# Holy Trinity Parish

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time August 25, 2024

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Office Hours: Mondays 10am-2pm at HT.

**Building use request:** Call the office.

**Confession:** Sat. 4:45-5:20pm at Holy Trinity, Sun. 8:20am at St. Mary, or by appointment.

**Baptism:** Contact the office at least 3 months before the birth to attend a class and set a date.

**First Penance/Eucharist:** Register for 1<sup>st</sup> grade catechism classes in preparation.

**Confirmation:** Register for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade catechism classes in preparation.

**Marriage:** Please call Father McCabe at least nine months prior to tentative date.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the office especially if in serious illness, near death or upcoming major surgery.

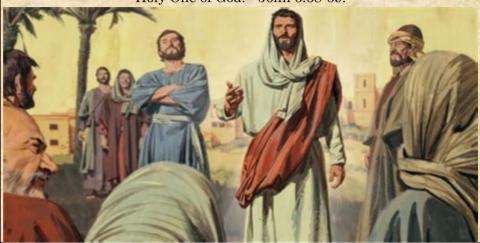
**Pastoral Care of the Sick:** If you move to a nursing home/care facility, would like a priest to visit, or are unable to attend Mass and would like Communion at home, contact the office.

Funerals: Contact the office.

**Mass Intentions:** Mail to the office or place in collection. (\$10/Mass suggested.)

**Bulletin Items:** Email to <u>holytrinitygood-hue@gmail.com</u> by Wednesday noon. The business office reserves the right to edit. **Trustees:** 

Mary Haggerty 651-923-4751 Ed McNamara 651-923-4777 Finance Council Chair: Mike Zorn 651-258-4165 Pastoral Council Chair: Steve Welscher 507-951-6171 Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." John 6:68-69.



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Sat.	5:30PM	HT	August 24	Parishioners	Rev 21:9b-14 / Ps 145 / Jn 1:45-51
Cum	8:45AM	SM	August 25	+Alan Brinkman	Josh 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b / Ps 34 / Eph
Sun.	10:30AM	SC		+Betty Gorman	5:21-32 / Jn 6:60-69
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	August 26	+Bernard Goihl	2Thess 1:1-5, 11-12 / Ps 96 / Matt 23:13-22
Tue.	8:00AM	HT	August 27	+Fr. Patrick Ryan	2Thess 2:1-3a, 14-17 / Ps 96 / Matt 23:23-26
Wed.	8:00AM	HT	August 28	+Paul O'Reilly	2Thess 3:6-10, 16-18 / Ps 128 / Matt 23:27-32
Thu.	9:00AM	SC	August 29	+Leo Ryan	Jer 1:17-19 / Ps 71 / Mk 6:17-29
Fri.		HT	August 30		1Cor 1:17-25 / Ps 33 / Matt 25:1-13
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	August 31	+Alice and Walter Rusch	1Cor 1:26-31 / Ps 33 / Matt 25:14-30
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	September	+Harley Welscher	_Deut 4:1-2, 6-8 / Ps 15 / Jam 1:17-18,
	10:30AM	SC	<u></u> 1	Parishioners	21b-22, 27 / Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Mission: We grow together in Christ.

# Welcome to our Parish Churches!



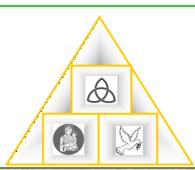
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St. Columbkill Church (SC) 36483 County 47 Boulevard Goodhue, MN 55027



St. Mary Church (SM) 221 Chester Avenue Bellechester, MN 55027



#### From Father McCabe

"Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." Some of Jesus' own disciples were having trouble with his teaching which we heard last week. We hear them respond in today's Gospel, "This saying is hard; who can accept it?" (Jn 6:60)

Did some disciples leave when Jesus taught that we must love our enemies and pray for our persecutors? Probably, but we disciples know that loving our enemies and praying for those who persecute us is the only way to go since God's love through us transforms all of us, even those who treat us as enemies.

What was the hard teaching that alienated many of Jesus disciples? Was it that marriage by God's design is only between a man and a woman, for life, until death do you part? No, although some people struggle with the teaching that a Catholic Marriage is an indissoluble Sacrament, whereby God's marital grace is present until death do they part. Thus, a man and a woman truly become one body in the Sacrament of Marriage for the glory of God and his Church, just as Christ is the head of his bride the Church, in order to love and serve his Church family.

