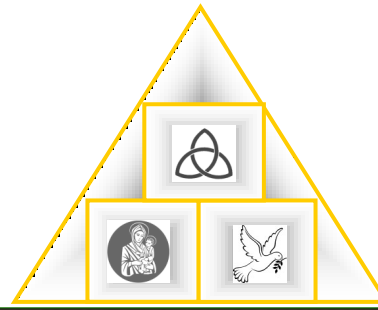


Holy Trinity Parish

The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 10, 2023

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Jesus said to his disciples: "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others

along with you, so that 'every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.' If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church. If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector." Cf. Mt. 18:15-20 Jesus says, "Love your enemies, pray for your persecutors." Mt 5:44

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE					READINGS
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	Sept. 9	+Harry Timm	Col 1:21-23 / Ps 54 / Lk 6:1-5
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	Sept. 10	+LaWanda Keller and Deceased Family Members Parishioners	Ezek 33:7-9 / Ps 95 / Rom 13:8-10 / Mt 18:15-20
	10:30AM	SC			
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	Sept. 11	+Marcella Befort	Col 1:24-23 / Ps 62 / Lk 6:6-11
Tue.	8:00AM	HT	Sept. 12	+Patrick Eggerichs	Col 2:6-15 / Ps 145 / Lk 6:122-19
Wed.	8:00AM	HT	Sept. 13	+Ronald Gergen	Col 3:1-11 / Ps 145 / Lk 6:20-26
Thu.	9:00AM	SC	Sept. 14	Brian and Laura Sweet	Num 21:4b-9 / Ps 78 Phil 2:6-11 / Jn 3:13-17
Fri.	9:00AM	SM	Sept. 15	For strength among persecuted Catholics	Heb 5:7-9 / Ps 31 / Stabat Mater / Jn 19:25-27
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 Parishioners	Sir 27:30-28:7 / Ps 103 / Rom 14:7-9 / Matt 18:21-35
	10:30AM	SC			

Mission: *We grow together in Christ.*

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Holy Trinity Church (HT)
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St. Columbkil Church (SC)
36483 County 47 Boulevard
Goodhue, MN 55027



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

From Father McCabe

Some of the most courageous Saints that the Catholic Church has canonized were children. There are many brave children Saints who loved God and others so much, that they were willing to speak the truth, no matter the cost to them.

Even though these children may not have heard the story of the Prophet Ezekiel in today's first reading, these young Saints knew that they had a mission like Ezekiel who lived in the Old Testament times.

The Prophet Ezekiel was appointed by God to tell the people to repent of their mortal sins before they died. God provided Ezekiel the grace and courage to do this out of love for them, that they might turn back to God and be saved.

We also hear that if the Prophet Ezekiel did not tell the sinner to turn back to God, then Ezekiel would be guilty of their death. However, if Ezekiel does speak the truth to them about the ways of God, then Ezekiel will not be guilty of their punishment and death if they refuse to listen to him.

It reminds me of the story of a brother and sister St. Jacinta and St. Francisco Marto of Fatima, Portugal. God chose these two children, as well as their elder cousin Lucia dos Santos, to receive messages from the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Jesus, who is now known as Our Lady of Fatima.

The Virgin Mary appeared to these three children shepherds on the 13th of each month from May 13th to October 13th, 1917. Some adults did not believe them when they said that the Virgin Mary appeared to them to tell everyone to turn back to God by fasting, praying and doing penance to end the violence of war. Yet, the children continued to share God's message, and sacrificed for the conversion of sinners.

However, the Communists authorities of Portugal did not want people to turn back to God, but wanted to control the people, so they kidnapped the three children. Can you imagine being lied to so that you get into someone's car, only to find out that they were driving you away from your parents? Children today know that you should never get into a strange person's car, no matter what they say.

The Communist authorities were nice at first and tried to convince the children that they were only imagining that the Mother of Jesus Christ was appearing to them, but the children kept repeating the truth.

The authorities then tried to convince them to stop talking about it because if it is a lie, then they could end up in jail. But the children reminded them that God wants them to talk about it so that people can turn back to God and be saved.

After many attempts to convince the children, the Communist authorities threatened that if they ever wanted to see their parents again they have to stop talking about God and the Blessed Virgin Mary. But the brave children refused to tell a lie about God and the holiness that Mary was calling them to.

These evil adults tried to make the children lie about God. They kept using psychological torture on them, but the children trusted in God and Mary.

