



December 1, 2024  
1st Sunday of Advent

# Church of the Most Holy Trinity

*The Parish that We Dream  
is the Parish that I Help to Build*

## Happy New Liturgical Year 2025

My brothers and sisters in Christ.

This Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, is the first Sunday of Advent; therefore, we are starting a new liturgical year in the Catholic Church. We are starting to read the Gospel according to Luke. With this new year in the Church, Holy Trinity family is also starting to celebrate this wonderful season of Advent with different activities.



We start to light the Advent wreath every Sunday. “Advent candles readily demonstrate the strong contrast between darkness and light, which is an important biblical image. Jesus referred to himself as the “Light of the World” that dispels the darkness of sin: “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life” (John 8:12) (<https://www.catholiccompany.com/magazine/the-advent-wreath-tradition-meaning-5924>). When we light one of these candles, we are telling all people that Jesus Christ, the light of the world, is coming. We are very excited and preparing for His coming.

We are not only starting a new liturgical year, but our Jubilee 2025. This tradition dates back to 1300 AD, when Pope Boniface VIII declared a universal festival for the entire Church. Originally, the Church celebrates the Jubilee every 100 years, but now we celebrate it every 25 years in order that all faithful participates at least once in their life. I do remember the last Jubilee, which was in the year 2000, when I was a seminarian in Colombia.



The official day for the opening of the Holy Door and the Jubilee will be on Christmas Eve, when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door of St. Peter’s Basilica. This will be at 7:00 p.m. Rome Time. **In our Diocese of Rochester, there will be a special Mass on December 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 a.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral.** All are welcome to join Bishop Matano and participate in this Eucharist at the Cathedral. In addition to the great tradition of opening this Holy Door, other holy doors will be open at the different basilicas in Rome. For pilgrims who cannot travel to Rome, the local bishops will designate the cathedral as a place of pilgrimage for prayer, offering opportunities of reconciliation, indulgences, and other moments to strengthen our Catholic faith. The theme is “Pilgrims of Hope”, and it will be a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of COVID-19 pandemic, and a climate crisis.

Let us start this new liturgical year in the company of the Lord, participating in this Holy Year of Jubilee. Let us renew our faith in the Lord, always feeling joy because the Lord God is always with us.

Remember, *The parish that we dream is the parish that I help to build.*

God bless you, and may the Blessed Virgin Mary be with you always!

Fr. Jorge Ramirez



**PASTORAL EMERGENCIES:** If you have a pastoral emergency after office hours; please call **(315) 604-8070**.

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES:** Saturday (vigil) **4:30 p.m.**  
Sunday **8:30 a.m.** and **10:30 a.m.**

**DAILY MASS TIMES:** Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m.

**FAITH FORMATION:** See our website or contact Tricia Kull for more information at (585) 265-4750 or [Tricia.Kull@dor.org](mailto:Tricia.Kull@dor.org)

**YOUTH MINISTRY** - See our website or contact Michelle Schultheis for more information at (585)265-4750x328 or [michelle.schultheis@dor.org](mailto:michelle.schultheis@dor.org)

**BECOMING CATHOLIC** - Contact Fr. George ([fr.jorge.ramirez@dor.org](mailto:fr.jorge.ramirez@dor.org)) or Mary Kramer ([mary.kramer@dor.org](mailto:mary.kramer@dor.org)) for information about the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults.

### Legion of Mary

Please note that the Legion of Mary will not meet on November 26, December 17, December 24 or December 31st. They will resume on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. (after the 8:30 daily Mass).

### Holy Trinity Ministry Corner

As daily Mass (Monday - Friday) has changed to 8:30 am, please note the **NEW** start times for the following Holy Trinity Ministries:

**St. Monica Ministry:** 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 9:00 a.m. (after 8:30 daily Mass) in Church.

**Legion of Mary:** Every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the Marion Room.

**Rosary:** Every Friday at 8:00 a.m. in Church.

**Thursday Morning Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (check weekly bulletin to confirm dates/room location)

Contact the parish office with any questions at 585-265-1616

### Stewardship by the Book

“Be on guard,” Jesus warns in today’s Gospel, “lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence.” Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

## Preparing the Manger

This Advent season, we once again participate as a parish family in the tradition of [Preparing the Manger](#) for the arrival of the Baby Jesus. The manger, or crib, is a symbol of our hearts. Advent is the time to prepare one's heart for Christ's coming at Christmas.

