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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS
Monday–Wednesday: 9am—8pm
Thursday & Friday: 9am—5pm
(Closed for lunch 12:30–1:00 pm)
Saturday: 1pm—3:45pm

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am
Monday: 11:00am
Tuesday: 8:30am
Wednesday: 8:30am
Thursday: No Mass
Friday: 8:30am

RECONCILIATION
BY APPOINTMENT
ONLY AT THIS TIME

OUR MISSION STATEMENT
Blessed Trinity Parish is an open and welcoming Catholic community, centered in the Eucharist and celebrating God’s gift of Diversity. We bring God’s love to one another and support one another in responding to the challenge of living the Gospel. We strive to deepen participation and encourage all parishioners to take ownership for the everyday life of their church, especially Spiritual Growth, Community Life, the Building of a Just Society, and Service to All God’s People.

Psalm 146

Bless-ed the poor in spir-it; the king-dom of heav-en is theirs!

What is RCIA?

RCIA, which stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a process through which non-baptized men and women enter the Catholic Church. It includes several stages marked by study, prayer and rites at Mass. Participants in the RCIA are known as catechumens. They undergo a process of conversion as they study the Gospel, profess faith in Jesus and the Catholic Church, and receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and Holy Eucharist. The RCIA process follows the ancient practice of the church and was restored by the Second Vatican Council as the normal way adults prepare for baptism. In 1974, the Rite for Christian Initiation for Adults was formally approved for use in the United States.

After conversation with an advisor or spiritual guide, the person, known as an “inquirer,” may decide to seek acceptance into the Order of Catechumens. The inquirer stands amidst the parish community and states that he or she wants to become a baptized member of the Catholic Church. The parish assembly affirms this desire and the inquirer becomes a “catechumen.”

The period of the catechumenate can last for as long as several years or for a shorter time. It depends on how the person is growing in faith, what questions they encounter along the way, and how God leads them on this journey. During this time the catechumens consider what God is saying to them in the scriptures, what changes in their life they want to make to respond to God’s inspiration, and what membership in the Catholic Church involves.

What is meant when people refer to men and women coming into “full communion with the Church”? Coming into full communion with the Catholic Church describes the process for entrance into the Catholic Church for men and women who are baptized Christians but not Roman Catholics. These individuals make a profession of faith but are not baptized again.

To prepare for this reception, the people, who are called “candidates,” usually participate in a program to help them understand and experience the teachings and practices of the Catholic Church. Some preparation may be with catechumens preparing for baptism, but the preparation for candidates is different since they have already been baptized and committed to Jesus Christ, and many have also been active members of other Christian communities.

Finally, there are participants in RCIA who have not been fully initiated. This frequently means that they were baptized Catholics and made their first communion, but never received the sacrament of Confirmation. Technically these people should have their own program, because RCIA is specifically for the unbaptized but since a big part of joining our faith and our parish is community, we group them together since there is much duplication.

Our RCIA process will begin September 29 with the 9:00am Mass. Do you know someone who has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? If so, accompany them to that first session.

Registration is now closed for the “Meeting Jesus Christ in Prayer” series. For all those who registered, you will be meeting in the church for 6 Thursdays, starting this Thursday, September 9th at 7pm.
AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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E-MAIL PRAYER LINE REQUESTS TO:
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Thank you for your generous support!
Sunday, August 29 $ 3,478.00
Special Gifts $ 1,212.00
SCRIP, gift cards $ 153.11
HAITI, Special Collection (2) $ 4,053.50

Blessed Trinity Bible Study will resume soon with a 5-session examination of the Parables of the Kingdom. We will meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month, September 9th through November 11th, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the rectory living room. Participants are asked to pick up the study materials at the rectory and complete the first assignment prior to the September 9th meeting. All are welcome! Contact Carla Fritsch for additional details (contact information can be found in the parish directory).

Disciple of the Week: This week we thank Dan Kemer, part of the team that heads up the Bountiful Basement. Dan helps keep the place functional, greeting clients as they arrive, directing traffic and telling those horrible jokes. He also does needed paperwork and answers the phone calls for help. Thanks, Dan, for being such a faithful disciple.

For the month of September, the Bountiful Basement could use soap bars and liquid, shampoo and conditioner and deodorant. Thank you!

Please pray for:
Aurelio Abarca, Maureen Ashdown, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Azzarello, Annie Badiu, Tom Baldwin, Jr., Vincent BonTempo, Mary Brennan, Adele Burke, Anne Busch, Glady's Castro, Pat Chapin, Romualdo Cipro, Alex & Ashley Cornet, Zoltan Csiba, Cathrine Damhn, John Darmstadt, Martin Patrick Dugan, Dukles Family, Barb Dylag, Edward Dzuro, Shirley Fago, Donald Flanagan, Eleanore Flick, Alice Friedel, Vesna Goverdovski, June Grace, Michael Graham, Catherine Heidinger, Karen Hinske, Agnes Hoevear, Helena Hoogstraten, John Itayem, Nicola Jandric, Roubir Jesri, Jr., Ann Jones, Veronica Juris, Annette Kalister, Betty Kersick, Tony Keman, Paul Kish, Karen Kraus, Linda Kreon, Fr. Dennis Kristancic, Marilyn Lombardo, Mary Lynch, Eileen Mangan, Sr. Rita Marra, SND, Rosemarie Martin, Kathy McAvine, George McKee, Molly McQuillan & family, Sandra McRae, Andrea Medina, Betty Ann Menzing, Mary Jo Menzing, Tony Miller, Jim & Steve Moravcik, Jennifer Naeltzy, Betty Needham, Tom O’Boyle, Noreen Ortiz, Tony Pierson, Laura Radca, Catherine Rajniece, Carol Roberts, Ron Ruble, Bob Ruddy, Kayana Ryniak, Mary Salmon, Mary Ellen Salo, Marilyn Samonte, Jerry Secunde, Jeffrey Secunde, Carolyn Sesplankis, Brandy Shuttera, Debbie Shavorinsky, Terri Siegwarth, Joanna Somerville, Christopher Stein, Roberta Steinbacher, Pete & Teri Thayer, Kevin Thompson, Sherrie Thompson, Dennis Tyburski, Sr. Marie Veres, HM, Celine Whelpley, John Williams, Jay Yesenko.

