

Spring/Summer 2017



Holy Trinity

Herald Tribune

Dear families and friends of Holy Trinity Catholic Church,

Ah, the lazy days of summer!?! Not here at Holy Trinity! It's been an exciting and event-filled summer so far, and the activities and ministries continue! Our "HTHT--the Holy Trinity Herald Tribune" is full of our events from this past spring, this summer, and some announcements of upcoming opportunities to engage in the Holy Trinity Community.

Having recently met with the new chairperson of the parish Pastoral Council, Gaile Morrison, I'm confident that the "Holy Trinity Community" is going to be something that we will be focusing on with greater frequency, and rightly so! Gaile hit the ground running, and high on her list is building up the many parish organizations we are blessed with. We have a wonderful community in our parish, an unbelievable wellspring of talent, ability, and skills, and we will be exploring innovative ways to tap into this wellspring and help encourage the people of our parish to get more involved.

"Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Matthew 6:21). Vibrant parish communities thrive because their parish communities help them to be holier, happier people... people more familiar with the life-giving Word of God; more familiar with the rich tapestry of saints and history that we have inherited as today's Catholics; and most importantly; familiar with the call to serve in generous Christian love. This connection is what brings parish communities together and makes them vibrant: when the time is blessed by the Holy Spirit of God's Love and Truth. A time to laugh, a time to cry, a time to plant, a time to build: a time to embrace. A parish community in which to invest our time, treasure, and talent, to grow in holiness and happiness.

With prayers and blessings,
Fr. Stephen Kelley, pastor

NEW FOURTH GRADE ALTAR SERVERS

Sydney Droege	Ethan Greth	Mihyanni Hernandez
Madeleine Kemmick	Hannah Menard	Kirsten Resch
Nikolaus Schoelkoph	Cieren Stehman	

SENIOR RECOGNITION AWARDS

Presented Sunday, June 4th at the 8:00 a.m. Mass by Rich Groff

The Diocese of Harrisburg awards this honor to those High School Seniors who actively participate in youth Ministry and in the life of the parish throughout their senior year.

Annie Grab	Faith Nikolaus	Victoria Reese
Samuel Roach	Jordan Schmitt	Jillian Kemmerly
George Reich	Ben Leaman	Helen Cao

SERRA CERTIFICATES AND MEDALS TO SENIOR ALTAR SERVERS

Presented Sunday, June 4th at the 8:00 a.m. Mass by Sr. Anna

These 6 young people have faithfully served as Altar Servers since the 4th grade. We thank them for their loyalty to their Church and for serving at the altar in a reverent and respectful manner.

Annie Grab	Faith Nikolaus	Victoria Reese
Samuel Roach	Jordan Schmitt	Mitchell Eck

Benjamin Leaman – Music Ministry
Ben has enhanced our Liturgies: as organist, pianist and choir member

LIGHT OF CHRIST AWARD AND SCHOLARSHIP

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus #2294 and Holy Trinity Men's Club

Presented to the Class of 2017 Senior Winners by Hal Snyder, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus on Sunday, April 30 at the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

In Honor of Fr. Stephen Kelley was awarded to
Samuel Roach

In Honor of Fr. Kenneth Lawrence was awarded to
Faith Nikolaus

In Honor of Anthony Swamy Anthappa was awarded to
Taylor Keyser

In Honor of Sister Anna Cogrove was awarded to
Jillian Kemmerly

In Memory of Sister Charlotte Lagnese was awarded to
Jordan Schmitt

FIRST EUCHARIST CLASS

April 22, 2017

Javien Agee-Plowden
Sawyer Gambler
Kathryn Keele
Aubrie Lutz
Owen Musser
Bryan Reisinger
Mikayla Rhoads
Simon Wickenheiser

Leyahna Cooper
Mya Henry
Meredith Kemmick
Luci McDonald
Ava Petry
Ryan Reisinger
Brady Shoff

Payton Fulmer
Noah Horn
Chase Lutman
Genevieve Moon
Gabriella Pirozzi-Nichols
Tatiana Rineer
Joseph Snyder

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY

We welcome the following parishioners who have joined our parish family through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) and ask you to remember them in your prayers.



