

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**GALVESTON, TEXAS**



**FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

**Sunday, Jan. 11, 2026**

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO**

**10:30 a.m.**

# Trinity Episcopal Church

*Founded in 1841 and still making history.*

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## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar this Sunday are given to the glory of God,  
and in memory of Dr. and Mrs. Fred J. Wolma, Jr.,  
Fred J. Wolma, III and James B. Earthman, III.



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## WEEKLY SERVICES

Sundays – 8:00 a.m. Worship service with Holy Communion

Sundays – 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

Sundays – 10:30 a.m. Worship service with Holy Communion & Music

Wednesdays – 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

Visit [www.trinitygalv.org/calendar](http://www.trinitygalv.org/calendar)  
for a complete listing of services, meetings and events.

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## CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Children's Chapel is held during the Sunday 10:30 a.m. service  
each week, and welcomes children, ages 4 through 5th grade.

Children should remain in the sanctuary until the processional  
hymn and watch for the director of Children's Ministries to walk  
down the center aisle. At that time children may join her and walk  
to the Children's Chapel located on the cloister. Children's Chapel  
is led by two Safeguard-trained adults. At the Peace, children will  
be brought back to their families in time for Holy Communion.

## CHILDREN'S NURSERY

The nursery is open each Sunday from 9:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m.

# Holy Eucharist - Rite II

## Prelude

*Fugue II from "A Triptych of Fugues"*

Gerald Near

## Processional Hymn 135

"Songs of thankfulness and praise"

Salzburg

*The Celebrant begins*

**Celebrant** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People** **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.  
Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**Gloria** (S-279)

Gerald Near

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

**The Collect**

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the Lessons*

**Isaiah 42:1-9**

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;

I have put my spirit upon him;  
he will bring forth justice to the nations.

He will not cry or lift up his voice,  
or make it heard in the street;

a bruised reed he will not break,  
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;  
he will faithfully bring forth justice.

He will not grow faint or be crushed  
until he has established justice in the earth;  
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the LORD,  
who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
who gives breath to the people upon it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,  
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;

I have given you as a covenant to the people,  
a light to the nations,  
to open the eyes that are blind,

to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the LORD, that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to idols.

See, the former things have come to pass,  
and new things I now declare;

before they spring forth,  
I tell you of them.

*Following the Lesson*

**Lector**      The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**



## **Acts 10:34-43**

Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

### *Following the Lesson*

**Lector**      The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

### **Hymn 121**

“Christ, when for us you were baptized”

Caithness

**The Gospel – Matthew 3:1-13** *Please stand*

**Deacon**      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
                         according to Matthew.

**People**      **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it

be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

*Following the reading of the Gospel*

**Deacon** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon**

The Rev. Jimmy Abbott

**The Nicene Creed** – *Please stand*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **The Prayers of the People**

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our bishops, Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector and Brian, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our President, Donald, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this city of Galveston, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

**To you, O Lord our God.**

*You are invited to add your own prayers and thanksgivings, silently or aloud.*

*The Celebrant will offer a collect.*

*Parish Prayer List*

*Sharon Kemper, Maggie Bahmandeji, Carolyn Speich, Shirley Ellis, Sandra Sterling, Jennifer Kelso, Brenda Atchley, Tim Nelick, Mike Ellis, Elizabeth Sullivant, Tom Kimbrough, Leta Higgins, Mary Bratton, Mary Lou Shuffler, and Roger Lindsey.*

*Those in active military service, especially Christopher Citti, Charles Lewis, John Parker Unbehagen, Theo Unbehagen, John Kelso, Jr., and David Middleton.*

