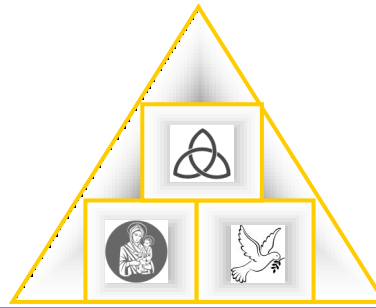


Holy Trinity Parish

Third Sunday of Lent
March 3, 2024

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He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." Jn 2:23-25

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HOLY MASS SCHEDULE					READINGS
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	March 2	+Harry Timm	Mic 7:14-15,18-20 / Ps103 / Lk 15:1-3,11-32
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	March 3	Parishioners	Ex 20:1-17 / Ps 19 / 1Cor 1:22-25 / Jn 2:13-25
	10:30AM	SC		Grade 6 Faith Formation Class	
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	March 4	+Alan Brinkman	2Kgs 5:1-15ab / Ps42-43 / Lk 4:24-30
Tue.	8:00AM	HT	March 5	Connie Havrilla	Dan 3:25, 34-43 / Ps 25 / Matt 18:21-35
Wed.	7:00AM	HT	March 6	Deceased Members of Catholic Order of Foresters	Deut 4:1, 5-9 / Ps147 / Matt 5:17-19
Thu.	9:00AM	SC	March 7	+Ian Sweet	Jer 7:23-28 / Ps 95 / Lk 11:14-23
Fri.			March 8		Hos 14:2-10 / Ps 81 / Mk 12:28-34
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	March 9	Parishioners	Hos 6:1-6 / Ps 51 / Lk 18:9-14
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	March 10	+Harley Welscher	2Chron 36:14-16, 19-23 / Ps 137 / Eph 2:4-10 / Jn 3:14-21
	10:30AM	SC		Grade 5 Faith Formation Class	

Mission: *We grow together in Christ.*

Welcome to our Parish Churches!



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



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



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

From Father McCabe

The events of history shape a person's understanding of themselves and their culture.

One major historical event was the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776, which we celebrate every 4th of July. The Declaration of Independence points to God as the Author of the Laws of Nature; one of which is the right for humans to be free. True freedom is the liberty to do that which is reasonable in the light of God. It is not the right to do anything a person feels like doing, because feelings are passing and are often confused and errant.

The Declaration of Independence shapes our understanding of true freedom by stating that God created all people with equal dignity and has given us the unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness – in that order.

The other historical event that shapes us was the signing of the United States Constitution in 1787. Although the Constitution has checks and balances within it to keep the Federal Government **limited**, and less likely to become corrupt from fallen human nature, many delegates did not sign it because they thought that the Constitution did not give enough rights to individual states, nor to individual persons. However, all the States finally ratified the Constitution in 1790, and the Bill of Rights was ratified by each State a year later.

The foundational influence of our Christian faith is evident in the writings of George Washington, who wrote: "While we are zealously performing the duties of good citizens and soldiers, we certainly **ought not** to be **inattentive** to the higher duties of religion. To the distinguished character of Patriot, it should be our highest glory to add the more distinguished character of a Christian."

The *Declaration of Independence* and our *U. S. Constitution*, (correctly understood), shapes us today and will hopefully shape our future. However, we need to know and identify with the foundations of Christianity, which is more than an historical event, it is an encounter with the person of God. And God had revealed himself perfectly through his Eternal Son, Jesus Christ. We who are disciples of Christ strive to grow that Christian character that George Washington wrote about in order to be free of external oppression and the oppression of sin.

Today's first reading was from the Book of Exodus when God gave the Ten Commandments to his people. These Commandments were a gift of God's covenantal love, after God had freed them from the oppression of slavery in Egypt. This is a more profound historic event that shapes us, if we are attentive to God who calls us to a deepening relationship with him. For Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments."

The Egyptian government was ruled by false gods and did not allow Moses and the Jews to practice their Jewish religion, since God called them into the desert for three days to worship the God of Abraham. The most historically significant night is called the Passover, when God freed his people from slavery. God commanded Moses to tell the people that each family was to procure a male, unblemished lamb, sacrifice it, and put the blood of the lamb on the door post and lintel of each home. Then they were to roast the lamb and *eat it with unleavened bread because it is the*

Passover.

On that night of the Passover, God, who is the author of life and death, sent his angel of death to strike down every first-born child of the family that did not listen to Moses, mainly the Egyptians. After this event the Pharaoh and Egyptians sent Moses and the Jews away.

The Jews then passed through the Red Sea, a symbol of our baptism, and received from God through Moses the Ten Commandments. Yet, some of the Jews had trouble believing and trusting, and they rebelled against Moses. Thus, they wandered in the desert for forty years to be purified before they entered the Promised Land of Israel, a land flowing with milk and honey.

Eventually, God had them build a Temple in Jerusalem in his honor where the Jews were to celebrate the Passover every year in order to remember and to participate in their nation's escape from slavery into freedom. It was in the Temple that the Passover lamb was sacrificed, and sins confessed were forgiven, thus they would follow God's Ten Commandments of true love and freedom more attentively.

In the Gospel of today, the Passover was near and Jesus went to inspect his Father's Temple. What he saw made him righteously angry, for the Jews had taken over the places of prayer to sell animals and exchange money. They had replaced worshipping God with the worship of the things of this world.

Jesus drove them out of the temple area and said, "Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples recalled the words of the Old Testament, "Zeal for your house will consume me." Another way of saying that is, "Zeal for your house will eat me up."

