

TRINITY TALK

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A Message from Fr. Steve:

As November arrives, it always stirs in me a deep sense of gratitude, and I find myself especially thankful for this church.

Thankfulness within our church community embraces a wide array of experiences and blessings that we at Trinity hold close to our hearts. One of the most treasured elements of life at Trinity is the deep sense of community it nurtures. I am truly grateful for the meaningful relationships that grow through shared worship, group gatherings, and acts of service. These connections foster a welcoming and supportive environment where each of us, as followers of Christ, feels recognized, valued, and genuinely loved. Trinity is more than a church — it is a second family, a place where we belong and uplift one another.

Our church also serves as a vital space for spiritual growth and a deeper understanding of God. Many of us express gratitude for the spiritual guidance we receive through sermons, Bible studies, and spiritual opportunities. These experiences help us grow in wisdom, strengthen our relationship with God, and discover greater purpose and clarity in our lives.

In times of hardship, the care and compassion of this church family become even more evident. We are thankful for the prayers, emotional support, and practical help extended to those facing illness, grief, or personal struggles. Knowing that our church family stands beside us in faith brings comfort and resilience during life's most challenging moments.

Gratitude in our community also means recognizing God's everyday blessings. Whether it's the gift of life, health, relationships, or the beauty of creation, we take time to reflect and give thanks for the many ways God is present and active in our lives. Our worship services offer a meaningful space to collectively express this gratitude and praise.

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Trinity also finds great joy and purpose in serving others. Through outreach programs, Sunday Supper, and involvement in other church ministries, we are given the opportunity to live out our faith in tangible ways. We are thankful for these moments to extend compassion, make a positive impact, and experience the fulfillment that comes from giving.

Together, we at Trinity cultivate an atmosphere where gratitude thrives. Through fellowship, spiritual nourishment, mutual support, recognition of God's blessings, and a heart for service, let us continue to build a community where thankfulness is not only expressed but deeply felt.

Forever thankful,
Fr. Steve

*The holidays will be here before you know it!!!
Make your plans to join us!*



Outreach Commission



HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

Saturday, November 1

9:00 am - 2:30 pm

*Gift Items - Holiday Decorations - Bake Sale
And More!*



Hungry? Lunch available!



*Plus the ever-popular *Trinity Table!!!*

**As you know, one person's trash is another person's treasure! If you have any new or gently used items that you would like to donate for the Trinity Table, please place them in the blue bin at the back of the church.*



The Book Club

November 8, 2025

The book club meets in the Library from 9:30-11:00am the 2nd Saturday of each month.

Come join everyone for a truly enjoyable morning and some lively literary discussions. Interested?

Please contact Laurie McKinnell at mckinnell4@aol.com.

November



Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver

"Demon Copperhead" by Barbara Kingsolver is a modern retelling of Charles Dickens' "David Copperfield", set in the poverty-stricken Appalachian Mountains. The novel follows the life of Damon "Demon" Fields, a boy born to a teenage mother struggling with addiction. It explores themes of poverty, addiction, foster care, and the opioid crisis, all within the context of a region often overlooked by mainstream society. Demon's journey is one of survival, resilience, and grappling with systemic failures and personal tragedies.

SUNDAY SUPPER!

Sunday Supper



Communities Coming Together

Trinity will be hosting Sunday Supper on November 2, and we need YOU. Sign up sheets are posted at the back of the church ready for you to volunteer...

You'll be glad you did! Questions, contact co-managers Elizabeth Blush (714.319.1452 – buzzyblush@gmail.com) and Donna Watson (714.745.1015 – dwatson@designer-mouse.com).

Our Sunday Supper "Ask"

Every December, Sunday Supper has a holiday dinner for their guests which includes a delicious meal, groceries and a \$25 gift card. This year due to cutbacks in federal

assistance, a gift card is especially

appreciated! Each Sunday Supper hosting team is being asked to donate \$25 gift cards for grocery stores, fast food restaurants or Target. If you would

like to make a donation, please do so by December 7. You can leave your donation with our Parish Administrator, Tatiana, or co-chairs Donna Watson or Elizabeth Blush.



