

# CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF

## CHRIST THE KING + HOLY TRINITY + ST. PATRICK

### One Body – One Faith – One Mission

December 1, 2024

First Sunday of Advent

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**Holy Trinity Church**  
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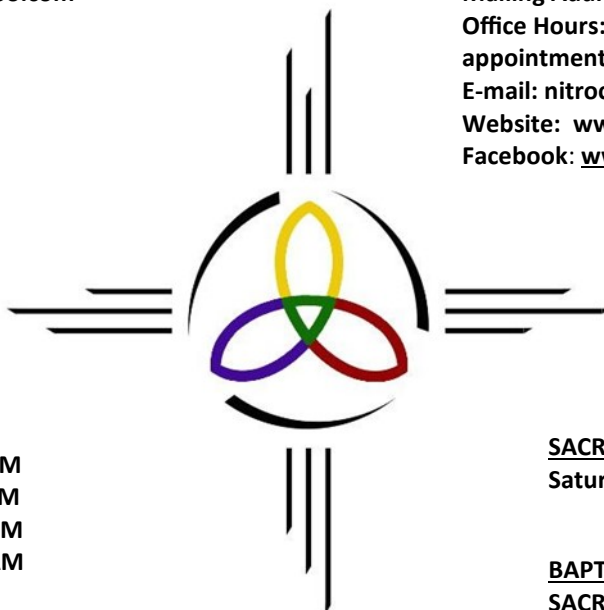
#### PASTORAL STAFF

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#### OFFICE INFORMATION

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#### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil at HT-----5:00 PM  
Sunday at SP -----8:00 AM  
Sunday at HT -----9:30 AM  
Sunday at CTK -----11:00 AM

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday at CTK-----6:00PM  
Wednesday at HT-----6:00PM  
(Suspended for the Winter)

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at HT ----- 4:00 PM

**BAPTISM:** Please call the Church Office  
**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** Please call the Church Office at any time  
**HOLY DAYS**—To be Announced  
**MATRIMONY:** Call 6 months in advance

#### TRI-PARISH VISION

In the heart of our three churches resides the Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Born of Divine Life our three churches unfold like leaves of one tree of life. Each church is unique in character, yet all are bonded in one baptismal call – becoming One Body, professing One Faith, and living One Mission. Encircled by wheels of collaboration in building the Kingdom of God, we reach out to all four corners of the world proclaiming by the testament of our lives the saving power of Christ's Cross.

## Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat, Nov 30	<u>HT</u>	5:00PM
Sun, Dec 1 First Sunday of Advent	<u>SP</u> Alice DiBenedetto (Richard & Celeste Peggs)	8:00AM
	<u>HT</u> Nicki Worley (L) (Caolainn Norton)	9:30AM
	<u>CTK</u> Dottie Russ (Cathy Carr)	11:00AM
Mon, Dec 2		
Tues, Dec 3		
Wed, Dec 4		
Thur, Dec 5 Fri, Dec 6	<u>HT</u>	10:00AM
Sat, Dec 7	<u>HT</u> Macario & Gladina Vito (Hernandez Family)	5:00PM
Sun, Dec 8 Second Sunday of Advent	<u>SP</u> Mary Newman (Steve & Michele Bays)	8:00AM
	<u>HT</u> Henry H. Craft (Larry Donegan)	9:30AM
	<u>CTK</u> Evan Stadjuhar (The Kingrys)	11:00AM



### Prayer List for the Sick and Home Bound:

**CTK-** Frank Beach, Christy Lucas, Danny Kimble, David Kingry, Albert Townsend, Val Nesser, Lery Beach, Carmelina Kessler, Carolyn Skiba, Ann Skiba

**HT-** Frances Sloan, Louise Papiak, Karen Andruzis, Caolainn Norton, Tom Robinson

**SP-** Ann Dean, Maria Pauline Bell.

To add a person or intention to the CTK Pray Chain, please Contact Cathy Carr (304-768-3878) Please contact the church office to remove names from this list.

### CTK Sanctuary Candlelight Intention In Memory of Louis & Ages Barto (Ed & Kerry Janco)

Total Contributions and Attendance for  
November 23-24, 2024  
Christ the King –\$1344.00 (101)  
Holy Trinity-(11/23) \$272.00 (31) (11/24) \$2149.00 (55)  
St. Patrick – \$720.00 (42)



The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is committed to the protection of its children and young people. The Diocese complies with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* by maintaining an Office of Safe Environment. To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families/Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 (toll free) or 304.233.0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. For more information on the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment, please go to [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org), then click the "Diocese" tab, then click "Office of Safe Environment" under the "Offices" menu. To learn more about the Catholic Church's efforts in preventing sexual abuse of children in the United States, please visit <http://www.usccb.org>. Under "Issues and Action," click "Child and Youth Protection" from the drop down menu.

