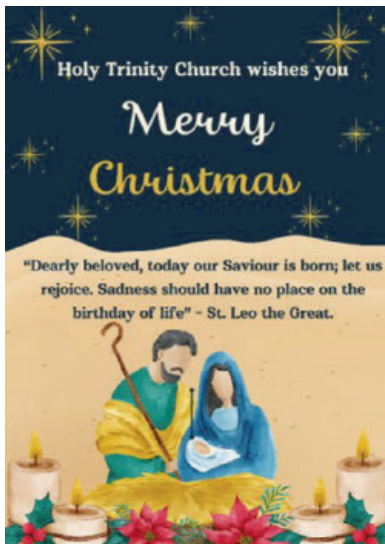




## The Joy of Christmas



“For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord.” (Lk. 2:11). This is the announcement of the angels when the Son of God finally was born through our Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary, in a manger. Christmas means the joy of celebrating that Jesus is in our lives because God loves us very much. Because of this joy is that all of us have special decorations in our homes, we have delicious food such as cookies, chocolate, or ham.

The angels invite not only the shepherds to go and adore the newborn baby, but also to each one of us. We cannot forget that the main reason of Christmas is Christ. Look at that fragile boy. Look at him, his innocence, tenderness, and all of love that God made man has for all of us. Our mission is not only to feel the love of God who is given us through this child, but to transmit the same love in our society who is living in crisis because of violence in many places, such as Ukraine, Israel, South America, Africa, Asia, and of course, our country.

Pope Francis in his Message on Christmas 2023 called *Urbi et Orbi* (December 25, 2023) invites us to proclaim this message of joy. “What kind of joy? Not the passing happiness of this world, not the glee of entertainment but a joy that is “great” because it makes us great. For today, all of us, with all our shortcomings, embrace the sure promise of an unprecedented gift: the hope of being born for heaven. Yes, Jesus our brother has come to make his Father our Father; a small child, he reveals to us the tender love of God, and much more. He, the Only-Begotten Son of the Father, gives us “power to become children of God” (Jn 1:12). This is the joy that consoles hearts, renews hope and bestows peace. It is the joy of the Holy Spirit: the joy born of being God’s beloved sons and daughters” (*Urbi et Orbi*. You can read the complete message from Pope Francis on <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/urbi/documents/20231225-urbi-et-orbi-natale.html>).

Let us celebrate Christmas with love and joy. Let us eat delicious food with our family and friends, let us sing Christmas carols and enjoy the snow in company of our children. Let us rejoice because the Emmanuel is among us. Let us keep Christ in Christmas through an amazing action that we can do for our relatives, family, friends, and strangers. Let us live Christmas the whole year because the baby Jesus is always in our hearts and came to us in the wonderful sacrament of the Eucharist

**I, as the Pastor of the Church of the Most Holy Trinity and on behalf of our staff, wish you Merry Christmas! ¡Feliz Navidad!** May the Baby, who was born in Bethlehem, be born again this Christmas in your hearts and homes and be with you always. Feliz Navidad, Merry Christmas, my brothers and sisters. Enjoy these wonderful Holy Days in the company of your beloved ones and, of course, the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

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 Ramírez

**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 9:00 a.m.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Call Tricia Kull, Faith Formation Coordinator at 265-4750.

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:** Saturdays from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment with a priest. **No Tuesday Confessions during the summer months (July –September).**

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Arrangements for marriage for registered parishioners must be made at least six months in advance through the Parish Office. Preparation includes meetings with the pastor, Pre-Cana and the Fully Engaged inventory.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** The Eucharist and Sacramental Anointing are available to the homebound and those in need. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

**HOSPITAL VISITS:** Please call the Parish Office in advance, if possible.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Thursday - 3:00 - 4:00 p.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)

- Religious Education Classes offered for Grades 1-7 in our Sunday Program or Family Program.
- Sacrament Preparation for First Penance and First Holy Communion (two-year program) for Grades 2 and over.
- Children’s Liturgy of the Word on Sundays (October - June) during our 10:30am Mass for Grades Pre-K - 3.


**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)

- Confirmation Preparation (two-year program) for Youth in Grades 8 and over.
- OCIC to prepare children ages 7-17 to enter fully into the Catholic Church through Baptism.
- Children, Youth, and Family opportunities to gather in fellowship throughout the year. Watch our monthly newsletter for more information.

**Please Remember in Prayer  
Our Beloved Dead**



Kelly Leitten and Bob Dominik and those who mourn for them.



**Altar Candles will burn this week for the following:**

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in loving memory of members of the William & Margaret Bowles families, living & deceased.

**Our Blessed Mother’s Altar Candle** will burn in loving memory of Antonio Micali, req. by Todaro family.

**St. Joseph’s Altar Candle** will burn in loving memory of Brett Boback, req. by family.

**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.

**Stewardship by the Book**

The Gospel today tells of the Virgin Mary, pregnant herself, hurrying off to help her cousin Elizabeth. The model of good stewardship, she who had given herself to bear the Savior, gave her time and love to others as well.

