

BLESSED TRINITY PARISH CONTACTS:

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MASS INTENTIONS: JUNE 6TH-14TH

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| June 6 | 5pm | Open |
| | 7pm | Open |
| June 7 | 9:30am | Teddy Eby (†) |
| | 12 pm | Pro Populo |
| June 8 | 9am | * No Mass * |
| June 9 | 9am | Open |
| June 10 | 9 am | Open |
| June 11 | 11:30am | Marita Jacala |
| June 12 | 9am | Open |
| June 13 | 5pm | Edna DeMary (†) |
| | 7pm | Open |
| June 14 | 9:30am | Pro Populo |
| | 12 pm | Open |

Weekly Offertory (30th -31st May):
\$3860.24

Thank you for your generosity

UPCOMING 2nd Collection:

June 28th: Holy Father (Peter's Pence)

REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2015-16 CATECHETICAL JOURNEY ARE OPEN:

You may register your son or daughter Mon.-Fri., 9am-1:30pm & Thurs., 4:30pm-6:30pm. Additional afternoon hours will be available beginning mid-June. For 1st Holy Communion, children are accepted at 6yrs. old by September, 12yrs. old by Sept. for Confirmation. For additional information, please contact the Parish Office (879.4225, ext. 0).

1ST HOLY COMMUNIONS AT OUR PARISH:

Mass was offered at Blessed Trinity for another 29 1st Communicants from our parish on Saturday morning, June 6th. Let us pray for them that -having received the Body & Blood of our Lord for the first time- they may continually be nourished by this most august Sacrament to be faithful Christians & stewards of the Mystery.

CATHOLIC MISCELLANY: Please remember that the diocesan newspaper, the *Catholic Miscellany*, is made available to parishioners who contribute a minimum of \$150 per year to the parish. If you would like a copy and are not presently receiving one, please contact the parish office.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE:

As of **31 May 2015**, our parish has collected **\$8,958.83** towards our 2015 goal of \$12,437. Once we have reached our goal, 50% of all contributions are returned to the parish. These funds help support our bishop in carrying out the mission of the Church in South Carolina. Thank you for your generosity. For more information on how these funds are distributed throughout the diocese, please visit: <http://sccatholic.org/bishops-annual-appeal>

TMIY = THIS MAN IS YOU Invitation to participate in the Program TMIY = THIS MAN IS YOU for men who want to go deeper in their faith and commitment to God and family. Approved by Bishop Robert Guglielmone. Encounters to be held at Jesus Our Risen Savior Parish - 2575 Reidville Rd., Spartanburg, SC 29301. For more information, please contact Jesus Our Risen Savior at 864.576.1164

THE NEW & ETERNAL COVENANT

God established a covenant with Abraham, that is a promise of faithfulness from God to Abraham & his generations & let us remember that we are children of Abraham, he is our father in faith...“by faith Abraham obeyed...by faith Abraham offered up his son Isaac...” (Hebrews 11). Later, Jesus in a strong argument with the Jews told them “if you were Abraham’s children you would be doing the works of Abraham...” (John 8).

Having in mind the word & meaning of “covenant” let’s go to our Liturgy where in the moment of the consecration of the wine the priest says: “the blood of the new & eternal covenant”. The gift of the Eucharist.

Jesus Christ brought us with his loving sacrifice the new & eternal covenant, in Him all is new & perfect. The New Testament is the perfection of the Old Testament. God will be always with us until the end of ages.

Thus, we value the old covenant & we love & believe in the new covenant that is completely perfect & salvific.

It is beautiful to illustrate this truth with this biblical text when Jesus said to the Jews “Abraham, your father, rejoiced to see my day, he saw it and was glad...” (John 8). For sure the Jews were perplexed & angry, but we, on the contrary, are happy & grateful.

Loving blessings from Fr. Jaime



FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM: June 21– July 4th. Opening events June 20th at St. Andrew Catholic Church in Myrtle Beach (3501 North Kings Highway). Keynote speaker will be Patrick Madrid. For more details, please visit: www.sccatholicconference.org

GOD IS CALLING US TO SERVE: Looking for a few people to help clean the parish on Friday mornings. If available, please contact Fr. Jaime or the Parish Office.

OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS: Christians of the Middle East live in the land where Jesus walked, taught, suffered, died & rose. Today their numbers are greatly reduced as they struggle to survive in the land made holy by Christ. **Little Bethlehem**, a group represented by the Alshouri family, will be with us on the weekend of **June 20th-21st** offering religious items carved from olive wood. By purchasing the items you are helping your brothers & sisters stay attached to their roots & keep their churches open. Little Bethlehem is a Christian group that represents 200 Christian families who live in Bethlehem and make their living as wood carvers. Please visit our website, www.little-bethlehem.org

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES:

The Office of Family Life is taking official registrations for our Diocesan trip to Philadelphia, PA for the World Meeting of Families now through **July 1, 2015**. We depart from Columbia, SC on **Mon., Sept. 21, 2015 & return Mon., Sept. 28, 2015**. We will be staying in Philadelphia for the World Meeting of Families Conference through the papal Mass on Sunday. Total costs for trip varies per individual, as we are providing transportation & lodging only. For any questions or to register, please contact us at FamilyLife@catholic-doc.org or call Kathy Schmutge at [803.547.5063](tel:803.547.5063) or Julie Hall at [803.627.5491](tel:803.627.5491)