

PARISH LIFE

A Weekly Publication for Parishioners & Friends of Holy Trinity Parish



MASS SCHEDULE

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| SATURDAY VIGIL MASS | 5:00 PM |
| SUNDAY MASS | 7:30 AM 9:00 AM * 11:00 AM 5:00 PM |
| MONDAY - FRIDAY MASS | 8:15 AM |
| FIRST SATURDAY MASS | 8:15 AM |
| SACRAMENT OF PENANCE | SATURDAY 3:30- 4:45 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT |
| ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT | EVERY THURSDAY 9:00 AM-5:00 PM |
| *LIVESTREAM | |

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OUR PURPOSE:

To proclaim the Gospel so that all will be one in Christ for the glory of God.

OUR VISION:

Holy Trinity Parish is a Catholic community forming missionary disciples who live as stewards committed to hospitality, prayer, formation and service.

February 23, 2025

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please visit our website for more about Parish Life:
www.holytrinityparish.org

Church hours: Sun. 7:30 AM-6:00 PM; Sat. 8:00 AM-6:00 PM; Mon.-Fri. 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
Parish Office hours: Monday-Friday 8:45 AM-4:00 PM

Upcoming Events:

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| Feb. 23 | High School Youth Group Dodge Ball/Fellowship 6:00 PM Youth Center |
| Feb. 25 | Stewardship Opportunity-Holy Trinity Community Servants 7PM View Rm |
| Mar. 1 | First Saturday Mass 8:15 AM |
| Mar. 1 | Holy Trinity School Ministry "I'm In Gala" |
| Mar. 1/2 | Annual Catholic Appeal |
| Mar. 2 | High School Youth Group Discovery 6:00 PM Youth Center |
| Mar. 5 | Ash Wednesday Mass 8:15 AM & 6:30 PM |
| Mar. 7 | Divine Mercy Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper 6:30 PM |
| Mar. 8 | Spirit of Benny 10K/5K Fun Run and Walk |
| Mar. 9 OR 11 | St. Teresa of Avila Year 2 Confirmation Group Combined Session, "United" |
| Mar. 15 | Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Dinner |
| Mar. 16 | St. Teresa of Avila Year 2 Confirmation Group Parish Retreat 9:30 AM |
| Mar. 18 | Marriage & The Eucharist with Bishop Soto 6:30 PM |
| Mar. 29 | Transformed by Grace Women's Event |

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HOSPITALITY

Acting as Christ the Shepherd, a parish committed to stewardship is a true community of faith that welcomes, honors, and involves every person in the life and work of the Church, acknowledging the blessing of our richly different backgrounds and experiences.

How can I help and serve my neighbor?

St. James says in his Letter "...I will show you my faith by my works." (James 2:18) Holy Trinity Community Servants (HTCS) is a Parish ministry that for over 15 years has been providing assistance to our neighbors in the community who need help with yard work, minor repairs on the outside of their house, gutter cleaning, and to help them make their property fire safe.



We assist senior citizens, single parents and those who are disabled. Our next workday will be in April, but only if we can find a Leader for the ministry and enough workers to allow us to meet the needs of those who reach out to us for help. No skills are required, just a desire to be Jesus' hands, feet, and eyes. This is a great opportunity for parents and teens who might need credit for service hours.

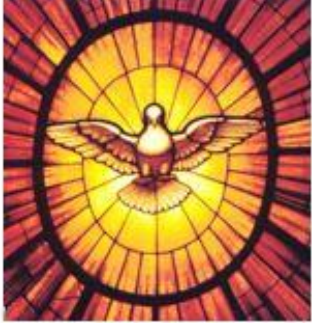
Please join us for a meeting on Tuesday, **February 25** at **7:00 PM** in the View Room to learn more about the HTCS ministry and to meet and discuss our plans with those parishioners who have been with us on many of our past workdays. Questions? Contact Deacon Jim through the Parish Office.

Transformed by Grace Women's Event SOLD OUT

Thank you to the 300+ women who have registered to attend this year's Transformed by Grace Women's Event on Saturday, March 29. We are extremely grateful for the overwhelming interest and support of the event; as a result, we are once again sold out!

The day promises to be filled with inspiration from the Bible and time for prayer, reflection, and sisterhood. If you have questions or need to update your guest information, email HTPEvents@holytrinityparish.org; you can also email if you'd like to be put on a waitlist.

For additional details, visit the event page at HolyTrinityParish.org/Grace.