*Those celebrating birthdays in January, especially Jan Grizzle, Robert Krout, Marcie Edwards, Andrew Fulton, Jim Thompson, Caroline Botik, Jeannie Campbell, Sean O'Rourke, John VanDewalli, John Kelso, Sarah Holzheuser, Joseph Painter, Claudia Stein, Makenzie Walser, Bart Adriance, Emma Bilbrey, Lauren Gamble, Mary Jones, Albert Shannon, T. C. O'Donnell, Nathan Fiegel, Tyler Garza, Tom Kimbrough, Kay Perkins, Charles Barkmann, Jennie LaRue, Caroline Livanec, Shad Ybarra, Ryder Bilbrey, Michael Stein, Andy Shelton, Christie Campbell, Olivia Meyer, Evangelina De Los Santos, Patricia Fox, Melissa Massey, Preston Botik, and Erin Trout.*

## Pastoral Care

It is our joy to be with you in prayer whether it is serving Communion at home, praying before hospital visits, or a special service of anointing. Our clergy would like to know how we can be of assistance to you in your time of need. Please scan our QR code to share your needs with us.



## Deacon

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept. The people may kneel or stand.*

## Deacon and People

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

## Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## The Peace

**Celebrant** The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**People** And also with you.

**- Welcome and Announcements –**

**Offertory Anthem**

“When Jesus came to Jordan”  
Trinity Choir

Traditional Irish Tune  
arr. Austin Lovelace

**When Jesus came to Jordan**

When Jesus came to Jordan to be baptized by John,  
He did not come for pardon, but as his Father’s Son.  
He came to share repentance with all who mourn their sins,  
To speak the vital sentence with which good news begins.

He came to share temptation, our utmost woe and loss,  
For us and our salvation to die upon the cross.  
So when the Dove descended on him, the Son of Man,  
The hidden years had ended, the age of grace began.

Come, Holy Spirit, aid us to keep the vows we make,  
This very day invade us, and every bondage break.  
Come, give our lives direction, the gift we covet most:  
To share the resurrection that leads to Pentecost.

**Offertory**

*Thank you for your generosity that supports our mission and ministry. You may make your Sunday offering in one of three ways:*

- *By placing your offering in the plate during the Offertory, or*
- *By scanning the QR code with your phone, or*
- *By using the Square credit card scanner in the Narthex*



**Visiting with us? Let us know you're here!**

Fill out the contact form with this QR Code so that we may connect with you!

**Presentation Hymn 490** (Verse 1) – *Please stand*

Houston

I want to walk as a child of the light  
I want to follow Jesus  
God sent the stars to give light to the world  
The star of my life is Jesus  
  
In him, there is no darkness at all  
The night and the day are both alike  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**  
**The Great Thanksgiving – Prayer B**

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Celebrant** Lift up your hearts.

**People** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Celebrant** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus and Benedictus** (S 129)

Robert Powell

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

**Celebrant** (*Kneel or remain standing*)

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**Celebrant and People**

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**The Lord's Prayer** (*said by all*)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**Fraction Anthem** (S-169)

Ray Urwin

My flesh is food indeed,  
and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.  
Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me,  
And I in them.

My flesh is food indeed,  
and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

**Celebrant** The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### ***Instructions for receiving Holy Communion***

- *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.*
- *If you are not baptized and want to be, please contact our clergy.*
- *Please be guided by the ushers to the communion rail.*
- *You may drink or intinct (dip wafer) from the common chalice.*
- *Gluten-free wafers are available – signify request for GF wafers by extending palms down.*
- *To receive a blessing only – cross your arms over your chest.*

### **Communion Hymns**

#### **Hymn 120**

“The sinless one to Jordan came”

Solemnis haec

#### **Hymn 529**

“In Christ there is no East or West”

McKee

### **Postcommunion Prayer (Kneel or stand)**

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

### **Celebrant and People**

Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### **The Blessing**

#### **Hymn 381**

*“Thy strong word did cleave the darkness”*

Ton-y-Botel

#### **Dismissal**

**Deacon**      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

#### **Postlude**

*“Rondeau”*

Joel Martinson

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# **LEADERS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

