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JANUARY 30, 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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**

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.



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From the Desk of Fr. Doug

Another Course in the Seminary I Never Took

The Sisters of Notre Dame were housing two Afghan refugee families on their property. Two months turned into four but eventually the Omarzai family found a house through Catholic Charities just down the street from us. My sister was working with them at the motherhouse and when she found out how close they would be to me, she asked me to stop in and welcome them to the neighborhood. So Tuesday afternoon I hopped over there armed with the five mobile pantry locations within walking distance and information about the Hope Center for refugees and immigrants on Triskett.

The knock on the door brought the father, Gulala, to the entrance. I said “English?” and he shook his head. Question answered. Then I said, “Sister Rosemary” pointed to myself and added “brother” just in case. Oh my gosh, you would have thought I was a long lost relative. Gulala gestured for me to come in and I met the entire family. His wife is Zurhba, and the children are Razwan, Imran, Mohammad, Ajaz, Nasem, Zuber, Abubaker and Slima. The oldest is about 20 and the youngest is about 8. The whole time they kept saying “Rosemary, good!”

As with most cultures I was offered food and graciously declined, or so I thought, saying I had just eaten lunch. Out came the dates, walnuts and almonds along with a delicious cup of tea. The house was warm and modestly furnished, probably through Catholic Charities. I think the refugee program pays for three months rent and then the family is on their own. They are all awaiting work permits.

We went over the locations, dates and times of the food pantries as well as the location of the Hope Center. It took me about a half hour just to communicate that. Then Mohammad, who spoke the most English and I got in my car and went to see the Hope Center. There was a group of Af-

ghanis there who were loading a bicycle into a van, a bicycle we gave to the center! Mohammad was thrilled to find other patriots and it made him feel safe and sure that the Hope Center was a good place. We went inside and got him and his family registered for English classes. The registrar said there has been an influx of Afghanis, so much so, that they have English classes twice a week just of Afghanis. The other two days are for anyone who comes and wants to learn English. As you may know, we have many Nepalese and Congolese in our neighborhood. The family is more than willing to walk to the Hope Center but I noticed the sidewalks are not cleared and I fear for their safety if they do.

After I got him registered for classes, we went upstairs where Mohammad was free to take items home. He picked up some body wash, four toothbrushes and some toothpaste.

We had been gone for at least a half hour, when his father called, asking if Mohammad was alright because you bring the war with you, and you never knew when your child would leave the house and never return alive.

On the way back, I drove past Mohammad's house on W 147 and Puritas and said, “Your house” as I pointed to his house. Then I continued down Puritas as I said, “My house” and we headed for the church. I'm sure he thought he was being kidnapped. When we got to Blessed Trinity, he said “Church” and I said yes, Then I said mobile pantry next Wednesday, February 1 and pointed down. He said okay. Then I drove him home and dropped him off. His father was shoveling the driveway.

I did discover that they do not have a computer and with 10 people in the house, two would be better than one. If anyone has an old computer lying around, they could use it. I know they don't have WiFi yet and maybe not a washer or dryer.

All in all, it was an adventuresome afternoon. I definitely have to brush up on my Afghani.

AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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Please pray for:

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Thank you for your generous support!

Sunday, January 23 \$ 1,838.91

Special Gifts \$ 1,350.00

Scrip, gift cards profit \$ 102.81

Recycling for Dec. \$ 16.40

Recycling total for 2021: \$178.42! Let's go for more recycling in 2022! Next BONUS recycling week is April 15th—27th. Start saving up!

The Peace and Justice Committee is **collecting socks, gloves, mittens and hats** 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!

Start a new year habit of **buying gift cards** before you go shopping. Or increase the habit that you already have and look at the gift cards we have in stock and where you might go regularly and buy those cards, too! We have sheets at the gift card table that show all the cards we have in stock. Pick one up and take it home. Thank you!

