

Holy Trinity Church

Staffed by the Missionaries of La Salette

Fifth Sunday Of Lent

PARISH OFFICE

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OFFICE HOURS: (Please call for an appointment outside these hours)
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Wednesday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

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Parish Building Maintenance: Frank Gaulin, Jr.

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Parish Council Chairperson: Lucyna Lewinski

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday: 12:10 pm

Friday: 12:10 pm Communion Service

Saturday: 4:00 pm Vigil

Sunday: 7:00 am, 8:30 am (Polish), 10:30 am

Holy Days of Obligation: Eve of Holy Day: 7:00 pm,
Holy Day: 12:10, 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:00 to 3:45 pm, 15 minutes before
weekday Masses during Lent, or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

A person does not need to wait until the point of death to receive this sacrament. Please call the office if a parishioner is seriously ill, in the hospital or planning surgery.

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM and MARRIAGE

Those who desire the Sacraments of Baptism or Marriage must be registered and practicing members of the Parish for at least three months.

BAPTISMS: Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment prior to making any arrangements. The Sponsors (i.e. Godparents) must also be practicing Catholics.

WEDDINGS: Please call the Parish Office one year in advance. Consult the Parish Priest before setting a date.

HOLY TRINITY MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Trinity Parish is a Roman Catholic La Salette Community proud of our Polish heritage, and committed to witnessing the Gospel message of Jesus Christ through liturgy, education, and celebrating the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. Our parish community is a FAMILY, seeking to develop a cooperative spirit of supporting each other in facing the joys and sorrows of everyday life. By serving others in this way, we can bring about love, forgiveness and compassion representing the heart and hands of Jesus Christ through the message of mercy revealed to us by Our Lady of La Salette in 1846. We invite you to join us!!!



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY- March 19 St. Joseph

12:10 pm: Janina & Waclaw Pozniak
R/B Daughter & family

TUESDAY - March 20

12:10 pm: Bogdan Halama
R/B Onik family
All Parishioners

WEDNESDAY - March 21

12:10 pm: Zofia Zielonka
R/B Onik family

6:30 PM: Holy hour of Adoration

THURSDAY - March 22

12:10 pm: Mary Jane Stec
R/B Sofia Bator
Jan Socha
R/B Bozena & Krzysztof Jaworowski

FRIDAY - March 23

12:10 pm: Communion Service
12:45 pm: Stations of the Cross
7:00 pm: Polish Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY- March 24

4:00 pm: Catherine & James Bozek
(birth remembrance)
Catherine Bozak (anniversary remembrance)
R/B Rosmary Banach
Theodore Desorcy
R/B family

SUNDAY - March 25

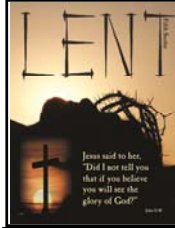
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:00am: Peter & Frances Surowy
R/B Teresa, Richard, Mari & Annie
8:30am: Elzbieta & Jerzy Grabowiec
R/B J & W Urbanek & family
10:30am: Joseph & Monica Bogusiewski
R/B Joanne Le Beau & family

MEMORIAL CANDLE for the WEEK of 3/18

Frances Surowy
R/B Teresa, Richard, Mari & Annie

Merciful Father You are the source of all comfort. We know that those who live in your LOVE enter your Heavenly Kingdom after death. Please WATCH OVER the souls of our dear departed as they journey to be with you . Please COMFORT the grieving and offer reassurance to the bereaved and help us to remain STEADFAST in our faith so that we may be reunited with our loved ones in HEAVEN when our time comes to pass into eternal LIFE.



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Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice!
-Psalm 130:1

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading -I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts. (Jeremiah 31:31-34).
Psalm - Create a clean heart in me, O God (Psalm 51).
Second Reading - Christ became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him (Hebrews 5:7-9).
Gospel - If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit (John 12:20-33).

Palm Sunday March 24 & 25

Saturday 4:00 pm Reader: Robert Nomakeo
Ministers of the Body and Blood of Christ:
Mary Corliss, Ann Mello, *Maureen Nomakeo*
Sunday 7:00 am Reader: Larry Lafield
Ministers of the Body and Blood of Christ:
Betty Lafield, Teresa Greenwood, Joellyn Douthwright
8:30 am Reader: Barbara Urbanek
& Krzysztof Jaworowski
Minister of the Body and Blood of Christ:
Stanislaw Pluciennik
10:30 am Reader: Hal Beattie
Ministers of the Body and Blood of Christ:
Melanie Cannata, Cheryl Rothermel, *Teresa Oleksak*

Holy Thursday March 29

7:00pm Reader: Sandra Kielbasa & Czeslawa Biegalski
Ministers of the Body and Blood of Christ:
Douglas Rollins, Joellyn Douthwright, *Diane Brunelle*

Good Friday March 30

3:00 pm Readers: Joanne Rollins, Gary Forni

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Please pray for those intentions expressed in the Book of Intentions located in the back of the church, Also:



Dorothy, Elaine, Barbara Rosiensi, Bill, Matthew DeMars & family, Theresa, Donna Capell, Liam Bisson Ingersoll, Larry, Carol Jeneral, Laura & Edward Danek, Lillian & Natalie Danek, Marie Anne, Marlene Bannish, Madeline C., Michael, Paul M., Kaylee Paulson, Bernie B., Steven Hezik, Maureen W., Kevin S., Joan & Tom K., Eli, Emil Onik, Kazimierz, Warren, Monika Laz, and Neva, all in hospitals, nursing homes, or home-bound, those with mental illness or addictions, the unemployed, homeless, our youth, our political leaders, all in the military, those who have fallen away from the faith, the souls in purgatory and for the safety of all.

