



HTAC Messenger
Rector's Address
Trinitytide 1 – 2025

HTAC Faithful,

Greetings at the beginning of this year's Trinitytide! As we reflect back on Trinity Sunday and the Word of God that was brought forth during our public worship, I am struck by the atmosphere we see in heaven. Both the Old Testament Lesson of Isaiah 6 and its New Testament counterpart found in Revelation 4 depict the throne room of the Lord. This space features not only the One seated on the throne, but also various attendant beings who surround the seat of power. In Isaiah, these creatures are described as Seraphim, which means "burning ones," whereas in Revelation, there are two groups: twenty-four elders, who themselves are seated on thrones, and four "living creatures," which are clearly the Cherubim described in the book of Ezekiel. These mysterious, awe-inducing entities have provoked the curiosity of countless believers throughout the generations. There is so much that we do not know about them. They obviously have great authority and power, and are privileged to have taken up residence so close to God Himself. Nevertheless, they do not seem all that interested in themselves, or in one another. Rather, they are consumed with the God who rests in their midst; the "burning ones" are fixated on the Sovereign who is described in His Word as "a consuming fire" (Heb. 12:29); the enthroned, crowned elders rush to vacate their chairs and cast their crowns at the feet of Him who is King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Rather than being overly concerned with the nature and function of these shadowy figures, let us instead observe carefully what they do and make strides at their emulation.

The Seraphim of Isaiah's vision cry out, "'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!'" Turning to Revelation, the Living Creatures proclaim the following: "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!" This song of praise is nearly identical to that which is offered up by the Seraphim, and intentionally so. When reading the passage, one will also notice that these Creatures lift up this praise night and day without cessation. Over, and over, and over, and over again, they say the same things. How is this possible? How could they redundantly sing the same refrain without getting tired, or bored, or eventually not meaning it? A bit of speculation I once heard, which to me makes great sense, is that our infinite God, whose attributes, including His holiness, goodness, and might, are an inexhaustible, unending sea, allows time and again yet another "layer" of His goodness, awesomeness, and love to be revealed to these elders and creatures; each time they encounter this fresh revelation of the Lord, they cannot help but cry out in songs of praise and worship, or drop to their knees and lay their own crowns down before Him in awe and thanksgiving. We cannot know for sure, but it certainly is true that if God "peels back the veil," as it were, and allows a creature of His to experience even a modicum of His power, that being will be overcome by the immensity of His greatness. Just think of Isaiah's response to seeing the Lord's might in his heavenly vision. This godly prophet says to the Lord, "Woe is me! For I am undone!"

Considering all this, may we, the people of God, learn from the glimpse of heaven that God gives us: it is filled with praise. The worship and praise of God is a central function of His creation, and when His creatures are in His proximity, they naturally fall on their faces and give Him the glory due His Name. Now

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it's time to ask: Do we praise God? Do we lift His Name on high? Are we joining with the angels and archangels who evermore sing these songs of praise? This must be done not only in the Mass, but also in our daily lives. You and I are created for praise. Because it is an essential aspect of the life for which God made us, when we engage in such, we not only please the Lord and fulfill His will; we also experience a contentment that only comes when we live according to God's design for our lives. We often spend significant time flirting with sin, or at least not fulfilling exactly what God has intended for us to do; the Bible calls this "kicking against the goads." However, when we submit to God, cease our resistance, and acquiesce to His call upon our lives, there is no greater peace that can be tasted this side of Glory. Start with praise; begin with worship. Incorporate this into your daily routine this Trinitytide. Start to spend a little time each day praising God: list the things for which you are thankful; tell your children stories of how God has provided for you and others; sing a hymn, or popular Christian song; recite aloud Psalms of praise and make them your own. Take just a little time to do one or more of these things each day, and watch as God begins to transform your heart in ways you never thought possible!

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
Amen!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Shawn+

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From the Organist / Choirmaster:



"Sumer Is Icumen In" is a medieval English round or rota of the mid-13th century." (Wikipedia). Have you thought about joining the choir for the summer? We'd love to have a few new members, even for a short term. During the summer, we do not have Tuesday night rehearsals, only on Sunday morning before mass. Give it some thought and speak to me or a choir member about joining. This invitation applies, also, to our younger parishioners, from teenage up.

Looking forward to seeing you!"

David Baker

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SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

This will begin June 23rd and run through the end of August. Could you help out one day or more a week? If so, please speak with me.

