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“A Great Cloud of Witnesses”

Dear Friends in Christ,

November is a month to remember and give thanks. It begins with All Saints Day and ends with Thanksgiving.

On All Saints Day, we remember all of the Jewish and Christian giants of the faith who have gone before us, who have borne witness to the faith and who have passed it along to us. The book of Hebrews speaks powerfully of the testimony and example of the Jewish heroes of faith and how their example of steadfast faith is both a preparation and a model for the faith of later generations. After a long chapter (11) rehearsing the faith and life of many of the Old Testament saints, he concludes with these words:

“And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.”

In other words, the faith of the Old Testament heroes prepares the way for the New Testament understanding of what God has done and is doing through Jesus Christ. The faith of the Old Testament prepares the way for the revelation of the New Testament. The New Testament completes and fulfills the Old Testament.

But then he goes on to say more. Not only is the faith of the Old Testament saints a preparation for our faith, it is also an example to challenge and inspire us:

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.”

On All Saints Day, we remember and give thanks for, the great cloud of witnesses who have prepared the way for our faith and who have given us examples of holy living and victorious dying.

The month ends with the celebration of Thanksgiving – another opportunity to remember and to give thanks. This year, we will again be partnering with St. Bernard’s parish to put on a Thanksgiving meal for anyone who wants to join us. I invite you all to join us that day.

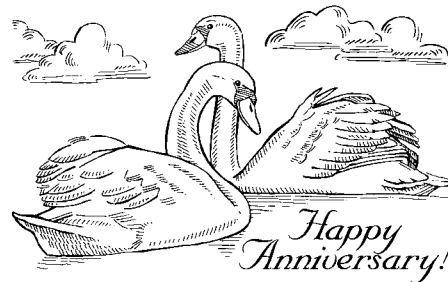
Remember and give thanks: for the heroes of the faith; for the blessings of life and love and material prosperity and the spiritual blessings made possible through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Yours in Christ,
Fr Tom

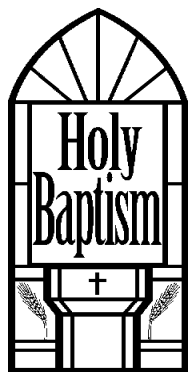
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2	Lucian Cascio	14	Gordon Robinson
2	Braedon Deegan	17	Geoff Dale
2	Nancy Fossum	17	Arthur Pellegrino
2	Linda Lynch	18	John Nagy
3	Kelly Garrity	20	Michele McFarlane
3	Christopher Kokines	21	Cherie Bywater
4	Michael Martin	22	Joe Kupau
6	Mason Bradley	22	Mia Olsen
7	Audrey Corcoran	24	Morgan Bradley
7	Marilyn Mathewson	25	Jack Brooke
8	Gabriella Martinez	25	Abby Bascetta
8	James Olsen	26	Leon Kirk
9	Kristine Osborne	26	Caden Lill
10	Tom Grant	29	Sam Carlson
10	Kristin Pellegrino	29	Corinne Lynch
11	David Williams	30	Marge Wagner



5	Tom & Philippa Mylander
7	Robert & Helen Olsen
11	Paul Scott & Deborah McGuiness
11	Jeffrey & Emily Rich
14	John & Melinda Bloodgood
19	Bob & Elaine Chagnon
21	Steven & Jennifer Radtke
23	Paul Gilmore & Carolyn Clement
27	Dennis & Evelyn Golden



We welcome
into
the Lord's family

Evan James Sirnes

Who was Baptized
on October 16, 2011



NOVEMBER

11TH

IS THE DEADLINE FOR ALL
ARTICLES FOR THE
DECEMBER ISSUE.

**SINCE IT IS ALWAYS A VERY FULL ISSUE.
ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE
RECEIVED ON TIME!**

THANKS, ELLEN



FOCUS ON THE FUTURE



A CELEBRATION DINNER !

JOIN US ON SATURDAY

NOV. 5TH AT 6:30 PM.