Shavonne Aument
Sara Greth

Daisy Frey
Linda Joy

HOLY NAME MEN AT WORK. . . . in the basement of the Rectory



One of the more recent projects the Holy Name Society men took on was giving the kitchen area, in the rectory, a “make over.” The work in progress began a few months ago and was a massive undertaking.

Some of the “helpers” involved, as seen in the photo, were the late Charles “Skip” Newcomer, Rick Morrison and Bernie Wolgemuth, Jr. Other men involved included HNS president Mark Grab, Joe Stehman, Terry Crumbling, Bern Wolgemuth, Sr., Josh and Brett Wolgemuth.

The project included the installation of new cabinets and replacing the stove and refrigerator. Ceiling tiles were replaced, and a new coat of paint covered the walls.

All new plumbing fixtures were added. New wiring and receptacles replaced old fixtures. A back splash around the new countertops was the culmination of the project and a new coffee maker was added.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Every year, the Parishioners have the opportunity to elect three new individuals who feel that they will represent their voice to the Pastoral Council. Some people often wonder, like many elections, what does it really matter?

The past three years, have been unprecedented in Holy Trinity history with the amount of changes that we have endured. These changes have been a testimony to not only our faith, but our ability to endure the challenges of change. Not many of us, or at least the majority of our society, like to have our daily lives disrupted or our routines changed, however, three priests in a three year period causes a number of disruptions and adaptations. Protecting the *status quo* is embedded in our DNA structure. However, when we bring our voices together, collectively we carry on the mission of the church and spread God's word to everyone around us.

Like the past three years, our church has faced many challenges that none of us could have thought or imagined. Through our prayers to the Blessed Mother, like her we follow Christ's teachings and the many examples that we have been taught by the Apostles and spread the word as a disciple of God.

This year, three new individuals were elected to serve on our Parish Council. They are Rosann Nikolaus, Rick Morrison and James Horn. We are thankful for the outgoing members, Steven Henry, Jr., Marilyn Groft-Schaffer and Wanda Fischer for their dedication to our church and the guidance and wisdom that each dedicated.

Like anything, we continue to ask for God's guidance through prayers and guidance from our Blessed Mother, but also most importantly that the Holy Spirit helps to bring a new light into our lives. Like the many predecessors before Pope Francis, he calls all of us to a new evangelization and this can be described as one word: *Conversion*.

On a final note, there are two passages that we leave you with.

1. "May they all be one....so that the world may believe" - John 17:22
2. " We cannot communicate with the Lord, if we do not communicate with one another". - Pope Benedict XVI, May 29th, 2005

God Bless us, God Bless America, and spread the good news!

MOTHER – DAUGHTER BANQUET

The Mother-Daughter Banquet was held in May in conjunction with the month we celebrate Mother Mary. It's a long-standing Holy Trinity tradition that is hosted by the Altar Rosary Society.

Kathy Lutz, society President, gave a warm welcome to the ladies. Father Kelley offered the invocation. Anna Motter then followed with a poem dedicated to mothers titled "The Legacy of Love".

A delicious meal of baked ziti, garlic bread and salad was served by the men of the parish.

There was a game of chance for prizes including a bracelet, massage basket and gifts geared to the younger girls in attendance. The centerpiece of flowers on each table was won by those whose birthdays are closest to December 8th, Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY 2017 MAN OF THE YEAR



The Annual Holy Name Society Father-Son Communion-Breakfast was held on Sunday, February 12, 2017. Following the 8:00AM Mass, celebrated by our pastor **Father Stephen Kelley**, the fathers and their sons gathered in the Parish Center. They were treated to a delicious “family style” breakfast prepared by ladies of the Altar Rosary Society.

Andrew Yeager was introduced and inducted into the Society by Father Kelley who administered the Holy Name Pledge. President **Mark Grab** then announced the 2017 Man of the Year, **Mike Leibhart**, who was unable to attend. Later his award was presented by Father Kelley and Mark Grab in the parish office. Mike toils quietly almost on a daily basis around the parish making repairs, constructing shelving and building cabinets. He is a retired Industrial Arts Teacher, a master carpenter, an excellent wood worker, gunsmith and one who loves big game hunting in Africa. Mike and his wife Barbara volunteer making fastnachts as well. He is most deserving of this honor for the untold hours he unselfishly gives to the parish

A highlight of the morning was the wildlife presentation given by **Ben Grab**. He is a great ambassador for the North Museum in Lancaster. Ben shared a number of “critters” with his young audience that was held spellbound. He certainly could give Channel 8’s Jack Hubley a run for his money. Ben’s presentation was outstanding!