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
Veronica "Ronnie" Juris,
Sister-in-law of Rudy & Vivian Juris
and*

*Irene Duke, Mother of Fran Duke
May God grant comfort to their families
and friends*

The Sisters of the Humility of Mary Ministry Center is in need of a person to provide cleaning services for 2 hours/week at their office in Westlake. Weekday hours, time negotiable. For more information, please call the HM Ministry Center at 440-907-1618 and leave a message. We will return the call.





This Week at Blessed Trinity

Sunday, Jan 30

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)

Monday, Jan 31

9:30am—10:30am Legion of Mary (Church)

Tuesday, Feb 1

8:00am-8:30am Novena—Rosary (Church)
 9:30am—12:00pm Bountiful Basement
 10:30am—12:00pm AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)

Wednesday, Feb 2

4:30pm—6:30pm Produce GiveAway (N. Parking Lot)
 5:00pm—6:45pm Bountiful Basement
 7:00pm—8:00pm Tai Chi Easy (Joseph Center)

Thursday, Feb 3

11:00am—12:00pm AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)
 7:00pm—8:30pm Faith Sharing Prayer Grp. (ZOOM)

Friday, Feb 4

1:00pm—3:00pm Stephen Ministers Leaders Group
 (ZOOM)

Saturday, Feb 5

9:30am—11:00am Ragamuffin Faith Sharing Group
 (ZOOM)

Gentle Woman Fellowship an inter-parish group, meets on 1st Fridays at St. Clarence Parish Center, 30106 Lorain Rd, N. Olmsted. Next meeting is **Feb. 4th** & starts with Mass at 8:30am, followed by the Rosary at 9:00am, then enjoy a gathering with coffee and snacks and then a DVD presentation in Classroom 8 by Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR. You must r.s.v.p. to Mary Hoover at 440-458-5063 or to Mary Tschanz at 440-235-6258. ALL WOMEN WELCOME! Come and bring a friend. **Our group's policy is to cancel our catherings when N. Olmsted City Schools are closed.**

L.E.A.F. Listening, Encouraging, and Assisting Families and loved ones of the incarcerated. All are welcome. Spanish/bilingual assistance is available, if pre-arranged. Meetings are held at St. Julie's Church in N. Ridgeville on the second Tuesdays of every month at 7:00 p.m. The next one is **Tuesday, February 8th, 2022**. For more information text or call Ted Lapponi (440) 315-6527.

Advertiser of Week:
Catholic Cemeteries Association



WORSHIP

Saturday, Jan 29

4:00pm All Souls

Sunday, Jan 30 (Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 4:21-30)

9:00am All Souls

11:00am Blessed Trinity

Monday, Jan 31

10:30am All Souls (At Church)

Tuesday, Feb 1

8:00am Novena—Rosary

8:30am All Souls

Wednesday, Feb 2

8:30am Tim & Catherine Daly & Family
(Ron & Kathy Mickler)

Friday, Feb 4

8:30am All Souls

Saturday, Feb 5

4:00pm Blessed Trinity

Sunday, Feb 6 (Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11)

9:00am All Souls

11:00am Loretta H. Needham
(Ginger Needham)

The Cleveland Center of the **Congregation of St. Joseph** at 3430 Rocky River Dr. is currently **recruiting for 2 positions**: 1. A **Medical Transportation Aide** (FT, approx. 30-32 hours per week), STNA or CNA certification required or in process. 3. A **Housekeeper** (PT, approx. 20-24 hours per week). Full descriptions and ads can be found on Indeed.com, or you can call Ruth Mercer at 216-688-3495. Both positions have benefits. Thank you.

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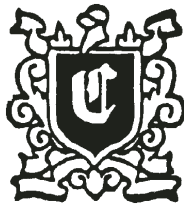
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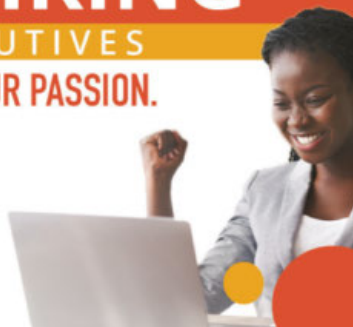
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