For an evening of Music, Food, Fellowship,
Friendship and Testimony Of
How God Is Working In Our Lives

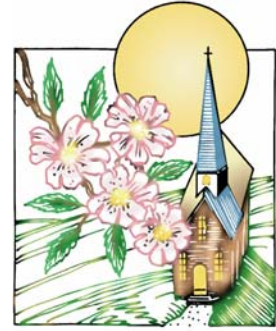
Schedule of Events

- 6:30 pm. Dinner**
- 7:15 pm. Music**
- 7:30 pm. Testimonies from
various ministries**
- 8:00 pm. More Music**
- 8:30 pm. Closing Prayer**

**If you haven't responded yet call your name in
right away. Don't miss it!**

Try Our 5:00 Sunday Evening Service !

IS YOUR SUNDAY MORNING OVERCOMMITTED? - Do your children have sports and commitments in 2 towns at the same time? Or is it the only time you can actually get in a little extra sleep? Is it maybe the only time that you can visit a sick friend or relative? And then there is....well church?? You know you want to come but just can't seem to fit it in? We have the perfect answer to your problem. **Try our 5:00 Sunday evening service!** This service is now held all year because a steady group of Parishioners has found that it fits their schedule and preferences at this time of their lives. Why not give it a try? The service is held in the Chapel. Sometimes there is music, sometimes not. We are grateful to Fr. Jim for his commitment to continue to preach and celebrate the Eucharist at this service. *"Fr. Jim wants you to know that he is a believer in the 9 minute sermon, and it always puts a smile on his face when the chapel is full".* Healing is offered on the first Sunday of the month just as at the other services. After you nourish your soul, the time lends itself perfectly to nourishing your body and you might go out for a bite to eat. So please think about this service and give it a try.



It just might be the answer to your prayers!

SAVE THE DATE



Saturday



November 19th



at 8:30 am.

**Please bring many rakes, leaf blowers, brooms,
wheelbarrows, pick up trucks,
friends and relatives, etc.**



Most of all bring lots of energy!



**There will be refreshments
and lots of good Christian fellowship available too!**

Questions or suggestions call Steve Parker at 860-651-9445



A Thanksgiving Service and Dinner for Our Tariffville Neighbors

***The celebration begins with an Ecumenical evening
service at St. Bernard's Church
on Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m.***

***Then on Thanksgiving Day
there will be a meal at Trinity at 11:30 am.
(guests should arrive at 11:00)***

***All those in the Tariffville community and the
St. Bernard's and Trinity Parishes who have no where
to go or nothing to eat for this Holiday are invited
to come and spend it with us!***

***Bob Chagnon is coordinating this event.
Please contact him at 653-0836 or at
rechagnon@yahoo.com if you would like to
bake and bring, set up, cook, serve, or clean up.***



Thanksgiving Food Drive



We will be conducting our **Thanksgiving Food Drive** for 3 Sundays in November:
November 6, 13, and 20

As we celebrate the many blessings we have,
let's remember those who are in need by
sharing our bounty with others.

Please leave your contributions in the
marked containers in the narthex. Thank you.

(Please be sure to check the expiration dates on your donated items.)

Thank You

Thank you Lord, thank you Lord!

Thank you to this special congregation, children, youth and adults, where I will be forever blessed to have lived, loved and served. We joined hearts, hands, and heads to help in moving to make God's kingdom a place of serving and witnessing to the love of Jesus by all the things we accomplished together. We received with thanksgiving in our hearts, tenfold in doing this. God's mission in the world is surrounding us each second, inviting us and empowering us, with joy, to make a difference, in little ways and in big ways, to heal, enrich, and to love one another by being active, committed followers of Jesus. It is in the wonderful image of belonging to Jesus that we have been lead together in his light. Through this togetherness, we have done marvelous things. Thank you for the richness of this blessed journey that will continue for each of us. I will remember, savor, and dwell in the special love and ministry I experienced at Trinity.

Thank you for the awesome, humbling Deacon Liz Sunday celebration in September. It was a blessing to have all of my family there. My family felt the same intensity of love that I have always felt. Every detail was rooted in love and I think we all felt that. It was truly a happy celebration because we all knew what it meant to move on in serving the Lord and the new invitations of ministry. It was also oaky to say we will miss one another because that is a part of knowing and loving.

Thank you for the feeling of warmth and community as we served, worshipped and celebrated together. Thank you for the special bulletin. What a fond keepsake headline - "Deacon Liz Sunday". Thank you for Fr. Tom's words of praise and servant hood. All things come from the Lord, I am His vessel and am blessed each time in the way he uses me. Knowing that all the work we started together in ministry will continue is a precious gift to me and a gift that is wrapped in God's grace just for all of you to keep passing on.