Thank you for your consideration!

Advent Season!

Are you ready for the Advent Season? Do you have your advent wreath prepared? If not, we have a special event just for you! Join us on Sunday, November 30th, 4pm-6pm, at the church to create your own advent wreath. All materials will be provided. Bring your family and friends—everyone is welcome! And if you're able, please bring along an appetizer or dessert to share.

The advent wreath is a beautiful and meaningful tradition that helps us spiritually prepare for Christmas. It is made from evergreen branches formed into a circle, symbolizing eternal life. The wreath holds four candles, one for each week of Advent. Three candles are purple, representing hope, peace, and love, and one is pink, representing joy. Each Sunday during Advent, a new candle is lit, bringing us closer to the celebration of Christ's birth and reminding us of the growing light of His presence in our lives.



This is a wonderful way to begin the holiday season. We hope to see you there!

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our fourteen Trinity parishioners who successfully completed our recent CPR/AED certification class. Debbie Medina and her husband, AL from CPR It Works did an outstanding job of teaching everyone the importance of recognizing sudden cardiac arrest and how to respond quickly and efficiently. Immediate resuscitation and use of an automatic external defibrillator (AED) will save lives! Thank you all for mastering these important skills.



Full Shelves, Full Hearts Drive

Friendly Center is giving every family the dignity to fill their own grocery bags with Thanksgiving items they need, taking home with them a gift card, a bag of healthy groceries, peace of mind, and gratitude.

Thanksgiving Items:

- Can of Candied Yams
- Cans of Corn
- Can of Cranberry Sauce
- Box of Dry Potatoes
- Cans of Green Beans
- Pumpkin Pie (not frozen)
- Bag of Rolls
- Box of Stuffing
- Jar of Turkey Gravy

Diverse Food Products:

- Bulgur
- Canned Grape Leaves
- Dried Rice Noodles
- Fish Sauce
- Hominy
- Legumes
- Rice Paper
- Sesame Oil
- Tamale Husks
- Tortillas



\$25-50 gift cards from grocery stores such as Orange Grocery Outlet (Tustin & Chapman), Target, Walmart, H Mart, and Super1Mart.

Donations can be placed inside the Church, under the table at the entrance. The Last Day to bring donations is Sunday, November 23rd.



SAVE THE DATE!

The Annual Trinity Ornament Exchange will be held on Monday, December 1st at 5:30pm.

Tickets will cost \$10 to help cover costs, (door prizes and supplies) with any remaining funds going to the Trinity Scholarship Fund.

Guests will be asked to bring their favorite holiday appetizer or dessert. As we do every year, we will accept new unwrapped toys (valued at \$25) to donate to the Friendly Center.

Come for the fellowship! Come celebrate the season!

All are welcome, so just come!



AED Location Reminder!!! **(Automatic External Defibrillator)**

As many of you know Trinity has a third AED due to the bountiful generosity of Hoag and their Faith Community Nurse Program. Our newest AED is located in the Little's Room (formerly named Brides's Room) in the sanctuary on the left wall as you immediately enter the room. Its location is marked with a three-dimensional AED sign just outside the Little's Room door. The new AED is encased in an alarmed cabinet that will sound like a siren when opened but will turn off once the cabinet door is closed. This alarm will help to deter theft as well as alert everyone of an emergency if the door is opened. Please familiarize yourself with this new defibrillator as well as our two other AEDs located in the church office and the large kitchen in the parish hall. The use of these devices is critical to saving lives in the event of a sudden cardiac arrest. Everyone at Trinity needs to know of their location. Any of your nurses will gladly show you where the devices are located and answer any questions you may have. In our certification class we are instructed to use three commands if we encounter an apparent cardiac emergency, "You call 911, you get the AED, and come right back." We all can be members of a life-saving team. Let's all do our part to be prepared.