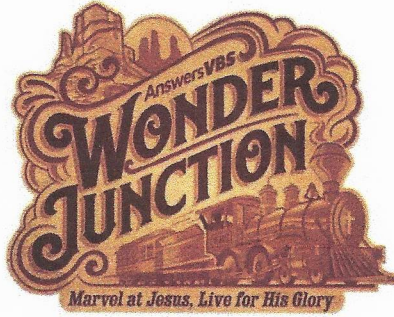
Kathleen Demers

508-624-7642 or nanakay105@aol.com

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Food and clean up during Christian Fellowship:

We all enjoy the light lunch between Mass and Christian Education each Sunday. If you are able to commit to bringing food on an occasional specific Sunday, that would be greatly appreciated. If you are not in a position to provide food but can help clean up, that would be much appreciated also. Please don't leave it to just a few people! For more information, or to offer help, please contact Joan Balk (508-835-2085 or jcbalk@aol.com).



Vacation Bible School

How you may help!

This is a ministry of our church family.

Your help is much appreciated in any of these ways:

Volunteer at the VBS week as an assistant teacher or other areas.

Help prepare the crafts in advance.

Spread the word to friends and neighbors whose children may like to attend.

Donate money to help with scholarships and other costs.

Pray for the students and volunteers.

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Relevant information for your children, grandchildren, friends, neighbors:

Holy Trinity Anglican Church

Monday, July 21st – Friday, July 25th, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

At *Wonder Junction* children will be challenged to grow their knowledge and discover the joy that comes with praising Jesus! Throughout the week students will explore the Old West while learning stories, engaging in activities, and asking BIG questions that will help their understanding of who he really is. Children age three through Middle school are welcome!

Information: call or email Monica Walker (508-272-6900 or walkermonica@comcast.net.)

Cost is \$40 per child. Scholarships are available.

Registration deadline is **June 22nd, 2025**

Plan now to join us for a great time at

Wonder Junction

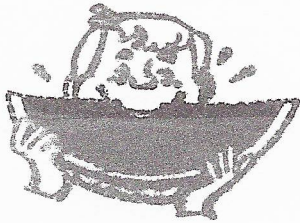
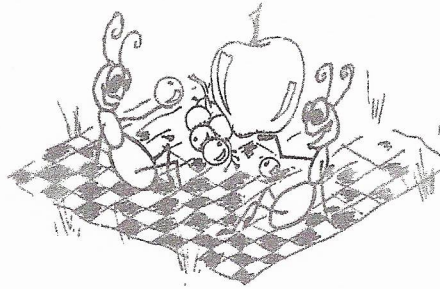
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A Prayer for the Care of Children:

Almighty God, heavenly Father, who has blessed us with the joy and care of children: Give us calm strength and patient wisdom as we bring them up, that we may teach them to love whatever is just and true and good, following the example of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Anglican Service Book, p. 650)

CHURCH PICNIC



Sunday, August 24

1:00 p.m.

**At the home of Steve and Monica Walker
Lunenburg, MA**

All invited!

Come, celebrate a time of fellowship with all your Holy Trinity friends!

Enjoy burgers, hot dogs, and other picnic foods

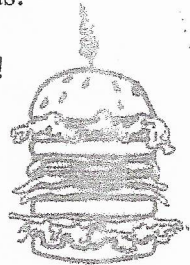
Horseshoes, cornhole, slip and slide, other games for old and young!

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share if you are able

To sign up and any questions:

Monica Walker

walkermonica@comcast.net or 508-272-6900



Women's Group

Our group meets usually the third Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. We have a main scripture topic around which to have a discussion. Coffee and snacks are provided and the meeting runs at least an hour but not longer than two. All women are invited to come and voice their opinions on their desires and needs for this ministry. There will be an outreach component woven into it at some point. We will meet Saturday, June 21st and then take a summer break for July and August.

Den Rhonda Cotton
cottonfamily@verizon.net

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOOD PANTRY

"For I was hungry and you gave Me food" (St. Matthew 25:35a)

Our Food Pantry is very low at this time.

Needed items right now are canned tuna, canned chicken, tomato sauce, peanut butter, jelly, mayonnaise, canned fruit, pasta, soups, stews, baked beans, etc. We do not need black beans, garbanzo beans, or carrots at this time. Please place your offering in the box provided in the Narthex. Thank you and God Bless You!
Also, if you are in need of food, please visit our Food Pantry located in the Fellowship Hall, or speak with Fr. Shawn or Kathleen Demers.



