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MAY 8, 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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

At Westpark Healthcare Campus

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.



Psalm 66: Let All the Earth

Refrain



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From the Desk of Fr. Doug

All or Nothing? Does it Work?

There are always parallels between secular society and the church. Sometimes the church takes the lead, at other times it's society. Take cancel culture. Cancel culture refers to the mass withdrawal of support from public figures or celebrities who have done things that aren't socially accepted today, saying racist words, for example or denigrating women. The Me Too movement shone a light on that. Cancel culture is similar to boycotting. Boycotting is usually a call to action about some economic injustice – low wages, poor working conditions, etc. I have boycotted Coca-Cola and Nike products for 50 years. Does that affect their bottom line? Not in the least. But I can live with myself and sleep at night.

Cancel culture by the church has gone on for quite some time now. There was a time when the doors were opened from Vatican II. Religious traditions stressed what we had in common. Church and state worked together to solve shared interests. Those days are long gone. Here are some examples. Take the Greater Cleveland Congregations Association. A group of about 50 churches united to affect change regarding taxation, education, and more. When the city of Cleveland promised \$202,500,000 to renovate the Guardians stadium, the GCCA lobbied the city of Cleveland successfully to invest an equal amount in Cleveland neighborhoods. Bishop Lennon forbade any Catholic church from joining this group lest our beliefs be compromised. Too bad. Instead of being players about lead paint, poverty, racism, transit issues or development, the Catholic Church was left on the sidelines, judged uninterested in the poor and voiceless. The GCCA got canceled by the church.

Or take the Susan Komen initiative and the Bucket Challenge. Both of those organizations

provided help and care for patients with breast cancer. But since the Susan Komen initiative also aided abortions indirectly through donations to Planned Parenthood, Bishop Perez told schools not to participate in the bucket challenge. All the other good ways we could have collaborated to promote women's health were lost. Komen got cancelled. It was all or nothing.

Or Urban Community School. Formerly identified with the Catholic Church, Urban Community school lost its affiliation with the diocese because Metro Hospital offered free health care and exams to underprivileged students and their families. Some of that help provided artificial birth control. Consequently, the whole school was scratched from the list of "Catholic" schools. They lost their affiliation with the church. Urban Community got cancelled.

Pope John Paul II was one of many to silence theologians who dared to look at church teachings in new ways. It's a long list: Sobrino, Gutierrez, Oscar Romero, Rahner, Kung, Anthony de Mello, etc. Rather than dialogue with the world around us, these men and women were shut out, cancelled.

The church has seven pillars of social teaching. But Bishop Perez would not let any social action group in the diocese collaborate with any organization or religious group that acknowledged gay marriage, fearing that it would compromise our beliefs. Most other mainline Christian tradition have women priests, married male and female priests and gay married clergy. Ecumenical efforts have all but dried up. They got cancelled.

Vatican II called us to be in dialogue with the world, not to shun it, not to avoid it, and certainly not to be afraid of it. In a secular society we can't always get our way about everything. Isn't it better to get our way about most things?

AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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E-MAIL PRAYER LINE REQUESTS TO:

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Please pray for:

Nancy Abarca, Maureen Ashdown, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Azzarello, Vincent Bontempo, Charlene Boyer, Mary Brennan, Sarah Brower, Adele Burke, Ann Busch, Callie Carley, Gladys Castro, Pat Chapin, Romualdo Cipro, Alex & Ashley Cornet, McKayla Coyne, Cathrine Damm, John Darmstadt, Diane Dorenkott, Martin Patrick Dugan, Dukles Family, Barb Dylag, Edward Dzuro, Scott Eidam, Shirley Fago, Donald Flanagan, Alice Friedel, Vesna Goverdovski, Michael Graham, Dottie Green Family, Donald Haluska, Robert Hardman, Catherine Heidinger, Susanne Heisey, Agnes Hocevar, Helena Hoogstraten, Gail Iseli, Carole Iseli, John Itayem, Nicola & Mara Jandric, Roubir Jesri, Jr., Vicki & Rudy Juris, Annette Kalister, Joanne Kauchuk, Betty Kensick, Tony Kernan, Karen Kraus, Linda Kreon, Fr. Dennis Krstancic, Marilyn Lombardo, Karen Long, Mary Lynch, Eileen Mangan, Sr. Rita Marra, SND, Rosemarie Martin, Patrick McAvinue, George McKee, Molly McQuillan & family, Sandra McRae, Andrea Medina, Betty Ann Menzing, Mary Jo Menzing, Tony Miller, Jim & Steve Moravcik, Dave Norris, Tom O'Boyle, Noreen Ortiz, Tony Pierson, Lisa Prokopius, Catherine Rajnicek, Carol Roberts, Matthew Rossman, Ron Ruble, Bob Ruddy, Mary Salamon, Mary Ellen Salo, Marilyn Samonte, Jerry Secunde, Jeffrey Secunde, Carolyn Sesplankis, Brandy Shuttera, Debbie Shav-orinsky, Terri Siegwath, Joanna Somerville, Larry Sowders, Bernie Sprenger, Christopher Stein, Roberta Steinbacher, Janet Tang, Pete & Teri Thayer, Kevin Thompson, Sherrie Thompson, Dennis Tyburski, Celine Whelpley, John & Noreen Williams, Jay Yesenko, Eileen Young, Jacqueline Zambarano.