Veni Sancte Spiritus

Adult Confirmation Classes

Begin Wed., 3/12 from 6:30 – 7:30 pm
via Zoom & in-person

The Adult Confirmation formation process is an interactive opportunity for practicing Catholics to complete their full initiation into the Catholic Church. This 12-week journey emphasizes the basics of Catholic teaching and nourishes a relationship with Jesus Christ while respecting the busy adult's schedule.

We'd love to accompany you on the journey so that you can live in the fullness of our beautiful Catholic faith!

Contact the Faith Formation Office to register.

(530-677-3234, ext. 233)
cmulcaire@holytrinityparish.org

Annual Catholic Appeal

On the weekend of **March 1 & 2**, we will have the opportunity to offer ourselves as missionaries of hope to those who suffer emotional, physical and spiritual poverty. Each of our gifts, no matter the amount, makes a meaningful difference in someone's life. Catholic charities can respond to the greatest needs in our communities. Seminarians receive support as they prepare to serve our local parishes. 25% comes back to Holy Trinity for our own outreach to those in need. Please consider helping bring Christ's saving mercy to our brothers and sisters. For more information, please visit the website below: www.scd.org/catholic-foundation/donate-annual-catholic-appeal. You may also click on the QR code below to donate online:





PRAYER

Acting as Christ the Priest, a parish committed to stewardship strives to nourish each person through prayer, strengthening our relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and focusing on the Eucharist, the "source and summit of the Christian Life."

LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

STATIONS BEGIN AT 6:30PM IN THE CHURCH

LIGHT LENT FRIENDLY MEAL PROVIDED AFTER IN THE VIEW ROOM.
SEE BELOW SCHEDULE FOR MINISTRY SPONSORED MEALS.



PRAY TOGETHER, EAT TOGETHER

FRI. MAR 7 DIVINE MERCY MINISTRY

FRI. MAR 14 LITURGICAL ENVIRONMENT

FRI. MAR 21 HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL

THUR. MAR 27 FAITH FORMATION

FRI. APR 4 FUNERAL RECEPTION & EUCHARISTIC
MINISTERS MINISTRIES

FRI. APR 11 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

TUES. APR 15 STATIONS WILL BE PRAYED -
NO MEAL AFTER



Five-Week Lenten Study of Christ's Passion hosted by HTP Neophyte Care

In *No Greater Love*, you will experience the unconditional love Christ has for you. We often hear about Jesus' passion and death but imagine experiencing them for the very first time. In *No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion*, we are going to walk step-by-step with Jesus on his journey from his agony in the garden to his crucifixion on Calvary. Along the way, we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most especially, the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with him today.

No Greater Love is a five-part hybrid Ascension Press Bible study with Dr. Sri. It begins **Thursday, March 6 at 6:30 PM in the Media Center (#205)**. For more information or to receive the Zoom link, contact Cynthia Mulcaire at 530-677-3234, ext. 233 or email: cmulcaire@holytrinityparish.org.

First Saturday Mass

First Saturday Mass is a devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary requested by our Lady of Fatima and will be celebrated at 8:15 AM on the first Saturday of each month. The next Mass is **March 1, 2025**. All are invited to attend.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Feb. 24

8:15 AM ~Vince Pantalone, deceased, by Jim & Mary Hopp

Tuesday, Feb. 25

8:15 AM ~

Wednesday, Feb. 26

8:15 AM ~Michael Pritchard, deceased, by Pritchard family

Thursday, Feb. 27

8:15 AM ~Ellen Martin, deceased, by Marie Martin
~Josephine Koester, deceased, by Debra Latone
~David Rhoads, deceased, by Marlene Rhoads

Friday, Feb. 28

8:15 AM ~

Saturday, Mar. 1

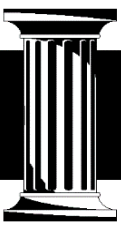
8:15 AM
5:00 PM ~Sr. Diane Erbacher, deceased, by Michelle Nguyen
~Jerome Chung, deceased, by Margie Sanborn
~Dennis Raye Pippin, deceased, by Ted Pippin

Sunday, Mar. 2

7:30 AM ~Parishioners of Holy Trinity
9:00 AM ~Carol Waller, deceased, by Tom Waller
~Ellen Martin, deceased, by Kurt & Gail Jeyrman
~Ross Henry, deceased, by Kay Henry
11:00 AM ~Vince Pantalone, deceased, by Holy Trinity Choir
5:00 PM ~Hector Figueroa, deceased, by Jenny Figueroa

For DAILY READINGS

Please visit us @ holytrinityparish.org or
www.usccb.org/bible/readings/022325.cfm



FORMATION


Acting as Christ the Teacher, a parish committed to stewardship emphasizes, through evangelization and catechesis, the development of households of faith, where our Catholic story as the Body of Christ is lived and shared with one another.

