

Holy Trinity Parish

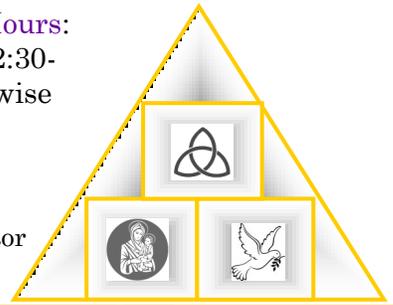
Second Sunday of Lent, March 1, 2026

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Jesus took Peter, James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him.”
(See Mt 17:1-9)

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE					READINGS
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	Feb. 28	+Firmin and Rosanne Goebel	(Vigil Mass - readings below)
2nd Sun.	8:45AM	SM	March 1	Parishioners	Vigil/Sunday, Gn 12:1-4a, Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9
	10:30AM	SC		+John Altendorf	
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	March 2	+Bernard Goihl	Dn 9:4b-10, Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tue.	8:00AM	HT	March 3	+Names in Red Memorial Book	Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wed.	8:00 AM	HT	March 4	+Harvey O'Neill	Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thurs	9:00AM	SC	March 5	+Mike Augustine	Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
1st Fri.	8:30PM	SM	March 6	+Bernard Goihl	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
1st Sat.	9:00AM	SC	March 7	Ed McCabe Family	(AM Mass readings) Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9, 12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
	5:30PM	HT		Parishioners	(Vigil Mass readings below)
3rd Sun. Lent	8:45AM	SM	March 8	Don and Gayle Struass Family	Vigil/Sunday, Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42
	10:30AM	SC		Ed McCabe Family	

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



There are many questions surrounding the Transfiguration of Jesus Christ on Mount Tabor. One question might be, how long did it take them to climb the mountain? There is an answer to that question, but it doesn't really have any relation to our life and our salvation. You might ask, Why did Jesus only choose Peter, James and John to go with him, and not some other Apostles? Was Jesus unjustly discriminating against the other Apostles? Those are deeper and more important questions since their answers touch on our relationship

to Jesus' gift of life and salvation through his Church, established on St. Peter and the Apostles. Here's the answer: Jesus is free to choose his friends, just like you and are able to choose our friends. Among our friends we can choose to be closer to some rather than others, because we are limited and need to have good preferences to serve God and his plan for our life. It is true that we sometimes need to choose between one person or another, which is discrimination, but with regard to choosing our friends it is not "unjust discrimination". Unjust discrimination occurs, for example, in the workplace when an employer chooses one person over another on the basis of their skin color, and not because of an individual's qualifications. There needs to be reasonableness for our choices.

Jesus has true love for all of us, and calls each one of us to holiness through his Church. But to do that, Jesus preferred to choose Twelve men to be his Apostles. And among those Apostles, Jesus wisely discriminated, not unjustly, but prudently chose Peter, James and his brother John to go up the mountain to reveal himself as the only Son of God in whom all heavenly truth and saving grace reside.

The Transfiguration shows us that Jesus chose Peter to be his first Pope because Peter was willing to serve God whole-heartedly. St. Peter was inspired by the Holy Spirit to write spiritual letters to be read by the church in many different locations. In the Bible you can find the First and Second Letter of Peter addressed to many churches, which was the seminal form of what we now call encyclical letters because the Pope writes them to be circulated throughout the entire church.

Jesus preferred to choose John and his brother James, because he would inspire John to be the human author of the Gospel of John and the Book of Revelation, the last book of the Bible that describes the end times. Just as he chose James to inspire him to write a short letter and to be the first Martyr for Jesus among his apostles. James was the first apostle to die for the faith and so he bypassed purgatory because he was not attached to the world, since he was willing to give the greatest gift, his life, for the truth of Jesus Christ and his Gospel of life and salvation.

But why did Jesus have Moses and Elijah appear to him and talk with him after he showed his Divine Light to the three closest apostles? Jesus wanted the three apostles to recognize that he was the divine author and light that helps us understand the Old Testament, which is made up of the Law and the Prophets. Moses represented the Law, for he received the Ten Commandments of life, love and salvation from God on Mount Sinai. Elijah represents the prophets, who called God's people to worship God, not only by following the rules, but by gathering together every week to show God love by offering Him praise and thanksgiving with humble and grateful hearts, listening to the Divine Words and Commandments of salvation preached by God's priests, and offer instruction of how to understand God's words that are directed to their salvation.