Thank you for all the special music at both services. The praise music at the Contemporary Service touched me more deeply. I felt such love and joy in all the singing. I knew this would be the last opportunity here to have that spiritual connection in the special way that offers a wonderful style of worship. Thank you to the Choir. thank you Mary Rose for the gifts and talent that embraced us in the beautiful music created for my celebration. Thank you for the Anthem and the spirit in all your voices. As I sang along with all of you, my most personal cherished hymns evoked so many memories and special times. Each piece sung lifted me up in, again, the imagery of the gift belonging to the Lord. Again, the Anthem—WOW! Thanks! One for my heart. It was a tearful acclamation of great joy and action expressed in the Spirit.

Thank you for the luncheon. Thank you for all the loving hands who created such an inviting presentation, the table, the flowers and the food. I am sure it was also a time of fun and fellowship in creating this together. I remember those good times doing God's kitchen work. Thanks to all who helped and prepared the delicious food. Thanks to Philippa for the special "Lunch In The Park" artistic representation in the awesome sandwich cake and other items featured in the lunch bags. She recreated, through this, the ministry that is the one that brought the passion of serving to all involved and committed and brought a new invitation to a wonderful height at Trinity. Because she experienced many times the joy of being a part of this ministry, she knew what "kind" ness to make that would be special for me.

I was so touched and blessed by the outpouring of love in so many dimensions. Thank you so much for the watercolor painting of Trinity, for the check, and for all the wonderful letters that are keepers forever. I felt showered with an abundant outpouring of love and am moved and humbled by the generous gifts. Thank you also for all your kind words that will stay with me and become part of a continued journey. My heart filled and continues to overflow with all the love that you gave me that day, and every time we met. My heart is filled with the love of the Lord and I pray as God continues showing me and guiding me to serve his mission in the world that I, through his grace, will always listen and hear his small voice and respond. God brought me to Trinity for his special reason. We grew together in his name. We loved together in his name. We served together in his name. We prayed and worshipped together. We connected through the spirit. Thank you. I am grateful to know each one of you in a special way. I love you today, tomorrow , and always. God Bless You!

With joy and love, Deacon Liz

What ARE...You Thankful for?

God has been gifting me through this church, and through human kindnesses all my life. But since my diagnosis, I have become acutely aware of God's tendernesses through cards, letters, prayers, my music and students, Facebook, assorted angels, gifts of all sorts, and donations. Perhaps most precious now, other than time, is the gift of smiles and hugs, of compassion in people's eyes, and subtle moments of tender mercies during communion with my Lord. To God be the Glory and Thanks. *Jana Piváček-Cole*

We would just like to say that we are thankful for our church and our Trinity family that we can keep our faith strong in this difficult time of "worldly" issues. We always liked the verse of "We are in the world and not of the world" which inspires our faith. We are also thankful for our families and our health by Gods grace. *Barbara and Jim Karadimas*

Well, this is a pretty easy one to answer this year! I am thankful for Alex's recovery, for all his doctors and nurses, and for our family (including our Trinity family!) and friends who love and support us in the scary times of life. *Sonia*

I'm thankful to God for sending His gentle but hardy ambassador Lucian into my life. When times get hard, or I'm anxious, I always know I can talk to and rely on my heavenly Father. But I guess God knew I'd also appreciate having a husband here on earth who is also tuned in to heaven so he knows to give me a hug, a pep talk, or a piece of chocolate just when I need it the most. *Marcie Cascio*

I am thankful for my boys, Freddy and Cameron, for they brighten my days with their humor and wonderful perspective on the world. I may have more gray hairs now, but I can say that each laugh line on my face is due to them keeping me smiling and laughing and feeling young! *Kate Baker*

I am thankful for the miracle of Paul's continuing good health and for our families, especially our grandchildren who brighten our days and fill our hearts and lives with their love. *Ellen*

Thanksgiving for Ann's healing and the care she has received, as well as the many visitors from Trinity. *Laird and Ann Mortimer*

Last year my granddaughter Katie was diagnosed with Burkitt's lymphoma. After a number of rounds of chemo, she was pronounced free of cancer. Our Lord heard our prayers and in His mercy healed her. *Pat Cowles*