**As we journey through this Advent season, we are each invited to take a small piece of straw (found at every entrance) and place it in the manger beneath the statue of our Blessed Mother Mary. As you place your straw into the manger, consider what is in your heart. The things that you are doing to prepare your own heart to receive Jesus.**

**The straws reflect our prayers for others, kindnesses shown, sacrifices we make, and the help given to those in need all Advent long. In doing these things, we are preparing our hearts for Christ to enter on Christmas.**

The manger bed will begin to form and fill as we celebrate the Advent season. The manger will become part of our nativity scene in our church, and we will look to welcome the infant Jesus at our Christmas Mass celebrations at Holy Trinity where he will be laying safe and sound on the soft bed of our straws...the prayers and loving choices we have made in His name.

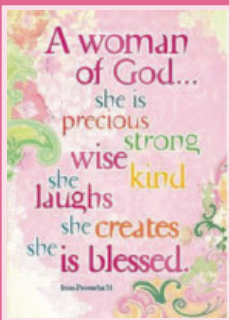


### Bereavement Ministry



Our December Bereavement Ministry Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 10th at 2:00 pm. in the Wing Room. We will serve cookies, socialize, share and prepare ourselves for Christmas. Any questions, please call Mary Ann at 585-265-9395.

**We hope you can join us.**



Women's Faith Group  
Kick off Meeting  
December 14, 2024  
Gathering Space  
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Women coming together to share in faith and community.

Please join us on Saturday, December 14th at 9:00 a.m. in the Gathering Space at Holy Trinity Church for a kick off to discuss ideas for future meetings. Our plan is to follow the schedule of the Men's Group, meeting the 2nd Saturday of every month from 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Please email Nora Craft at [norazark@aol.com](mailto:norazark@aol.com) if you have an idea but are unable to attend our kick off event.

All are welcome!

### Church Calendars - 2025

Our 2025 Church Calendars are available at all the entrances of the church and at the Parish Office. We ask that each household take only one calendar, so that we will be able to share with all. Thank you!



Altar Candles will burn this week for the following:

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in loving memory of Anthony Olles, req. by family.

**Our Blessed Mother's Altar Candle** will burn in loving memory of Dawn Swartout, req. by Betty Malahosky.

**St. Joseph's Altar Candle** will burn in loving memory of Peter Mix req. by mom and dad.

**If you would like a candle lit in memory of a loved one or for special intentions, please call the parish office.**

**A REMINDER:** If you need a devotional candle lit immediately for a loved one, a special occasion, or special intentions, you are invited to light the small votives that are on the side altars of the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph. They will burn for about 4-5 hours.



### Please Remember in Prayer Our Beloved Dead

Robert Komczyk and those who mourn for him.

For unto us  
a child is born!



## Advent Music Celebration & Children's Christmas Pageant

Holy Trinity Church - 1460 Ridge Road, Webster, NY

3:00 pm Music Celebration  
3:45 pm Children's Pageant  
4:00 pm Reception with Special Guests!


Come celebrate the Advent season with Holy Trinity on Dec 15!

### Night of the Little Candles Monday, December 9th (after the 5:30 p.m. Mass)

Help us celebrate **The Immaculate Conception with the "Night of the Little Candles,"** in honor of our Blessed Mother. Come and join us in this Colombian tradition of cooking, praying, and celebrating together. Fr. George will cook the typical Colombian desserts for Christmas. You can bring something to share with our fellow parishioners or help with cleanup.

Please contact the parish office to acknowledge if you are coming to this celebration. The celebration will start with the Eucharist at 5:30 pm. Come, let us pray together and enjoy this wonderful Colombian tradition.






# Christmas Trumpet and Organ

Relax with a collection of Advent and Christmas music performed on trumpet and pipe organ

Free-will offerings will benefit the food pantries at Holy Cross and Our Mother of Sorrows Churches


**Holy Cross Church – December 8, 2024**  
Following the 10:00am Mass

Program will last approximately 30 minutes



## Advent Prayer

GOD OUR FATHER  
HELP US KEEP WATCH  
AND STRENGTHEN OUR FAITH  
AS WE WAIT FOR THE COMING  
OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.  
WAKE US UP  
AND FIND US READY  
TO SERVE AND PRAISE HIM.  
AMEN.




