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TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH'S HOLY VISION:

In glorifying God, we the members of Trinity Church, will foster a unified parish, demonstrate our spirituality with an open heart, and reflect in our actions the good news of the Holy Spirit to all members of our church and community.



PALM SUNDAY : MARCH 24

10:30 AM | LITURGY OF THE PALMS
& HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

12:00 PM | MONDAY - THURSDAY
(FRIDAY FOLLOWING THE GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE)

MAUNDY THURSDAY : MARCH 28

6:00 PM | MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

GOOD FRIDAY : MARCH 29

12:00PM | GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
W/ STATIONS TO FOLLOW

EASTER SUNDAY : MARCH 31

10:30 AM | HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

I can't believe that it has been a year since I joined this incredible church family. You have been so gracious to my family and me. We have been through a lot together this past year but by God's grace we have gotten through it.

Not only have we survived as a parish, but in many ways we have thrived as a parish. As I mentioned at our Annual Meeting, we have added twenty-eight new members to our church family. Every Sunday God blesses us with new faces in our midst.

As I shared with Bishop Doyle and others in the diocese we are past the crisis and are

now dreaming about our future. Say your prayers and cross your fingers, but there is a real chance that we will be getting a curate this summer. You will still be stuck with me as I will mentor and supervise whoever God sends our way.

Now is the time for us to move forward in faith as together with God we write the next chapter of our story. I for one am truly excited about what is unfolding before our very eyes. I've been in conversation for some time with Vickie D'Asto about offering Sunday School for our children. Vickie approached me some months ago and said she believed God

was calling her to this ministry in our church. Since that conversation I have been approached by other people who feel a tug in the same direction. Beginning on the first Sunday in April we will launch our children's Sunday School program.

Of course building a Sunday School program is not like the movie, *The Field of Dreams*, just because you build it doesn't mean children will come, we must do the work of evangelism. As St. Augustine of Hippo wrote, "Pray like everything depends upon God, work like everything depends upon you." We have a good start. God has



OUR CORE VALUES:

Commitment to Jesus Christ

Authority of Scripture

Evangelism Relational

Ministry

Worship

Servant Ministry

Sacrificial Giving

Biblical Leadership

blessed us with a number of children who will be the mustard seeds of that ministry.

I know that evangelism doesn't come natural for Episcopalians so let this ex-Baptist give you a few pointers. The first thing you must have is a desire for others to know Christ and to be a part of his Church. Second, everything begins with prayer. Your prayer might be, "Jesus, give me the opportunity today to speak with someone about your love for them." Pamela and I are currently praying for a handful of people that we want to introduce to Jesus. Our prayer has simply been, "Father, ambush them with your love for them."

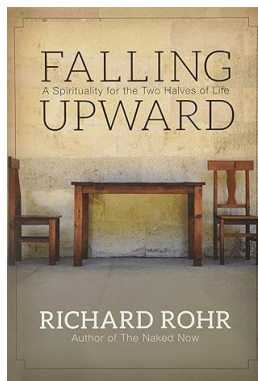
Third, and this is where things get a little more difficult, especially if you're an introvert, have a conversation with them about Jesus. A parenthetical note, having a conversation about the church is not the same as having a conversation about God. Remember, we are more interested in discipleship than membership.

It's estimated that only about ten percent of any congregation has the spiritual gift of evangelism. So, use other people, such as your priest, to have those conversations. Another way to grease the wheels of those important conversations is to invite them to an event where those that are gifted in evangelism will be present. Maybe invite them to *Pints With A Priest* on March 20th.

As I have shared with you before, it is very difficult for an unchurched or de-churched person to walk into a church they are unfamiliar with on Sunday. Evangelism is about relationship. Most people that are Christians didn't go to a Billy Graham crusade. They were simply asked by a friend if they wanted to come to church or come meet their friend Jesus. It is as simple as that.

Remember, this all starts with prayer. Maybe the first prayer is simply, "God give me the desire to have others know you. Lay on my heart the friends of mine that you want to ambush with your love." Then let's watch God begin to move in their lives and draw them closer to Jesus. I warned you I was a recovering Baptist.

Fr. Kevin+



Pizza and Book Study

Each Wednesday Evening

@ 6:00 PM



In **Falling Upward**, Fr. Richard Rohr seeks to help readers understand the tasks of the two halves of life and to show them that those who have fallen, failed, or "gone down" are the only ones who understand "up." Most of us tend to think of the second half of life as largely about getting old, dealing with health issues, and letting go of life, but the whole thesis of this book is exactly the opposite. What looks like falling down can largely be experienced as "falling upward." In fact, it is not a loss but somehow actually a gain, as we have all seen with elders who have come to their fullness.

WANTED!

