



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 festival of the Pentecost (Spirit) and the celebration of the nature of God as "Trinity" (or 'eternal-dynamic-relating-embracing') have begun a new task and mission for the Church, the people of God! Since Advent, we have rehearsed the life and ministry of Jesus in the world. But now, we are focused on what the Spirit brings to life in God's people. Jesus lived in our midst as the One who healed ancient feuds, united people, granted prosperity, healed sickness and liberated the marginalized. Jesus did not tolerate fixing people "into their place," by social or economic criteria, but taught we all belong to each other, and we are well only when we are all well.

Now it is our turn. The ministry begun in Jesus is shared with us here and now.

The Spirit can replicate the soul of Christ in us, teaching us where and how to serve. So when the Spirit makes you thirsty for a better outcome, or helps you see a place to put your hand to a decision that would shed benefit more widely, or would comfort the one who feels tentative about the course of their life, or their loved ones, dare to step into Eternity and invite them to follow you there. "Go into all Nations and baptize and teach" (per St. Matthew).....by offering the embrace of the Risen Christ, and standing with the forgotten ones. Teach peace.

I remain,

Your friend and Rector,

(The Reverend) Richard S. Signore

CHOIR

A big thank you to the choir and all our instrumentalists for a wonderful year of music. Thank you for volunteering and giving your time to the church in this special and spiritual way. Choir will begin again in October, date to be announced later.

Anne Bouvier-Monroe

SUMMER SINGING

Please join us during the month of June at 9:00AM on Sunday morning to run over the hymns and spend some time in Christian Fellowship and special music. I will be away on June 17th and we will not have rehearsal on that day. *God Bless, Anne*

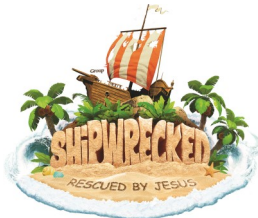
JUNE BIRTHDAYS

4 - Teddy DeMings 14 - Joe Pieczynski 22 - Trisha O'Brien-Briere 23 - Joe DiSalvatore
24-Barbara Mesurvey 28 - Chris Bolte

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!

Holy Trinity's VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

\$10/child
\$20/family
Scholarships
available!



Ages 5 and up
*under 4 with a
parent in attendance



AUGUST 6-10
9:00AM-12NOON
LUNCH INCLUDED!



**STATION AND
CREW LEADERS
NEEDED! PLEASE
SEE EILEEN
DEMINGS!**

Join us for Family Worship in

Blakely Hall

June 3, 10, 17

**When families come together to
worship with kids in mind.**

FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

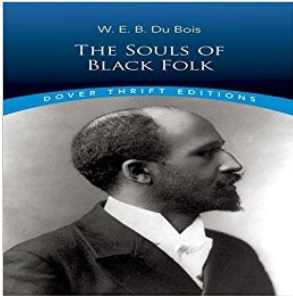


I want to personally thank everyone who attended and/or supported spiritually, financially, and hands-on for my 60th birthday party with Tamsin. We collectively raised \$3300 for the building fund. I love my church family, thank you so much!

-Sue Grant

BECOMING A BELOVED COMMUNITY

The Episcopal Church's long-term commitment to racial healing, reconciliation and injustice.



Our national church and our Diocesan Bishop has encouraged all parishes to offer opportunity to study and understand more deeply how racial attitudes may affect our community. As a first step, the National curriculum invites us to read and discuss a book published in 1910 by author W.E.B DuBois, titled: The Souls of Black Folk. This famous collection of essays helps us gain insight in the experience of African-American peoples.

This book is available on Amazon, other one-line distributors, and for some e-readers, iPads or Kindles may be available at no charge.

We will have an informal discussion group for 6 weeks this summer on Monday evenings from 7-8:30pm. We will look at a chapter each week.

**Chapter 1—June 4; Chapter 2—June 11; Chapter 3—June 18; Chapter 4—June 25;
No class July 2; Chapter 5—July 9; Chapter 6—July 16.**

Please feel free to come to listen, participate as you feel moved to do so. Discussion time is considered a “safe space,” i.e. what we say is not repeated outside of the room; we may disagree with one another but only politely. No one is wrong when we are sharing our experiences.