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<b>GOAL:</b>	<b>\$192,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL TO DATE:</b>	<b>\$132,053.22</b>
<b>DONORS:</b>	<b>362</b>
<b>% TO GOAL:</b>	<b>68.78% (as of December 13th)</b>

## Christmas Mass Times at Holy Trinity Church

### **December 24 - Christmas Eve**

4:00 and 6:30 p.m.  
(Christmas Masses for families of young  
children)  
10:00 p.m. (Midnight Mass)

### **December 25 - Christmas Day**

10:30 a.m. (The Nativity of the Lord)



**Holy Trinity's Classic Choir** will be singing at the 10:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass this year. If you are planning on attending this mass, you are invited to come early to enjoy a beautiful selection of Christmas preludes! **Music to begin at 9:40 PM.**

## **Knights of Columbus 13th Annual "Coats for Kids" Ministry**

### **Warms Children Less Fortunate**

Once again, Trinity Council #4618 of Webster, with your donations and that of area businesses and residents, raised enough funds to purchase **528 (44 dozen) NEW** children's winter coats for distribution to children of need in Monroe and Wayne Counties. With funds left, after purchasing coats, we will purchase and distribute new Sneakers for Children in spring '25, to many of the same groups that received coats.

The New Coats were distributed over the week of December 8<sup>th</sup> to 30 charitable organizations, school districts, and churches, which helped identify children as having a true need for a warm coat. Those receiving coats for distribution were: Webster Hope House, Villa of Hope, Sister Regis Food Cupboard, Matthew's Closet, Focus Pregnancy Center, St. Michael's Church, Jennifer House, St. Peter's Kitchen, Mary's Place, Willow Domestic Violence Center, Cameron Community Ministries, Center for Youth Services, Catholic Family Center Rochester, Coldwater House Gates, Saint's Place Outreach, Women's Care Center Rochester, School of the Holy Childhood, Blessed Trinity Ministries Wolcott, Williamson Come-Unity Center, Webster Central School District, Fairport Schools, Williamson Central School, RCSD Roberto Clemente School #8, RCSD Enrico Fermi School #17, Marion Central School Dist., St. Andrew's Food Cupboard, The Margaret House ER, Saint Max Ontario Christmas Sharing Program, and Green Angels of Wayne County.

**THANK YOU from the Webster Knights of Columbus**, to all who made a donation to this charitable program.

God Bless, J. Stewart Coon, Chairman, "Coats for Kids"



**Christmas Flower Donations - 2024**

We thank the following people for their donations to the Holy Trinity Christmas Flower Fund. Your contributions have made our church more beautiful this Christmas season.

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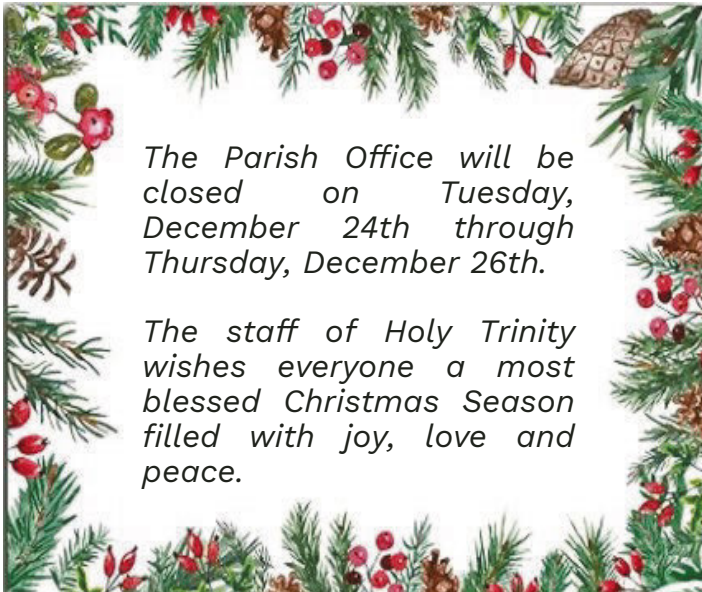


**Family Christmas Tree**



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.



*The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday, December 24th through Thursday, December 26th.*

*The staff of Holy Trinity wishes everyone a most blessed Christmas Season filled with joy, love and peace.*

## Mass Intentions: December 21 - December 29, 2024

All weekday and weekend Masses will be live-streamed

### Saturday - December 21, 2024

4:30 p.m. (VIGIL) † Richard Link, req. by family

### SUNDAY - FOURTH OF ADVENT December 22, 2024

8:30 a.m. For the people of Holy Trinity, living and deceased

10:30 a.m. † Susan Rockford req. by family

### Monday - St. John of Kanty, Priest December 23, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Bill Hickey, wedding anniversary, req. by wife, Phyllis

### Tuesday - Late Advent Weekday December 24, 2024

4:00 p.m. For the Children of Holy Trinity

6:30 p.m. For the Youth of Holy Trinity

10:00 p.m. For the Benefactors of Holy Trinity

### Wednesday - THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD December 25, 2024

10:30 a.m. For the people of Holy Trinity, living and deceased

### Thursday - Saint Stephen, The First Martyr December 26, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Suzanne Szucs, req. by Dana & Tom Walker

### Friday - Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist December 27, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Catherine Krowl, req. by Robert Krowl & family

### Saturday - December 28, 2024

4:30 p.m. (VIGIL) † Nicholas Faraldo, req. by Aunts Joanne & Chris

### SUNDAY - THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

#### December 29, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Jean LaBelle, req. by Anita

10:30 a.m., For the people of Holy Trinity, living and deceased

## This Week at Holy Trinity Church

### Tuesday, December 24

#### Christmas Eve

Parish Office closed

**CONFESSION CANCELED**

### Wednesday, December 25

#### Merry Christmas

Parish Office closed

### Thursday, December 26

Parish Office closed

### Friday, December 27

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

### Saturday, December 28

3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Confession - Church



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### MASS TIMES:

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m.

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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)

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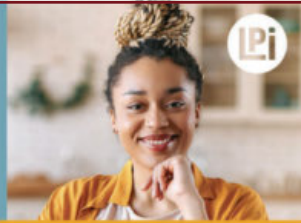
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