All men of our parish, 9th grade and older, are invited to be a part of our Holy Name Society. We urge you to join soon and help us support our church by volunteering in any of the following activities of the Holy Name Men:

Men’s Retreat, Annual Ham Raffle supporting Youth Ministry, Washing and Waxing of the Church floors, Christmas Decorating our Church, Maintenance of Cemetery grounds, Annual “Feather Party” Bingo for turkeys, Parish Festival Saturday Bingo, Game Feed Picnic, Volunteers to assist with the Fastnacht Bake and Visiting our sick.

The HNS meets the second Sunday of each month, following the 8:00AM Mass in the rectory basement. Come and join us at our next meeting.

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The Organ Restoration Project

Our present pipe organ was built in 1951 by the Mudler Hunter Organ Company of Philadelphia. Through the years it has been maintained and modified but is in need of a major restoration. Our organ is a three manual, 32 note pedal board which has 21 ranks of pipes with some 2000 speaking pipes.

This massive project of restoring our church organ got underway the week of June 26th with the arrival of workmen from the Peragallo Pipe Organ Company from Paterson, New Jersey. The company was founded in 1918 by John Peragallo, Sr. and is now in its fourth generation of family involvement. The Peragallo firm is a family organization whose instruments reflect both the foundation of a deep-rooted dedication to old world craftsmanship and a commitment to the functional technology of today's digital society.



All of the pipes, metal and wooden, wind chests, etc. have been removed from the pipe chambers on either side of the choir loft. These were then carefully packed in special crates for transport to workshop facilities in northern New Jersey. The intricate work includes cleaning, removing deteriorating leather, and applying new leather with proper adhesives. New heads and springs will be installed. This work is very tedious and must be precise.

The pipe chambers will be thoroughly cleaned and fluorescent lighting added. The four sets of façade pipes were removed and will be refinished in a bright gold lacquer. The restoration is expected to be completed in fifteen weeks.

When the work in Paterson is completed the elements of the organ will be brought back to Columbia and installed. The following will be added to enhance the tone pallet of the organ: an Oboe, a 2 foot Fifteenth, Unda Maris, a set of chimes, and a *Trumpet en Chamade* which will provide the organist with a most useful tool for processional and fanfare music.



During this period that the organ is offline the company provided a temporary loaner organ, a Roland Classic Series, Model C330. This enables us to have organ music for our weekend Masses and special services.

The Peragallo Company has refurbished and serves as curators for the organs at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City and the famous Wurlitzer at Radio City Music Hall. Closer to home they installed a new instrument in Grace UCC Church in Hanover, York County, and recently refurbished the organ at St. Anthony's Church in Lancaster.

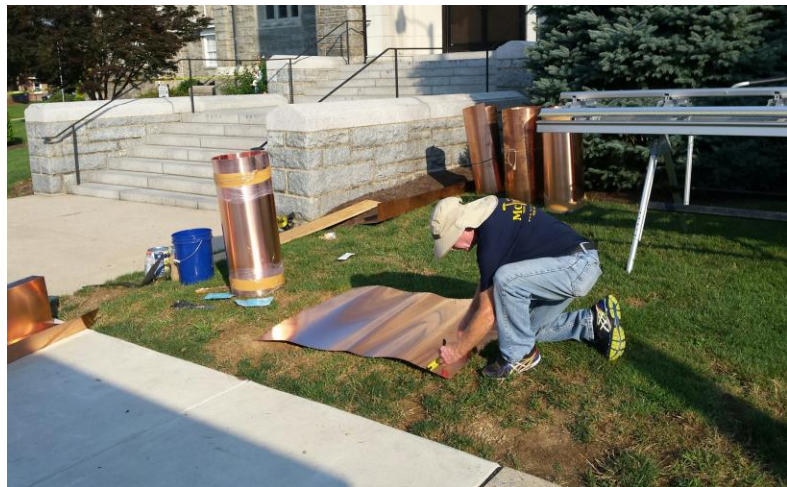
This major restoration project represents a lifetime investment in quality music and worship for the Holy Trinity parish community.