Building on Faith Week



Trinity parishioners continue their missionary work Habitat for Humanity. Ten parishioners journeyed to 160 South Marshall Street in Hartford on October 5th to lend their hands building homes for needy families. Our Crew Leader, Jeff, said our crew worked extremely well, accomplished much and that he enjoyed working with us. Specifically, he asked that I thank each one for him, so here goes, thank you Ed Gaidos, Kathy Oaks, Sam Paul, Jack Demers, Claudia and Hank Rau, Mel Smith and Magda Galiatsos. Appreciation was express to Father Tom for the financial contribution from Trinity parishioners. Habitat for Humanity says a big THANK YOU. Paul Thomas

20 Years of Nursing Home Ministry



This past September/October the Meadowbrook Nursing Home ministry celebrated its 20th anniversary. When the home first opened, Pat Joy thought of doing a church service there and approached Father Howard with the idea. He concurred and together they drew up a short service from the BCP. They called together a few people who met in the lounge (which is now the library) to talk about it. At the meeting, Father Frank and Pat discussed their concept of the service and gave an example of a homily. George and Linda Lynch were chosen to be the first lay ministers under the supervision of Pat (There was a joke going around that George and Linda had been doing the children's chapel for a few years and were now being sent to minister to nursing home residents because the Lord didn't trust them with anyone who still had all their cognitive reasoning).

That first Sunday we met in the hallway outside of the recreation room on the second floor of Meadowbrook between units 2 and 3. Pat had arrived earlier and encouraged five or six residents to attend. Being as how we were occupying most of a heavily traveled area, we attracted some additional parishioners. Maybe a year or two went by and we moved into the recreation room in order to stop blocking the hallway. We held services in the recreation room for a few years until the Sunday afternoon we arrived to discover a birthday party taking place in our "church".

We had no choice but to move everything and everybody downstairs to the dining room which turned out to be the best thing to happen to us. It meant that we had to transport everyone down there but we suddenly had room to spread out. We are still there today.

Over time several changes have taken place. Jane Bannister, a long time parishioner at Trinity, made a Jesus Loves Me hanging for the music stand. Jerry Parker, the Kendall's son-in law, made a beautiful wooden cross which we still use. The service has been rewritten a few times to better accommodate our mission. We started passing the peace about when Trinity did. We copied an idea from the healing mission that Nigel Mumford conducted in western Connecticut. When you entered the small Methodist church where the healing service took place on Thursday morning, you were asked to sign a register. During the service they would lift up all those names in the register to the Lord. We began doing that at Meadowbrook – recognizing each individual in attendance and lifting up those who were sick.

During the early years, we made Christmas presents for our congregation. We ordered cheap crafts from the Oriental Trader catalogue and we gathered in Pat's kitchen to painstakingly put them together – ten / twelve little pieces of felt glued together into a manger scene or something. We actually did this for several years but then stopped. It just wasn't worth the time and expense and nobody at Meadowbrook missed it.

We have many fond memories of residents who have been long gone. Many of those in photo collages exhibited in Meadowbrook attended our services. We have had a couple of Jewish parishioners including a gal named Frances who used to say "I'm a Jew you know" when invited to the service. She eventually became a regular. There was Virginia who used to assure us that we were going to heaven because of what we were doing. There was Stanley who loved the song "Church in the Valley". There have been families who brought a father or mother every Sunday. There was Jennie who made it possible for us to buy candles and the aforementioned Christmas presents and binders for the songbooks. She continued to assist in the service after the passing of her husband and eventually joined Trinity. There is John who was discharged from Meadowbrook and often returns for the service. There was Bobby who wrote a beautiful poem about the Meadowbrook Easter Service in 2001. We participated in a funeral service at the behest of a family and have attended other funeral services and wakes. We almost had a baptism. We have had children's choirs at Easter and Christmas from time to time. Today there is Dr. Lewis and Marie and Shirley with her quick laugh. There is Grace who sings every song and Anna who comes "only for the music" and wishes there wasn't so much talking. Jana has become very involved as a leader and pianist. She invites the congregation to join her in singing the Lord's Prayer which is always the most emotional part of the service. Other every Sunday ministers are Paul and Sue Thomas, Fred Fitzgerald and the Lynches. Christine DeGray will return as a regular on her return to good health. Six two person teams also come on rotation.

