

# Holy Trinity Catholic Church

409 CHERRY STREET ~ COLUMBIA, PENNSYLVANIA 17512



DECEMBER 14, 2025  
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*.

Fr. Mark Wilke	- Pastor ( <a href="mailto:frmwilke@hbgdiocese.org">frmwilke@hbgdiocese.org</a> )
Deacon Henry Reese	- Permanent Deacon
Deacon Jim Doyle	- Retired Permanent Deacon
Sister Anna Cosgrave	- Ministry Coordinator
Faith Murphy	- Director of Religious Education
Christine Horn	- Parish Secretary

## Parish Organizations

Altar Rosary Society	Jeanmarie Nobile	715-3521
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
St. Vincent de Paul	Paul Nikolaus	684-3316
Legion of Mary	Darlene Herman	808-3987
St. Matthew Ministry	Claudia Reese	449-9626
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
Finance Committee	Mary Barninger	

**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](mailto:holytrinitycol409@gmail.com)

## Parish Webpage

[holytrinitycolumbiapa.com](http://holytrinitycolumbiapa.com)

## Parish Office Hours

8:00 am - 12:00 noon  
1:00 pm - 4:00 p.m.  
Closed -Tuesday  
Mornings and Friday afternoons

## 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 20**  
 5:00 p.m.      † Leo & Pat Smith

**Sunday**      **December 21**  
 8:00 a.m.      † People of the Parish  
 10:30 a.m.      † Lynn Rineer

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

**Monday**      **December 22**  
 7:30 p.m.      † Anthony Ditenno

**Tuesday**      **December 23**  
 No Mass

**Wednesday**      **December 24**  
 7:30 a.m.      † Julie Hoak  
 5:00 p.m.      † George & Sandy Schmidt  
 7:30 P.m.      † John W. Kuhns

**Thursday**      **December 25**  
 9:00 a.m.      Sp. Int. Andrew & Kathryn Shive Family

**Friday**      **December 26**  
 7:30 a.m.      † Robert Pelen

**Saturday**      **December 27**  
 8:00 a.m.      † Carol Sponer

**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Saturday**      **December 27**  
 5:00 p.m.      † Jim & Dolores Wallick

**Sunday**      **December 28**  
 8:00 a.m.      † People of the Parish  
 10:30 a.m.      † Mary Katherine Wolfe



**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 Deacon Henry beforehand to start the process.

**Nov. Dec13-14**

110 envelopes (out of 537)	\$	3,594.00
Loose Collection	\$	373.00
Children's Envelopes	\$	47.65
Online Giving	\$	1,384.55
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,399.20</b>
Weekly Goal	\$	9,735.00
<b>Weekly Deficit</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,335.80</b>
Year to Date Total	\$	179,850.39
Year to Date Goal	\$	223,905.00
<b>Year to Date Deficit</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>44,054.61</b>



**2026 PARISH CALENDARS** - The 2026 parish calendars are here. They can be picked up at all entrances of the Church.

**NOTE CARDS** - Beautiful notecards of our church are available for purchase at the parish office. These make great Christmas presents. Price is \$10.00

## HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

### LIVE STREAM SCHEDULE

**DAILY MASSES**

Monday 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.



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 Facebook  
[Facebook.com/htparish](https://www.facebook.com/htparish)

Dear Friends,

As we make our final preparations for Christmas, please know of my continued prayers for each of you that these days will be marked by the joy and peace of Christ Jesus.

December also marks the halfway point of our fiscal year (July 1–June 30), a time when we evaluate our parish's financial health. Our ministries, programs, and staff depend on meeting our planned budget. Two areas of significant concern within our planned budget are the Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC) and our Sunday Collection.

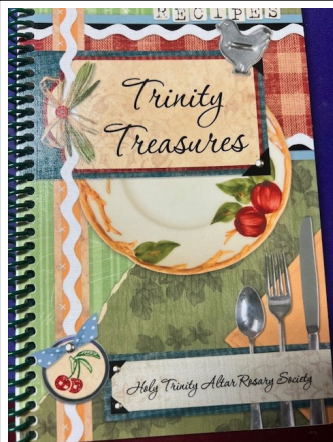


☐ The Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC) supports charitable works across the Diocese of Harrisburg. The DAC directly benefits Holy Trinity Church and Our Lady of the Angels School. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the DAC. Your gift strengthens both our parish, our community, and the wider Church. The Diocese of Harrisburg Website has more information and is able to process donations quickly and securely: [www.hbgdiocese.org/diocesan-annual-campaign](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/diocesan-annual-campaign)