FAMILY NEWS

Happy Birthday:

June: Elizabeth McGinnis – 1st; Richard Ayisi – 1st; Diane Place – 3rd; Fr. Praveen Mutalik – 8th; Joseph Bottini – 12th; Rebecca McKinnon – 14th; Johnnie Briggs – 17th; Donald Richards – 23rd; Hannah Holt – 25th; Christine McKinnon – 26th; Erin Day – 30th.

July: Fr. Shawn Fowler – 2nd; Olivia Favreau – 8th; Tim Dunphy – 13th; Stephen Bottini – 13th; Dcn. Suzy Kenyon – 14th; Diana Newton Wood – 16th; Fr. Michael McKinnon – 16th; Diane Byrne – 18th; Danny Burbeck – 18th; Anna Burbeck – 19th; Linda McGillicuddy – 21st; Deidre Taylor – 23rd; Marilou Kelso – 25th; Ronald Manrique – 28th; Marta Burbeck – 29th; Clara Fowler – 31st.

August: David Baker – 2nd; Gregg Dunphy – 6th; Dustin Hassard Jr. – 7th; Rosa DeMartinis – 17th; David Tucker – 22nd; James Carlson – 23rd; Susan Lindsay – 25th; Liz Temple – 27th.

Happy Anniversary:

William and Brenda Keeler on June 5th
Dcn. Rhonda and Tom Cotton on June 18th
Fr. Bob Cummins and Karen Panasevich-Cummins on July 9th
Dcn. Suzy and Mike Kenyon on July 18th
Don and Judy Richards on July 22nd
Fr. Shawn and Cate Fowler on August 1st
Fr. Praveen and Karen Mutalik on August 17th
Steve and Monica Walker on August 31st

Bob Recko and Renee Beausoleil on June 9th
John and Tanya Bottini on June 21st
Qi and Michele Yang on July 9th
Dcn. John and Sue Lindsay on July 20th
Dan and Emily Morse on July 27th
Dave and Molly Day on August 3rd
Jennifer and Phil Davis on August 21st

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PRAYER AND FASTING

Over the summer months there will be no official Week of Fasting and Day of Prayer. This can be difficult to schedule with so many regular participants taking vacation at different times. Please do continue to fast and pray diligently for our Church family and look for an announcement about this in the next “Messenger”.

If you are not familiar with our monthly practice of Fasting and Prayer, it is as follows: During one week each month we have six days set apart for prayer and fasting. One or more persons sign-up to fast on each of the days appointed (Monday through Saturday). Our week of fasting concludes with a Day of Prayer on the Saturday from 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. A minimum of eleven persons sign-up to pray in their own home for one hour. This way at least one person will be fasting every day that week on behalf of the church family and at least one person will be praying from approximately sunup to sundown on the Day of Prayer.

Come Holy Spirit! Fall upon us! Come in power!

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Just Me and My Shadow

“Just Me and My Shadow” is a luncheon fellowship group for those who live alone and others who simply would enjoy some company and fellowship. We meet once a month (usually the third Wednesday) for lunch and fellowship. People **do not** need to belong to our church family in order to attend. All are welcome. Thus, please feel welcome to invite a family member, friend, or neighbor who lives alone or someone in need of a little company and fellowship. If you are unable to afford the meal, PLEASE do not let this stop you from joining the group. Just let Fr. Shawn know (860-207-2210 or shawnfowler86@gmail.com) and he will cover all or part of your meal.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd enables children to encounter God through developmentally appropriate presentations, centers, and prayer with a strong focus on Scripture, liturgy, and the whole of sacred history. The program helps the children develop a personal relationship with the Lord. Classes are held at 12:15 p.m. on Sunday, following fellowship time. We now have three groups: Level I (ages 3-6), led by Cate Fowler; Level II (ages 6-9), led by Monica Walker; and Level III (ages 9-12), led by Diana Newton Wood. Parents and others assist in the Atrium each week for which we are very grateful. Several of these assistants have taken – or plan to take – Atrium assistant training online and that is a great blessing.

Our final Atrium prior to summer break will be June 15th. We will start up again the second or third week of September.

We would love to have more catechists and Atrium assistants, to make it possible for our regular catechists to take a day off occasionally. Please, if you think this ministry may be of interest to you, speak with Monica, Cate or Diana for more information.

