

To My Holy Trinity Family:

Happy Easter! On this Second Sunday of Easter we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. I, along with other pilgrims from our parish, were able to visit Poland and the Divine Mercy Shrine. While I was in Poland, I prayed for all of you, but in a special way for our parish Divine Mercy Group. Jesus is so merciful with us all. We must do our part however and turn away from sin! Frequent confession and praying the rosary daily are necessary for all of us to conquer sin in our lives. I encourage all of you to pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy daily. Conversion is possible for us all, but we must put in the hard work spiritually.

Our first ever sunrise mass and Salubong was a huge success. I forgot to mention the sponsors at mass, so a special thank you to all of those that helped sponsor this special parish celebration. We will definitely do this again next year. It was wonderful to see so many of our parishioners work together and use their God given talents in service to our parish community.

Our parish fiesta is coming up on Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars and join us for this special event. If one of our candidates approaches you to buy raffle tickets, I encourage you to do so. May God reward all of our volunteers who are working so hard at making this a special event for us all.

Please keep our students in prayer that will be receiving their First Holy Communion on Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>. Both our Religious Education students and our students from Holy Trinity School will be making their First Holy Communion on this day. May their final two weeks of preparation bare much fruit.

Every priest in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is mandated to take five days off after Easter. Msgr. Herres was gone last week. This week Fr. Mike and I will be gone. We will have a Communion Service on Tuesday Night and Wednesday Morning. I will be back late Friday Night. Thank you for adjusting your schedules.

This Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> I will be celebrating my 40<sup>th</sup> birthday. I will be celebrating with my parents and siblings. This Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup> after the morning masses please stop by the pavilion and grab some food. I wanted to feed you all for my birthday. Being your pastor is a gift in my life!

**Fr. Ricardo**



**WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS...**

**DIVINE MERCY APOSTLES**

Come join the Divine Mercy Apostles in pleading for mercy and forgiveness for ourselves and for the whole world by joining us in our prayers every Thursday evening at 7:15 pm in room 1 of the school. Benediction is every last Thursday of the month.

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP**

The Charismatic Prayer Group meets every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 10:30am in the school. Also please join us every First Friday of the month at 6 pm for a devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus celebrated in the Church. "Come and experience God's love, peace and joy and share them with others.

**BIBLE STUDY IN SPANISH**

Bible Study (IN SPANISH) with Monsignor Herres will take place each Monday at 7:45pm in the school. All are invited to join. Bring your Bibles.

**FRIENDS OF THE BLESSED MOTHER YOUTH GROUP**

A youth group that meets every Saturday from 10:30am-11:30am in Room 6 of the school. In contemporary times when our youth are exposed to the evils of society, they need a model and guide from whom they can draw inspiration. Young people can turn to Mary as mother and a friend who "listens with the ear of her heart" to her children.

**RESPECT LIFE**

Come and join the Respect Life Group. We meet every Tuesday from 5:00 to 6:00pm at the Church to pray the Rosary of the Unborn (silent prayer) and to offer a Holy Hour of Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament in reparation for the sin against life, for the protection of the unborn and for moral clarity for our government leaders. Also join us every Wednesday at 6:50pm to pray for Respect for human life, Forgiveness for those who destroy human life, for those Fighting euthanasia and for those who were not allowed to live.

**SUNDAY OFFERINGS**

The deposit amount for the Holy Week was \$24, 458.00. Thank you for your generosity and continued support of Holy Trinity Parish.

**FR. PEACHA SOCIETY**

All parishioners are invited to become members of the Fr. Peacha Society. All funds go directly to helping our parish school. If you enroll, your intentions will be remembered weekly at mass. Fr. Peacha was a great supporter of Holy Trinity School and this is a great way to honor this beloved priest. For more information, please call the school office.

**PARISH BUILDING FUND**

Did you know that 100% of the funds that you donate to the parish in the building fund envelopes remain at Holy Trinity Parish? This money goes directly to helping maintain the parish and school grounds. We encourage all parishioners to use their building fund envelopes. May God reward your generosity.

**PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA**

Holy Trinity is on social media, check us out:  
<https://www.instagram.com/holytrinityla/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/holytrinityla/>  
<https://twitter.com/holytrinityla>

**DIRECTOR OF CONFIRMATION AND/OR SATURDAY ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Holy Trinity Parish is currently taking applications for a part time position as Director of Confirmation and/or Saturday Elementary Religious Education. This is a part time position possibly working one or two days a week, one day for Confirmation and one day for Saturday Elementary Religious Education. The applicant must be a catholic in good standing and fully initiated in the Church. If married, they must be married in the Catholic Church. They need to be a team player and work well with others, including the clergy, parishioners, school principal and rectory employees. If you are interested in either position or both, please email your resume to [FrRViveros@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:FrRViveros@la-archdiocese.org), for further information you can also call Fr. Ricardo in the rectory at 323 664-4723.

**FR RICARDO'S 40TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

Fr. Ricardo turns 40 on May 3rd so all are invited to celebrate on May 5th with a free reception after the masses in the pavilion. We hope to see you there.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Since 2002, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles has trained about 330,000 adults to proactively protect children and young people from child sexual abuse and reporting misconduct. In addition, over 165,000 children and young people receive safe environment training annually. In 2018, the Office of Safeguard the Children launched its new "Empowering God's Children & Young People" Program, which empowers children and young people by giving them the knowledge and tools to keep themselves safe and teaches them to tell a parent, guardian or safe adult if anyone makes them feel uncomfortable, scared or confuse.

**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL FORMING SAINTS AND SCHOLARS**

Holy Trinity School is currently accepting applications for students in Transitional Kindergarten – Eighth Grade. Our parish school provides an outstanding education for children in a family centered, disciplined environment, grounded in tradition and rooted in the Catholic faith. Scholarships are available for those who wish to have a Catholic education for their child. For a school tour, stop by to visit us any day. No appointment is necessary. For more information or to set up an appointment for a private tour, call (323) 663 - 2064, or visit our website [www.holytrinityla.com](http://www.holytrinityla.com). A CATHOLIC EDUCATION IS AN ADVANTAGE FOR LIFE!

**BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION**

It's that time of the year again-time to collect Boxtops for Education. Holy Trinity School is asking all parishioners to support our school by saving Boxtops. It's easy to find Box Tops. In fact, you may have some in your home right now. Clip Box Tops from your favorite products and turn them in to the box found in the vestibule of the Church. Your generosity in supporting this fundraiser helps us provide fine arts and athletic programs for our students. Thank you for your continued support of our school as we continue to Form saints and Scholars.

**KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP!**

Calling all 4 year olds and 5 year olds! Holy Trinity School is now accepting applications for TK (4 years old) and Kindergarten. Applications and Financial Assistance for the 2019-2020 school year are now available. Come to the school for a tour – let your child come and visit for a few hours! All are welcome!

**Holy Trinity—Misa en Espanol****Los Domingos a la 1pm**

El grupo de oración en español les invitan que vengan a participar en las alabanzas de Dios: canten, oren y de su testimonio. Cada viernes de las siete a nueve de la noche en la escuela.