## **CELEBRANT**

The Rev. Jimmy Abbott

## **CURATE**

The Rev. Chase Bradley

## **LECTOR**

Alison Barker

## **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Jerry Mansfield and John Prochaska

## **MUSIC DIRECTOR**

Joseph Painter

## **TRINITY CHOIR**

Maggie Abbott

John Hurley

Joe Stanfield

Dave Ekstrum

Jane Mansfield

Georgeann Strong

Mark Giles

Bill Noble

Mary Townsend

Mary Grasso

Caroline O'Connor

Cheryl Tucker

Chris Hofstad

Erin Scofield

Patty Wood

## **USHERS**

Bill Leopold, Team Leader

Candace Fulton, Sara Hawkes, Jennifer Prochaska,

Olivia and Paul Selman,

Lyda Slaton, Ken Smith and Eric Trout

Jr. Usher Daniel Prochaska

# This week at Trinity

## **Sun., Jan. 11**

*Worship services*  
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Church Sanctuary

*Sunday School for all*  
9:30 a.m.

Adults – Upper Eaton Hall  
Children – Children’s Chapel  
Youth – Episcopal Student Ctr.

*Jr. DOK Installation*  
During 10:30 a.m. service  
Church Sanctuary

## **Tue., Jan. 13**

*Men's Breakfast  
and Bible Study*  
6:30 a.m. - El Jardin Restaurant  
413 24th Street

*HAPS Class*  
5:30 p.m.  
Eaton Hall

## **Wed., Jan. 14**

*Wednesday Evening Prayer*  
5:30 p.m.  
Church Sanctuary

*Choir Rehearsal*  
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
Choir room on cloister

## **Thur., Jan. 15**

*Geezers Lunch Group*  
11:30 a.m.  
Sonny’s Place Restaurant

## **LOOKING FORWARD**

### **Sun., Jan. 18**

*Baptisms/Confirmations  
by Bishop Hector Monterroso*  
During the 10:30 a.m. service  
Church Sanctuary

### **Fri., Jan. 23 – Sun., Jan. 25**

Downtown Galveston’s Art  
Week Events at Trinity

#### • **Friday, Jan. 23**

*TES student art exhibit  
“Starry, starry Galveston Night”*  
5:00-7:00 p.m.

Lower Eaton Hall

*“Murder, Mystery, and Art”*  
Radio Theatre performance  
7:00 p.m. - Upper Eaton Hall

#### • **Saturday, Jan. 24**

Calligraphy & Illumination Class  
1:00 p.m. – Lower Eaton Hall  
\$35 pp

### **Sun., Jan. 25**

Annual Parish Meeting  
9:30 a.m.  
Upper Eaton Hall

### **Wed., Jan. 28**

*Ordination of  
The Rev. Chase Bradley*  
6:30 p.m. - Church Sanctuary

*You are cordially invited...*



God willing

*The Right Reverend Jeff W. Fisher*

Bishop Suffragan in the Diocese of Texas  
will ordain

*Chase Bradley Kennemer*

to the Sacred Order of Priests  
in Christ's One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church

The twenty-eighth of January,  
in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-six at  
6:30pm

Trinity Episcopal Church  
2216 Ball Street, Galveston, TX, 77550  
Your prayers and presence are requested

Clergy please wear red stoles

# Trinity Top Picks

## SAVE THE DATES

**Sunday, January 18 – 10:30 a.m. service**

Bishop Monterroso's visit – Confirmations/Baptisms

**Sunday, January 25 ANNUAL MEETING**

**9:30 a.m.** Upper Eaton Hall

**Wednesday, January 28 – Ordination of the Rev. Chase Bradley**

**6:30 p.m.** – Church Sanctuary

## ART WEEK GALVESTON EVENTS AT TRINITY – January 23-25

### STARRY, STARRY GALVESTON NIGHTS [Jan. 23-25]

An Art Week Galveston event. *Starry, Starry Galveston Nights* is an exhibit of works created by students at Trinity Episcopal School, and patterned after Van Gogh's *Starry Night*. Exhibit will be open for viewing in lower Eaton Hall on Trinity Church's campus on Friday, January 23 from 5-7pm (prior to the evening performance of "An Evening of Murder, Mystery and Art"); Saturday, January 24 from 3:00-5:00 p.m.; and Sunday, January 25 after Sunday worship services.