The teaching that many of Jesus' own disciples were having trouble was his teaching about the Holy Eucharist. Jesus taught that he was the "living bread come down from heaven" and that whoever eats his body and drinks his blood will have life within them. In fact, he repeats it several times, "I am the bread of life...You must eat my body and drink my blood in order to have life within you."

So central to his identity is the Holy Eucharist that Jesus says, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father." Jesus wants people to come to him, but they can only grow in this saving relationship when they believe that Jesus is in perfect union with God the Father. That is to say, that Jesus' divine and human will are in line with God the Father's eternal will.

Many of Jesus' disciples chose to turn away from Jesus at this teaching and go back to their former way of life.

Jesus then turns to some of his closest disciples, the Twelve Apostles, and asked, "Do you also want to leave?" You can just sense the sadness and anticipation in this question.

The Sacred Heart of Jesus is breaking because people are turning away from him even though he created them, sustains their lives, has healed them, has forgiven their sins through baptism and confession, and now he wants to feed them with his very life - his Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity – and they walk away from him.

Jesus asked his Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?"

Simon Peter, our first Pope, speaks up for the rest of the Twelve, and really for all practicing and yet broken Catholics throughout the world when he says: "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the



believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." (John 6:69)

Every doctrine or teaching that Jesus Christ has communicated to us through the Bible and the Catholic Church – which has protected and translated the Bible as well as Sacred Tradition – is expressed out of true love for us, for our saving relationship with God and one another.

We are called to believe all of Jesus' teachings, the doctrines of his Church, even though we might not understand them fully, at least at this point in our spiritual journey.

A story comes to mind. When I was about 12 years old walking to CCD class (faith formation class), a fellow classmate told me, "The only reason why you are going to CCD is because your parents told you to go."

I felt upset and told him something like, "My parents want me to go to CCD, and I want to go too, because I learn about God."

On the way home, I realized that my parents and I want the same thing. Our wills were united in the desire that I should know, love and serve God, for this is the way to true happiness and heaven.

Much like my Dad loves and serves my Mom, and my Mom loves and serves my Dad, because they want to stay united in pleasing God and one another, so also they have the same desire to love and serve their children, that we might know and love Jesus Christ and his Bride the Church.

Our wills, our choices to follow Jesus Christ are our own, but they are united in the love and the service of the truth about God and how he desires to have a saving relationship with us.

"Do you also want to leave?" There is no way I want to leave Jesus Christ, even though Judas will betray him, and Peter will deny him, and even though I sometimes fall into sin, I never want to leave Jesus and his Bride the Catholic Church, for as Peter said when he came back to Jesus, "Lord, you know everything. You know that I love you... I would never leave you because you have the words of forgiveness and love. You have the words of Eternal Life."

Peace in Jesus and Mary, Fr. Thomas McCabe

Come hear the voice of the Lord in the quiet setting of Lake DeMontreville. Three-day men's silent retreat at the DeMontreville Jesuit Retreat House in Lake Elmo. Thurs., Sept. 5 - Sun., Sept. 8. Free-will donations. Call 651-777-1311 http://www.demontrevilleretreat.com/

#### **News and Events**

Want Help With Work or College? Workforce Development, Inc. has a variety of free youth career counseling and exploration services available, from scholarships to paid work experiences in the field of your choosing. All WDI services are free! Go to https://workforcedevelopmentinc.org/ or call the Red Wing Office at 651-385-6401.



**Open Hearts Study Group:** All are invited to join an 8-week study group "33 Days to Eucharistic Glory" by Matthew Kelly of Dynamic Catholic. Sessions will meet on Tuesdays at Holy Trinity at 9:00AM beginning with the introductory session on August 27. The consecration will begin on September 5. Call Teresa Buck 651-380-6770 and go to

www.dynamiccatholic.com/33-days-toeucharistic-glory.html to download the free study guide. Maintenance Update for Holy Trinity Parish:

Due to a slight roof separation over the sacristy at Church of the Holy Trinity water leaked in when an apparent ice dam formed. The leak appears to be fixed, but approximately \$5,515.00 worth of damage happened to the sacred vestments. Catholic Mutual Group reviewed it and will cover some of the damage with our responsibility being \$1,000.00 deductible. Please consider making a special intention to the Lord Jesus and offer a gift beyond your regular tithe. Some generous donors have given a total of \$600.00 toward this cause. Please help and make your check out to Holy Trinity Church, and in the memo: HT Liturgy account. Thank you for your generous and prayerful support.