## Daily Readings

**Monday, December 2 1st Reading, Is 2:1-5 Gospel, Matthew 8:5-11**

**Tuesday, December 3– 1st Reading, Is 11:1-10 Gospel, Luke 10:21-24**

**Wednesday, December 4- 1st Reading, Is 25:6-10a Gospel, Matthew 15:29-37**

**Thursday, December 5- 1st Reading, Is 26:1-6 Gospel, Matthew 7:21, 24-27**

**Friday, December 6– 1st Reading, Is 29:17-24 Gospel, Matthew 9:27-31**

## Diocesan News

**Next weekend** at all Masses, there will be a **Second Collection for the Retirement Fund for the Religious**. The Retirement Fund for the Religious provides funding to any religious institute in the U.S. that is listed in the religious institute section of the OCD with an identifying OCD number, and that has an unfunded past service liability. It distributes financial assistance from the fund to religious institutes based on a formula and criteria approved by the conferences of major superiors and bishops. Annual appeal began in 1988 and approved through 2027.

## Tri Parish News

Monday, December 9 is the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception** and is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. There will be Mass at Noon at Christ the King, 5:00pm at St. Patrick and 6:30pm at Holy Trinity.

## Christ the King News

**Mass Ministers for December:** Lector Mary Beth Mather; Ushers Bob & Madeline Barrett; Sacristan Michele Gurbacki; Counters on 12/1 – Bob Barrett/Tom White

Theresa Haid will lead the **Rosary on 12/8** at 10:35 AM, for the intention of Fr. Chapin's healing.

**Thank you** to St. Patrick's and Holy Trinity parishes for their donations to our Feast Day celebration.

Due to holidays and schedules, "History of the Church Through the Lives of the Popes" **classes are cancelled** until January 12, 2025.

Dunbar Community Partners is sponsoring a **Fill Your Stocking Event** on Saturday, 12/14. We have been asked to donate wrapped candy and small toys that will fit into a large stocking. There will be a basket in the Gathering Area next Sunday, 12/8. See the bulletin insert for more details. Thank you for your generosity.

Please return your **Shining Stars** gifts—**unwrapped**—in a bag—**with the star attached**—**by 12/15**.

The **Sanctuary Candle** burns at the tabernacle 24 hours a day/7 days a week. Each candle burns 14 days. If you would like to have a candle burn for a loved one or a special intention/need, fill out an envelope on the table in the Gathering Area and **give it to Cathy Carr**. There are 52 weeks in the year so we have 26 candles. Please hold your requests to 2 candles so everyone has a chance to participate. Let Cathy know if you would like more candles and she will contact you if there are some left.

**Remember to Bring** –Catsup on December 8 for the Food Pantry  
White cotton socks for men/women/children for the 1st Presbyterian Church to distribute  
Personal care and individual snack items for male & female Veterans

## Holy Trinity News

**Shining Stars is a Christmas Gift Program** sponsored by Catholic Charities. Please help provide Christmas to those in need by taking a Star, buying as many items as you can, and returning the gifts—**unwrapped**—in a bag—**with the star attached**—by December 15. The Stars are on small Christmas Tree in the Gathering Area.

## Saint Patrick News

Lectors for November 24-Todd, Dec 1-Josh

The month of December we will be collecting food, cleaning supplies and toiletries for the Five Loaves Two Fish Food Pantry in Poca. Please place your items in the marked totes in the hall.

Shining Stars is a Christmas Gift Program sponsored by Catholic Charities. Please help provide Christmas to those in need by taking a Star, buying as many items as you can and returning the gifts unwrapped in a bag with the star attached by December 15th. The Stars are on the tree in the vestibule. Please place the gifts in the middle classroom in the hall.

Please mark your calendars for our Christmas Dinner on Sunday, December 15th @ 1:00 pm.

Gabriel Project-Bancroft will be open the second Wednesday of every month for walk in service. We provide free diapers, wipes, clothes, and other baby essentials. Please visit and share our Facebook page for more information! If you would like to make a donation we have an Amazon gift registry and can accept gift cards, we are unable take cash donations at this time. If you have any questions see Sara Nunley after church. Or email [nunley84@gmail.com](mailto:nunley84@gmail.com)