Questions for Faith Sharing Mar. 2 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In next Sunday's Gospel, Luke 6:39-45, Jesus is very concerned that his disciples live with integrity and we, too, are called to live with integrity. Jesus knows how destructive and empty hypocrisy can be. By contrast, integrity has a multiplier effect. When disciples express their faith in God through kindness, generosity, mercy and forgiveness, they inspire similar efforts and faith in the people they encounter. The fruits of goodness sustain the lives of others and can inspire weary hearts to place their faith in God.

Reflection for families:

- How can you live with greater integrity?

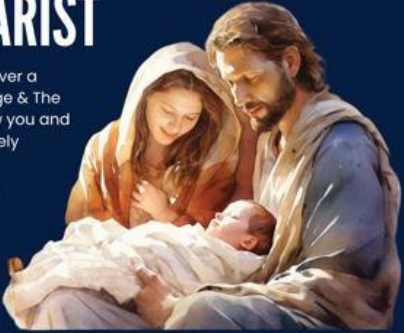


MARRIAGE & THE EUCHARIST

Bishop Jaime Soto will deliver a compelling talk on Marriage & The Eucharist. Come hear how you and your family can more closely emulate The Holy Family.

Tuesday, March 18, 2025
6:30 PM
Holy Trinity Church

FAMILIES WELCOME



Sponsored by Holy Trinity Marriage Ministry

Confirmation Groups Update

confirmation@holymtrinityparish.org

kjones@holymtrinityparish.org

St. Teresa of Avila Group:

- Your next event is the Combined Confirmation Session, "United," on Sunday, **March 9** (10:15-11:45 AM) OR Tuesday, **March 11** (5:30-7:00 PM) in the Social Center. Candidates must attend with a parent or sponsor.

St. Ursula Group:

- All Year 1 Confirmation candidates must complete a Saint Letter and Saint Project. Partners in Faith candidates must turn these in to the Faith Formation Office by **April 13, 2025**.
- For more information or to register for Confirmation, please contact Kim Jones: kjones@holymtrinityparish.org.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

DINNER & DODGEBALL!



Please join us for dinner and dodgeball!

Other games available for non-dodgeball fans.

HOLY TRINITY YOUTH CENTER
6-7:30 PM | SUN, FEB 23, 2025



SERVICE

Putting into action our commission as Christ the Shepherd, Priest, and Teacher, a parish committed to stewardship serves the many needs of its own parish family, as well as the needs of the larger community and the world.

Stewardship – What is a Stewardship Way of Life? Part Two



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deacon Jim's thoughts on Stewardship:

This week I will continue my review of with Part Two of what “stewardship” and a “stewardship way of life” is and isn't. As I wrote last week, Holy Trinity Parish has been a Stewardship Parish for almost 20 years. We need to continue our work as Christian Stewards as we give thanks to God for all His gifts that He has entrusted to us.

Remember from Part One, stewardship is not just about money or contributions, it is about committing to live a life of gratitude by giving back to God the gifts of Time, Talent, and Treasure that he has entrusted to us. We ask ourselves the question, “*What return can I make to the Lord for all the Lord has given to me?*” (Ps 116:12)

Also, Stewardship isn't a scheme to bring in more money or volunteers. It's not a “program” or a “campaign.”

Stewardship is a Way of Life – where stewards start to look at **everything good** as a gift from God to be used to build up his Kingdom. These gifts were entrusted to us by God, they aren't ours to hoard. They are to be used to serve God and others. These gifts are my Time, Talent, and Treasure. Stewardship is the realization that “*the earth and all that is in it belongs to the Lord.*” (Ps 24:1)

In Part Two, I suggest you ask yourself another more fundamental question, “**Who is Jesus to me?**” Yes, he is our Savior and Lord, but He was also the perfect steward. He was given the kingdom which was entrusted to his care to show us how we are to care (love) and serve others by following his example. As a Christian Steward, we must discern how we can have a change of heart that will result in changing our lives and changing our culture as a follower of Christ. Our Goal should be I'm doing this out of gratitude so that I can be as generous to others as God has been to me. And I am using my life and the gifts that God has entrusted to me for the benefit of others and to build up God's kingdom in all that I do.