LOOKING FOR

ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS

Members of the Altar Guild prepare the altar for our Sunday worship and clean up the altar after the service. This ministry is once every three weeks. Contact Clarissa Martin if you are interested in joining this ministry.

CHOIR MEMBERS

Members of the Choir lead our congregation in the singing of our service music and hymns. They also bless us with special music. The choir is an essential ministry of our church. Contact Jim Johnson if you are interested in joining this ministry.

USHERS

Ushers are an important ministry because they make a first impression on the most important people on Sunday, our guests. If you have an outgoing personality this may be the ministry for you. Contact Fr. Kevin if you are interested in joining this ministry.



OUR MISSION:

To proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ by:

Inviting all to accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Fostering the presence of the Holy Spirit for the equipping of saints to do the work of ministry.

Witnessing to the power of God to heal, transform, and make all things new.

Supporting those who by word and example make Christ's redemptive work known.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Easter Lilies

Order Deadline: March 24

\$10.00/each

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Palm Cross Making

Friday, March 22

10am

All Saints' Hall



Come join in the tradition of making palm crosses for the Palm Sunday service

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Ministry Schedule March 2024					
Ministry	Sunday, March 3, 2024	Sunday, March 10, 2024	Sunday, March 17, 2024	Sunday, March 24, 2024	Sunday, March 31, 2024
10:30 AM Lector 1	Jeff Henderson	Ann Brannon	Roy Jack McCarroll	Alaina Jones	Ann Brannon
10:30 AM Lector 2	Clarissa Martin	Kay Ivy	Clarissa Martin	Matt Hatch	Jeff Henderson
10:30 AM LEM	Jeff Henderson Clarissa Martin	Ann Brannon Kay Ivy	Roy Jack McCarroll Clarissa Martin	Alaina Jones Matt Hatch	Ann Brannon Jeff Henderson
10:30 AM Ushers	Henry Henderson Joel Truelove	Tony Pierce Henry Henderson	Jackie Weeks Joel Truelove	Ann Brannon Judy Asaff	Henry Henderson Joel Truelove
Acolyte: Crucifer	Kirkley/Charlotte Lewis	Emma Eppley	Griffin Jones	Sagan Jameson-Hatch	Kirkley/Charlotte Lewis
Camera / Audio	Tony Pierce	Steve Lewis	Tony Pierce	Steve Lewis	Tony Pierce
Altar Flowers	No Flowers During Lent	No Flowers During Lent	No Flowers During Lent	No Flowers During Lent	Easter Lilies
Coffee & Cookie Hr.	Jackie Weeks	Margaret Lee	Kay Ivy	Isabel Lewis	No Coffee & Cookies
Altar Guild	Monday, March 4, 2024	Monday, March 11, 2024	Monday, March 18, 2024	Monday, March 25, 2024	Monday, April 1, 2024
	Team 3	Team 2	Team 4	Team 3	All Teams

If you aren't able to serve on a Sunday you are scheduled for please contact someone else in you ministry and switch Sundays. Please notify the office of your schedule change.

Mission of the Quarter

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JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR

OUR CLERGY:

Bishops Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector, and our Interim Rector Fr. Kevin

OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Our President, Joe; our Governor, Greg; our County Judge, Chad; our Mayor, Amy

OUR SERVICEMEN & WOMEN:

Jason Woodley, Christopher Love, Audrey Dobbs, Aubrey Toussaint, Andy Albright, Lake Brannon

OUR PARISHIONERS:

Kay Kemp, Terry Weeks, Michael Cason, Joe Weinberg, Dick Boyd

IN THE COMMUNITY:

Tommy Hicks, Roger & Tina Neal

HOMEBOUND:

Mary Jane McElroy – Marshall Manor, Patty Whaley – Home, Ron Denney, Sr. – Home, Yank Terrell – Home, David Jones – Marshall Manor, Albert McPhail – Reunion Inn

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



Happy Birthday

1 Matt Hatch	19 Joel Truelove
4 Gary Hathaway	20 Helen Beckwith
5 Susan Pool	27 Clarissa Martin
8 Leana Westergaard	30 Juli Jameson
16 Glenda Knutson	

If we missed your birthday let the office know so we can update our records and be sure to include it next year in the Tripod. _____



Happy Anniversary

13 Mieke & Gary Hathaway
28 Susan & John Bogue
30 Judy & Buddy Denney

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*Behold, I
come among
you as one
who serves.*

Luke 22:27

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Kevin Wittmayer
Interim Rector

Jim Johnson
*Music Director
and Organist*

Stacey Shaw
Parish Administrator

VESTRY

Tony Pierce
Senior Warden

Henry Henderson
Junior Warden

Jackie Weeks
Clerk

Judy Asaff

Alaina Jones

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