Please pray for all who are serving in the military, especially the men and women connected to our parish:
- Brook Robinson (Navy), son of David & Michelle and grandson of Dolores Coleman
- Kyle A. Riley (Air Force), nephew of Robert Hollowell
- Greg Koch (Air Force), nephew of Nancy Koch
- James Ashenhurst (Navy), stepson of Stephen Flynn and son of Jenny Simons
- Yoshi Cacho (US Marine Corps), son of Medel & Marianne Cacho

May the Peace of Our Lord be with Betty Needham, sister-in-law of Ginger Needham
And
Marie Toula
May God grant comfort to her family and friends

Caring Corner

Six parishioners have accepted the Holy Spirit’s invitation to begin training as Stephen Ministers: Sr. Mary Jane Vovk, Cassandra Robertson, Pat Thacker, Thad Patton, Eileen Hamblen and Margaret Beros. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin training on September 12.
**This Week at Blessed Trinity**

**Monday, Sept 6**
- Labor Day
- All Day: Office Closed
- 9:30am—10:30am: Legion of Mary (Church)
- 7:00pm—8:30pm: St. Vincent DePaul Society Mtg. (Rectory Library)

**Tuesday, Sept 7**
- 8:00am—8:30am: Novena—Rosary (Church)
- 9:30am—12:00pm: Bountiful Basement
- 10:30am—12:00pm: AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)
- 7:00pm—8:30pm: Taize Prayer Group practice (Joseph Center)

**Wednesday, Sept 8**
- 1:00pm—2:00pm: Haiti Committee Mtg. (Rec. Lib.)
- 3:00pm—3:45pm: Standing to End Racism (front yard)
- 5:00pm—6:45pm: Bountiful Basement
- 8:00pm—9:00pm: AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)

**Thursday, Sept 9**
- 11:00am—12:00pm: AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)
- 2:00pm—4:00pm: Stephen Ministers Grp. Mtg. (Rectory Library)
- 7:00pm—8:30pm: Bible Study (Rectory Living Room)
- 7:00pm—8:30pm: Meeting Jesus in Prayer (Church)

**Friday, Sept 10**
- 1:00pm—3:00pm: Stph. Min. Ldrs. Mtg. (Rec. Rm. 22)

**Saturday, Sept 11**
- 9:30am—11:00am: Ragamuffin Faith Sharing Group (Joseph Center)
- 10:00am—1:00pm: BPDC Yard Sale (Front Yard)

The 2021 Mass Intention Book still has weekend and weekday Masses available. Please call or stop by the office to schedule them. The stipend is $10 per Mass Intention.

**Job Posting:** The St. Joseph Center at 3430 Rocky River Dr. is in need of a dishwasher. The hours are Monday thru Friday from 9am to 3pm. Interested candidates should contact Ruth Mercer at 216-688-3495.

**Taize Peace Prayer** We gather in Taize-style to pray for peace on our troubled planet. Our gathering will be on Sunday, September 12 outside at Centering Space at 6:30 pm. Bring a chair and sing, pray and sit in silence with us. Contact Mike Reiling at 216-312-8648 for more information.

WORSHIP

Saturday, Sept 4
4:00pm  Blessed Trinity

Sunday, Sept 5 (Is 35:4-7a; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37)
9:00am  Ma-an Samonte (Family)
11:00am John Brickner (Dee Ialacci)

Monday, Sept 6
11:00am Henry Reitinger, Jr. (Family)

Tuesday, Sept 7
8:00am  Novena—Rosary to “Our Mother of Perpetual Help”.
8:30am  All Souls

Wednesday, Sept 8
8:30am  All Souls

Friday, Sept 10
8:30am  LaVerne Fuller (Bill & Family)

Saturday, Sept 11
4:00pm  Nazareth Academy Class of 1971, both living and deceased. (Ginger Needham)

Sunday, Sept 12 (Is 50:4c-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mt 8:27-35)
9:00am  Blessed Trinity
11:00am Sr. Alice Rooney (Hannah McMonagle)
Baptism: Alexander Silviu Toader

Hospice of the Western Reserve Volunteers Needed. Are you looking for a way to help individuals in your community? We have a wide range of volunteer opportunities to fit your talents, interests, and schedule. We are also in need of Dietary or Receptionist Assistance at Ames Family Hospice House in Westlake and volunteers to make calls to patients/families. For more information, contact us at 216.255.9090 or fill out an online application at //hospicewr.org/volunteer.

A LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR  Our Lady of Angels Prayer Group invites you to a LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR. Come & see how God’s Spirit guides us. Eight CONSECUTIVE Tuesday evenings, Sept 14 through Nov 2, from 7:30-9:00pm. We meet in the Primary School Building, 3644 Rocky River Dr. (signs will be up!). For information & reservations, call Verna 216-251-3560 or Tom 216-252-5724. There is NO CHARGE for this seminar.

Save the Date:  Halfway to St. Patrick’s Day!
St. Malachi Church Run, Sept. 18th.  5 mile & 2 mile run or walk. Wait list or Registration: STMALACHICHURCHRUN.ENMOTIVE.COM.

Advertiser of the Week:  Catholic Cemeteries Association