Ann, Yvonne, Chioma & Dennis

Will you support the Chapel Votive Candles?

The Altar Guild kindly invites you to support the Chapel Candle Stand each time you light a candle in remembrance — whether it's in honor of a loved one, a birthday, a special moment of joy, or during a time of sadness.

We encourage you to place a donation in the box located on the wall above the matches. Your contribution helps cover the ongoing costs of candles, holders, and matches. Thank you for your generosity and support.

-Altar Guild



Get to know a Parishioner!

Elizabeth Blush

How long have you been a part of the Trinity Family?

2019, joined after leaving St. Martin's Catholic Church in Yorba Linda.

What's your favorite hobby?

Photography

What's your favorite place to travel?

Iceland - got to go one time with my photography club - any place where I can capture amazing pictures.



What's your favorite food?

No one favorite - Italian, Mexican, comfort foods from childhood.

Do you have any pets?

I do not, but I am a pet "aunt" and "grandmother" to several.

What's your favorite season?

Easter - the resurrection and new life experience.

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Service

Christmas Eve:

4:00pm: Family Service

9:30pm: Gift of Music

10:00pm: Christmas Eve Service

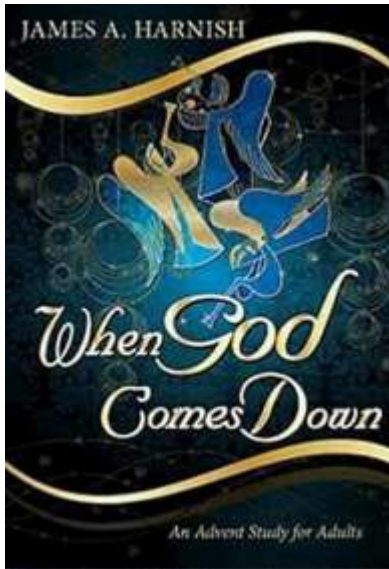
Christmas Day:

10:00am Service



ADVENT & SWEETS

Join us for our Advent Book Study of 'When God Comes Down' by James A. Harnish. Advent is a sacred season of watching, waiting, and preparing to witness the arrival of the true light of God's presence in Jesus Christ. Through worship, Scripture, and prayer, we tune our hearts and minds to recognize God's presence so that, amid the busyness of the holiday season, we are ready to truly celebrate the holy day — the moment when God came down to dwell among us.



In 'When God Comes Down,' Harnish explores the lives of those who first encountered the miracle of the Incarnation. He invites us to reflect on their experiences and, through our own reflection, become modern-day witnesses to the light that darkness can never overcome.

Join us on December 3rd at 6:30 PM as we begin this meaningful three-week journey together. We also invite you to share your favorite dessert or treat.

We are in need of Acolytes, Ushers, LEMs, and Altar Guild Members

Trinity is hoping we could have some new members of each!



Please contact the parish administrator and she can help you with next steps!

Altar Flower Donations

Flowers for the Altar provide a lovely way to offer a thanksgiving or remembrance of a loved one or a special event. More than one acknowledgement may be given on a Sunday. You may offer flowers as often as you wish. Each Sunday's Altar flowers cost \$160. Any amount towards the expense is very much appreciated! Please make the donation by whichever means you choose, just make sure you indicate that it is for the Altar Flowers.



Call to Convention: 2025 annual meeting, 'Resilience & Renewal,' will be Nov. 7-8 in Riverside

The official call to the 130th annual meeting of Diocesan Convention, themed "Resilience & Renewal," set for Nov. 7-8 in Riverside, was sent Sept. 9.

Convention will mark the final year of the Rt. Rev. John Harvey Taylor's nine-year episcopate, and delegates to convention will elect the eighth bishop of Los Angeles. Balloting this year will include election of deputies to General Convention 2027, which will be held in Phoenix, Ariz.