Finally, the scriptural concept of stewardship is rooted not in need, but in using what God has entrusted to us to build the Kingdom. There are many references to stewardship in scripture, but one I like is the one Jesus gave us at the Last Supper when he said: “*I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.*” (Jn 13:34-35)

We love one another by using the gifts God entrusted to us to serve others we will be living a stewardship way of life, since we will be following Jesus' example.

One last thought: As St. Paul wrote to the Corinthians, “*I say this not by way of command, but to test the genuineness of your love by your concern for others.*” (2 Cor 8:8) Can I do any less?

Now to Sunday's Gospel:

[1SM 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23](#); [PS 103: 1-4, 8, 10, 12-13](#); [1 COR 15: 45-49](#); [LK 6: 27-38](#)

In today's Gospel, from Luke 6:27-38, Jesus offers a very challenging, seemingly impossible approach to daily life. “*Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak do not withhold even your tunic.*” It makes one want to say, “Seriously, Lord?” And He doesn't stop there. Jesus adds, “*Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back.*”

It seems so unfair! That is, unless we look at this way of life from a stewardship point of view. Then, not only does it seem doable (though challenging), but it also actually makes perfect sense. A steward understands clearly that all he or she has and all that he or she is — their very life — is a gift from God given to them from an unfathomable abundance of love. This changes everything! This means “my” clothes, “my” abilities, “my” money, and “my” time — all of it ultimately belongs to God. He entrusted these things to each of us in love to use for His purposes and for His glory.

Does this mean we are to be passive “doormats” to anyone who wants to take advantage of us? Certainly not. Jesus explains this in the next verse of this passage when He says, “*Do to others as you would have them do to you.*” There is nothing wrong with loving oneself since God loves us and has made us in His own image and likeness. Jesus simply asks that we also approach others, and that we share our gifts, with this same attitude. He is giving us a definition here of real love, a steward's love!

Sunday's Gospel discussion was adapted from ©Catholic Stewardship Consultants www.CatholicSteward.com

Congratulations

to our parish children on their First Penance!



*Please continue to pray
for our parish children
and their families
during this special time;
they will now start to
prepare for their First
Communion in the
spring.*



*The Holy Trinity Parish
Knights of Columbus
invite you to their annual*

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER EVENT

Saturday, March 15th, 6:00 PM

**Holy Trinity Parish Social Center
3111 Tierra de Dios Dr., El Dorado Hills**

Dance a jig to the live music of a Premier Irish Pub Band!



Full bar featuring Guinness & Irish Whiskey a plenty!

Menu

Green Garden Salad & Garlic Bread

Green Garden Mix with Cherry Tomatoes, Cucumbers, & Carrot Stick Garnish

Corned Beef Brisket

*Brined a& slow-cooked the Leprechaun way
Boiled Cabbage and Carrots in the corned brine spices
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Vegan Option

Vegan Enchilada

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Drizzled with Crème de Menthe & accompanied with Oatmeal cookies

\$30 per person (Adults Only)



Fill a table of 8 for \$240



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Contact: KofC12394@gmail.com or call Debra Bickel (650)740-4417



Kurowski Kenyan Orphans Fund

"WHOEVER SHUTS THEIR EARS TO THE CRY OF THE POOR WILL CRY OUT AND NOT BE ANSWERED."
(PROVERBS 21:13)

24 years ago, parishioners Joe and Julianne Kurowski traveled to Kenya and had their hearts moved by children orphaned because of the AIDS epidemic that ravaged the country.

These children had no parents, no family, and no means of support.

Moved by the Holy Spirit, the Kurowskis became their family.



Knowing it would be difficult for the Kurowskis to properly care for all the orphans, nearly 20 years ago, Holy Trinity Parish decided to partner with Joe and Julianne to help provide basic human necessities – education, food, medical care and shelter – to these children.

Many things have changed in two decades. Joe is now gone. Some of the children have died. Some have started families of their own.

But one thing remains constant:
the orphans still have no one ... except Julianne.

The Road Ahead

As Holy Trinity discontinues its partnership with us, *we want to express our sincere gratitude for all the generosity parishioners have provided.*

Four of the original orphans and 10 of their children still need our help. Will you continue to help us help them?

