

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

409 CHERRY STREET ~ COLUMBIA, PENNSYLVANIA 17512



DECEMBER 17, 2023
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

We welcome everyone who comes to worship God with us, through Our Lord Jesus Christ. This is not a place of judgment, but a place to seek God's truth and love; a place to find healing from the wounds of sin, which damage our peace with God, with one another, and within ourselves.

We hope your experience of worship and prayer here with us helps you to know His presence in the challenges you might be facing, and to know that *God loves you always.*

Father Daniel C. Mitzel
Sister Anna Cosgrave
Christine Horn
Melissa Horn
Faith Murphy
Deacon Henry Reese
Deacon Jim Doyle

- **Pastor**
- **Pastoral Assistant**
- **Parish Secretary**
- **Financial Secretary**
- **Director of Religious Education**
- **Permanent Deacon**
- **Retired Permanent Deacon**

Parish Organizations

Altar Rosary Society	Jeanmarie Nobile	684-8475
Archives Committee	Teresa Weisser	871-0331
Pro-Life Advocacy	Georgie Stetter	327-5565
Music/Organ/Choir	Bernard Wickenheiser	252-5731
Religious Education	Faith Murphy	684-2711
Holy Name Society	Mark Grab	252-4615
Men's Club	Hal Snyder	415-8072
Health Ministry	Chamaine DeLeon	201-280-2323
Parish Pastoral Council	Jay Barninger	330-9624
Saint Vincent de Paul	Paul Nikolaus	684-3316
Legion of Mary	Darlene Herman	808-3987
St. Matthew Ministry	Bill Kloidt	201-5134
Ushers	Kevin Kraft, Sr.	587-4266
Youth Ministry (CCYM)	Laura Kemmick	725-5219
Vocation Cross	Parish Office	684-2711
Companions on a Journey	Rosanne Settino	203-2982
Our Lady of the Angels Catholic School		684-2433

Principal Mrs. Holly Maher
School Board

Lancaster Catholic High School

509-0315

Parish Office Phone

(717) 684-2711

Parish Email

holytrinitycol409@gmail.com

Parish Webpage

holytrinitycolumbiapa.com

Parish Office Hours

8:00 am - 12:00 noon

1:00 pm - 4:00 p.m.

Eucharist Adoration

Sundays 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 7:30 a.m.

Friday 7:30 a.m. (every other) 8:15 a.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Baptisms and Weddings

Please contact the Parish Office

**WEEKEND MASS INTENTION**

Saturday December 16
5:00 p.m. † Andy Swingler

Sunday December 17
8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. † Marie "Dori" Giffing

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday December 18
7:30 a.m. † Leo W. Derstler

Tuesday December 19
7:30 a.m. Sp. Int. St. Peter's Fryers

Wednesday December 20
7:30 a.m. Sp. Int. Andy & Mazie Gotwals

Thursday December 21
7:30 a.m. Sp. Int. Weaver Family

Friday December 22
8:15 a.m. † Jim Kaufhold

Saturday December 23
8:00 a.m. † Donna J. Smith

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday December 23
5:00 p.m. † Mary "Sis" Ohrel

Sunday December 24
8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. † Peg Deascenti
5:00 p.m. Sp. Int. OLA 8th Grade Class
7:00 p.m. † Mr. & Mrs. Paul H. Meisenbach

December 9-10

135 envelopes (out of 537)	\$	5,310.00
Loose Collection	\$	374.00
Children's Envelopes	\$	45.00
Online Giving	\$	1,845.41
Weekly Total	\$	7,574.41
Weekly Goal	\$	9,399.00
Weekly Deficit	\$	1,824.59
Year to Date Total	\$	194,460.28
Year to Date Goal	\$	225,576.00
Year to Date Deficit	\$	31,115.72



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH
LIVE STREAM SCHEDULE

DAILY MASSES

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday at 7:30 a.m.

Friday at 7:30 a.m. or 8:15 if school is scheduled

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

Visit Holy Trinity Catholic Church
via Facebook
[Facebook.com/htparish](https://www.facebook.com/htparish)

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** -

Baptism classes are held the second Sunday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the rectory basement and Baptisms are held the first Sunday of the month at 12:00 noon. Please contact the Parish Office at (717) 684-2711 to schedule a mandatory appointment with Father Mitzel or Deacon Henry beforehand to start the process.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!!