Please see Fr. Richard with question or for more information.

MISSION PLATE

I want to tell you about a special place in Arizona. St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Nogales, Arizona, is a church near the wall between Arizona and Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. This church opens its doors the first Thursday of each month to host The St. Andrew's Children's Clinic. Many volunteers work together to diagnose, treat and care for children in Mexico with health issues that cannot be treated in their country. On that first Thursday each month, approximately 200-250 children and their family members make their way across the border, by foot, in wheelchairs and vans, to receive treatment for cerebral palsy, orthopedic problems, hearing and vision problems, and other severe disabilities. There are interpreters, people making meals for the families, and volunteers leading the children from one part of the church to another as they go from one clinic to another. The church space is completely utilized! Not one hallway, room, or pew is unused. You would be amazed at the order and peace that is there. It is something to behold!

That is why I would like us to give our mission donations to the St. Andrew's Children's Clinic. They depend upon donations and volunteers to carry out this amazing mission. I will share more about this special place on a few Sundays during June and July. We all hear about border issues from our political leaders, but this is one cross-border initiative that heals and inspires. We need more like this! Join me in giving to this very worthy cause as we come to partake of the bread and wine of Christ.

Suzy Sharp
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Food Pantry Ministry

I am writing to thank you all for your continued support of our local food pantry housed down the street at St Mary's church, part of the Blessed John Paul II Parish. I have been remiss in reminding and promoting our attention to this need that affects so many of our neighbors.

I spoke to the people who manage the pantry to find out what kinds of foods they cannot get from the central food bank in Worcester. Because the foods they can get through that source are pretty much free, it doesn't make sense for us to spend money on those items; instead, it makes sense for us to donate the foods that people are looking for that they would need to buy because the food bank cannot provide them.

I made a chart of those items and set up a plan to systemically collect them for donation:

January May September	February June October	March July November	April August December
hamburger helper tuna helper beef stew soup Spaghettios soup mix (like Lipton's chicken noodle) Ramen noodles	pancake mix maple syrup jelly cereal – what they get from the pantry is pretty generic like corn flakes and wheat chex, so more “fun” types are appreciated	powdered lemonade mix ice tea mix tea coffee toilet tissue soap dish soap	crackers mayonnaise ketchup mustard relish toilet tissue soap dish soap
Toilet tissue, soap and dish soap are on here twice because those are things that people need that none of the typical support systems provide. I will admit that I actually considered putting them on for each month – my guess is that they would never turn those down.			

Also, don't forget that we would still like to see the children (or adults if you are brave!) take part by having them carry food items up to the altar during the offertory.

Blessings, Rose Reith

HEMOCARE HELP NEEDED!

Catholic Charities Home Care program is looking for aides to care for elders and handicapped individuals in their own homes. Aides provide light housekeeping, laundry, shopping and personal care. Candidates must be reliable, compassionate, and have transportation. Please call for an appointment
1-800-649-4364.

Vacation Bible School Sponsorship Opportunity

HTC is once again offering the opportunity for children from our parish and the community to take part in VBS. We are reaching out to our parish community to sponsor a child attending VBS. By sponsoring a child, you will help pay for them to have daily themed projects, take-homes and a t-shirt. Each sponsor is \$15.00. Forms are located in the bulletin and on the table in the Narthex. Thank you!

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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, June 3—9:30 a.m.—Family Worship
Monday, June 4—7:00 p.m.—Chapter 1 of **The Souls of Black Folk**
Wednesday, June 6—7:30 a.m.—Bible & Wine—TBA
Sunday, June 10—9:30 a.m.—Family Worship
Monday, June 11—7:00 p.m.—Chapter 2 of **The Souls of Black Folk**
Wednesday, June 13—7:00 p.m.—Vestry Meeting
Sunday, June 17—9:30 a.m.—Family Worship
Monday, June 18—7:00 p.m.—Chapter 3 of **The Souls of Black Folk**
Wednesday, June 20—4:00 p.m.—Daughters of the King
7:30 p.m.—Bible & Wine—TBA
Monday, June 21—7:00 p.m.—Chapter 4 of **The Souls of Black Folk**

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