There have been some wonderful memories over the past 20 years. Pat Joy explains, "That is how the kingdom works. We serve and get more blessings than we could ever imagine".

Anonymous

Operation Christmas Child



The words of the closing prayer for the Holy Eucharist really resonated with me at church on Oct. 2. On that Sunday, Father Tom spoke about focusing on the prize and keeping our mind and hearts in the right direction: on God. Then, during the announcements, we were asked to sign up for the Pumpkin Patch, the Women's Conference, to buy a "brick" for the African Educational project, and to look forward prayerfully to what we can pledge to keep our parish going the rest of this year and next. The words that spoke loudly and clearly to me were, "And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord." Here at Trinity we have many, many opportunities to do just that. The list of activities we all participate in honor our faith in our Lord and glorify His name. How blessed we are! One such opportunity for giving has been Operation Christmas Child. Our commitment to this ministry has been outstanding.

We give so that those who have nothing can know joy and love as well as learn about Jesus. We have contributed hundreds of boxes over the years, and I am truly grateful. However, given the economic climate now and all the other wonderful giving opportunities at Trinity, I ask you to consider just filling one box. If you are an individual, a couple, or a whole family, **if each of you gave one box**, God would place that one box in some lonely and scared child's hands. God already knows where each box is going, and your one box will fill one child's heart with happiness. OCC's slogan of "The Power of a Simple Gift" says it all. If you can give just one gift, hallelujah! If you can fill two or more boxes, praise be to God! Give what you can, dear friends!

I have set up the display in the parish hall. There are many labels, prayer book marks, DVD's, stickers, boxes, and two group packages that will enable a group to fill boxes together and share in the fun. Please take what you need and return your boxes to the parish hall. I will not be picking them up until Nov. 17.

If you have questions or need help, please let me know! 860 254-5857 or shaw015@yahoo.com.

Thank you, Elaine





OUR HEALING MINISTRY

Fall is underway and many of us are preparing for the many upcoming holiday celebrations. There are special meals to be made, presents to be purchased, decorations to set out, and parties to be planned. This can be a very busy and joyful time of year. Holidays can also be a very painful time. Many of us know the heartache of the missing person at the table. Holidays that once were filled with joy and celebration can feel hollow and dark. Past happy memories can almost be too painful to enjoy. Holidays can also be a time of making new traditions and new connections with friends and family. For those who don't have happy childhood memories of celebrations to draw upon, this time can be spent making something new for our own families and growing children. The dark shadows of past memories or present grief and loss can make Thanksgiving and Christmas feel like something to get through rather than a time to enjoy and anticipate.

On Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. The Healing Ministry will hold its annual service of Grief and Loss. This is a service open to everyone who may find the holiday season to be more trying than joyful. It is a beautiful candlelight service that includes healing prayers and anointing of oil. Even if the holidays are a happy time for you this service is a quiet pause for all of us to experience God's love and healing. Prayer shawls will also be available at this service.

As we plan our festivities let us remember and include those who have to work hard at happiness. It can feel like an intrusion to invite someone to a healing service, but most people feel deeply touched when the hardships of their life are acknowledged. We facilitate the healing work of God when we join people in their pain and have faith that God will heal that which has been broken.

Blessings, Sarah

A reminder that the evening service of Grief and Loss is Tuesday, December 13th at 7pm. Please invite anyone who is experiencing loss in his or her lives. It could be death, job changes, or health issues.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



When I called a member of our parish to wish her well in her upcoming surgery, she told me someone had given her a prayer shawl and she has been wrapped in it since she received it. "It has given me so much comfort," was her comment.

We are so very thankful to the women who are so very faithful in knitting these shawls that do offer comfort and warmth. An outward sign of the inward love our Lord has for his people when they are hurting.

Blessings, Pat

Schedule of Healing Services

**Anointing on 1st Sunday of every month
at all services**

**Thursday morning Healing Service
at 10:00 am
in the Chapel from September through June**

***Dec. 13th
Evening Service for Grief and Loss
during Advent Season***



MEDITATION

If the request isn't right He answers "No",
If the timing isn't right He answer is "Slow",
If you aren't ready yet His answer is "Grow",
When everything's ready and right...
His answer is "Go".

Dr. Robert H. Schuller.



