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Parish  
Most  
Holy  
Trinity



*You are invited*

**MOST HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH  
175th ANNIVERSARY**

**MAY 14, 2023**

**9:30 a.m. MASS**

Most Reverend Mitchell Rozanski, Presider

It means more  
than we ever could say.

*Dear Father Mayo & Parishioners,  
Thank you so much for being  
part of Earth Day Service Day here at  
Most Holy Trinity. You did an amazing  
job and it was a fun way to  
connect the north and the south.  
Know we appreciate you, our  
Sister Parish. Know you are in  
our thoughts and prayer!  
Love  
S. James & S. Gail*

**From Fr. John**

*Corpus Christi*

On June 11, the Church will celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi. This feast day celebrates the great gift of the Holy Eucharist and calls us to a greater veneration of this awesome mystery.

Last year, we were privileged to welcome St. Gabriel the Archangel to our 10:00am Mass and then process to St. Gabriel for Benediction with the Eucharist. This year, we will continue this tradition, but reverse the order.

We invite all parishioners at St. Raphael and St. Gabriel to attend the 9:00am Mass at St. Gabriel on June 11. Following the Mass, we will process through Francis Park to St. Raphael where we will have Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Following Benediction, we will have a time for donuts, coffee, and fellowship in our cafeteria.

To make this event possible, **there will be no 10:00am Mass here on June 11.** We invite you to attend the 9:00am Mass at St. Gabriel for this special celebration or to attend a Mass at St. Raphael or another parish.

Thank you for your understanding and participation in this special celebration.

*Totus Tuus*

Totus Tuus returns to St Gabriel this summer during the week of June 26-30. The day program is

for school-aged children, entering grades 1 - 6, from 9:00am - 3:00pm in the school. There is also an evening program for those entering grades 7 -12, at 7:30pm in the Gabriel House.

For those who are unfamiliar with Totus Tuus, it is led by missionaries and seminarians from across Missouri and includes Confessions, Mass, and Adoration, as well as learning about the Catholic faith!

This is also a volunteer opportunity for high school students who are in need of completing service hours.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Faith Kremer at [vfaithkremer@gmail.com](mailto:vfaithkremer@gmail.com) or 314.712.4433.

*Parish Rosary Program Intention*

Let us pray this week for all of those who received First Communion or Confirmation this spring, especially from our parish.

I will see you online or in church! -Fr. John  
#SRAstrong

P.S. Please do not forget to pick up your ACA card from the ACA volunteers in the back of church this weekend!

## **UPDATE ON ALL THINGS NEW**

*From Fr. Chris Martin, Vicar for Strategic Planning*

We are grateful for all the parishioners and parish ministries who have provided feedback, gathered, reviewed, and synthesized data, volunteered in many ways, and most importantly who continue to pray for the success of All Things New.

The All Things New planning committee, which includes priests, deacons, parish life coordinators, lay leaders and religious from across the Archdiocese, has reviewed the parish feedback summaries, parish workbooks and financial data of every parish in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. All are posted on [allthingsnew.archstl.org](http://allthingsnew.archstl.org). Using that information, the planning committee has refined the draft models to one recommended model per planning area. As is required by the Church's law, these recommended models were the subject of consultation that was undertaken by the Archbishop with the Archdiocesan Presbyteral Council. These recommended models are also available for all to see at [allthingsnew.archstl.org](http://allthingsnew.archstl.org).

The recommended models consist of some parishes that are proposed to remain unchanged in any way and other parishes which are proposed to share the same pastor. During the consultation which the Archbishop undertook with the Presbyteral Council, and as the Archbishop continues his own prayerful discernment after that, it is possible that the data which represents the current circumstance of a parish and its potential viability for the next 10-15 years may be discerned to present just cause for a possible merger or suppression (closure).

As is required by the Church's law (Canon law), the Archbishop consulted the Presbyteral Council (which is a group of priests elected from each deanery, appointed, or otherwise ex officio to advise the Archbishop in the governance of the Archdiocese) to review all of the data pertaining to each parish that is a part of any of the recommended models involving any potential change. Each council member was duty bound in conscience to provide the Archbishop his prayerfully discerned advice regarding each parish situation. There were 137 parishes that are to be considered in this canonical consultation process.

Canon law does not permit a parish to be altered in its juridic structure (i.e., suppressed, merged with another parish, or combined in some other juridic grouping) except for a just cause. A just cause is required because the Church's law prioritizes, as of paramount importance, the duty of safeguarding the rights of Christ's faithful. Foremost among these rights is the assurance of access to pastoral care provided in a stable manner. The parish is the main place where the faithful have access to pastoral care. Therefore, the diocesan Bishop has to assure that parishes are established and that churches are erected in a way that is equitable throughout the diocese. In all such matters, the church's law favors preserving the stability of parishes (leaving them as they are).

A just cause is never required for leaving a parish as it is. A just cause is always required for changing its juridic structure (i.e., merging or suppressing it or combining it into some other juridic grouping).

All of these requirements of the law seek to assure that the diocesan bishop makes well-informed, prayerfully discerned decisions for the spiritual well-being of the archdiocese, taking into account the needs of the faithful for pastoral care as well as the overall needs of the archdiocese.

After consultative input from the Presbyteral Council, Archbishop Rozanski will study and prayerfully discern the proposals before announcing a final decision on May 28, the Solemnity of Pentecost.

Please continue to pray for the wisdom of the Holy Spirit to guide us and help us spread the Good News of Jesus Christ."