In the last storm one-third of our maple tree north of the HT parking lot fell. It took awhile for the busy forester to get to it, but the council members all agree that it needs to be completely taken down because of its compromised integrity and apparent rotting that seemed to have weakened it.

Also, in that same storm some flashing on the west side of the Holy Trinity church was separated. A roofer has looked at it, the same roofer who is going to be doing some work at Church of St. Mary, and he will come up with a bid for me to review.

Thank you for your patience as Church of St. Mary is undergoing roof maintenance.

St. Columbkill is still addressing water issues and perhaps an addition for another bathroom and to increase the size of the community room. We are waiting on bids to see if the community wants to move forward with this project.

Thanks again for all the helpful advice and opinions, but especially for your prayerful support as I have to make some difficult decisions for the future of our parish community. God bless, Fr. Thomas McCabe, Pastor





"Where on earth shall we find Jesus but in the arms of Mary! Was it not she who gave us the Eucharist? It was her consent to the Incarnation of the Word that inaugurated the great mystery of reparation to God and union with us which Jesus accomplished during His mortal life, and that he continues in the Eucharist." St. Peter Julian Eymard www.eucharisticrevival.org <u>Save the Dates:</u> Faith Formation begins Wednesday, September 11, 2024. NET Retreat for all those in grades 7-8-9-10 is Saturday, September 21, 2024. More information coming!

Holy Trinity is dedicated to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Volunteers serving with minors and vulnerable adults must complete requirements before engaging in ministry. Contact Maria Schultz, Safe Environment Coordinator - holytrinitygoodhue@gmail.com.

Please pray for: Marcy Dilworth, Susan Brown, Margaret Wagner, Maxine Ryan, Ed Heppelmann, Anne Merry, Ray Poncelet, Dave Buck, Scott Cyert, Jerry Joe Majerus, Louise Heppelmann, Brent Hokanson, Anne Skalicky, Neil Stehr, Jen Berg, Marge Majerus, Shawn Frederixon, Gabe Ryan, Laura Luhman, Colten Zinbar, Ryan Zorn, Beth Carlson, Chuck Havrilla, Randy Nardinger, Louise Gilsdorf King and Linda Bowar.

	Calendar/Events						
Sat., Aug. 24	un., Aug. 25 SM 8:20-8:40AM		Sacrament of Confession				
Sun., Aug. 25			Sacrament of Confession				
Mon., Aug. 26			Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament				
Wed., Aug. 28	ΗT	9:00AM-2:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament				
Thur., Aug. 29			Adoration / Confession				
Sat., Aug. 31			Sacrament of Confession				

Holy Trinity Church (HT) Collection: 8/10: \$1,010.00 8/14: \$ 139.00 Assumption of Mary 8/17: \$ 247.00  
 St. Columbkill Church (SC) Collection:

 8/11: \$ 623.00

 8/15: \$ 204.00

 Assumption of Mary

 8/18: \$ 934.00
 St. Mary Church (SM) Collection: 8/11: \$2,276.00 8/15: \$ 112.25 Assumption of Mary 8/18: \$1,127.00



## Behold the Lamb of God!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays at St. Mary from 6:30-9:00PM, Wednesdays at Holy Trinity from 9:00AM-2:00PM, and Thursdays at St. Columbkill from 8:00AM-9:00AM (unless otherwise noted). Come and spend some time with Jesus!

#### Weekend Ministry Schedule

	Church	Role	August 24/25	August 31/September 1	
S 5 4 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 5 5 5 5 1 1 4	HT:	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer	
	Saturday 5:30PM	Cantor	Laural Seither	Katie Ludwig	
	Aug. 24 & Aug. 31	Lector	Maureen Lodermeier	Loretta Froyum	
		Servers	Brynn and Nora Frederick Ellie Nardinger	Leetta, Aubriel, Oleana and Stuart O'Reilly	
	<b>SM:</b> Sunday 8:45am Aug. 25 & Sept. 1	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer	
		Cantor			
		Lector	Taylor Buck	Patricia Mensink	
		Servers	Henry, Noah and Maya Keller	Zack and Danny Keller	
	SC:	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Cindy Eppen	
	Sunday	Cantor	Eleanor O'Reilly	Joel Hernke	
	10:30am Aug. 25 & Sept. 1	Lector Chris Poncelet			
		Servers	Patrick, Francis, and Philip O'Reilly	Luke, Jay and Owen Roschen	