Please take a moment to give us your email. We promise to be sparing in our contact but, without your email, we will have no way to update you any longer.



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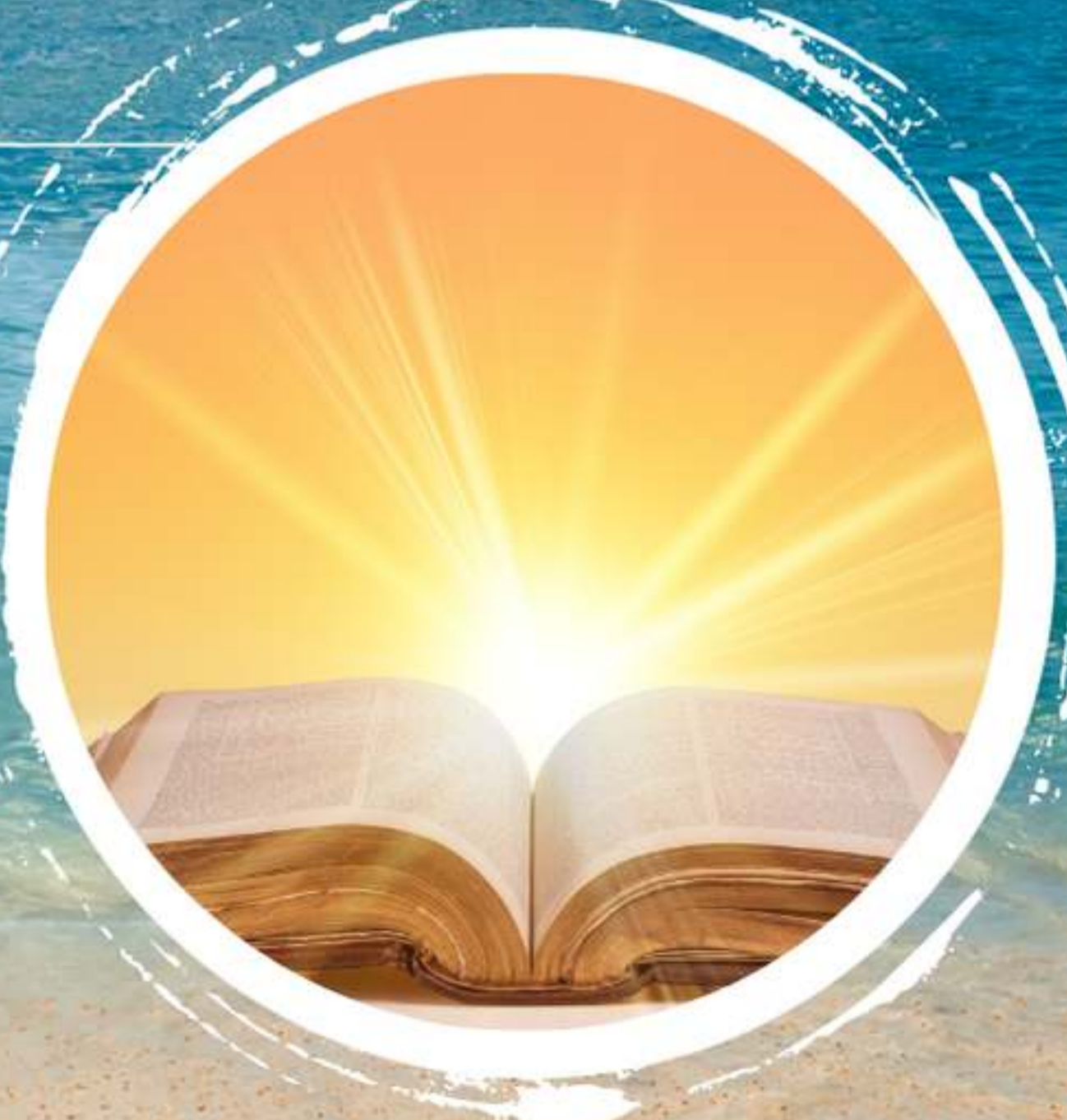
JULY 20TH - 25TH
\$45/YOUTH

In lieu of VBS, Holy Trinity Parish is now offering Totus Tuus.
Join us for a week of faith filled fun!
Space is limited so scan the QR code for additional details
and to RSVP today.

1st - 6th Grades
9am - 3pm



7th - High School
6:30pm - 8:45pm



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