A Service of Healing of Grief and Loss

TUESDAY EVENING
December 13, 2011 at 7:00 PM

*The celebrant and preacher will be the Rev. Dr James Gilmore,
a retired priest in the Episcopal Church.*

*Turning the pain of grief and loss into comfort and peace
during the holidays.*

*It will be a time of reflection, anointing and prayer at the altar rail,
similar to our Sunday morning services.*

*Please come and bring a friend
and join us for this quiet, healing time.*



***“Come unto me, all ye that travail
or are heavy laden, and I will refresh you”***

Matthew 11:28



Keep In  touch



Hey Trinity Family!

We have sent out our first K.I.T. package of the season. We send a Big Thank you to Sue Thomas, Nicole Dalto and Beazley for their help in putting together 30 packages to mail October 5th. Many of our addresses were updated through our connection on FaceBook. All of our K.I.T. folks are in the US for this mailing. Even if they study abroad, our K.I.T. packages find them. Just please let us know if there are any address changes during the year.



Christmas Cookie Time: Please consider baking a batch of cookies for the K.I.T. Ministry Christmas packages. The commitment includes baking a batch or two of cookies and delivering them to the church on Friday, December 2nd by 5:00pm. We will begin assembling the packages in the library. If you deliver to the library before December 2nd, please make sure your container is air tight, labeled and left in the Library for us.

We are always seeking new ideas for the packages we send out. If you have any suggestions, please give us a call, send an email or you can find us on Face Book.

Thank you for your continued support of this ministry! Moe & Geri Lavallee

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LESSONS AND CAROLS

Sunday Dec.4 at 4:30pm

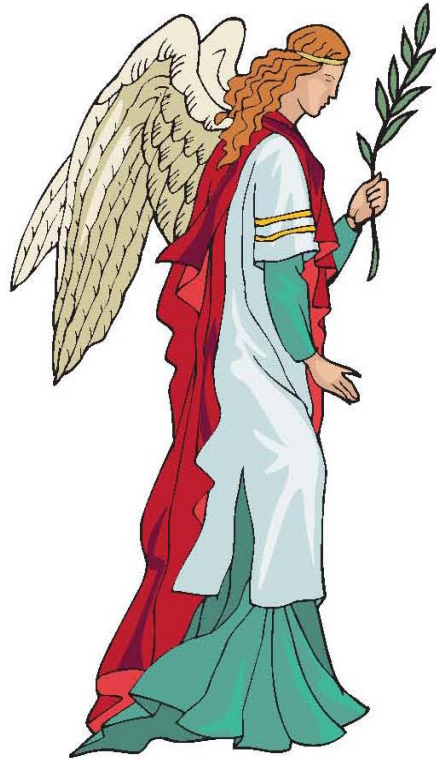
**Cookies and punch Reception
for ALL following the service.**

Baking **holiday cookies**

for family parties and cookie swaps?

Well then, please ***make an extra 2-dozen*** of your favorite holiday recipe, freeze and donate them for the *coffee and* following the service. Please sign up in the Narthex so we can be sure to have enough for everyone. Thank you! *The Music Commission*

Trinity Church in Tariffville presents ...



**Annual
Candlelight
Festival
of
Nine Lessons
and
Carols**
✠
**Sunday,
December 4th
at 4:30 p.m.**

Come celebrate this beloved tradition of scripture readings, carols, and choral selections patterned after the service from King's College, Cambridge!

*Special thanks to Automation, Inc. of East Granby
for their assistance in sponsoring this program.*

Childcare available 3-6 p.m.

Trinity Music Series

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YOUTH GROUP FUND RAISERS



THE SALE OF OUR BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS WREATHS will begin this month!
SAME PRICES AS LAST YEAR! Please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex during the month of October. The **DEADLINE** for ordering wreaths is **10/30/11**. So please get your order in. Delivery date will be Thanksgiving Weekend.

2012 CALENDARS



Calendars are being sold again this year.

BUT YOU MUST ORDER THEM IN ADVANCE !

A sign up sheet will be located next to the wreath order form. They make great little gifts at Christmas. These calendars have beautiful scenery with scripture verses for each month. Look for our table in the hallway with a sample calendar.

These Youth Group Fund Raisers help off-set our “Summer Mission Trips” by reducing the cost for each participant, offering scholarships and the rental of vehicles to get to our destinations.

As always we thank everyone who has been so supportive of our youth !