Finally, they separated the children from each other and individually told them that if they did not stop talking about God and Mary, the Mother of Jesus, they would never see their friends or family again. They then took a child away and made her scream.

Although each child was traumatized, they were strong in their faith and did not lie about God and Mary, the beautiful Mother of Jesus, who came to ask them to pray and sacrifice for sinners. God had given them the grace not to lie, but to tell the truth that people needed to turn back to God or be lost in the fires of hell. The Communist authorities relented and they finally returned the three children to their grieving parents.

These three children said that the Blessed Virgin Mary was going to perform a miracle for them on October 13, and so the Communists authorities, who did not believe in God, planned to be there. They thought that, since there is no God, there will be no miracle, and when there is no miracle then they would arrest the children.



These evil Communists arrived on October 13 at the apparition site, where the Virgin Mary told the children to meet her. It was raining for about three days so it was very muddy but by mid-day about 70,000 people had gathered.

Then the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to the children and spoke with them. She told them that God was pleased by their prayers and sacrifices for the conversion of sinners. No one could see who they were talking to.

Some of the doubters in the crowd began to ask, "Where's the miracle?" And then Lucia pointed to the sky. The dark clouds parted and the sun shone brightly, and then it began to spin and dance and radiate all kinds of colors!

Everyone was amazed and shouted with joy that they could look directly into the sun without hurting their eyes to see these marvelous things. But then the sun grew larger and larger, as if it were going to crash into the earth!

Many people fell to their knees and repented of their sins, others started to scream and run away as if it were the end of the world. But the children remained calm. They trusted in God and Mary, and saw a vision of the Holy Family in the sky – Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus – and then the sun returned to its normal place.

That October 13th, 1917, 70,000 people witnessed the miracle of the sun, which illumined many hearts with the fear of God so that they would repent of their sins and follow Jesus Christ in his Catholic Church in order to live in peace, and make their way to the perfect peace and love of heaven. God rewards courageous faith.

In today's Gospel, Jesus Christ tells us that we need to be loving and courageous in telling people individually to repent if they have sinned against us. If that does not work, then we should bring two friends along to help find reconciliation and justice. If that does not work, then the third step is to go to Church authorities.

We read in the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 18, about how to be a courageous adult in the Church. At age 18 we legally become adults, which helps us to remember Chapter 18 of the Gospel of Matthew, of which we should have the maturity to follow this process of finding reconciliation and justice as an adult.

However, if we are younger than 18 years old, and someone sins against us in a serious way, we need to tell our parents immediately, and then maybe go to the police in order to bring reconciliation and justice to the situation. When we do this, we are acting like the Prophet Ezekiel, and the brave children saints who always spoke the truth for the love of God and the salvation of souls.

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

Knights of Columbus Monthly Meetings: Brother Knights, join us the 2nd Monday of each month. The next meeting will be Mon., Sept. 11 at St. Mary. Social/planning at 7:00PM. Regular Meeting at 7:30PM.

*Communal Penance Service at Holy Trinity:
Tues., September 12, 7:00-8:30PM with guest priests*

Faith Formation begins Wednesday, Sept. 13. We are so excited to welcome your children in grades 1-10 back to Faith Formation classes! **If you have not yet registered, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.**

Lost and Found at Holy Trinity: *Parents/Grandparents* Please claim your child/grandchild's lost jackets and sweat-shirts at HT by the end of class on **Wed., Sept. 13**. *All unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity.* Thank you!

St. Mary CCW meeting Wed., Sept. 13 at 7:00PM at St. Mary. The auction for senior scholarships is Sun., Sept., 17 after Mass. Your donations are appreciated. Volunteers needed for cleaning the church. Details can be found in the copy room. *Thank you!*

Holy Trinity/St Columbkil CCW meets on Wed., Sept. 13 at 7:00PM at SC. Program includes Appalachia and Papal Footprints Project. Please contact Shelly Jacobson with questions at 651-389-1549.

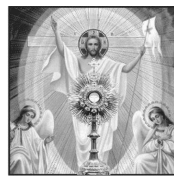
Community Suicide Prevention Training: Goodhue County has identified mental health as the primary public health concern affecting our area over the past five years. Come to a **free Suicide Prevention Training on Sept. 24 from 6-8PM** at Goodhue School (Gym 1) and learn best practices in preventing suicide.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



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

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) Inquiry Catholic Church Class on Thur., Sept. 14 at SM -7:00-8:30PM.