☐ The Sunday Collection funds the daily life of our parish, from the wages and benefits for our employees (this includes the Priests and Religious Sisters) to Parish Ministries and programs, as well as the upkeep of our buildings and grounds. Please consider increasing your weekly contribution through Sunday offering envelopes, enrolling in Parish Giving, or using PayPal or Venmo (QR codes are on the back of our hymnals). This holy season reminds us that Christ came as the greatest gift, the gift of God's Love. Through your generosity to the DAC and Sunday Collection, you share in radiating the blessings that you have received in tangible ways — sustaining our parish family and extending charity throughout the Diocese.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support. May the joy and peace of Christ fill your hearts this Christmas and always.

Fr. Wilke



The Holy Trinity COOKBOOKS are HERE!!!! Cost is \$20.00. Books are available at the Parish Office. Come get yours.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** - How to arrange for fresh flowers to be placed on the Altar in memory of loved ones or for a special occasion. First, place your intention on the flower calendar located in the vestibule on the bulletin board. Second, order flowers from the florist of your choice and pay the florist. Third, if you wish to use the church vases, inquire in the church office how to get the inserts and take them to your florist. The church has 2 large sets and one small set for you to choose from. The florist will deliver the flowers to the church on Saturday in time for the weekend Mass.





**COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY** - is a parish organization that has been in existence for eight years. It was started to provide opportunities for both spiritual and social connections among parishioners in the building of community. All men and women are invited to join in the activities, become members, and to make suggestions for activities. Please know that you may pick and choose those activities that interest you.



Companions will have a meeting on **Saturday, January 10**, at 1:00 pm followed by an ice cream social. Men and women come join us and bring your ideas.

**BAPTISM**—Congratulations to the following who recently received the Sacrament of Baptism. Eloise Joy Helm, Giovanni Edward Petillo and Jace Asher Ryan.



**January 10th** -Companions On a Journey — Ice cream Social 1:00 in Parish Hall.

**January 11th** - 12-3:00 Lions Club Bingo in the Parish Hall.

**January 31st** - OLA Draw down Dinner 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.



## Knights of Columbus

Council 2294, 400 Maple St., Columbia

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/kofc2294>

Grand Knight Paul Resch, (717) 449-0056

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### Knights Honor Bartons as Family of the Quarter

Knights of Columbus Council 2294 is honored to recognize the family of Frank L. Barton, Sr. and Margaret Barton as our Family of the Quarter – Fall 2025.

Frank and Margaret, longtime members of St. Peter's Parish, have been married for 62 years. Their dedication to St. Peter's, the council and our community is evident in every aspect of their lives. Margaret was active in the Mother's Club, while Frank has long served as an usher, a member of the Holy Name Society and a past member of both the Parish Council and Finance Council. Together, they have generously given their time and talents to numerous parish events, including bingo nights, Christmas church cleaning and the Lenten Fish Fry.

Frank retired from Trojan Yacht and Wyeth Laboratories, and Margaret from the Borough of Columbia. They are the proud parents of two children: the late Frank L. Barton, Jr., a fellow Knight who passed away in 2024, and Ann Stoutzenberger. They are the proud grandparents to Andrew Barton, Kayla Mullen, Shandi Frey, Aubrey Helton, Amanda Helton and Samantha Anderson and have seven great-grandchildren.

The Bartons exemplify the values of faith family, and community that lay at the heart of our mission. We are blessed to count them among our council and parish families. Congratulations to Frank and Margaret on this well-deserved honor!

Council 2294 serves St. Peter and Holy Trinity parishes. Membership is open to men age 18 and older who are practicing Catholics in union with the Holy See. To become a member, sign up online at [kofc.org/join](http://kofc.org/join) or contact Grand Knight Paul Resch. Enter Agent Referral Code DANDREWS and your first year's dues are free.



*Save the date for an evening of food, fun, and cash prizes!*

*Must be 21+ to attend. Tickets sales begin November 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Contact [mgroff@ourladyoftheangels.org](mailto:mgroff@ourladyoftheangels.org) with questions*

<b>January 31, 2026</b>		\$50 ticket includes
Doors open at 5:30		dinner, drinks, and a lucky
Jackpot drawing 6-8		number

Proceeds will benefit Our Lady of the Angels School



Mark your calendars and spread the word - the 2026 Men's Conference is coming on April 18th!

**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](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/giving) and scroll down the right hand side to specialty giving.

*Merry  
Christmas!*

