

# Blessed Trinity

## Weekend Magazine

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## Kansas State football player Landry Weber to join priesthood

By Cerith Gardnier



## The unusual announcement came during a football game.

During a recent football game, it was announced by Tom Hart that Kansas State's wide receiver, Landry Weber, would be joining the priesthood as soon as his college career has finished.

The news was shared in a tweet by Darren Rovell who pointed out that he'd "never heard that line watching a football game before."

However, the news is not overly surprising when you learn a little more about Landry's sporting and family background...

The 23-year-old comes from a family of athletes. His father, Stan, played football at Kansas State, and his big brother, Stanton, played for the Wildcats. His sister McKenzi got a volleyball scholarship to Kansas State at the same time Landry received his.



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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses
Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM
Weekend Masses
Saturday Vigil at 4:00 PM
Sunday
8:00 AM, 9:30 Am & 11:30 AM

Follow the Sunday Mass on our website, **btsp.org**.

Confessions will be held Saturdays 2:45-3:45

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As a result the family have been highly invested in each other's sports progress, and have encouraged each other over the years. What is especially beautiful to see is the way the siblings, in particular, have nothing but praise for each other — on and off the field.

#### A man to admire

"He's incredibly insightful, smart, hardworking and he's always doing the right thing and caring for people, and he's just an incredible person," Stanton shared with Kansas State's The Collegian when talking about Landry.

This was echoed by the team's head coach, Chris Klieman, who pointed out:

He does everything right off the field, in the community, in the classroom, and that rubs off on young players. Young players can see the hard work you put in and can be really rewarding on the field as well as off the field."

But perhaps it is this cute anecdote by Landry's sister, McKenzi, that gives us a little more insight into the future seminarian's character:

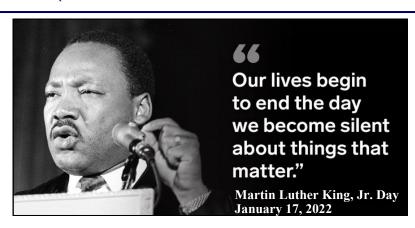
So me and Landry both got on scholarship on the same day. I called him because I'm freaking out, I'm excited and I call him and he says, 'McKenzi, that's so cool! We have to go get ice cream,' and he celebrated me for like fifteen minutes. It was awesome."

However, McKenzi was totally oblivious to the fact that her brother had also received his scholarship, and when she asked him why he hadn't told her, he simply said: "I didn't want to take away your glory."

Well now Landry will be preparing himself to give glory to God as he follows a new path, one that isn't very common among young men these days. It's a decision that will no doubt continue to be encouraged and supported by his family once more, since, as Stanton shared a few months ago, perhaps unaware of his brother's future plans at that time:

"We always say God's got a plan that's always better than ours, so I'm very interested to see how the rest of it plays out for him."

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## Thoughts Worth Sharing



January 16, 2022

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5 | 1 Cor 12:4-11 | Jn 2:1-11

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

#### GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

It was several years ago now, but the scene is still vivid in my mind. My son stood confidently in front of the altar as the music rose in a crescendo and his bride stepped into sight. The love and joy he felt trickled down his cheek as she walked down the aisle. He broke into a smile as she joined him, and proudly took her hand to promise to become one with her forever. Isaiah writes: "As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you." Isaiah was talking about the nation of Israel, but God loves and rejoices in each of his children and wants us to know the joy of being loved by him. He generously shares his gifts with us, "different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit," St. Paul explains to the Corinthians. All spiritual gifts come from God, and all are important and necessary: "To each individual, the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." God's gifts are distributed uniquely to each person to use in our own unique way to "announce his salvation, day after day," and invite others to discover the joy of his great love.

#### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

You are a masterpiece! This message was conveyed at the camp our diocese held each year to help teens recognize that they are God's beloved sons and daughters, called and gifted by the Holy Spirit to be missionary disciples. Discerning what our gifts are and how to use them can be challenging. The Gospel about the wedding at Cana offers an interesting guide. Mary tells the waiters, "Do whatever he tells you." By reserving time for listening and not speaking during prayer, we can hear what Jesus is "telling" us. Jesus then says to the waiters, "Fill the jars with water." We can "fill our jars" with the knowledge of how to live as disciples by reflecting on Scripture. Finally, Jesus tells the waiters, "Draw some out." We can "draw" on his love for strength and courage when we need it, but more importantly, we are called to "draw some out" to share with others. In sharing the "good wine," the Good News of Jesus Christ, others will begin to believe in him, too.

PRAYER As the new year gets under way, devote time to discerning the unique spiritual gifts, or charisms, you have been given. Make time for silent prayer and reflecting on Scripture each day.



#### Are You Hoping to Receive One of the Seven Sacraments With Us?

#### Matrimony

Congratulations on your engagement! Every Diocese in Florida requires at least six months preparation before marriage. Please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for an appointment before setting a date.

#### **Baptism**

We are honored that you would like to choose Blessed Trinity Catholic Church for the baptism of your child! We ask that you please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for information regarding the prebaptism class before scheduling a baptism.

