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Exposition and Adoration @ St. Mary Magdalene

On Holy Thursday,
there will be Exposition and Adoration from
3 to 10 PM.

Prayer for Our Troops
Sam Interlichia — Marines
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Bryan Wetzel — Air Force
Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform
for us in our times of need, and give them peace.
I ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior.
AMEN

**Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and
snares of the Devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
And do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
By the power of God, cast into hell Satan,
And all the evil spirits,
Who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of
souls. Amen**



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**Palm Sunday
April 5, 2020**

Our Parish Mission Statement
We, *the people of Blessed Trinity Parish*, come from diverse backgrounds and *are working together* to learn, live and spread the Roman Catholic Faith. *We support one another on this journey of faith* by studying the Gospel, celebrating the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, and nurturing the spiritual growth of all. Our pledge is *to consistently strive to build an ever-stronger parish family* where the word of God is proclaimed, studied, and integrated into daily living, where we worship in prayer and in sacrament the presence of God in our midst, and where *we witness the Gospel through our actions* of care and concern for the needs of those around us.

All public Masses throughout the diocese have been suspended until further notice. Father Tedesche and Father Walter will be covering all scheduled Mass intentions in their daily private Mass.

Once public Masses commence Blessed Trinity Parish office hours will be Mondays from 9am until noon in the basement of St. Mary Magdalene. Outside these office hours, calls should be directed to the parish offices in Clyde at 315-902-4130.

Please note St. Thomas in Red Creek is open Sundays from 8:30 to 10:30AM and St. Mary Magdalene is open from 10:30am until noon.

Living in Grace through the Sacraments
Sacrament of Baptism. We share in your joy as we welcome the newest member of your family into God's family, the Church. Our Parish offers Baptism Preparation Program to parents, with godparents, who wish to share their faith with their child. To register, please call the Parish Office.
Sacrament of Reconciliation. Persevere on the journey to holiness: Say "No" to sin and "Yes" to God's love, mercy and forgiveness: **Sunday's after Mass, at St. Mary Magdalene, before and after Mass at St. Thomas/St. Jude and on the 1st Tuesdays of the month at 6:30pm at St. Mary Magdalene** or call the Parish Office to make an appointment.
Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Jesus continues his healing ministry through his Church. If you or any parishioner is ill at home, in the hospital or the nursing home, and desires to celebrate this sacrament of healing, call the Parish Office to schedule a visit.
Sacrament of the Eucharist. One of our priests will bring Communion during home visits or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (communion ministers) can and may bring you Communion regularly. Call the Parish Office.
Sacrament of Confirmation. Our young parishioners who wish to prepare to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation must be enrolled in a 2 year preparation program in Religious Education. Adults must call the rectory.
Sacrament of Marriage. You and your fiancé are called to mirror the love of Jesus for his Church! Please contact the Parish Office at least six months before the intended date of your wedding so we can help you prepare for this wonderful sacrament of committed love.
Sacrament of Holy Orders. Do pray for vocations to the ordained priesthood and permanent diaconate. It is our common obligation to raise vocations—ordained, religious, married, single—in the Church. Now do you happen to know if and when our parish has produced an ordained priest for our diocese?
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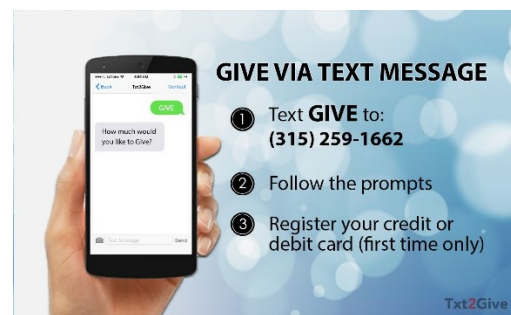
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From the desk of Fr. Walter:

My Dear People,

Palm Sunday ushers in the great drama of Holy Week, where the Church, year after year, century after century, relives the mysterious events of Christ's Passion. These ceremonies and liturgical celebrations are not just reminders of past events, like a battlefield reenactment or an historical play. The saving acts of Jesus while on earth are eternally 'living', since for God, there is no past or future, but an eternal "now". We know that every Sacrament puts us in contact with, and brings us the fruit of the redemption of Christ on the Cross. In every Mass the sacrifice of Calvary is made present on our altars. Holy Week then is truly the culmination, the highpoint and the center of the entire year, reaching its glorious crescendo in the moment of the Resurrection. The Cross and the Resurrection- without these two events our Faith would be empty, for the Church Christ Himself established draws its own life from this death and resurrection. In fact, for every individual Christian, even our lives are a participation in the sufferings of Christ, since by Baptism God shares with us His grace, and the source of this grace is the saving Cross of Our Savior.

Not only do we participate in His sufferings in this life, but in a very real way His resurrection too. Certainly, our share in the resurrection belongs fully to us when we also will rise, ultimately in our bodies at the end of the world. But in the mysterious yet real pattern of our spiritual life, even our sufferings, while joined to Christ on the cross, are joined to His resurrection. How is this? Christ didn't suffer just to suffer, but to save us and triumph over death and sin. When we unite our sufferings to Jesus, it isn't just to be consoled and to feel better, but let Jesus turn these sufferings into a victory, to let them become powerful to bring about His Kingdom, in our souls, and in the entire world.

To participate in the saving act of Jesus on the Cross, we need to unite ourselves to Him by Faith. Attending Mass is the central action we do to live this Faith practically, because by doing so, we are joined spiritually to Christ and allow His mercy and divine life to flow into our souls. And yet here we are, prevented from being physically present during the highest Liturgies of the year. What do we do?

This is where our Faith needs to be supercharged. This is where God is calling us to increase our own initiative to seek Him and to intentionally and "actively" join in a spiritual way to what will be happening during the holy days of the Paschal Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter. Being prevented from participating physically needs to become the stepping-stone and springboard to increase authentic spiritual participation by prayerful Faith. It can be easy when we go to Church just to "watch" like it's a TV show. Even if we are participating physically in the Liturgy in some way, it doesn't necessarily mean that we are joining ourselves to Christ's actions on a deep spiritual level.

Last week I talked about how God can draw good out of this current situation. One of the ways this can happen is by forcing us to unite to the Mass and to the ceremonies of the Liturgy by Faith and prayer when we cannot be present bodily. Even if we "watch" Mass on television or the internet, we can't "watch" it like a program. We have to join ourselves to what is happening on a spiritual level by Faith and prayer. The more we are limited physically, the more our hearts and our souls have to come alive.

One of the best ways to accomplish this practically is by making what is called a "Spiritual Communion". For most of the Church's history, people did not receive Holy Communion that frequently. Many of the saints recommended joining themselves to Jesus in a spiritual way when they were unable to receive Him sacramentally. What does this consist of? We do so by praying for Christ to come into our hearts and souls, just as if we were to receive Him in the Eucharist. Then, after inviting Him, spend a few moments in adoration, conversation and gratitude with your Divine Guest.

Here is a simple but beautiful prayer which helps us make a Spiritual Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

During the coronavirus pandemic, the great drama of Christ's suffering is being lived at this very moment by our Holy Mother, the Catholic Church. It is being lived in the lives of individual Christians. But if we are participating in His Passion, we are preparing to join in His resurrection. **The light of our Faith alone can lead us at this moment.** God is trying to make it shine brighter in your soul and heart. Let the candle become a lamp, let the lamp become a fire, and let the fire become a blazing and burning furnace of love. It is the living flame of divine love which alone can overcome the flames of hell. You have only two choices in a time like this, let your Faith grow stronger or let it weaken. Trust, or give in to discouragement. See only the useless suffering of Man condemned to death on a Cross, or see God's solution to renew the world.

Fr Walter