



# HOLY TRINITY

BY THE LAKE

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER  
MARCH 2024



## Holy Week and March Happenings...

### SAT, MAR 2

- **8:30 AM—12 PM LENTEN QUIET DAY** sponsored by DOK
- **6 PM—1ST SATURDAY SOCIAL:** Bring a snack or beverage to share

SUN, MAR 3 & 17, 12 PM—FAME (lunch provided)

### MON, MAR 4 & 18

- **10 AM—COFFEE CHAT** (live on the 4th @The Bagel Lady, online on the 18th)
- **6 PM—SEMI-MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY**

WED, MAR 6, 6:30 PM—ACOLYTE TRAINING

SUN, MAR 10—DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

- **1ST COMMUNION CLASS RIGHT AFTER THE 10:30 AM SERVICE**

TUE, MAR 12, 10 AM—VINE & BRANCHES INTERCESSORY PRAYER

SAT, MAR 16, 8 AM—MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST AND BIBLE STUDY

SUN, MAR 17—ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Sat-Sun, Mar 23-24: PALM SUNDAY SERVICES WITH 'THE PASSION'

Thu, Mar 28, 7:00pm: MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

**8pm-8am: ALTAR OF REPOSE (Prayer Vigil)** and indoor labyrinth walk

Fri, Mar 29, Noon: FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**7:00pm: GOOD FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE**

Sat, Mar 30, Noon-HOLY SATURDAY- LABYRINTH WALK

**8:00pm: THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER** baptisms at 4:00 pm

Sun, Mar 31, 8:15am & 10:30am: EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

**9:30am: EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZA FOR ALL AGES**

### WEEKLY EVENTS

#### Mondays

- **7 PM: LABYRINTH GUILD LENTEN BOOK DISCUSSION**

#### Wednesdays

- **10 AM: SPIRITUALITY CLASS**
- **5:30 PM: ONLINE HEALING SERVICE (EXCEPT 3/27)** This mid-week service lasts for about 30 min and is focused on healing prayer. Find the Zoom link on our website.
- **6 PM: HANDBELL PRACTICE**
- **7:15 PM: CHOIR PRACTICE**

Saturdays, 5 PM: IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICE

#### Sundays

- **8:15 AM: IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICE** Holy Eucharist, Rite II, no music
- **9:30 AM: IN-PERSON SUNDAY SCHOOL**
- **9:30 AM: LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY**
- **10:30 AM: IN-PERSON AND STREAMED WORSHIP SERVICE** Traditional Rite II Holy Eucharist service featuring Children's Chapel during the sermon with crafts, music, and age-appropriate lessons for the kids. Live Services and recordings can be found on our Holy Trinity YouTube Channel.

## Spring Forward March 10!

Daylight Savings Time Begins



Kids, BRING YOUR BASKETS! The hunt will be between services outside (weather permitting) Children will go to their age appropriate outdoor area to retrieve candy-filled or prize-numbered eggs. Everyone will then gather in the parish hall for photos and to receive any prizes. As in former days, a golden egg or two will be hidden in the parish hall to cash in for a fabulous prize. Thanks to the incredible Zurek family for making this happen for way more than 20 years! By the way, **if you'd like to donate cash or candy toward this event, please drop them off at the church office.** God bless you!

### WHAT TO BRING FOR EASTER WEEKEND

- Bells to ring at the Easter Vigil
- Flowers for the children to decorate the cross
- Easter baskets for all the kids!



### UNITED THANK OFFERING

Pick up a "Little Blue Box" for your United Thank Offering participation this Lent. UTO is entrusted to promote thank offerings, to receive the offerings, and to distribute the monies to support mission and ministry throughout The Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion. So take this opportunity to show your gratitude to God by putting some spare change in the box each day. At the campaign's end, just empty the box, count the change and submit a check for the amount to be blessed at the ingathering, just in time for you to begin filling another one. Or just turn in your coins in the box.

## Upcoming Brotherhood Activities

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew has begun a new bible study. We are now studying the Minor Prophets. The discussions are held every third Saturday at 8.30 am in the parish hall and usually last about an hour. The next meeting is Saturday, March 16 and the study will be on the Book of Joel. Everyone is invited, please read the book before the meeting. If you would like to join us for breakfast, it begins at 8.00 am

## Thanks to Last Month's Office Angels!

Emerson Chance  
Sally Meek

Sharon Fullington  
Carly Pennell

Bonnie Ratzer



Bonnie Ratzer and her granddaughter were office helpers last month, among others listed above.

## Add Your Family Photo to Our Online Directory



It is so helpful to parishioners, especially newcomers and staff, to be able to put a name with a face but we still have a lot of parishioners in our online directory without pictures. You can upload selfies yourself to your HT Connect account on Realm or just ask the church office for assistance. We can take the pictures for you or you can send us your photo files and we'll upload them to your profile. The [directory](#) can be found by logging onto your account and clicking "Directory" on the left sidebar. It can only be viewed by HT account holders.