#### **Office Hours**

Monday—Friday 9-12 and 1-4 Closed for Lunch Noon to 1 pm

#### **Website Mass**

The church is open for our regular schedule of Masses. Recognizing that many will still be unable to attend Mass we will continue to record the Mass and upload it to the website. To view the Mass go to our website: <a href="https://docs.physics.org/btsp.org">btsp.org</a> and click on the red words to start the video. The recorded Mass is from the Saturday vigil.

We are very grateful to Brent Beauchamp who has been volunteering his services to record the Mass each week. Thank you Brent for your continued support!

#### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, January 15, Saturday of the First Week in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Anita Beers (Dec)

Sunday, January 16, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Lucia Daniele (Dec) 9:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners 11:30 a.m. Nick Calandra (Dec)

**Monday, January 17,** Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot 8:00 a.m. John and Theresa Cirillo (Dec)

**Tuesday, January 18,** Weekday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. Margaret Colgate (Dec)

Wednesday, January 19, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. For Vocations

Thursday, January 20, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Trudy Murray (Dec)

Friday, January 21, Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 a.m. Florian J. Liss (Dec)

Saturday, January 22, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of

Unborn Children

8:00 a. m. Michael Streets (Dec)

4:00 p.m. Richard and Thomas Moore (Dec)

Sunday, January 23, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Sandra Lawrence (Dec) 9:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners 11:30 a.m. Micheline Kirshner (Dec)

## Franciscan Helping Hands



My Sisters and Brothers,

May the lord give you, His Peace!

Just a quick note to say thank you for your contributions to Franciscan Helping Hands. I am happy to inform you that since we began in late October 2020 Franciscan Helping Hands has donated over \$12,000.00 to the poor, Daystar and Pinellas Hope. Donations were mainly made up of warm clothing, shoes, personal hygiene products, food, rain ponchos, and over \$2000.00 in food cards (ie...McDonald's, Taco Bell, Wendy's) as well as cash gifts to various people to pay bills and get medicines.

I thank God for his blessings and the opportunities to be of service to the homeless and elderly poor. I thank you for your generosity (parishioners of Blessed Trinity, family, and alumni of University of Georgia as well as friends from Atlanta and Pennsylvania). I thank you, also, for your trust in me to distribute your gifts. I pray God reward all of you.

Franciscan Helping Hands will continue to accept donations (checks addressed to St. Anthony Friary – memo: Franciscan Helping Hands). I have tried to acknowledge all who donated by check, but a few envelopes were returned, so to all a sincere thank you.

Love and prayers – Jack McDowell, OFM

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Please fill out and return to the parish office or drop in the offertory basket.
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# EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

#### It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

## Weekly Giving

Online Giving January 3-16				
Offertory	\$	1,160		
Building Fund	\$	1,030		

January 8-9, 2022	
Offertory	\$ 8,588
Building Fund	\$ 1,171
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 120
Gift Shop	\$ 138
Christmas	\$ 160
Christmas Flowers	\$ 50
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 400
Religious retirement	\$ 115
APA	\$ 23
Ash Wednesday	\$ 200
Immaculate Conception	\$ 20
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 20

Thank you for your generosity!

Funeral

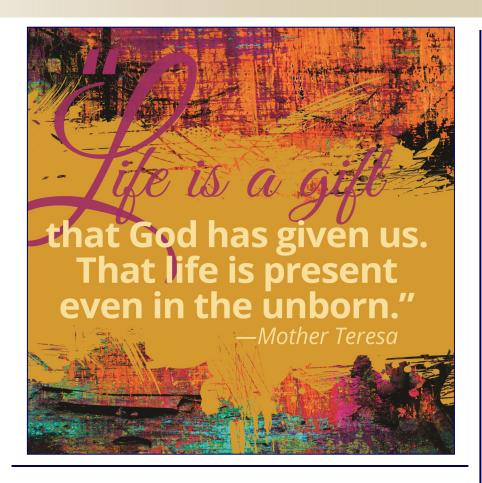
## **Scripture Class**

Blessed Trinity Scripture Classes have been canceled until further notice. We are hoping to resume in early February with the new series "Our Catholic Life". More details to come.



The envelope boxes for seasonal residents have arrived! They will be available for pickup in the back of the church





## An Evening of Prayer and Discernment



## Be a Part of History in the Making

At this time in our Church's history, our Holy Father, Pope Francis, is asking people to come together to dialogue and pray about our Church's future. You are invited to participate with an Evening

of Prayer and Discernment on Friday, February 4, 2022 at the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle at 7:00pm.

All are invited to gather together for learning, praying, listening and sharing. We welcome each person as we join together to consider how the Holy Spirit is leading the Church in the third millennium. Your voice is needed! To learn more, visit JourneyingTogether.org

## Messa in Italiano at the Cathedral of St. Jude

Sunday, January 23, 3:00pm Please come to pray in ITALIANO

Celebrant: Fr. Anthony M. Fortunato, OdeM

## Pray for the Unborn

Virgin of Guadalupe,

Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. Help expectant parents to welcome from God the priceless gift of their child's life.

Console parents who have lost that gift through abortion, and lead them to forgiveness and healing through the Divine Mercy of your Son.

Teach us to cherish and to care for family and friends until God calls them home. Help us to never see others as burdens.

Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no

We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself.

Amen

voice.

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## **Anointing of the Sick**

To request the Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one, please contact the parish office, 727-867-3663.

If you or a close family member would like to be added or removed from our prayer list, please contact the parish office at 727-867-3663.