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Our Lady of Good Success, pray that your Son will grant a haven of peace in His Sacred Heart to all priests, especially those newly ordained.

Please pray daily for all the religious that serve us and others. **March 19** Rev. Joseph Powel, OFM, **20** Rev. Chris Fedoryshyn, **21** Rev. Kenneth Dos Santos, MIC, **22** Rev. Andry Krip, **23** All Military Chaplains, **24** Rev. Dennis Grumsey, OFM Conv. **25** Pope Francis.

Also extend these prayers to the deacons of our diocese.

RESPECT LIFE ~ March 18-19

From today's Gospel, John 12:33 ~ "...**unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.**"

The pro life movement, improved services for single moms, awareness of end of life issues, boarder walls and fences and immigration are life grains falling to the ground waiting to produce the fruits of hope and love.



DONATIONS TO OUR PARISH:

*~In memory of Mary Jane Stee
From: Veronica Matthews
Christopher Galbraith &
Mura-Ann Matthews*

*~In memory of Robert Garcia
From: Mary Zomze*

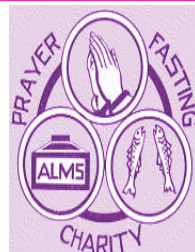
*Thank you ,may God bless you
For your generosity .*



Take up your cross and follow Jesus, and you will enter eternal life. If you die with Him, you will also live with Him, and if you share His suffering, you will also share His glory.

LENLEN REGULATIONS

- Fridays** of Lent are days of **abstinence** from meat.
- The obligation to **abstain** from meat commences at fourteen (14) years of age.
- The obligation to **fast** commences at 18 and ends at 59 years of age.



Although the faithful enjoy *freedom of conscience* **No Catholic should lightly excuse himself/herself from this obligation in the Lenten season.**

THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education .The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS!** For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

March 17 & 18

Weekly:	220 envelopes	\$4,512.00
Loose:		\$441.00
Total Offertory:		\$4,953.00
Improvement Fund:	17 envelopes	\$206.00
Fuel Fund:	28 envelopes	\$308.00
Boiler Fund:	11 envelopes	\$57.00
Bishop Relief Fund:	39 envelopes	\$521.00
Easter Flowers:	44 envelopes	\$799.00
Easter:	2 envelopes	\$36.00
Miscellaneous:	4 envelopes	\$24.25

Thank You to those who continue to financially support our parish. God bless your generosity!

The second collection next weekend if for the parish Boiler fund.



2018 Annual Catholic Appeal

Your prayerful contribution combines with those of other faith-filled Catholics in western Massachusetts to support services to the family & elderly; services to those in need; services to young people; and pastoral and spiritual support services.

“In giving, we receive” is an opportunity to thank God for the blessings in our lives and share your blessings with thousands of brothers and sisters in need. And, it is simple to give....send in your one-time contribution, or make a pledge using the donation card you receive in the mail, or donate online through Jobserve.org and click on the icon entitled, **“In giving, we receive.”** Donation envelopes are available at the church doors. All donations are tax deductible to the extent that the law allows.

BETHLEHEM HOUSE LENTEN GIVING TREE

The Bethlehem House in Easthampton provides help to at risk new mothers. Suggestions for giving are clipped to the tree in the front of the Church. **Unwrapped items should be placed under the tree. Donations will be appreciated from 3/5-3/25. Items needed are:** Gift card to Babies Are Us, Dove *unscented* soap; disposable diapers size 1,4, 5 or 6; *Unscented* baby wipes, baby lotion, shampoo and baby wash; baby bottles, 3 pack plastic; hooded baby towels; Carriers, bibs, blankets booties and diaper bags.

ROSARY SOCIETY BAKE SALE & RAFFLE

The Rosary Society Palm Sunday Weekend Bake Sale & Raffle will be held on **Saturday, March 24 from 3 to 5:30 pm & on Sunday, March 25 from 7:30 am to 12 noon.** Easter breads from Bob’s Bakery in Chicopee, MA will be available on a first-come first-serve basis. Homemade chicken soup and chili will be sold to go. Homemade pies, cakes, cookies and candies will also be sold. Please stop by and get some delicious desserts and breads for Easter. Our Giant Chinese Raffle always offers many great prizes. **Hope to see you there!**

TAG & RUMMAGE SALE NEWS

Donations NEEDED for our 2018 **Tag & Rummage Sale.** Items & clothes including tools, fishing equipment, and misc. hardware can be dropped off at the garage (Jewelry & jewelry boxes at office) during office hours. **Call the office with questions at 568-1506. We accept everything except large furniture & appliances. All ITEMS will be greatly appreciated! !**



Holy Trinity Basketball 3 on 3 basketball

April 27 & 28: age groups 8-10, 11-13, & 14-16. The tournament cost is \$60 per team (Co-ed optional) To register or for more information call or email the office @ 568-1506 or htoffice@comcast.net.

