Holy Trinity Parish

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 11, 2024

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Office Hours: Mondays 10am-2pm at HT.

Building use request: Call the office.

Confession: Sat. 4:45-5:20pm at Holy Trinity, Sun. 8:20am at St. Mary, or by appointment.

Baptism: Contact the office at least 3 months before the birth to attend a class and set a date.

First Penance/Eucharist: Register for 1st grade catechism classes in preparation.

Confirmation: Register for 9th and 10th grade catechism classes in preparation.

Marriage: Please call Father McCabe at least nine months prior to tentative date.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the office especially if in serious illness, near death or upcoming major surgery.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: If you move to a nursing home/care facility, would like a priest to visit, or are unable to attend Mass and would like Communion at home, contact the office.

Funerals: Contact the office.

Mass Intentions: Mail to the office or place in collection. (\$10/Mass suggested.)

Bulletin Items: Email to <u>holytrinitygood-hue@gmail.com</u> by Wednesday noon. The business office reserves the right to edit. **Trustees:**

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A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean.... go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." Cf. Mk. 1:40-45.

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Sat.	5:30PM	HT	Feb. 10	Parishioners	1Kgs 12:26-32; 1:33-34 / Ps 106 / Mk 8:1-10
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	Feb. 11	+Alan Brinkman	Lev 13:1-2, 44-46 / Ps 32 / 1Cor 10:31- 11:1 / Mk 1:40-45
	10:30AM	SC	FED. II	+Francis McNamara	
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	Feb. 12	Anne Skalicky	Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/Mk 8:11-13
Tue.	8:00AM	НТ	Feb. 13	+Robert Lawrence	Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-
	6:00PM	пі		Holy Face of Jesus	19/Mk 8:14-21
Wed.	8:00AM	HT	Feb. 14	+Fr. Martin Beckman	JI 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
	2:30PM			John & Doris McCabe Family	
	8:00PM			+Fr. Martin Beckman	
Thu.	9:00AM	SC	Feb. 15	+Kellie Peterson	Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6/Lk 9:22-25
Fri.			Feb. 16		ls 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	Feb. 17	+Tom Ryan	ls 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	Lab 10	+Becky Arendt	Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/
	10:30AM	SC	Feb. 18	Parishioners	1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Mission: We grow together in Christ.

Welcome to our Parish Churches!



Holy Trinity Church (HT) 211 4th Street North Goodhue, MN 55027



St. Columbkill Church (SC) 36483 County 47 Boulevard Goodhue, MN 55027



St. Mary Church (SM) 221 Chester Avenue Bellechester, MN 55027



From Father McCabe

St. Paul writes to the Christians in Corinth, "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ." We heard this in the second reading. Recall that St. Paul was named Saul before his conversion to Jesus Christ. Saul was a Jewish Pharisee who knew the laws of his Jewish faith, and even bragged about how pious he was.

Saul was a man of prominence and he consented to having a fellow Jew, Stephen, stoned to death. Stephen believed that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of God, but Saul believed that he was wrong, and had him murdered.

Up to this moment, Saul never met Jesus. Nor did he allow Stephen to bring in witnesses of those who had been cured by the Lord Jesus. Saul probably knew that Jesus had been crucified, and that his followers believed that he had risen from the dead.

But this was too much for Saul, who believed that God alone is the sovereign Lord. As smart as Saul was, for some reason he ignored the fifth commandment, "Thou shall not kill." Why is it that we should not kill innocent life? Because God is the sovereign Lord and defender of every human life.

The inordinate pride of Saul, fueled by his power and prestige, blinded him to this truth. Saul believed that God was sovereign, but then Saul decided to ignore the fifth commandment, "Thou shall not kill", and had St. Stephen killed.

Saul traveled to Damascus to persecute more Christians. But then the Risen Lord Jesus appeared to him in blinding light and said, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" And Saul responded, "Who are you, Sir?" And the Lord responded, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. Now get up and go into the city and you will be told what you must do." (Cf. Acts of the Apostles, 9:1-19) Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could not see. His spiritual blindness was now manifested in his physical blindness.

For three days Saul could not see. He did not eat or drink, but spent his time praying. The Lord Jesus then sent him a Christian, Ananias, who at first doubted that God wanted him to go and pray over Saul.

Yet, the Lord told Ananias that Saul was his chosen instrument to preach the saving truth to the Gentiles and to the Israelites; and to suffer much before entering into glory. Thus, when Ananias met Saul, he said to him, "Saul, my brother, the Lord has sent me, Jesus, who appeared to you on the way ... that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Acts 9:17.

Immediately things like scales fell from the eyes of Saul and he regained his sight. He then was baptized in the Name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He stayed with the other disciples and began proclaiming in the synagogues that Jesus Christ is the Lord, the Son of God, the Lord of life and salvation.

Saul spoke with great persuasion, and soon the leading Jews plotted to murder him, but his fellow Christians helped him escape. Saul became St. Paul, because God saw his fasting and praying, and his sincerity to understand God as the sovereign of life and salvation. The Lord Jesus had mercy on Saul, and through the love of Christ and his followers, Saul cooperated with God's grace, repented,



sought holiness, and became St. Paul by living the Ten Commandments and celebrating the Seven Sacraments.

St. Paul wrote in his first letter to the Corinthians, "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ." Cf. 1 Cor. 11:1 St. Paul continues, "hold fast to the traditions, just as I handed them on to you... For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me'...

"Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord... For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself." Cf. 11:17-32.

The conversion of Saul was manifested by his fasting and prayer; and then God called him to serve the Christian community – the Church. God rewarded him with Christians who saved his physical and spiritual life. St. Paul realized that the natural laws of human life – The Ten Commandments written on every heart – need to be followed so that the supernatural law of God's grace can save us spiritually. He saw that human laws must not contradict God's laws, and that it is the Christian community who helps promulgate and support both the natural law of life, and the supernatural law of God's grace.