ROOFING REPAIR.

A major roofing repair on the church bell tower got underway July 10th. The McCreesh Slate Roofing, LLC of Red Lion, York County was hired to correct a deteriorating situation. This firm works exclusively with slate, cooper and tile roofing.

The two-week project unearthed more damage than was originally thought. The damage developed over more than four decades. Rain water and melting snow seeped into the underside of the roof. Enormous amounts of wood that rotted had to be replaced. The old gutters removed.

According to Peter McCreesh, proprietor of the company, new custom box spouts, made of copper, were shaped and installed to redirect the water properly into down spouts. In this photo you see McCreesh, creating the custom spouts.



A huge lift, which can extend to 120 feet, was pressed into service to transport not only the workmen and tools but materials as well to the roof top.



A crew of seven men toiled under the blistering July sun with temperatures reaching, on most days, 90 plus degrees and high humidity. They worked in a very confined area and wore harnesses for safety purposes and floppy hats to protect them from the sun.

Before the skilled crews could reach the damaged area they had to remove two rows of slate shingles. This is a tedious project unto itself.

When work began each morning sidewalks had to be closed to pedestrian traffic and Cherry Street was reduced to a single lane for vehicles.

ALTAR ROSARY FLOWER SALE

The Altar Rosary Society would like to thank everybody who supported the Mother's Day Flower Sale. May your flowers bloom all summer!! Special blessings for all Mothers. We hope your day was as special as you are. The next Altar Rosary Society meeting is September 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory dining room. Hope to see you there. Please pray for vocations.

The Legacy

*She could not give her children gold
So she gave them faith to have and hold.
She could not give them royal birth...
A name renowned throughout the earth,
But she gave them seeds and a garden spot
And shade trees when the sun was hot.*

*She could not give a silver spoon
Or servants waiting night and noon.
She gave them love and a listening ear
And told them God was always near.*

*She could not give them ocean trips
Aboard majestic sailing ships,
But she gave them books and a quiet time,
Adventures found in prose and thyme.*

*She could not give them worldly things
But what she gave was fit for kins,
For with her faith and books and saod
She made each child aware of God.*

Alice Leedy Mason

JUST THE FACTS, PLEASE.



The 93rd Annual Fastnacht Bake was a great success on several fronts. We exceeded previous years' profits and had an unusual order request which we were able to fulfill.

Here are some of the facts. During the Lenten Season, we produced **6,813** dozen fastnachts resulting in a total of **81,756** individual morsels. Total money received amounted to **\$57,127**. Subtract our expenses, and we had a net profit of **\$48,968.06**. This represents an increase of **\$6,722** over the 2016 profit of \$42,246.

This represents a tremendous effort from the 160 volunteers, some seen in the photo to the left, and the hundreds of parishioners and members of the greater Columbia community who support and purchase our fastnachts. Praise the Lord and pass the fastnachts!

Even our pastor, Father Stephen Kelley, had a hand in helping this season. Here he is seen receiving instructions from “doughboy” Mark Grab. This was Father’s first exposure to the production line of this major parish fund raiser. He apparently passed the test and has been invited back to help next season.



More facts from the Order Department: use of the Parish website exceeded all expectations. We had **2,884** dozen that were ordered on-line. Factory orders totaled **1,075** dozen. The workers purchased **1,985** dozen, and the telephone hot-line dwindled to just **815** orders—a far cry from the early days when all orders were recorded by telephone. How times have changed!

The unusual order was placed by Danielle Drought, of Washington, D.C., grand-daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bill Etter. Danielle ordered 8 ½ dozen which she shared at her June wedding reception representing “something old” from her past.

During the wrap-up meeting, early in May, **Jim Knapp** was elected as the next Chairperson of the Fastnacht Committee. **Matt Taylor**, the former chairperson, had to step aside due to increased responsibilities at his workplace which at times require him to travel abroad. His efforts for the past 3 years have been appreciated.

The 94th Annual Fastnacht Bake begins February 12, 2018.