Free Event. For more information email [info@trinitygalv.org](mailto:info@trinitygalv.org)

### AN EVENING OF MURDER, MYSTERY, AND ART

**Friday, January 23, 2026 7:00 p.m. – Upper Eaton Hall**

An Art Week Galveston event. *Act 3 Galveston, Punters* (a private readers group), *Olli* (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) and the *Galveston College Theater Department* present a radio theatre reading of a play involving murder, mystery and art as part of *Art Week Galveston*. In addition to the opportunity (after several clues) for the audience to guess the name of the play or playwright, attendees will be treated to visual artworks before and after the play reading. Free Event, but reservations are requested at [info@trinitygalv.org](mailto:info@trinitygalv.org)

**ART WEEK GALVESTON EVENTS AT TRINITY – January 23-25**

**THE CALLIGRAPHY & ILLUMINATION OF THE SAINT JOHN’S BIBLE  
Saturday, January 24, 2026 1:00-3:00 p.m. Lower Eaton Hall**

An Art Week Galveston event, *The Calligraphy & Illumination of The Saint John’s Bible* is a calligraphy and illumination class open to adults 18+ interested in calligraphy and illumination. A hands-on class led by artists Bill Abbott and Kathy VanDewalli, participants will be given a brief history of calligraphy and illumination as it pertains to The Saint John’s Bible; view the Heritage Edition of The Saint John’s Bible housed at Trinity; and create and take home their own illuminated calligraphy initial. All materials provided.

Cost: \$35 per person. Class size limited.

Use QR Code to submit reservation, and fee for class:



# The Service of Admission

The Ben E. Chapter of  
The Junior Daughters of the King



***Prayer and Service for the spread of  
Christ's Kingdom since 1885***

**JUNIOR DAUGHTER DIRECTRESS:** It is my privilege to present these candidates for Junior Membership in The Order of the Daughters of the King.

**CLERGY:** O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you, we ask you to bless these candidates who will make their promises of Prayer and Service. May they have strength and courage to faithfully fulfill them for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Addressing the candidates:*

The Daughters of the King is an Order for women whose mission is the extension of Christ's Kingdom, especially among women and girls, through prayer, service and evangelism. Do you desire to become a Junior Member of The Order of the Daughters of the King?

**CANDIDATES:** I do.

**CLERGY:** Do you promise to wear the cross faithfully, to observe a daily Rule of Prayer and Service, always praying for and working towards the spread of Christ's Kingdom and making an earnest effort to lead others nearer to Christ through His Church?

**CANDIDATES:** I do with God's help.

**CLERGY:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit I receive you as Junior members of The Order of the Daughters of the King.

*Addressing the congregation:*

**CLERGY:** Will you support these young women in their ministry of prayer and service?

**CONGREGATION:** We will.

*The Clergy then blesses the crosses.*

**CLERGY:** Bless, O Lord, these crosses, that they who wear them may always be your faithful and willing servants, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Each new member is presented her cross with the following words:*

“Accept and wear faithfully the Junior cross of the Order, remembering the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, "Take up your cross and follow me."

**NEW MEMBERS:** Almighty God, help me to pray so faithfully that I may draw near to you and learn your will. Help me to serve so joyfully that others may be drawn to you. May your Holy Spirit guide me each day, that all I think, do, or say may be pleasing in your sight. I ask it all for the sake of Him whose cross I wear, my King and Savior, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

**JUNIOR DAUGHTERS PRAYER, SAID BY MEMBERS AND DIRECTRESS:**

God of Love, God of Life, God of Holy Strength, guide us, that by our daily practice of Prayer and Service, we may draw others to Christ. Help us to reach up in hope, receive in spirit, respond in faith, and reach out in love for all. We pray that Your Kingdom will come for all creation, all people living together in love and peace. For His Sake. *Amen.*

**CLERGY:** May your love, O Lord, help these girls live lives of love, and may your holiness lead them to be examples of virtue, that they, strengthened by your Holy Spirit, may pray and serve you all their days, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**CLERGY:** The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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