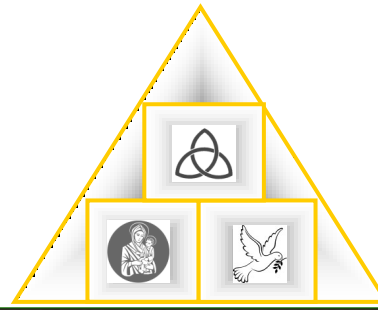


# Holy Trinity Parish

The Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 17, 2023

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Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." Cf. Mt. 18:21-35



HOLY MASS SCHEDULE					READINGS
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	Sept. 16	+Trudy Zorn	1Tim 1:15-17 / Ps 113 / Lk 6:43-49
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	Sept. 17	+Bob Heppelmann	Sir 27:30-28:7 / Ps 103 / Rom 14:7-9 / Matt 18:21-35
	10:30AM	SC		Parishioners	
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	Sept. 18	Lynn Kemmetmueller	1Tim 2:1-8 / Ps 28 / Lk 7:1-10
Tue.	8:00AM	HT	Sept. 19	+Fr. John Siebenaler	1Tim 3:1-13 / Ps 101 / Lk 7:11-17
Wed.	8:00AM	HT	Sept. 20	John & Doris McCabe Wedding Anniversary	1Tim 3:14-16 / Ps 111 / Lk 7:31-35
Thu.	9:00AM	SC	Sept. 21	+Fr. Peter Gadiant	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 / Ps 19 / Matt 9:9-13
Fri.			Sept. 22		1Tim 6:2c-12 / Ps 49 / Lk 8:1-3
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	Sept. 23	+Len & Rosie Lodermeier	1Tim 6:13-16 / Ps 100 / Lk 8:4-15
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	Sept. 24	Parishioners	Is 55:6-9 / Ps 145 / Phil 1:20c-24, 27a / Matt 20:1-16a
	10:30AM	SC		+Charles & Dorothy McNamara	

Mission: *We grow together in Christ.*

*Welcome to our Parish Churches!*



**Holy Trinity Church (HT)**  
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**St. Columbkil Church (SC)**  
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**St. Mary Church (SM)**  
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## From Father McCabe

At his Sermon on the Mount Jesus Christ said: "So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect." Mt. 5:46-48. That's a tall order, considering God is "Holy, holy, holy!"

To enter the fullness of heaven we must be made perfect, purified from all sin and attachment to sin: the sins of commission and omission. Thus, we pray for all people but especially our deceased loved ones who we hope died in the state of grace, but who need to make reparation for their sins.

In today's Gospel Jesus said to the servant who was shown mercy, but did not show mercy to the other servant, "Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?" Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should "pay back the whole debt." Mt. 18: 33-35. If we do not repair the damage our sins have caused by doing sufficient penance here on earth, we will have to "pay back the whole debt" in purgatory.

Although we are called to give ourselves and our gifts completely to God for the salvation of souls, only some people will love God perfectly to give everything, like the martyrs, and thus be brought to the fullness of heaven immediately.

The majority of practicing Christians will have to be purified in purgatory because of our attachment to earthly things at the expense of our relationship to Jesus Christ and his Church, and those who are materially or spiritually poor.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (paragraph, #1030) states: "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of Heaven."

"The Church gives the name 'Purgatory' to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned ...As for certain lesser faults, we must believe that, before the Final Judgment, there is purifying fire. He who is truth says that whoever utters blasphemy against the Holy Spirit will be pardoned neither in this age nor in the age to come. (Mt 12, 32) From this sentence we understand that certain offenses can be forgiven in this age, but certain others in the age to come." (*Catechism*, #1031)

Thank God that Jesus Christ gives us the opportunity to show mercy even after our brothers and sisters have died in the Lord. When Jesus gave the power of the Keys to the Kingdom of God to St. Peter, the rock on which Jesus would build his Church, the Lord Jesus said to him, "Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Cf. Mt. 16:16-19

As the Vicar of Christ on earth the Pope has the power to write the guidelines to help those in Purgatory, where the fiery love of God, over time, is purifying people of their sins. Yet, we can reduce that time for them and for ourselves by seeking indulgences which helps us to become holier.

An "indulgence" is the remission of temporal punishment due to sin of which has already been forgiven, assuredly in the Sacrament of Confession. A "plenary indul-

gence" (complete remission) can be applied to oneself or to a deceased person once a day, for 21 days, by doing the following:

- I. Make a good confession (good for 21 days);
- II. Pray for the Pope's intentions: Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be;
- III. Receive the Eucharist in the state of grace on the day of doing the indulgent work;
- IV. Complete the indulgent work such as praying a family Rosary, or prayerfully reading Sacred Scripture for 30 minutes, or praying the Rosary before the tabernacle;
- V. And, the most difficult, be detached from all sin, even venial sin. Anytime any temptation comes to mind, you must detest it.