Trinity's Youth Ministry



The Youth Ministry is ready and excited for November. We will be finishing out our Pumpkin Patch fundraiser on **November 1st with Patch Clean UP at 4:00 pm.**, and are excited to have raised money to support our students for this summer's trips. Thank you so much to those who participated. All of you worked extra hard this year and were greatly appreciated.

In **Youth Group** we have finished our review of **"God's Big Story"** and will be moving on to our series on **"I-dentity"**. Through the month of November we will be focusing on learning who God created us to be and how we can live our lives to the fullest with Jesus.

November also brings a lot of new activities!

We have a **new ping-pong table for the youth room.** Students are encouraged to come by after school and play, do homework, or just hangout.



Sunday, November 6th at 6:30 pm. is our second Nerf War for all students in grades 7-12. We had such a great time in August that we simply had to do it again.

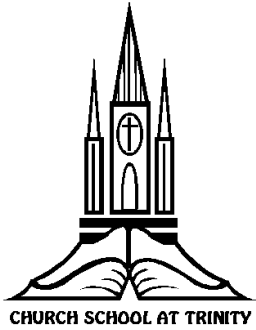
Saturday afternoon, November 19th is the Middle School field day. This is a great chance for the students to get to know each other more, play some games, and learn in a different environment. Please be sure to sign your student up by the 17th.



Sunday, November 27th we will be participating in the Simsbury Celebrates clean up. Passes to the Ice Rink are provided to all those who attend. Be sure to sign up by the 24th.

If you have any questions or need more information please contact Nicole at 860-217-0755 or e-mail her at ndalto@trinitytariffville.org.

"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another - and all the more as you see the Day approaching." - Hebrews 10:23-25



A FIRM FOUNDATION

These words which I command you...you shall teach them diligently to your children. Deu 6:6-7

Before he was 2 years old, my grandson Caleb did something that would any grandma proud: He began to recognize books by their covers. This all started when he and his dad would spend time while dinner was being prepared. Dad would say “Caleb” get the Itsy Bitsy Spider book...and sure enough Caleb would go to the bookcase and pull it out amongst all the other books. There were several that he was able to recognize. And when Dad would say, “Caleb” go get your bible....sure enough Caleb would go to the bookcase and get his bible.

If a 2 year old child can make such connections, doesn't that show the importance of teaching children the right things early on? We can do this by using the FIRM principle:

Familiarity

Interest

Recognition

Modeling

This follows Moses' pattern in Deuteronomy 6 of taking every opportunity to teach biblical truths so that children become familiar with them and make them a part of their lives. Using their interests as teaching opportunities, we repeat Bible stories so they become recognizable, while modeling a godly life before them.

Let's give the children in our lives a FIRM foundation by teaching them about God's love, Christ's salvation, and the importance of godly living.

Build your children's lives on the firm foundation of the Word.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP will be on November 13th for younger children and November 27th for older students.

TRINITY'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT.....Will be held on **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11th, 2011** during the **10:30 a.m. service**. This time of celebration WILL INCLUDE ALL OF OUR CHILDREN in the Sunday School. We invite everyone to be with us again as we recapture that joyous moment when Jesus became man.

The REHEARSAL for the Pageant will be on **Saturday, December 10th** **beginning at 9:30 a.m.** Letters will be going out with more information and scheduling.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

ALL CHILDREN PARTICIPATING IN PAGEANT SHOULD BE AT REHEARSAL.

Again please contact me if there is a problem at 860-233-4481, 860-653-4641 or at lboehm@ctdiocese.org.



November Prayers



*Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon His Name;
make known His deeds among the peoples!*

1 Chronicles 16:8

- November 6th** Let us give thanks to God this week as we remember in our prayers our brothers and sisters in Christ who are faithfully serving the Lord Jesus around the world, many in appalling circumstances.
Especially remember
- November 13th** Thank God for the families and caregivers who faithfully and often sacrificially minister in so many ways those with long term illnesses or problems. Pray that He may bless them and support them with His love.
Lift up before the Lord.....
- November 20th** **Stewardship Sunday - “Strive To Tithe”** As we approach the Lord’s altar this Sunday, Lord please give us a clear mind and heart and your peace about what we can Pledge for the coming year, to continue His work in this Parish and around the world. And as we gather around the table this Thanksgiving let us reflect with gratitude on the Lord’s gracious dealings with us spiritually but also His provision for us not only for food, clothing, shelter but friends, family, and this congregation.
Especially recall.....
- November 27th** Pray this week for those who were not with us to celebrate God’s blessings this year, those laid aside with illness as well as those facing difficult days due to the recession and disasters.
Remember.....

