

Blessed Trinity

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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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: 10:30am at
Church**

4387 W. 150th St.

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.



Isaiah 12: We Shall Draw Water

Paul Inwood





From the Desk of Fr. Doug

Synod on Synodality/What's On Your Mind

Last night we held our first gathering for the synod on synodality. It will take me a while to put all the comments into some cohesive whole to submit to the bishop. There were definitely some recurring themes throughout the evening.

About 45 people attended the first session. At least half of them had joined the parish within the last two years, many within the last year. Unless you are a part of the welcoming committee, many did not know that. We used to have a Meet the Staff Gathering twice a year. Now we could be doing them six times a year. Blessed Trinity is a “destination” parish meaning that many people drive some distance to get here. They pass quite a few churches before they arrive. What they seek is what we have to offer: a strong sense of social justice, social awareness and social action, inclusion, welcome, full, conscious and active liturgical participation, beautiful music and homilies that connect the Gospel with daily living. All of that is based on a strong prayer life and biblical discipleship.

Some referred to our parish as an island. They said it's sad that there aren't more parishes like ours around.

Those in attendance encouraged people to get involved in the life of the parish. Some people talked about the value of their small groups and intentional communities. Others mentioned great material needs that will be affecting people and how participation in the St. Vincent de Paul Society is needed. There is a sense of ownership in our parish.

Blessed Trinity's mission touches the neighborhood. We work hand in hand with the Food Bank, the Hunger Network, Bellaire Puritas Development Corporation, Ecumenical

Prayer Services, homeless Jesus, witness for racial harmony, and now “mittens on the line” by the bus stop.

Regarding the diocese, the topic of the seminary and what it is producing came up frequently. Let's just say that a vast majority are concerned about it; from the relatively recent ordination of sexual predators (yes, plural) to young men parading around in cassocks, citing the catechism and sin.

Regarding the universal church, there seems to be a battle between Pope Francis who is very popular in our parish and members of the curia. The (lack of a) role of women came up frequently. Let women preach, ordain women deacons, ordain women as priests. Let women head various departments in the church. Let women have decision making power.

Some of my favorite quotes from the evening are:

“The Catholic Church has more rules than God.”

“We are disciples first and Catholics second.”

“Time is running out. Be bold.”

“There is so much brilliance in our parish, especially among the women religious who attend here.”

“Find ways to keep people in instead of looking for ways to kick them out.”

“I'm scared for the future of our church”.

“Our leadership has lost credibility since the sex abuse crisis.”

There were some suggestions as to how to help our parish move forward. Those included more opportunities for women preaching, adult education, reaching out to the youth (and the blind), better marketing and publicity.

All in all, it was a fantastic evening. I'm sure the second session will be too.

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!

Christmas **\$ 5,107.00**

Sunday, Dec 26 **\$ 7,233.15**

Special Gifts **\$ 3,405.00**

Bountiful Basement could use **Pet Food, both dry and canned and cat litter** for the month of January. And we can always use toilet paper! Thank you!



Tai Chi Easy will be ongoing in the Joseph Center until the weather becomes warmer in late May. Then, we will be holding it outside again. Come and enjoy some winter-time stretching and healing movements!

Your body will thank you for it! It would be a good New Year Resolution to make, too! :) Every Wednesday at 7pm!

The Peace and Justice Committee is **collecting socks, gloves and mittens** during January and February. Baskets have been placed in the main entrance of the church for these items, or they can be dropped off at the rectory. Items will be placed on a clothesline at West 140th and Puritas by the bus stop. Thank you!

Please pray for:

Aurelio Abarca, Maureen Ashdown, Jerry Aurand, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Azzarello, Annie Badiu, Jim Baldwin, Tom Baldwin, Jr., Vincent Bontempo, Mary Brennan, Sarah Brower, Adele Burke, Ann Busch, Gladys Castro, Pat Chapin, Romualdo Cipro, Alex & Ashley Cornet, Cathrine Damm, John Darmstadt, Martin Patrick Dugan, Dukles Family, Barb Dylag, Edward Dzuro, Shirley Fago, Donald Flanagan, Eleanore Flick, Alice Friedel, Vesna Goverdovski, Richard Grace, Michael Graham, Donald Haluska, Catherine Heidinger, Susanne Heisey, Agnes Hocevar, Helena Hoogstraten, John Itayem, Nicola & Mara Jandric, Roubir Jesri, Jr., Ann Jones, Veronica Juris, Annette Kalister, Joanne Kauchuk, Betty Kensick, Tony Kernan, Karen Kraus, Linda Kreon, Fr. Dennis Kristancic, Marilyn Lombardo, Karen Long, Mary Lynch, Eileen Mangan, Sr. Rita Marra, SND, Rosemarie Martin, Kathy McAvinue, George McKee, Peggy McMahon, Molly McQuillan & family, Sandra McRae, Andrea Medina, Betty Ann Menzing, Mary Jo Menzing, Tony Miller, Jim & Steve Moravcik, Jennifer Naelitz, Dave Norris, Tom O'Boyle, Noreen Ortiz, Tony Pierson, Freddie Pringle, Lisa Prokopius, Catherine Rajnicek, Carol Roberts, Matthew Rossman, Ron Ruble, Bob Ruddy, Kayana Ryniak, Mary Salamon, Mary Ellen Salo, Marilyn Samonte, Jerry Secunde, Jeffrey Secunde, Carolyn Sesplankis, Brandy Shuttera, Debbie Shavorinsky, Terri Siegwath, Joanna Somerville, Christopher Stein, Roberta Steinbacher, Pete & Teri Thayer, Kevin Thompson, Sherrie Thompson, Dennis Tyburski, Celine Whelpley, John & Noreen 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
Laura Radca, Mother of Susan Smith
And*