The partial completion of the above wins a partial indulgence. This work to help release the poor souls in purgatory takes much faith, hope and charity, because we do not see immediate results. The grace that we tap into to help our suffering friends in purgatory is called the Church's treasury. We read in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*:

#1476: We call these spiritual goods of the communion of saints the Church's treasury, which is "not the sum total of the material goods which have accumulated during the course of the centuries." On the contrary the 'treasury of the Church' is the infinite value, which can never be exhausted, which Christ's merits have before God. They were offered so that the whole of mankind could be set free from sin and attain communion with the Father. In Christ, the Redeemer himself, the satisfactions and merits of his Redemption exist and find their efficacy."

#1477: "This treasury includes the prayers and good works of the Blessed Virgin Mary. They are truly immense.... In the treasury, too, are the prayers and good works of all the saints, all those who have followed in the footsteps of Christ the Lord and by his grace have made their lives holy and carried out the mission the Father entrusted to them. In this way they attained their own salvation and at the same time cooperated in saving their brothers in the unity of the Mystical Body."

We practice our faith because we are not yet perfect; and the more we practice seeking forgiveness and forgiving others, the more we can help bring ourselves and our loved ones to the perfection of heaven: through, with and in Jesus Christ and his Mystical Body, the Church.

Peace in Christ,

Fr. Thomas McCabe

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: CYA group meeting, Sun., Sept. 17 from :  
: 6:30-9:00PM. Chris Poncelet, Speaker :  
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**Please pray for:** Marcy Dilworth, Susan Brown, Margaret Wagner, Leo & Maxine Ryan, Ed Heppelmann, Anne Merry, Ray Poncelet, Dave Buck, Scott Cyert, Jerry Joe Majerus, Louise Heppelmann, Brent Hokanson, Anne Skalicky, Mark Ryan, Pat Mann, Neil Stehr, Barb Smalley, Jen Berg, Mary Ellen Reding, Marge Majerus, Connie Havrilla, Shawn Frederixon and Gabe Ryan.



## News and Events

**HT/SC Cemetery Board** is seeking input from parishioners with ideas for projects to further enhance our cemetery. Do you have a particular area of interest (i.e. contemplation, beauty, accessibility, practicality, tranquility)? Contact a Cemetery Association Board member: Fr. McCabe, Brian Buck, Billy Gadiant, Wayne Gadiant, Maureen Lodermeier, Jerome McNamara or Marty O'Connor.

**Fall Bazaar Sts. Peter & Paul, Mazeppa:** Sun., Sept. 17 from 11:00AM-1:30PM; country store, raffle and ham and turkey dinner \$13/per person.

**Community Suicide Prevention Training:** Goodhue County has identified mental health as the primary public health concern affecting our area over the past five years. Come to a **free Suicide Prevention Training on Sept. 24 from 6-8PM** at Goodhue School (Gym 1) and learn best practices in preventing suicide. **Childcare is provided.** This training is a collaborative effort by local churches and government agencies.

**Created to Believe: Called to Motherhood: A Catholic Small Group for Mothers of Young Children:** Do you sometimes wonder about who you are as a woman, wife, and mother? Meetings are twice monthly beginning Thurs., Sept. 28 at Holy Trinity from 9:30-11AM or 6-7:30PM. Cost is \$85. Register at <https://www.canafamilyinstitute.com/join-group>. Info - call/text Nicole Letsinger at 651-380-3479.

**“Becoming Provider” - a small group for husbands and fathers:** Join other men to become a courageous leader for your family and in your workplace. Meetings are twice monthly beginning Thurs., Oct. 12 - 7:30-9:00PM at Holy Trinity. Cost is \$85. Call/text Jake Letsinger 763-486-7418.

**Lost Key** with a St. Christopher keychain was found at SM. Please call Ellen Huneke at 651-764-0231.

**Prayer Request:** Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Calvin Fulton, Jean's husband. We pray for Jean who has taught Faith Formation in the past and was very generous with our Mardi Gras Fundraiser for our Youth and Family Ministry.

**OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)** met last week, but if you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, please contact Fr. McCabe. *A big thank you to the anonymous donor who contributed to the expense of OCIA, it is now FREE!*



## NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

“Communion is the union of man's soul with God. The source of all strength, our Communion could change the world if the fire of the Holy Spirit we really allowed to fall on the earth, and to renew it through you and me. (Servant of God (+1984) Catherine de Hueck Doherty (continued next week).