Catholic Reading Center

As you prepare to travel to the beach or the mountains for your vacation or simply to “sit on the porch and relax,” why not take along a companion? Remember to visit the reading center, located in the vestibule of our church. There are selections for both adults and children. The center provides a source of continuing educational, inspirational, and current information about the Church and our faith.

Items of Interest Being Sought

As you rearrange closets and drawers in preparation for summer items, please remember the archives committee before you discard any thing.

The members of this committee always welcome items, associated with Holy Trinity's past. If you have "an item of interest," please call the parish office at 684-2711.

A Memorable Weekend in our Parish.

The weekend of May 19, 20 and 21, 2017, was special not only for the Holy Trinity Family but more importantly for the Ron and Karen Sahd family. Their son, Timothy, was ordained a Transitional Deacon on Saturday, May 20th.

On May 19, 2017, at 6:00 PM, sixteen hours earlier, a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration had taken place to honor and to pray for blessings for the 2017 Class of Transitional Deacons as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders. The parish faithful joined members of the Sahd family and friends for this one hour service. Fellow seminarians conducted and presided over the service with Tim.



On Saturday morning Bishop Ronald W. Gainer ordained the Diaconate seminarians Timothy Sahd, Kenneth Roth, Richard Lyons and Benjamin Dunkelberger. Deacons Sahd and Lyons have been studying at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary in Wynnewood, PA. Deacons Roth and Dunkelberger are studying at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary, Emmitsburg, MD.

In the photo to the right Bishop Gainer lays his hands on the head of Deacon Timothy Sahd. It is through the imposition of hands and the consecratory prayer that follows that men are ordained deacons.

The newly ordained deacons will spend this summer in diaconal ministry before returning for the final year of study anticipating ordination to the priesthood next year. Deacon Sahd has been assigned to Saint John Neumann Parish in Lancaster.

Following ordination each Deacon returned to his home parish to serve weekend masses and deliver his first homily. Saturday evening Mass at Holy Trinity was special. Deacon Sahd, vested for the first time to assist at Mass, joined his twin brother Father Kyle Sahd. They were joined by their older brother Father Chris Sahd, from the Scranton Diocese, and their cousin, Monsignor John Esseff, also of the Diocese of Scranton. All joined our pastor Father Stephen Kelley in concelebrating this special mass.

After each weekend mass Deacon Sahd greeted parishioners during receptions held in the Parish Center. This enabled members of the Holy Trinity Family to offer their congratulations to Tim on this special occasion.



(Photos courtesy of Chris Heisey of the Catholic Witness.)

39th Annual Corpus Christ Retreat for men.

Consider a vacation with the Lord the first weekend in August 4 – 6, 2017. The setting is on the campus of Mount Saint Mary's University and Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD.

The cost is much less than a hunting trip in the mountains or a fishing weekend on the ocean. Total cost is \$150, and a \$60 deposit is required for each reservation. Make checks payable to "Corpus Christi Men's Retreat." The price is all inclusive and the spiritual rewards are tremendous. All accommodations include two nights of lodging, six meals, and snacks at the Friday evening welcoming event.

Our Retreat Master is Monsignor Charles Pope, the pastor of Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian, a vibrant parish community in Washington, DC. A native of Chicago with a bachelor degree in computer science, his interest in the priesthood stemmed from his experience as a church musician. He attended Mount Saint Mary's Seminary and was ordained in 1989. A pastor since 2000, he also has led Bible studies in the United States Congress and at the White House in past years. For a preview of this outstanding pastor/author/speaker, search for him on youtube.

"Journey to the Normal Christian Life: the Life Jesus Christ Died to Give Us" is this year's theme.

During the retreat there will be conferences, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, times for rest, relaxation, meditation, Stations of the Cross and much more. Sunday morning Mass is held in the Grotto Chapel and we finish the retreat, following lunch, with Benediction and farewell in the Immaculate Conception Chapel.

For more information contact Ed Wickenheiser at 684-2995 or edwick103@comcast.net.



CHOIR SEASON FINALE

Pentecost Sunday, June 4, marked the choir's final in-service liturgy of the 2016-2017 season. Adding to the beauty of that liturgy were the following instrumentalists: clarinetist Matt Samley; pianist Ben Leaman, and violinists Staci Henry and Nelson Stewart. With joy, reverence, and dedication the choir prepared music for liturgies this season in the course of twenty-nine rehearsals. They were in service for eighteen liturgies, supporting and inspiring the assembly to sing thereby increasing the celebrations' solemnity, joy, and unity. The concluding rehearsal was held on May 18 at the Director of Music's home followed by a social.