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ANGLICANS FOR LIFE

"You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in Your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed" (Psalm 139:16, NLT)



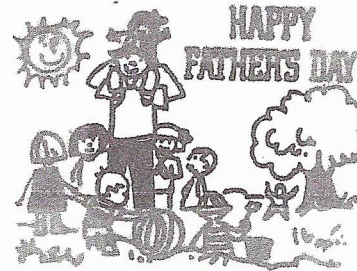
- **Baby Bottle Drive:** The baby bottles, to benefit the First Concern Pregnancy Resource Center, will be collected on Father's Day, June 15th. Please bring your bottles, filled with loose change (or bills, or a check!) We extend a big thank you to everyone participating in this wonderful fund raiser!
- **40 days for life campaign:** The Fall campaign will be held September 24th through November 2nd, 2025. This is a peaceful community outreach program through fasting and prayer. People sign up for prayer one hour, or more, outside an abortion clinic. The campaign takes place daily, 24 hours a day. For more information, go to www.40daysforlife.org
- **Brochures and other information:** There is a huge amount of information regarding Sanctity of Life issues on the walls in the Narthex (entrance to the church) that you may take home. Please visit the website www.anglicansforlife.org which lists the many great programs going on right now. The list is too long to mention everything!
- **Please continue to pray** for the unborn, the sick, all those who society feels are a burden.
- **Newsletter of Anglicans for Life:** The current newsletter from Anglicans for Life is on our table at the entrance of the church. It may also be viewed at <https://anglicansforlife.org/publications/>. You can also keep up to date with Life Issues by going to www.Liveaction.org.
- **Donations of clothes, etc:** Donations of baby and toddler diapers, clothing, etc. benefit First Concern Pregnancy Resource Center (www.firstconcern.org). We also service the young mothers in the neighborhood when needed. Donations may be left in the entrance to the church or contact Kathleen to arrange a drop off time.
- **Anglicans for Life** is an international Pro-Life Ministry within the Anglican Communion, upholding and proclaiming the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death. Our local Chapter seeks to raise awareness regarding alternatives to abortion...Let us help you! If you are being called to help with this vital ministry, or if you would like to have information on how we can help, please speak to our co-Coordiators Kathleen Demers (508-624-7642) and Marjorie Franko (978-369-8192). Thank you!

Live Streaming: The Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass is live streamed each week.

Said Mass is offered each Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. (Cancelled June 25 and July 23)

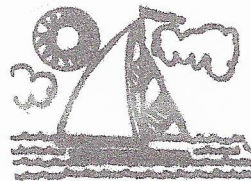
June

Sun, June 1 Ascension	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Solemn High Mass
Sun, June 8 Pentecost	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Solemn High Mass
Sun, June 15 Trinity Sunday	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Solemn High Mass
Sun, June 22 Trinity 1 (Proper 7)	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Holy Eucharist
Sun, June 29 Nativity of St. John Baptist	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Solemn High Mass Morning Prayer Solemn High Mass



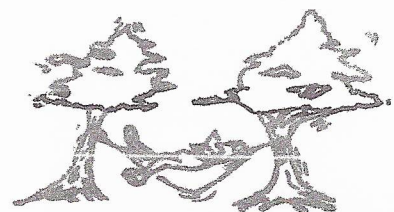
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Sun, July 6 Sts. Peter and Paul	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Solemn High Mass
Sun, July 13 Trinity 4 (Proper 10)	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Holy Eucharist
Sun, July 20 Trinity 5 (Proper 11)	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Holy Eucharist
Sun, July 27 St. Anne	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Solemn High Mass



August

Sun, August 3 Trinity 7 (Proper 13)	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Solemn High Mass
Sun, August 10 Transfiguration	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Solemn High Mass
Sun, August 17 Blessed Virgin Mary	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Said Mass Morning Prayer Solemn High Mass



Sun, August 24	8:00 a.m.	Said Mass
Trinity 10 (Proper 16)	9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Sun, August 31	8:00 a.m.	Said Mass
Trinity 11 (Proper 17)	9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

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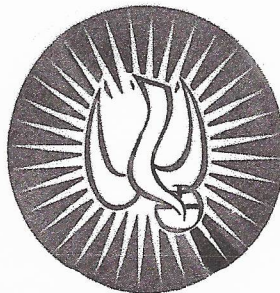
Notes of Note:

- **The Intercessory Prayer Group** is led by Martha Ayisi. Those participating in this ministry are committed to pray for the clergy of HTAC and their families. They pray for the Holy Spirit to bless the members of our church family, our several ministries and our financial worship. They also pray for God's protection upon us all.
- **Noonday Prayer on Tuesdays:** This will continue via Zoom. All are welcome. Following Noonday Prayer we offer a time of free prayer for all who are able to join in.
- **Adult Christian Education** is offered each Sunday at 12:15 p.m. This has a Summer break in the months of July and August.
- **Wednesday Bible Study** is offered at 10:00 a.m. in person and via Zoom. Please join us! (Cancelled June 25 and July 23).
- **Men's Group:** All men are invited to join us for breakfast at 9:00 a.m. followed by discussion. This is usually the fourth Saturday of the month, with a break in July and August. For more information, please contact Dan Morse at 978-808-0901, or dwmorse@live.com.
- **Special Collection for the Rector's Discretionary Fund:** Sunday, July 13.
- **Special Collection for the Non-Stipendiary Clergy Fund:** Sunday, August 10.
- **Special Collection to help fund June's Table:** Sunday, June 8.
- **Prayer requests:** please email Emily Morse at emmorse@comcast.net or call/text Emily on 978-808-8608.
- **Vestry (Parish Council) meetings:** Any member of the parish is welcome to observe any regular Vestry meeting. At present these meetings are held via Zoom.
- **Fr. Shawn is off every Monday and Saturday.** He will be present for special Services and events in the life of our church family that fall on these days. On these two days, please only call him in the event of an emergency. Thank you.

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SECOND SATURDAY

Thank you to everyone who has given of their time and energy to help maintain our buildings and grounds! But, as always, there is plenty more to do. Please, please help as you are able! We would like to spruce up our buildings and grounds. Please watch the Enews for information on tasks needing attention. Upcoming Second Saturdays are June 14th, July 13th, and August 10th.



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Contact Information for Fr. Shawn and Holy Trinity Anglican Church

- In case of an emergency, please call Fr. Shawn any time, including his days off at 860-207-2210.
- Fr. Shawn's email: shawnfowler86@gmail.com
- **Fr. Shawn's days off are Monday and Saturday.**
- Church address: 472 Lincoln Street, Marlborough MA
- Church mailing address: 60 Gibbon Street, Marlborough MA
- Church office: 508-481-8493
- Church website: www.holytrinitymarlborough.org
- Like Holy Trinity on Facebook: facebook.com/HTACMass
- Our Diocesan Website: www.dioceseofcanada.ca
- Our Provincial Website: www.anglicanchurch.net

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Please let us know!

If you, or a family member, is sick or in the hospital,
please inform Fr. Shawn or another clergy person.
They will arrange visits, and holy communion if requested.

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ALTAR FLOWERS and SANCTUARY LAMP

If you would like to commemorate a loved one by donating the cost of the altar flowers or Sanctuary Lamp, please contact Tanya Bottini (508-877-8736), or email JBottini1@verizon.net for details and to sign up for a particular Sunday. You are welcome to donate in memory, in thanksgiving, or in honor of one or more people. The Holy Eucharist will also be offered for your intention. Thank you!

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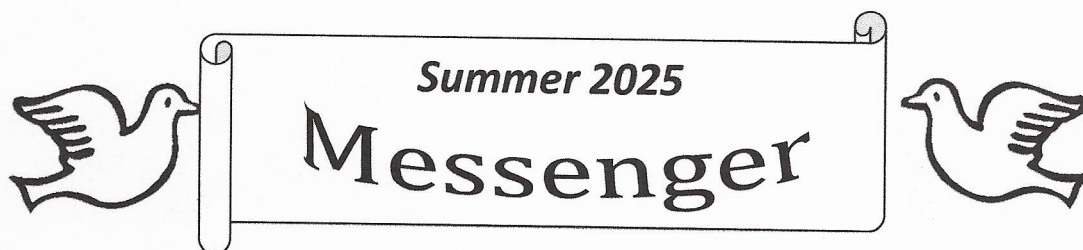
DEADLINE FOR NEXT MESSENGER

The deadline for the next issue of this newsletter to cover the second half of Trinity Season (roughly September, October and November) is **Sunday, August 17, 2025.**

Please e-mail your items to me at walkermonica@comcast.net. Thanks!

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