We pray for Ray Keller, Becky Arendt and Lora Keller who passed away recently. Let us keep our deceased loved ones in prayer, as well as their family and friends.



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 at: [holytrinity-goodhue@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinity-goodhue@gmail.com).


### Calendar/Events

Date	Church	Time	Event
Sat., Sept. 16	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., Sept. 17	HT	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., Sept. 17	SM	6:30-9:00PM	CYA Meeting-Chris Poncelet, Speaker
Mon., Sept. 18	SM	<b>5:15PM</b> -9:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Mon., Sept. 18	HT	6:00PM	Pastoral Council Meeting
Wed., Sept. 20	HT	9:00-2:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Wed., Sept. 20	HT	2:15-3:30PM 7:25-8:35PM	Faith Formation Grades 1-6 Faith Formation Grades 7-10
Thur., Sept. 21	SC	8:00-8:45AM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Confession
Sat., Sept. 23	HT	12:30-8:00PM	NET Retreat for grades 7-8-9-10
Sat., Sept. 23	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., Sept. 24	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Mon., Sept. 25	HT	5:45PM	Finance Council

**Holy Trinity Church  
(HT) Collection:**  
09/09: \$ 243.00

**St. Columbkil Church  
(SC) Collection:**  
09/10: \$ 807.00

**St. Mary Church  
(SM) Collection:**  
09/10: \$ 755.00



**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. Columbkil from 8:00AM-9:00AM (unless otherwise noted). Come and spend some time with Jesus!*

### Weekend Ministry Schedule

Church	Role	September 16/17	September 23/24
HT: Saturday 5:30PM Sept. 16 & Sept. 23	<b>Musician</b>	Wanda Schafer	Cindy Eppen
	<b>Cantor</b>	Aurora Wiskow	NET Ministries
	<b>Lector</b>	Maureen Lodermeier	NET Ministries
	<b>Servers</b>	Nora and Brynn Frederick	William Peterson and
SM: Sunday 8:45am Sept. 17 & Sept. 24	<b>Musician</b>	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
	<b>Cantor</b>	Taylor Dowden	
	<b>Lector</b>	John Huneke	Brian Keller
	<b>Servers</b>	Henry, Noah and Maya Keller	
SC: Sunday 10:30am Sept. 17 & Sept. 24	<b>Musician</b>	Cindy Eppen	Cindy Eppen
	<b>Cantor</b>	Joel Hernke	Shelly Jacobson
	<b>Lector</b>	Pam Altendorf	Michael Poncelet
	<b>Servers</b>	Brady McNamara	

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The Holy Trinity/St. Columbkil Cemetery Entrance Project is complete! This past summer a new driveway was built at the South Entrance. Both the original North driveway and the new South driveway were finished with an asphalt overlay. Thank you to the Richard & Helen Ryan Family for their generous Cemetery Entrance Project donation in memory of their parents.



The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure..... Matthew 13:44

The treasure come down from Heaven, unites himself on earth to the bread and wine on the altar. In that perfect divine moment, Jesus enters into the bread and wine and they are transformed into his body, blood, soul and divinity.

The Eucharist is that treasure for me. A treasure that was buried within me and over time began to emerge from the depths of my soul. It was at that one Eucharistic moment in time, I became aware Jesus is really in there and my heart began to palpitate. There was no longer any question in my mind. What I was taught and knew to be true came alive in me. I couldn't get enough of Jesus. I began frequenting daily Mass, reading Scripture during my early morning prayers, visiting Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration (even if it is only sitting in silence of his presence), and asking for his forgiveness of my sins at Confession. I also began attending 1st Friday and 1st Saturday Devotions. There are many graces and promises attached to these devotions. I found a peace like I never experienced before. I found a personal friendship with Jesus Christ.

This love I have for Jesus in the Eucharist has transpired and deepened over time. My focus became more centered on Jesus' love for me and understanding he loves me unconditionally and he will never abandon me, —seriously, he gave his life for me— I began to see how he has always been there for me and with me, in every situation in my life. It was then that I was able to recognize his presence in all the miracles that we have experienced in our family (we've had many but that's a testimony for another time). God is so good!

Through Jesus in the Eucharist I have been able to daily surrender everything to him and place all my trust in him. Especially in difficult times I pray; "Jesus, I surrender myself to you, take care of everything!" Or simply; "Jesus, I Trust in You!"

Jesus has given us a gift so beautiful and perfect, the gift of himself in the Eucharist! During this Year of the Eucharistic Revival, I pray that your hearts are opened more and more at each Eucharist and Jesus enters more deeply within you.

My prayer for everyone is to experience this gift, this personal friendship with Jesus.

The kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure...Matthew 13:44

Mary Majerus