SUMMER CANTOR MINISTRY

Eight of our cantors are scheduled to serve as Psalmists and lead us in sung prayer during the summer months.

PASTORAL MUSICIANS GRADUATE

Two seniors serving in our parish music ministry are among the graduates of 2017. Ben Leaman has been a choir member and pianist with our instrumental ensemble since ninth grade. With twelve years of piano lessons and four years of organ study with parish organist, Bernie Wickenheiser, Ben acquired the competency to not only substitute for Mr. Wickenheiser but also to serve as organist at St. Peter's, Columbia and First United Methodist in Millersville.



Ben is graduating as Eastern York High School's Salutatorian. He participated four years in Jazz Band, Orchestra, Chorus, Concert Choir, Corale, York County Honors Choir, and Tri-M Music Honors Society. He was pianist with the pit orchestra for three musicals and a cast member for one. He played varsity volleyball three years; served as student council treasurer two years; attended Keystone Boystate and traveled to the UK on an international exchange for the Naval Sea Cadet Corps, of which he is a Chief Petty Officer, the highest cadet rank. On June 29 Ben reported to the US Naval Academy where he will major in mechanical engineering. His goal upon graduation is to be a part of the surface warfare community.



Holly Workman has served in Holy Trinity's music ministry as a violinist since the age of ten. As a college student the last 4 years, she has retruned to play with the instrumental ensemble every Christmas season and for special liturgies. She plans to maintain this active schedule of service with us. On May 21 Holly graduated with Distinction from the Eastman School of Music with her Bachelor of Music in Applied Music (violin) and was inducted into the Pi Kappa Lambda national honor society for her high level of musical accomplishment and academic

scholarship. She performs with a variety of chamber music groups at Eastman and regularly with the Eastman Philharmonia which recently performed with Renee Fleming at Lincoln Center. For six weeks this summer Holly will attend the Round Top Festival Institute in Texas studying the performing. She will continue her education at Eastman this fall, pursuing her Master of Music in Violin Performance and Literature.

With appreciation for their service in music ministry we assure Ben and Holly of our prayers for success as they pursue their professional careers.

Congratulations

WELCOME TO MUSIC MINISTRY

Indicative of our growing music ministry, we welcome graduating Columbia High School senior, Daisy Frey, who joins our cantor roster. Daisy participated in her school's choral and instrumental departments. We extend an invitation to other parishioners, grades 9 – 12 and adults to share their talents in the music ministry of our parish.

PASTORAL MUSICIANS CONVENE IN CINCINNATI

The National Association of Pastoral Musicians 40th Annual Convention was held in Cincinnati, Ohio, July 10-14, 2017. The theme was **Formed as One** – *Union of Voices, Unity of Hearts*. Holy Trinity's Director of Music/Organist, Bernie Wickenheiser was in attendance. Providing education, formation, and support for pastoral musicians and clergy the convention is a forum for advocating musical excellence in liturgical celebrations.

The gathering began with the opening Mass on Monday with the vision of one of the first documents of the liturgical renewal, which affirmed: "Liturgical worship is given a more noble form when it is celebrated in song, with the ministers of each degree fulfilling their ministry and the people participating in it. Indeed, through this form, prayer is expressed in a more attractive way, the mystery of the liturgy, with its hierarchical and community nature, is more openly shown, the *unity of hearts* is more profoundly achieved by the *union of voices*, minds are more easily raised to heavenly things by the beauty of the sacred rites, and the whole celebration more clearly prefigures that heavenly liturgy which is enacted in the holy city of Jerusalem" (Musicam Sacram 1967), 5.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH....

HOLY TRINITY CHICKEN BBQ – Saturday, August 12th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Easy drive through pick-up at Columbia Boro Fire Dept. 10th and Manor Street, Columbia

Donation: \$7.00 Picnic Pack includes:

½ chicken, bag of chips and drink

Half chicken Only \$5.50

HOLY TRINITY PARISH PICNIC – Sunday, September 10th at 1:00 p.m. in Parish Center