CHRISTMAS LITURGY AND OFFICE SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 24th

8:00 a.m. Parish Mass
10:30 a.m. Parish Mass
5:00 p.m. Parish Children's Mass
7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass

Monday, December 25th

9:00 a.m. Christmas Morning Mass

Sunday, December 31st

8:00 a.m. Parish Mass
10:30 a.m. Parish Mass
4:00 p.m. New Years Eve

Monday, January 1st

9:00 a.m. Mass of Mary, Mother of God

**The Parish Office Will Be Closed
December 25th and January 1st**



THANK YOU - To Hal Snyder and the Men's Club, Ben Grab, Staci Henry and Faith Murphy along with the Youth Group and to all the volunteers for making the Parish Christmas Party another fun and successful event. Great Job!

THANK YOU - To everyone that helped decorate the church. It looks Beautiful!



2024 PARISH CALENDARS -

The 2024 parish calendars are here. They can be picked up at all entrances of the Church.



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

The Knights of Columbus Council 2294 - is selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a grand prize of **\$15,000**. The Chance of A Lifetime (COAL) raffle will payout **16 prizes totaling \$65,000**. Proceeds from the raffle contribute to the funding of college scholarships granted by the Knights state council. Among the scholarships is a \$4,000 award dedicated to a graduating senior in the Diocese of Harrisburg.

Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the parish office, the council home or by contacting Paul Resch, Deputy Grand Knight, at paulresch@comcast.net. Knights Council 2294 will receive a \$2.50 contribution from every ticket sold, with these proceeds earmarked for donation to A Woman's Concern, a pregnancy resource center in Lancaster.

THANK YOU - to Regina Fisher along with the entire Altar Rosary Society for the lovely Woman's Christmas Party. Great Job Ladies!



A BIG "THANK YOU" to all the various clubs, committees, volunteers, lectors, cantors, and organist, your time, talents and dedication makes Holy Trinity a truly blessed parish.

**PARISH PENANCE SERVICE**

- Advent Parish Penance service will take place Sunday, December 17th at 6:00 p.m. at **St. Peters Catholic Church.**

*Vocations Cross*

Pray for Vocations

The Parish Vocation Cross will be in the following homes.

December 17-24 Mr. & Mrs. John Nikolaus

December 24– Jan 1 Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Murphy

The Vocation Cross and prayers are in the velvet bag and can be found at the Blessed Mother Altar. The cross should be picked up on the date listed and should be returned to the altar by the following weekend.

CHRISTMAS CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

Day 6 Max Diller

Day 7 Dennis Bachman

Day 8 Steve Grab

Day 9 Todd McCarty

Day 10 Brandon Way

Day 11 Emily Broich

**REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR ESTATE**

- A very simple way to help Holy Trinity Parish endure and thrive is "planned giving" to include the parish as a beneficiary in your estate planning.

These planned gifts help to continue the work of Christ in the world, and can be specified in one's will as either a dollar amount or a stated percentage of one's estate. Those who have taken this step have discovered a great sense of satisfaction, hope for Christ's continued work, and inner joy. Please contact the parish office for more information or go to www.hbgdiocese.org/giving and scroll down the right hand side to specialty giving.

**OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS****SCHOOL**

Columbia, PA.

Our Lady of the Angels School - OLA has begun our Annual Appeal. Letters were sent home in every bulletin two weeks ago. Thank you to those who already contributed.

This year we have a generous donor who will match donations dollar for dollar! The impact of your donation- no matter how much, will go twice as far. This money collected helps OLA provide an affordable Catholic education. Thank you in advance for your prayer consideration to donate.

OLA has been busy this advent! Saint Nicholas visited the children during a prayer service on December 6th. All students were greeted by name and received a small treat of chocolate coins and clementines.

Each morning our students read about the Jesse Tree, and add an ornament to the Jesse Tree outside the social hall. This is an important tradition celebrated by .

On Wednesday December 13, OLA presented the Annual Christmas Pageant. All students at every grade level participated in the story of the birth of Jesus. Thank you to those who came to watch and enjoy!

On Thursday December 14, OLA grades kindergarten - eighth grade attended the Fulton Opera House for their Childrens' production of Peter Pan. This event was a Christmas gift to our students. The trip was paid for through a grant from the Italian Cultural Society, Home and School Association and a private donor. Thank you for this awesome opportunity!

Our Christmas breakfast for OLA students will happen on Thursday December 21. As students enter the building they will be treated to breakfast prepared by parents and faculty. It is also "Dress like an Elf" day! OLA will be on Christmas break from Friday December 22 at 12:30 and return on January 3, 2024. Merry Christmas for Our Lady of the Angels!

Let's Party!

300 Club

300 Club - The 300 club party will be this Sunday, December 17th from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Hope to see you

there for a night of fun.