When the Jews asked by whose authority he did this Jesus responded, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." They thought he was talking about the Temple building, but he was actually talking about the Temple of his body, for he was the Eternal Word made flesh, the full revelation of God in our human nature.

This makes sense because Jesus is the new Temple of God. On the night before he was crucified, he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to the Apostles saying, "*This is my body, take and eat. This is my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant poured out for you. Do this in remembrance of me.*"

By being in the state of grace and consuming Christ's Body and Blood in the Eucharist, we receive the divine life of God. This saving grace makes us zealous to push away the world and the marketplace in order to be free to pray, worship and listen to God.

To the degree that we fervently participate at Mass, we allow the divine person Jesus Christ and his saving events shape our Christian character. When we say, "Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us," we realize that we are participating in the fulfillment of the Passover from death to new life.

Peace in Christ,



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.

News and Events

Grandparents BINGO: The Goodhue Gesundheits 4-H Club invites all Seniors to the Grandparents BINGO on Sun., March 3 at Holy Trinity at 2PM.

Knights of Columbus Meeting: Monday March 11, at St. Mary's in Bellechester. Social and Planning begins at 7:00 with the Regular Meeting at 7:30. A light lunch will follow the meeting.

Madonna Supper: The HT/SC/SM CCW groups will hold the annual Madonna Supper on Thur., March 14. Fr. Brian Lynch will give a presentation on The Shroud of Turin.

Easter Flower order forms are in the church entries.

HT/St.C Cemetery Board is seeking input from parishioners with ideas for projects to further enhance our cemetery in the areas of contemplation, beauty, accessibility, practicality, and tranquility. Contact a Cemetery Association Board member: Fr. McCabe, Brian Buck, Billy Gadiant, Wayne Gadiant, Maureen Lodermeier, Jerome McNamara, Marty O'Connor.

Goodhue Lions Spring Brunch: March 3 from 8:30AM-12:30PM. Serving pancakes, sausage, Huettl's gritwurst, eggs, toast, rolls, coffee, juice, milk.

Witness To Life: "I Lived at Parker Avenue" is a documentary being shown at St. James Coffee on Thur., March 7 at 6:30PM (Mass at 6PM). Other presentations will be shared by local pregnancy resource centers and Fr. Andy Vogel will share his personal adoption story. Bring donations (baby items especially size large diapers, pull-ups and wipes) and receive a FREE drink.

Global Solidarity Sunday: Next weekend (March 9-10) we observe Global Solidarity Sunday with the theme "For God so loved the world..." (Jn 3:16). There is a special need today as the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, one of the GSS collections, is suffering the ravages of armed conflict. This also supports the spiritual, and material needs of Africa, Latin America and humanitarian activities of Catholic Relief Services. Please be as generous as possible in sharing God's love for your brothers and sisters around the world. Thank you.

Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 10. Spring forward one hour.

Cabrini The Movie: Is based on the rich, inspiring true story of Francesca Xavier Cabrini, the first American saint. The film represents the very real events of Cabrini's life, her mission, and her service among the Italian immigrants of New York City.
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Men of Christ - Rising Daily in Discipleship Men's Conference: Join men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 2024 men's conference. Keynote speakers Deacon Harold Burke-Sievers and Jeff Cavins will lead the day that will include presentations by Bishop Joseph Williams, Deacon Joe Michalak, and Bishop Izen. For more information call 651-291-4488 or email flo-mos@archspm.org. Saturday, March 23 - 9AM-3PM at the Church of St. Joseph, Rosemount. To register online: <https://www.archspm.org/men-of-christ-retreat/>

Please pray for: 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.

Calendar/Events			
Sat., March 2	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., March 3	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., March 3	SC	After Mass	Stations of the Cross
Mon., March 4	SM	6:30PM-9:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Wed., March 6	HT	7:30AM-2:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Wed., March 6	HT	2:15-3:30PM	Faith Formation Grades 1-6
Wed., March 6	HT	6:30PM	Stations of the Cross
Wed., March 6	HT	7:25-8:35PM	Faith Formation Grades 7-10
Thur., March 7	SC	8:00-8:45AM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Confession
Fri., March 8	SM	8:00PM	Stations of the Cross
Sat., March 9	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession

Holy Trinity Church (HT) Collection:
02/17: \$ 435.00

St. Columbkil Church (SC) Collection:
02/18: \$1,129.00

St. Mary Church (SM) Collection:
02/18: \$ 988.00

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	March 2/3	March 9/10
HT: Saturday 5:30PM March 2 & March 9	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Wanda Schafer
	Cantor	Katie Ludwig	Michelle Matthees
	Lector	Judy Ramboldt	Lily Peterson
	Servers	Nora and Brynn Frederick	
SM: Sunday 8:45am March 3 & March 10	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
	Cantor	Taylor Dowden	Allison Keller
	Lector	Jeremy Keller	John Huneke
	Servers	Addy and Will Poncelet	Henry, Maya and Noah Keller
SC: Sunday 10:30am March 3 & March 10	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Cindy Eppen
	Cantor	Shannon Dicke	Eleanor O'Reilly
	Lector	Charlie Dicke	Becky Diercks
	Servers	Brady and Liahna McNamara	Patrick, Francis, Phillip O'Reilly

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Father McCabe and the Faith Formation students and catechists gave a blessing to Chris Poncelet as he embarks on a new adventure. We thank Chris for being an active member of the Catholic Young Adult group and for being the Grade 6 Faith Formation catechist. We look forward to hearing about Chris' adventure in China when he returns in five months.