Then in this Gospel we read about a bright cloud, a symbol of the Holy Spirit, and God the Father's voice, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

And what does Jesus say to his disciples on the way to heaven? Jesus says, "If you love me keep God's commandments." And the first three Commandments say to place God first in your life by praying every morning, "Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed by thy Name... give us this day, our daily bread..." The second commandment is to say God's name only with respect, and the third commandment is to keep holy the Lord's day, which is coming to Mass every weekend, except when you are sick, caring for the sick, or physically unable due to ice, cold, bad weather and other serious reasons.

When we love God first and foremost, then we know how to follow the fourth commandment, "Honor your father and your mother." Jesus Christ is God, and he is the source of family unity and the inspiration to grow together, to forgive and to seek forgiveness together.

God the Father says, "Listen to him." We need to listen to Jesus, who even goes on to say, "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." Mt 10:37-39.

This makes sense only if we believe that Jesus Christ truly is the Son of God who is the source of all true love that helps us to love our parents and our children in a way that leads to Eternal life. May the divine light of Jesus' grace found in the sacraments, especially in the Sacrament of Confession during this Season of Lent, transfigure our lives into being a help to heaven for those around us.

Peace in Christ,
Fr. Thomas McCabe

CCW NEXT Meeting will be April 9th at 7pm at Holy Trinity Church Center- Madonna Supper

Meal provided by – Holy Trinity; Set up/clean up St Columbkills; St Mary's speaker (RIPple Drug Education & Awareness). The toll of those dying from drug overdose reached 100,000 in the USA, 2020, mainly due to fentanyl and other opioids. Please pray for God's mercy.

Thanks: to Steve Welscher who served many years at chairing the Pastoral Council. I hope he stays on the maintenance committee at St. Mary's. We need a maintenance committee at Holy Trinity to help make our Faith Formation space more accommodating. We need help from all the churches for this goal so if interested please call Fr. ASAP. Thanks also to Mary Jo O'Reilly and Cooper Utley who are also stepping down from serving on the Pastoral Council. Their prayerful support and devotion to Jesus Christ and his people in this parish was impressive, and I appreciate all that you continue to do to advance God's saving mission of love, truth and compassion for Christ and his Church. God bless!

And Jesus said... "Whoever has my Commandments and observes them is the one who loves Me. And whoever loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and reveal Myself to him." -John 14:21

Heaven in Your Home Program, Saturday, March 14 at Holy Trinity Community Room after Mass from 6:30-8:00PM. All families invited to join in the evening dinner, discussion & fellowship. Ideas for living out your faith at home. Sign up is not necessary, but helpful: email Regina at: rponcelet@sleepyeyetel.net. Child care will be provided.

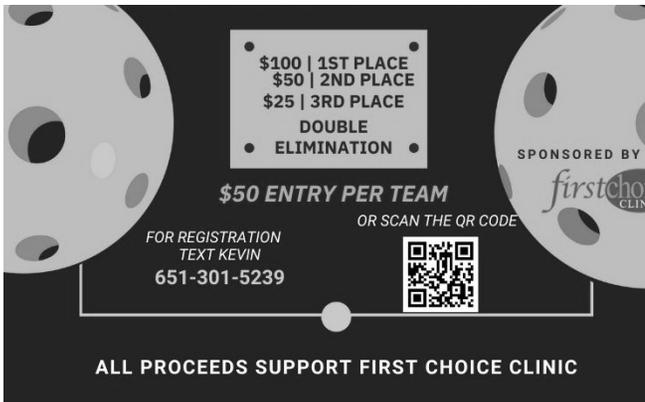
MARRIAGE RETREAT: Worldwide Marriage Encounter Retreat is an enrichment for married couples who desire a richer, fuller life together. Please join us at Our Lady of Grace Parish in Edina for a 2-day Weekend Retreat - March 7-8, 2026. Go home Saturday evening and return Sunday morning. Take time to connect with your spouse, work through common themes together and renew your marriage. To apply or for info: call 612-334-7440 or WWME.org.

Goodhue Lions Spring Brunch: Sun., March 1, 8:30-12:30PM: French toast, Sausage, Bacon, Huettl's Gritwurst, Eggs and Beverages: Adults - \$13, Children 6-12 - \$7.00, Children under 5 - Free. Bloody Mary's - \$6.00, Mimosa's - \$5.00.