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee give us due sense of all thy mercies that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful that we show forth thy praise not only with our lips but in our lives by giving up ourselves to thy service and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all of our days through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Welcome New Members of Our Parish ! (Updated info also!)

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November



CALENDAR OF WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Sunday:** 7:45, 9:00, and 10:30 am. and 5:00 pm. **Worship Services**
Children's Sunday School - 10:15 am.
Adult Sunday School - 10:15 am.
Meadowbrook Nursing Home Service - 1:30 pm.
Middle School Youth Group - 4:30 - 6:00 pm.
Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group - 6:30 - 8:00 pm.
- Tuesday:** **Tuesday Morning Bible Study – 10:00 am.**
Contemporary Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 pm.
- Wednesday:** **Holy Communion - 7 am** in the Chapel, followed by a Fellowship Breakfast
Training Choir: 5:15-6:00 pm.
Junior Choristers: 5:45 - 6:30 pm.
“BT” Choir– Teen and Senior Choristers 6:45 - 7:45 pm.
Men's Bible Study - 7:00 pm. in the Library
- Thursday:** **Eucharist and Healing Service – 10:00 am.**
St. Gregory Choir Rehearsal – 7-8 pm. Lessons & Carols practice 8-9
- Saturday:** **St. Elizabeth House Ministry – contact Evelyn Golden at 651-4911**
AA Meetings - 6:30 -10:00 p.m.

November

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- 1 4:00 pm. Pumpkin Patch Clean Up
7:00 pm. Healing Ministry Meeting
- 2 7:00 pm. Spirituality of Science Class
- 5 6:30 Focus on the Future - Parish Celebration Dinner**
- Sunday November 6th
- 6 6:30 pm. Second Youth Nerf War - grades 7-12
- 9 7:00 pm. Spirituality of Science Class
- 11,12 & 13th Emmaus Weekend at EGCC
- 12 12:30 pm. Lunch In The Park
- 13 10:30 am. Children's Chapel Preschool through 1st graders
- 15 7:30 pm. Vestry Meeting
- 16 7:00 pm. Last Spirituality of Science Class
- 18 at 7:00 pm -19 4pm. Middle School Retreat
- 19 8:30 a.m. **Fall Clean Up Day**
afternoon Middle School Field Day (continuation of the retreat)
- 20 All Services **STRIVE TO TITHE SUNDAY**
- 21 11:30 p.m. Lunch and Choir Practice for Lessons & Carols



Turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday !



Nov. 24th - ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SERVICE

7:00 p.m. at St. Bernard's Church

Nov 25th - THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY DINNER

11:30 a.m. at Trinity Church

- 27 10:30 am. Children's Chapel for 2nd through 5th graders
after 10:30 service Celebration Coffee Hour
After all services Christmas Wreaths Available for Pick Up
- 27 TBD Youth Group Clean Up for Simsbury Celebrates

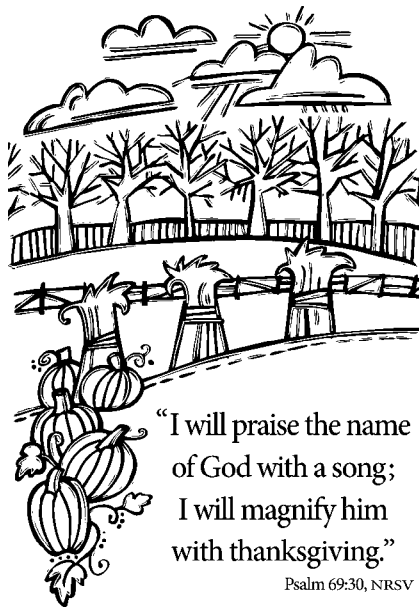
December Dates

- Dec. 4 Service of Lessons and Carols 4:30 pm.
- Dec. 10 Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal 9am - 12 noon
- Dec. 13 Evening Healing Service of Grief and Loss 7:00 p.m.

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“I will praise the name
of God with a song;
I will magnify him
with thanksgiving.”

Psalm 69:30, NRSV

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