Ven a participar de

# La Santa Misa en Español

**Diciembre 07 06:30 P.M.**

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1460 Ridge Road, Webster, NY 14580

## Ornaments And Save Around Books


Once again, Christmas Ornaments and Coupon Books will be available for sale. These make GREAT gifts, and your purchase will be supporting multiple charities. Proceeds from the sale of ornaments fund St. Damien's Pediatric Hospital in Haiti and St. Michael's Woodshop in Rochester. Proceeds from the sale of the coupon books are directed to St. Damien's Pediatric Hospital.

This year's ornaments are beautifully made locally by city youth at St. Michael's Woodshop in Rochester. The ornaments are \$7 each or three for \$18. Coupon Books are \$25 per book.

Both the Coupon Books and ornaments are available at Holy Trinity's office. Ornaments are also available at the Goodie Shop located at 83 North Avenue in Webster (during their normal business hours).

Thank you for your continued generous support!


## Family Christmas Tree



Father George is inviting all parishioners to decorate our Family Christmas Tree. Please bring a labeled Christmas ornament that is significant to your family to decorate the tree. Ornaments that were left from last year will be hung the first week of December.

You can collect them after the Epiphany of the Lord in January or leave it at the parish for next year.

## Christmas Flower Fund




If you wish to make a donation to our Christmas Flower Fund, you may do so by either calling the Parish Office or placing your intention and donation in an envelope in the Church collection basket.

Your donation to this fund will be appreciated.

2024-2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

## Extending Christ's Mission

through the Catholic Ministries Appeal



We thank those who have given generously to the CMA. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in so many ways.

**Join our appeal and give back what you can, so that we remain strong and able to do God's great work!**

If you wish to give to the CMA, there are envelopes at the Welcome Desk in the Gathering Space.

<b>GOAL:</b>	<b>\$192,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL TO DATE:</b>	<b>\$105,498.22</b>
<b>DONORS:</b>	<b>315</b>
<b>% TO GOAL:</b>	<b>54.95% (as of November 19th)</b>

## Mass Intentions: November 30 - December 8, 2024

All weekday and weekend Masses will be live-streamed.

### Saturday - November 30, 2024

4:30 p.m. (VIGIL) † Herbert Dietrich, req. by Irene Dietrich

### SUNDAY - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### December 1, 2024

8:30 a.m. For the people of Holy Trinity, living and deceased  
10:30 a.m. † Father Tim Horan, req. parishoners and staff of Holy Trinity

### Monday - Advent Weekday

#### December 2, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Marilyn Gilman, req. by Marsha Gilman

### Tuesday - St. Francis Xavier, Priest

#### December 3, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Horst Merkl, req. by Bernice Verstraete

### Wednesday - St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

#### December 4, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Jane McMorrow, req. by Schroeder family

### Thursday - Advent Weekday

#### December 5, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Peter Mix, req. by mom and dad

### First Friday - St. Nicholas, Bishop

#### December 6, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Armand Vitale, req. by Vitale family

### First Saturday

#### December 7, 2024

4:30 p.m. (VIGIL) † John DeLutis, req. by Jim and Nancy Rank

### SUNDAY - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### December 8, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Tom and Dorothy Neugebauer, req. by Frank and Kathie Suriano and family  
10:30 a.m. For the people of Holy Trinity, living and deceased

## This Week at Holy Trinity Church

### Tuesday, December 3

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Legion of Mary - Marian Room  
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Confession - Church

### Wednesday, December 4

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - St. Monica Ministry - Church  
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Stitching Group - Wing Room  
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Journey Through the Bible - Trinity Hall

### Thursday, December 5

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Journey Through the Bible - Trinity Hall  
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Adoration - Church

### Friday, December 6

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - Rosary

### Saturday, December 7

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass - Church



## Holy Trinity Parish Staff

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### OFFICE HOURS:

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1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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### MASS TIMES:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Vigil

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.. (Oct. - June)

(no Tuesday confessions during the summer)

If you find that you are unable to attend Mass in person,  
you may view our live-stream at <https://livestream.com/accounts/18862485/events/5598269>

Victims of sexual abuse should always report to the civil authorities. To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester contact our Victims Assistance Coordinator:

Deborah Housel at 585-328-3228, ext. 1555 or  
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