Convention also will consider a diocesan budget framework to be described in further detail at upcoming September and October meetings of Diocesan Council.

Under the theme "Resilience & Renewal," convention will include focus on diocesan resources and programs to support congregational vitality, including the new Renaissance or Requiem program in the Diocese of L.A.; the Immersed in Worship program, which offers congregations resources and grants to develop ministry to children and youth; and the One Body & One Spirit program, which has given more than \$1 million in ministry grants to congregations and institutions as well as wildfire-relief grants to churches and individuals.



Happy Birthday

Scott Carbaugh—November 1
Suzanne Bilodeau—November 5
Harriet Friis—November 5
Ken Kimura—November 9
Blake Messenger—November 11
Ed Calvin—November 14
Nicholas Hubbard—November 15
Gayle Kenan—November 15

Tilani Samarasekera—November 20
Derek Anderson—November 23
Samantha Heim—November 25
Jordan Simson—November 25
Rachel Powers—November 26
Frankie Simpson—November 27
Frances Ross—November 30



Happy Anniversary

John & Kimmie Powers—November 5
Susie & Bruce White—November 10
Chris & Sarah Candela—November 18
Dreena-Lee & Allen Stephens—November 27
Reginald & Chioma Elendu—November 30

Blessing of the Animals



SAS Encore: Emergency Preparedness



November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 7:00am Altar Guild Team 4 8:00am Holy Eucharist- Rite I 10:00am Holy Eucharist - Rite II 4:00pm Western Service Workers Association Halloween Party	27	28 5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous	29 7:00pm Shirts & Skirts - Advanced Class	30 10:00am Eucharist Healing Service 7:00pm AA Meeting	31 9:00am Property Commission 10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm AI Anon Meeting	1 Holiday Boutique 8am
2 Sunday Supper 4 pm	3 6:30pm Outreach Meeting 7:00pm Railroad Society	4 5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous	5 7:00pm Shirts & Skirts - Advanced Class	6 10:00am Eucharist Healing Service 7:00pm AA Meeting	7 9:00am Property Commission 12:00pm AI Anon Meeting	8 Book Club 9:30am
9 7:00am Altar Guild Team 2 8:00am Holy Eucharist- Rite I 10:00am Holy Eucharist - Rite II	10	11 5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous	12 6:30pm Rally Meeting 7:00pm Shirts & Skirts - Advanced Class	13 10:00am Eucharist Healing Service 6:30pm Orange Historical Society 7:00pm AA Meeting	14 9:00am Property Commission 10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm AI Anon Meeting 7:00pm OC Recorder Society	15 8:30am Debtors Anonymous
16 7:00am Altar Guild Team 3 8:00am Holy Eucharist- Rite I 10:00am Holy Eucharist - Rite II	17	18 5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous 6:30pm Vestry Meeting	19 11:30am Faith Community Nurse Luncheon - HOAG 7:00pm AI-anon Information Service Board 7:00pm Shirts & Skirts - Advanced Class	20 Villa Park Women's League 10:00am Eucharist Healing Service 7:00pm AA Meeting	21 9:00am Property Commission 10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm AI Anon Meeting	22 8:30am Debtors Anonymous
23 Last day to bring items for the Food Drive!	24	25 5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous	26 7:00pm Shirts & Skirts - Advanced Class	27 Thanksgiving Service 10am	28 9:00am Property Commission 10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm AI Anon Meeting	29 8:30am Debtors Anonymous
30 Family Advent Wreath Event 4pm	1 Annual Trinity Ornament Exchange 6:30pm Outreach Meeting 7:00pm Railroad Society	2 5:30pm Overeaters Anonymous 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous	3 6:30pm Advent Book Study 7:00pm Shirts & Skirts - Advanced Class	4 10:00am Eucharist Healing Service 7:00pm AA Meeting	5 9:00am Property Commission 10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm AI Anon Meeting	6 8:30am Debtors Anonymous