## Godspeed Fr. Jacob and Alisha Nichols



*(Excerpted from Fr. Jacob's letter to the parish regarding his calling to be the next rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Denison, TX, effective February 4, 2024 )*

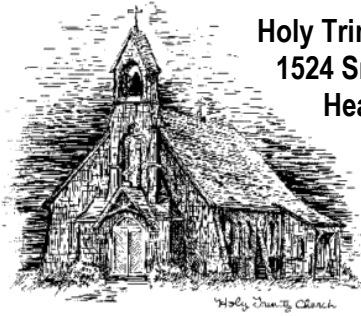
The life of a priest points towards the transience of life at almost every turn. When we officiate a funeral we recognize that life is a transient thing: we live until we do not. When we preside at a wedding we recognize that this union ends with death: "until death do us part." In baptism, we recognize that the carrying on of the life of the Church requires new members to take their place, for those of us who are doing the baptizing will one day finish our task. Even the Holy Eucharist contains within it a recognition of the transience of life. As we look at the breaking of Christ's body and the shedding of His blood, we see that even our Lord had once endured a temporary state in His death. Priests live as signposts to these realities, as we are called into our priesthood and ordained into it as mortal creatures.

I am grateful to have spent the last year of my life with all of you, as the comfort and love that Alisha and I experienced in your midst helped us overcome many of the challenges we faced in 2023. I am especially grateful to have shared in the work of the Church with you, whether in discussing theology, preaching, meeting for coffee, marching in parades, and sharing time in the offices. There is an intimate relationship that develops when a priest is given the opportunity to share in the sacramental life of a parish and sharing this relationship with you has made me a better priest. I am excited about the future of Holy Trinity and will keep this parish in my prayers.



## The Beautiful Contrast Between Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday!





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|                  |                        |   |
|------------------|------------------------|---|
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Healing Service        | 5:30 pm online @ Zoom                       |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | Holy Eucharist Rite II | 5:00 pm in-person (praise music)            |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | Holy Eucharist Rite II | 8:15 am in-person (no music)                |
|                  |                        | 10:30 am in-person and online (traditional) |

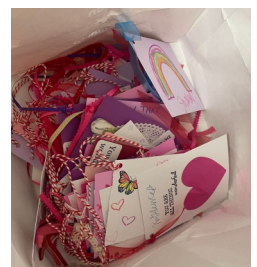
Visit <https://www.htbtl.org/events> for links and more information. You can also check our FB page and HT Connect for all of our online opportunities

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Last month, our EYC youth made an additional 20 loaves of sandwiches after church, and we even had some adults join in too! Karen Morrison delivered 124 loaves this past Sunday to Austin Street—a new record! Thanks to all of our parishioners for making sandwiches, and bringing chips, snacks, fruit, and drinks. Our children from Children's Chapel and

F.A.M.E made Valentines for Austin Street and they loved them! We even had some members head to Austin Street and help serve alongside Karen. Our next Sandwich Sunday will be April 14th. Let's set a new record all over again!



## March Anniversaries

B=Birthday A=Anniversary D=Death

|    |   |                           |    |   |                       |    |   |                           |
|----|---|---------------------------|----|---|-----------------------|----|---|---------------------------|
| 1  | D | Mike Moore                | 17 | B | Brian Morgan          | 25 | D | Sherley Park              |
| 2  | D | Deborah Blankenship       | 17 | B | Emerson Chance        | 27 | B | Jackson Mulliken          |
| 2  | B | Frank Miller              | 17 | D | George Eubanks        | 27 | A | Michael & Kristina Corley |
| 3  | B | Ashleigh Hoyer            | 17 | D | Mick Anderson         | 28 | B | David Plette              |
| 4  | D | Adelle Nystrom            | 18 | D | Barbara Stenberg      | 28 | D | Liz Minervini             |
| 4  | D | Steve Turek               | 19 | B | Ewell Collins         | 28 | B | Michelle Del Greco        |
| 5  | A | Patty Vigneau & Lee Huber | 20 | B | Kristopher Hokerk     | 29 | B | Cameron Josiah            |
| 4  | B | Blake MacKay              | 20 | D | Patsy Pratt           | 30 | D | C.C. Cobb                 |
| 5  | B | Randi Perry               | 20 | D | Peggy Clements        | 30 | B | Robert Phillips           |
| 8  | D | Jane Dougherty            | 21 | B | Nora Harding          | 30 | B | Terry Tunks               |
| 9  | D | Paul Siple                | 21 | B | Toni Prachick         | 31 | B | Arabelle Parrish          |
| 10 | D | Susan Nelson              | 22 | B | Glenn Johnson         | 31 | B | Kendall Stephens          |
| 13 | B | Mary-Celeste Slusser      | 22 | B | Jennifer Meek         | 26 | B | Joseph Madrid             |
| 14 | D | Charlene Norris           | 22 | B | Judy Head             | 28 | B | Brenda Bingham            |
| 14 | D | Margaret Bookhout         | 22 | B | Martha Foster         | 30 | B | Bailey Maxon              |
| 15 | D | Dominic Sosta             | 22 | B | Zachary Parrish       | 30 | B | Brad Springer             |
| 15 | B | Mary Morgan               | 24 | B | Gloria Corey          | 31 | B | Al Haller                 |
| 16 | D | Jim Head                  | 24 | B | McKinna Copple        | 31 | B | Lynne Milner              |
| 16 | B | Rob Weeks                 | 24 | A | Paul & Roberta Pavlov | 31 | D | Pat Patton                |
| 16 | B | Terry Lynn Peters         | 25 | D | Hypatia McArdle       |    |   |                           |