2026 MEN'S CONFERENCE: Sat., March 21, Church of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 20235 15th St. W, Hastings, MN 55033, with renowned speaker Doug Barry. 7AM doors open: Registration and Confession offered, 8AM Mass with Archbishop Hebda, and bishops Izen and Kenney, 9-12:30PM Conference and Holy Hour. Cost: Adult indiv. \$30, early-bird \$25 until Feb. 22, Youth 14-17, \$10 which includes coffee, breakfast sandwich & snacks. Online registration closes March 17 - ode@archspm.org or archspm.org/events, or call 651-291-4488.

Quilters Invited: join other quilters on Thursdays, 9:00-11:00AM at Holy Trinity. Please enter through the door nearest the school, east side of Holy Trinity Church. Thank you to those who have anonymously provided materials!

Pickleball Tournament: Saturday, March 7, 9AM at Goodhue School, registration begins at 8:30AM. All levels of Experience Welcome. See details and check out QR code below:



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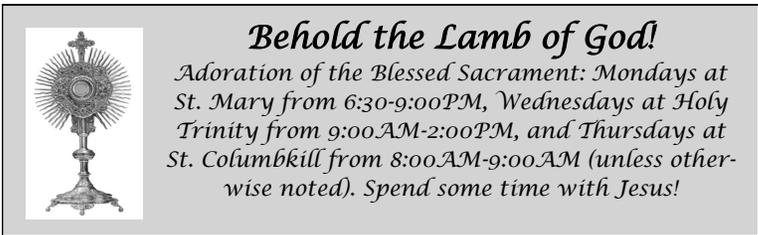
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Calendar/Events			
Sat., 28	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., March	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Mon., March 2	SM	6:30-9:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration
Wed., March 4	HT	2:15-3:30PM	Faith Form, grades 1st-6th
Wed. March 4	HT	6:30-7:00PM	Stations of the Cross
Wed., March 4	HT	7:25-8:35PM	Faith Form. grades 7th-9th
Thrs., March 5	SC	8:00-8:45AM	Eucharistic Adoration/Conf. (Mass 9:00AM)
1st Fri., March 6	SM	7:00-7:45PM	Adoration/Confession
1st Fri., March 6	SM	8:00-8:30PM	Stations of the Cross (Mass 8:30PM)
1st Sat., March 7	SC	8:00-8:45AM	Adoration/Confession (Mass 9:00AM)
Sat., March 8	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., March 9	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March 2026:
 We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

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2/21/'26: \$390.00	2/22/'26: \$874.00	2/22/'26 \$1,101.00

Weekend Ministry Schedule			
Church	Role	Feb. 28/March 1	March 7/March 8
HT: Saturday 5:30PM Feb. 28 & March 7	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Eileen Frischmon
	Cantor	Laural Seither	Michelle Matthees
	Lector	Karen Albers	Loretta Froyum
	Servers	Aubriel, Oleana, Stuart O'Reilly	Lucas, Brynn, and Nora Fredericks
	Ushers	Mike Zorn	Mike Zorn
SM: Sunday 8:45am March 1 & March 8	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
	Cantor	Taylor Dowden	
	Lector	Jeremy Keller	Mary Majerus
	Servers	Isaac Ryan, Danny Keller	Derek Stehr
Ushers	Steve Welscher, Jake Letsinger		
SC: Sunday 10:30am March 1 & March 8	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Eileen Frischmon
	Cantor	Shannon Dicke	Denise Voth
	Lector	Barb Lexvold	Becky Diercks
	Servers	Patrick, Francis, Phillip, Michael O'Reilly	Madalyn, Caleb and Cameron Schofield
Ushers	Bruce McNamara	JJ and Chris O'Reilly	



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). Spend some time with Jesus!

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Some winners at the HT Parish Mardi Gras Accelerated Corn Hole Toss competition, 2026.

1st, \$200: **Ryan Paukert** (8/10 in 22.54 seconds)
Alyssa (Ryan) Paukert receiving prize money for him.

2nd, \$150: **Micah Huneke** (not pictured, 6/10, 19.25 seconds)

3rd, \$100: **Alyse Voth** (left side, 6/10 in 24.93 seconds)

Congratulations! Nicholas and Taran Thomforde with the baptism of their baby girl, Ophelia Joanne! A new, born-again Catholic Christian!

Thank you to all who helped and participated at our Mardi Gras fundraiser!

We grossed \$3,910.00, but need to figure out expenses, and collect some silent auction money. **Thank you for your generous support!!**



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