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.

Calendar/Events

Day	Location	Time	Event
Sat., Sept. 9	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., Sept. 10	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Mon., Sept. 11	SM	6:30PM-9:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Tue., Sept. 12	HT	7:00-8:30PM	Communal Penance Service with guest priests
Wed., Sept. 13	HT	9:00-2:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Wed., Sept. 13	HT	2:15-3:30PM 7:25-8:35PM	Faith Formation Grades 1-6 Faith Formation Grades 7-10
Thur., Sept. 14	SC	8:00-8:45AM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Confession
Thur., Sept. 14	SM	7:00-8:30PM	OCIA Inquiry Catholic Church Class
Sat., Sept. 16	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., Sept. 17	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., Sept. 17	HT	6:30-9:00PM	CYA Meeting-Chris Poncelet, Speaker

**Holy Trinity Church
(HT) Collection:**
09/02: \$ 506.00

**St. Columbkil Church
(SC) Collection:**
09/03: \$ 735.00

**St. Mary Church
(SM) Collection:**
09/03: \$ 898.00



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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 9/10	September 16/17
HT: Saturday 5:30PM Sept. 9 & Sept. 16	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
	Cantor	Kate Ludwig	Aurora Wiskow
	Lector	Bjorn Otterness	Maureen Lodermeier
	Servers	Leeta, Aubriel and Oleana O'Reilly	Nora and Brynn Frederick
SM: Sunday 8:45am Sept. 10 & Sept. 17	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
	Cantor	Allison Keller	Taylor Dowden
	Lector	Mary Majerus	John Huneke
	Servers	Zack and Danny Keller	Henry, Noah and Maya Keller
SC: Sunday 10:30am Sept. 10 & Sept. 17	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Cindy Eppen
	Cantor	Tom Schulte	Joel Hernke
	Lector	Barb Lexvold	Pam Altendorf
	Servers	Luke, Owen and Jay Roschen	Brady and Liahna McNamara

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Archbishop Hebda has a vision that every member of every parish in the Archdiocese be in a small group. Many have stepped forward to lead a small group. You too can be a small group leader!

The Holy Trinity Synod Evangelization Team (HT SET) has been through the training and invited many other parishioners to participate in the Small Group Leadership Workshop that will meet once a week (either Sunday 12-2:00 PM or Tues. 7:30 - 9:30 PM) for seven weeks, beginning with session I on Tues. Sept. 19, or Sun. 24 at Holy Trinity.

The following parishioners have agreed and so let's keep them in prayer: Jake Letsinger, Jim Strauss, Alyssa Paukert, Brady Bigalk, Regina Poncelet, Anna and Adam Buck, Denise Voth, Greg and Mary Majerus, Jane Lexvold, Ann Buck, Brittany O'Reilly, Terry Buck, Haley Lexvold, Carrie O'Reilly, Derek Stehr, Cameron Dowden, Bruce McNamara, Matt Buckingham and Chuck Ryan.

The workshop ends with a 6 hour planning day and lunch from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Saturday, Dec. 2. The Archdiocese volunteers and Bishops will lead these training and planning sessions by video.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Thomas McCabe
 Eric and Micayla Ryan (Chair and Secretary)
 Jeremy Keller (Lay Prayer Leader for HT SET)

Date/time of 7-session Small Group Leader Formation at Church of the Holy Trinity

- Session 1: Tues., Sept. 19, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
 Or Sun., Sept. 24, 12 - 2:00 p.m.
- Session 2: Tues., Sept. 26, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
 Or Sun., Oct. 1, 12 - 2:00 p.m.
- Session 3: Tues., Oct. 3, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
 Or Sun., Oct. 8, 12 - 2:00 p.m.
- Session 4: Tues., Oct. 10, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
 Or Sun., Oct. 15, 12 - 2:00 p.m.
- Session 5: Tues., Oct. 17, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
 Or Sun., Oct. 22, 12 - 2:00 p.m.
- Session 6: Tues., Oct. 24, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
 Or Sun., Oct. 29, 12 - 2:00 p.m.
- Session 7: **MON., Oct. 30**, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
 Or Sun., Nov. 5, 12 - 2:00 p.m.



Holy Trinity Synod Evangelization Team
 Front Row: Charlie Dicke, Micayla Ryan, Katie Ludwig, Jeremy Keller
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