*Sr. Marie Veres, HM
Sister of Joan Francis*

*May God grant comfort to their families and
friends*

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This Week at Blessed Trinity

Sunday, Jan 9

9:00am—10:30am	CGS (Joseph Center)
9:00am—10:45am	PSR Grs. 1-3 (Atrium)
10:00am-10:45am	PSR Grs. 4+ (Rectory Basement)
12:00pm—4:00pm	Stephen Minister Training (Joseph Center)

Monday, Jan 10

9:30am—10:30am	Legion of Mary (Church)
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Tuesday, Jan 11

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	LGBTQ Faith Sharing Group (Rectory Living Room)

Wednesday, Jan 12

1:00pm—2:00pm	Haiti Committee Mtg. (Rec. Lib.)
5:00pm—6:45pm	Bountiful Basement
7:00pm—8:00pm	Tai Chi Easy (Joseph Center)
8:00pm—9:00pm	AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)

Thursday, Jan 13

11:00am—12:00pm	AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)
2:00pm—4:00pm	Stephen Ministers Grp. Mtg. (Rectory Library)

Friday, Jan 14

1:00pm—3:00pm	Stephen Ministers Leaders Group (Rectory Library)
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Recycle Christmas Lights Instead of tossing non-working lights into the trash, bring them to Blessed Trinity OR take them to the Zoo yourself, for recycling. Through 1/31/22, light strands and extension cords can be dropped into the Lights for Lions collection container at the Zoo's main entrance or bring them here and we will take them to the Zoo. Proceeds will support the Lion and Cheetah Conservation project. <https://www.clevelandmetroparks.com/zoo/wildlife-conservation/lights-for-lions>

New Year, New Career! If you are looking for a career opportunity with joy and purpose, join the Jennings team! A Catholic non-profit organization, Jennings is a premier provider of care and residences for adults 55+ with locations in Brecksville, Garfield Heights and Chardon. Find out more about positions in events and fundraising, nursing, culinary services and more! Whether you are ready for a change or seeking a place to grow, learn why Jennings is an award-winning employer. Connect with us at jenningsohio.org or (216) 581-2900.



WORSHIP

Saturday, Jan 8

4:00pm All Souls

Sunday, Jan 9 (Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22)

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Lloyd W. Biddick, Jr.
(Elizabeth Biddick)

Monday, Jan 10

10:30am All Souls (At the Church)

Tuesday, Jan 11

8:00am Novena—Rosary

8:30am All Souls

Wednesday, Jan 12

8:30am All Souls

Friday, Jan 14

8:30am John & Kathleen Murphy
(Ron & Kathy Mickler)

Saturday, Jan 15

4:00pm All Souls

Sunday, Jan 16 (Is 62:1-5; 1Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11)

9:00am All Souls

11:00am Blessed Trinity

CCA Grief Support January 16th “In-Office” at 3:00pm and “Virtual” at 5:00pm: In-Office Grief Support groups meet in the main office building at Holy Cross, 14609 Brook Park Rd. Virtual Grief Support group meets for an hour via Zoom. Sign-up at <http://bit.ly/ccavirtualgriefsupportgroup> to receive login information and to download the handout materials. *Your RSVP for both In-Person and Virtual Grief Support is appreciated but not required to attend. For more information or if you have questions, please contact [Rhonda](#) at 216-930-4866.*

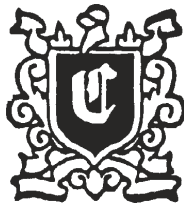
Young Catholic Professionals of Cleveland invites young adults in their 20s & 30s to get involved in our ministry focused on Working in Witness for Christ. Upcoming Events: **January 11: Networking Happy Hour** - Come connect with like-minded individuals, clergy, and businesspeople! (Old River Tap and Social, Rocky River, **5:30pm-7:30pm**). **February 8: Executive Speaker Series:** Scott and Gayle Oboy - (St. Ambrose, Brunswick, Time TBA). More details can be found on Facebook and Instagram (@ycpcleveland) Register for free at ycpcleveland.org/events. Stay tuned for upcoming Monthly Masses and Seasonal Activities. Join Our Leadership Team! Looking to get more involved? Consider joining our dynamic Leadership Team! Applications are now open. Email info@ycpcleveland.org for more information.

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