We stand at the threshold of the season of Lent, and at Holy Trinity Church I offer a special Shrove Tuesday Mass, Feb. 13, 6:00 PM (after Confessions from 5:00 - 5:50PM) in honor of the Holy Face of Jesus, who appeared to Saul to convert him.

Let us take time to seek the Lord like Saul, so that we can become like St. Paul, who allowed himself to be prayed over and saved by Ananias and the Christian community. For St. Paul lived a life of sincere fasting, prayer and almsgiving out of love for God and the salvation of others – the essential spiritual disciplines of daily Christian life, but emphasized during Lent that we might truly see and discern "the body" of Christ. Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Thomas McCabe

<u>Please pray for:</u> Marcy Dilworth, Susan Brown, Margaret Wagner, Maxine Ryan, Ed Heppelmann, Anne Merry, Ray Poncelet, Dave Buck, Scott Cyert, Jerry Joe Majerus, Louise Heppelmann, Brent Hokanson, Anne Skalicky, Pat Mann, Neil Stehr, Barb Smalley, Jen Berg, Marge Majerus, Connie Havrilla, Shawn Frederixon, Gabe Ryan, Laura Luhman, Colten Zinbar and Ryan Zorn. <u>Knights of Columbus Council #2751:</u> Next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 12, at Sts. Peter and Paul. Social/planning at 7:00PM. Regular meeting at 7:30PM.

<u>Contribution Envelopes</u> are now being mailed to parishioners quarterly. If you have not yet received your contribution envelopes and would like to, please contact the Parish Office.

<u>40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil</u>: Join us on Tues., Feb. 13, at 5PM on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood at 1212 7th St. NW in Rochester to begin the 40 Days of Life Spring Campaign. Ongoing prayer vigil is from Feb. 14 to March 24 to pray for an end to abortion. To join/sign up: www.40daysforlife.com/ en/rochester

Dear Parishioners,

We have distributed the Rice Bowl to each of our Faith Formation students. We do have some extra Rice Bowls for you to take home with you. We ask that you enter into the Season of Lent by saying extra prayers, abstaining from certain foods or things (in consultation with the compassionate regulations of the Church and your care giver), and participating in almsgiving – giving money to the poor.

The Rice Bowl provides you that opportunity to give alms to the poor by putting some money in the Rice Bowl throughout Lent and then returning it to the Church on Wednesday, April 3.

Extra prayer, abstaining from good things so that we can give alms to the poor is a way to show our love for Jesus who suffered and died on the Cross to enrich us with his divine life of grace. Lent is a time to follow Jesus Christ more closely within his Church, so that we can reach out to people and help them know God's love and compassion for them. Hopefully, they will then want to become a member or more active member of our Catholic Church and bring Jesus' love and compassion to others. Peace in Christ,

Fr. Thomas McCabe

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 - holytrinitygoodhue@gmail.com.



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival



"You are an empty chalice. Every morning you have to be filled. Every morning you offer yourself, your day, your being, and consecrate yourself as a sacrifice to make up what is wanting in the Passion of Christ (cf. Col 1:24). I eat Christ in the morning, and I am eaten up myself through the day. *(To be continued) (Servant of God Catherine de Hueck Doherty* +1984)

Mass Times and Liturgical Roles for Ash Wednesday, February 14

8:00AM - Holy Trinity Music: Wanda Schafer Cantor: Wanda Schafer Lector: Marlys McNamara

2:30PM - Holy Trinity Music: Cindy Eppen Cantor: Denise Voth Lector: Mary Majerus

8:00PM - Holy Trinity

Music: Wanda Schafer

Cantors: Eleanor O'Reilly and Cindy Vargas-Garcia Lector: Taylor Dowden Servers: Danny Keller, Patrick and Francis O'Reilly

Calendar/Events							
Sat., Feb. 10 HT		4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession				
Sun., Feb. 11	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession				
Sun., Feb. 11	Goodhue Lions Bld.	Noon-3PM	Mardi Gras festival/fundraiser				
Mon., Feb. 12	SM	6:30PM-9:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament				
Tues., Feb. 13	HT	5:00-5:50PM	Shrove Tuesday Confession, followed by Mass & lunch				
Wed., Feb. 14	HT	9:00AM-2:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament				
Wed., Feb. 14	HT	2:15-3:30PM	Faith Formation Grades 1-6				
Wed., Feb. 14	HT	6:30PM	Stations of the Cross				
Wed., Feb. 14	HT	7:25-8:35PM	Faith Formation Grades 7-10				
Thur., Feb. 15	SC	8:00-8:45AM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Confession				
Fri., Feb. 16	SM	8:00PM	Stations of the Cross				
Sat., Feb. 17	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession				
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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. Columbkill from 8:00AM-9:00AM (unless otherwise noted). Come and spend some time with Jesus!

Weekend Ministry Schedule

Church Role		February 10/11	February 17/18
HT:	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Wanda Schafer
Saturday 5:30PM	Cantor	Katie Ludwig	
Feb. 10 &	Lector	Loretta Froyum	
Feb. 17	Servers	Oleana and Stuart O'Reilly	
SM:	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
Sunday	Cantor	Taylor Dowden	Allison Keller
8:45am Feb. 11 &	Lector	John Huneke/Noah Keller	Taylor Dowden
Feb. 18	Servers	Addy and Will Poncelet	Henry, Noah, Maya Keller
SC:	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Cindy Eppen
Sunday	Cantor	Shelly Jacobson	Denise Voth
10:30am Feb. 11 &	Lector	Mike Poncelet	Pam Altendorf
Feb. 18	Servers	Brady and Liahna McNamara	

