



Tidings of Holy Trinity Church

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*Holy Trinity is called to recognize, communicate and celebrate
God's presence within, among and around us.*

A MESSAGE FROM FR. RICHARD

Dear friends!

The return of the Holy shout, "Alleluia," is testimony to the power and work of Jesus Christ, who sustains us in darkest times; while His own dark times are changed in a twinkling of the eye: He who goes down in death is suddenly flooded with light and energy, in the transformation of life into an eternal state of victory and peace.

You may know it clearly. This Lent was a time to enter into the grit of living; both where our own sense of wellbeing and trust in life-at-large may be shaken, and, where apparent dying and broken selves were taken into the care of the One who destroyed death. We first know the veracity of this victory in our own soul-searching; where confessed sin has brokered forgiveness from a loving Lord; where whispered fears have resulted in the vision of Christ, on the cross; earning our Peace with God and with Life. Our "Holy Lent-well spent" teaches us the reality of redemption; and gives us renewed strength, in the face of senseless random murder, and spiraling chaos in social norms, of the need to grasp faith and work for a world that shows the random, gracious, unmerited Love of God for all the Creation and the people to whom He entrusted this gift. Welcome to Easter, where we know Victory is assured through the Living Lord! Let that Alleluia shout out loud!!! I remain,

Your friend and Rector,
(The Reverend) Richard S. Signore

THE MISSION PLATE

As I write this, another Nor'easter is coming your way, and I am enjoying warm and sunny days in Arizona! But spring is coming, and soon our gardens will be blooming again, and I will be back with you all at HTEC!

In the meantime I have been reminded that many in Puerto Rico are still without electricity, and still suffering from the damaging hurricanes of last year. During this Easter season we can share God's love and hope by contributing to Episcopal Relief & Development, so that aid and relief can be sent where needed most there. I cannot imagine being without electricity and necessities for months on end. Please share whatever you can, and pray for those who struggle.

I look forward to seeing you all soon. I promise to bring sunshine and warmer weather when I return on May 2.

Suzy Sharp , Green Valley, AZ 774-230-3426

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

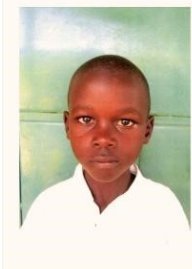
1–Karen Ballou 1–Anna Burns 5–Beverly Lavallee 6–Nolan Bachand 18–Susan Howland
23–Bill Nelson 24–Brenda Baker

If you have a birthday this month and are not listed but would like your name to be included in our monthly Tidings for birthdays, please contact the office. Thank you!

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial reports will now be quarterly. Monthly statements will be sent as attachments, as usual, and will be available on the website.

CHILDREACH SPONSOR CHILD



The sign-up sheet has been placed on the back table of the church to help support Nicholas Onyango Okondo. Please consider supporting this important ministry by signing up to sponsor Nicholas for a month (or two) in 2018. The sponsorship is \$33.00 per month.

BIBLE AND WINE: A BIBLE BOOK STUDY
An Introduction to the Gospel of John
Wednesdays from 7:30-9 PM

April 18 @ BLC—Read John 17:1-26

Join us for Family Worship
in Blakely Hall
April 8 & 15
When families come
together to worship with kids in mind.

STAY CONNECTED!

Did you know there is an easy way to connect to our website and Facebook page? Did you know you can give easily online through Tithely? These pictures below are called QR-Codes. The code is easily scanned using your smart phone and will quickly bring you right to our site! QR-Reader, the application that reads QR-Codes, is available for FREE through either Google Play or I-Tunes. If you have any questions, please see Susan Howland.



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Sunday Services

9:30 a.m. Rite II Choral Holy Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher
The Rev. Richard Signore

Save These Dates

Holy Trinity Church

Sunday, April 1—9:30 a.m.—Easter Worship
Sunday, April 8—9:30 a.m.—Family Worship
Wednesday, April 11—7:30 p.m.—Vestry Meeting
Sunday, April 15—9:30 a.m.—Family Worship
Sunday, April 18—4:00 p.m.—Daughters of the King
7:30 p.m.—Bible & Wine—BLC
Sunday, April 22—9:30 a.m.—Healing Service

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