**~EASTER SHOPPING ~
Vine & Branches Gift Shop**



Easter will be coming soon and our gift shop has a number of items to help you fill your Easter basket. Browse our selection of books and save 20% off the ticketed price. Also on display is a selection of children’s jewelry and bookmarks. Buy a raffle ticket for \$1 for a chance to win our Easter basket filled with lots of goodies. The winning ticket will be drawn during the final fish dinner on March 23. Vine & Branches Gift Shop, 1061 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills Hours: Wednesday thru Saturday 9:30a – 4:00p & Sunday: 9:00a – 12:30p.

The Polish Junior League of Massachusetts

Now accepting applications for scholarships for college **students of Polish heritage.** Undergraduate scholarships are awarded to students completing their Sophomore year of college; the Josephine Karwoski Scholarship is awarded to a female graduate student or a returning student. Application information and forms may be obtained at www.polishjuniorleaguema.org (applications). **Deadline for application materials is May 1.**



We are looking for help on Good Friday morning March 30th to clean and prepare the church for Easter. We will be working from 9am to 1pm and any help is appreciated.

Also, we are looking for volunteers on Saturday March 31st to put up the Easter Flowers and a final cleaning. This will take place from 9am to noon. ~ Many hands make the work light.

THE STANLEY JEZ SCHOLARSHIP is open to University of Massachusetts Amherst students majoring in forestry, environmental science, or arboriculture in either the College of Natural Sciences or the Stockbridge School. Qualified students are ranked in order of consideration by the following:

1. Catholic students from Immaculate Conception Parish, Indian Orchard and Holy Trinity Parish, Westfield.
2. Catholic students from any parochial school in the Catholic Springfield Diocese.
3. Catholic students from public or private schools in the Catholic Springfield Diocese and recommended by the Bishop of Springfield.**
4. Catholic students from any Diocese in Massachusetts and recommended by their Bishop.***Letter from the Bishop must be sent to Dean Baker for application to be considered.*
5. Other students in the College of Natural Sciences majoring in forestry, environmental science or arboriculture. Scholarship(s) will be awarded competitively for the next academic year 2018—2019. Returning students must submit a renewal application. Completed applications may be submitted to: Dr. Martha Baker, Associate Dean, College of Natural Sciences, 220 Morrill Hall, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003. Deadline is May 1, 2018. **~See Fr. René for an application.**



Feast of Divine Mercy
Eucharistic Adoration & Confession
Sunday, April 8, 1-2 pm. Rosary at 1:30pm; Mass at 2pm followed by Eucharistic Adoration & Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm.
At Holy Trinity Church 333 Elm St.

Shut-In Communion Service

With the **Easter Season** upon us. If you or a family member are in the hospital, nursing home or home-bound and would like to receive communion or there are any changes to your living arrangements or needs. Please call the office for a visit.

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish, 127 Holyoke Road, Westfield invites you to join us for our **3rd Lenten Series, Faith in Action**, being held Wednesday evenings during Lent at 6:30pm. All Are Welcome! See bulletin board for details.

2017 CONTRIBUTIONS- INCOME TAX FILING

Contributions received after Jan. 1, 2018 cannot be back-dated to 2017. When requesting the 2017 Yearly Contribution Report please include a **Business -size Stamped Self-addressed Envelope and the following form filled out completely.**

Name: _____
 Address: _____

Envelope # _____ Tel.: _____



ROSARY SOCIETY
BAKE SALE & RAFFLE

The Rosary Society would like to thank everyone for their continued support for our two major annual fundraisers – Our Holiday Craft & Vendor Fair and our Palm Sunday Weekend Bake Sale & Raffle. **Easter is sneaking up on us quickly this year so we are asking desperately for Raffle Prizes for our Palm Sunday Weekend Raffle on March 24 & 25, 2018.** If any Rosary member or parishioner would like to donate a gift card, raffle item(s) or gift basket, we would be truly grateful. Our Raffle baskets are getting very popular among parishioners and non-parishioners alike. Donations ARE NEEDED & can be dropped off at the Parish Office during regular office hours. **Please put “Rosary Raffle”** on the items you donate and your name & address so you can be thanked. Thank you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following members of our parish a very Blessed & Happy Birthday! **Sto Lat!**

Birthdays for 3/19 to 3/25 are:

- Daniel Arona,
 Hannah Bruno, Joshua Cepek,
 Emily Czarnecki, Kristen Czarnecki, Debra Garcia, Michael Grabowiec, Adam Hosmer, Cynthia Howe, Agnieszka Jaworski, Charles Kielbasa, Brian McBride, Teresa Meyers, John Organek, Jennifer Pasterkiewicz, Tomek Pikula, Thomas Speckels, Clinton York, Dominic Zajko.

