl, called a ‘brazier’ (bray’-zhr). From the brazier comes a “new” and blessed fire that lights the Paschal candle which is carried in procession into the dark church. The “new” fire serves as an image of the Resurrection. The candle, which represents Christ himself, is placed on a special Paschal candle stand near the altar. Five grains of incense are inserted into the candle to recall the aromatic spices that were used to prepare Christ’s body for the tomb, and the wounds in His hands, feet and side, which remained after His resurrection.

The Paschal candle remains in the Sanctuary on its special candle stand during the full 50 days of the Easter season, and is lit for liturgical services during that time. After Pentecost the candle will be placed next to the baptismal font. The candle is lit during all baptisms throughout the year, passing the light of Christ to each person baptized, starting with the Catechumens at the Easter Vigil service. The candle may also be used at funeral services, and placed next to the casket during a funeral Mass. At funeral services it is a reminder that the sacrament of Baptism is itself a death and resurrection in Christ, and testifies to Christian certainty in the resurrection of the dead and life with Christ in the world to come.

This candle, also called the Easter Candle, originated in the earliest days of Christianity, when evening prayer began with the lighting of a candle. This practice was probably inspired by the Jewish custom of lighting a lamp at the conclusion of the Sabbath. Historical references mention the Lucernarium, the evening prayer rite with which the early Christians began each Sunday vigil. The lighting of the candle dispelled the darkness and represented Christ – the Light of the World.

[https://www.zieglers.com/blog/the-paschal-candle-everything-you-need-to-know/](https://www.zieglers.com/blog/the-paschal-candle-everything-you-need-to-know/)
In a profound moment, Jesus offered a taste of His divinity to Peter, James, and John in the Gospel today. Jesus made known the glory He had with the Father before the world began. These three disciples were privileged to witness the manifestation of the Transfiguration.

As powerful as the Transfiguration must have been (Peter was so awed, he didn’t even know what he said), that encounter can’t equal receiving the Eucharist! Receiving an image of God through one’s eyes can’t rival the privilege of taking God Himself into one’s body through the Eucharist.

Our community needs to know about this. When you support the Diocesan Ministry Appeal, you help our parish get the word out: God is here! He lives in our little tabernacle! It’s a secret that shouldn’t be kept. God’s care is manifest in the Eucharist: its humble appearance enables the fragile human heart to “fill that gap” with faith. Please help our parish facilitate these privileged encounters with Jesus by supporting the Annual Appeal.

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### Diocesan Ministry Appeal Update

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You are invited to join Bishop James Golka on Saturday, March 11, 2023 for the St. Patrick’s Day Parade Mass at 9:30 am. St. Mary’s Cathedral, 22 West Kiowa, Colorado Springs. The St. Patrick’s Day Parade follows at noon on Tejon Street in Downtown Colorado Springs.

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**Retrouvaille**

A Lifeline for Marriage - Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. This program has helped 10’s of 1000’s of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery.

For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on April 14-16, 2023, call (303) 317-5111 or email: retrouvialle.co@gmail.com or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

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**Food Item of the Week**

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

“pasta”

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**Second Collection**

| Apr 7 | Holy Land |
Lent 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

During this penitential season of Lent, we call to mind the horrific action the Colorado legislature took last year enshrining abortion into Colorado law. As people of faith, we are deeply saddened by this grave assault on the sanctity of unborn innocent life. We grieve for the many women who continue to be harmed by abortion, and we mourn the young lives lost due to the unjust and perverse Reproductive Health Equity Act (RHEA).

Governor Jared Polis signed this law on April 4th last year, just 13 days before Easter. In doing so, he made our state a destination for abortion tourism through all nine months of pregnancy. We must pray and ask God for His mercy. For this reason, I invite all the faithful to join me during the remainder of Lent in doing penance, giving alms, praying, and fasting. We must use these spiritual practices to make reparations for the great sin of abortion in our state.

We also renew our commitment to accompanying women and families in need. This work is more critical now, as the unborn have been stripped of their right to life and their mothers face the harmful lie that the death of their children is a solution to their struggles. In response to the passing of RHEA, we must step forward with open arms and effective resources to help women reject the “solution” of death and empower them to choose life for their children.

In the Diocese of Colorado Springs, we do this through the support provided by Catholic Charities of Central Colorado and pro-life pregnancy resource centers. In addition, our diocesan Respect Life Apostolate sponsors Walking with Moms in Need (WWMIN) - a ministry to help parishioners identify and create local resources that provide assistance to pregnant and parenting moms in need. Project Rachel is another important ministry for individuals who have been harmed by abortion. I urge you to please consider joining a WWMIN ministry at your parish or getting involved in other pro-life works of mercy in our diocese. For more information, please visit https://www.dioec.org/Pastoral-Services/Respect-Life-Apostolate.

We will continue our efforts to build a culture of life in which abortion is unthinkable, all families receive the support they need, and the dignity of all people is recognized. We do this with confidence in the ultimate victory of Christ, whose resurrection has defeated the powers of death.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, who carried the Savior in your womb, Patroness of our diocese and the pro-life movement, pray for us.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ James R. Golka
Most Reverend James R. Golka
Bishop of Colorado Springs
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.

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

March 5, 2023 through March 12, 2023

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jbr 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

Bulletin Announcements

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

Please pray for…


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.
Please make a monetary donation to our Easter Flower Fund in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of someone who is living. Your monetary gift will enable the parish to purchase flowers to enhance the liturgical environment for our Easter celebration! Requested donation is $15.

Please return the tag below to the parish office with your donation or drop in the offertory in an envelope marked “Easter Flowers”. Donations can also be made at www.holytrinitycos.org using the ‘DONATE’ link. The drop down menu has an option for ‘Flower Donation’.

The flowers will greatly enhance the environment in the church throughout the Easter season. Thank you!

Would you like to let someone know how much they are appreciated?

Would you like to honor a deceased friend or relative?

Name of person/s being honored/remembered: (Please PRINT clearly)

1) ____________________________________________
2) ____________________________________________
3) ____________________________________________
4) ____________________________________________

Please note whether living or deceased

Honored/remembered by: __________________________________

Your phone #: _____________________________

Please mark: ____cash ____check _____ online