Thank you for your generous support!

Sunday, May 1 \$ 4,242.22

Special Gifts \$ 1,735.00

Scrip, profit from gift cards \$ 175.05

OUTDOOR Clothing Giveaway, May 15th, 1-2 p.m. Rain date May 22. Save the date and plan ahead. Donations can be brought at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 15th. **YOU** will lay your donations out in the designated sidewalk areas. (Limited volunteer help may be available to assist those physically unable to do this.) Those attending the 11 a.m. Mass can lay your donations out after Mass. **ONLY** donations of clothing, toys, bedding, baby items. If you would be able to help during this event or help to cleanup, contact Katie.

It's that time of year for all organizations to send in your **meeting dates and times** for July, 2022 thru June, 2023. Thank you!

Free \$10 Speedway gas cards are available at the rectory for parishioners to offset the high cost of gasoline.

Advertiser of the Week:
Catholic Cemeteries Association

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
- * Michael Duniec (Air Force), grandson of Dottie Schultz and nephew of Margie Pavone.

The Haiti Committee will be selling **Just Haiti coffee** after all the Masses this weekend (**May 7/8**). Bags of Whole Bean or Ground are \$12 each and Boxes of "J" Cups are \$10 each. Thank you for your support!

Fellowship Prayer breakfast is back! All are welcome on **Saturday, May 15th** to come to Fogarty Hall for the Holy Name Men's Ministry Prayer Breakfast **at 8:30am**. Cost is \$3 each or 2 for \$5. Come and bring a friend!





This Week at Blessed Trinity

Monday, May 9

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

Tuesday, May 10

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 Grp.
(Rectory Living Room)

Wednesday, May 11

3:00pm—3:45pm Witness for Ukraine (front sidewalk)

5:00pm—6:45pm Bountiful Basement

Thursday, May 12

11:00am—12:00pm AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)

2:00pm—4:00pm Stephen Min. Grp. Mtg. (Rec. Lib.)

7:00pm—8:30pm Bible Study (Rec. Liv. Rm.)

Friday, May 13

1:00pm—4:00pm Steph. Min. Ldrs. Mtg. (Jos. Cntr.)

Saturday, May 14

9:00am-12:00pm Centering Prayer Workshop (J. C.)

Centering Prayer Introductory Program Planned for May 14

Do you seek the still, quiet voice of God? The Centering Prayer Introductory Program will help us to understand the Indwelling Presence of God within each of us and our intimate relationship with that Presence. The method of Centering Prayer will be presented. We will explore the benefits of Centering Prayer in ordinary life and experience two periods of Centering Prayer practice. All are welcome to attend! The program will be presented on May 14th in the Joseph Center, 4370 West 140 St. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The program is scheduled 9 a.m. – noon. The program will be presented by experienced practitioners of Centering Prayer who are commissioned to present the program by Contemplative Outreach, Ltd. (www.contemplativeoutreach.org.) For more information or to sign up, please leave your name & phone with the office at Blessed Trinity Parish: 216.671.5890 or www.office@blessedtrinitycleveland.org.

Caring Corner



Four of our recently commissioned Stephen Ministers have been assigned care receivers. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin this important ministry. Two of our new female ministers remain to be assigned. If you or someone you know might benefit from this one-to-one, Christ-centered care for people experiencing grief, health issues, divorce, spiritual crisis, job loss, infertility, or other life difficulties, please contact the Stephen Ministry help line at 216-671-5890, Extension 19. A Stephen Leader will contact you to discuss your situation.

If you own a business and would like to advertise in our Guidebook Directory, call Jackie Hicks at 440-225-7798.



WORSHIP

Saturday, May 7

4:00pm Special Intention for the Month of Mary (Saleema Corrigan)

Sunday, May 8 (Acts 13:14, 43-52; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30)

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Theresa Cavanagh (Mary Jo Porach)
Baptism: Josiah Ronald Clark

Monday, May 9

11:00am All Souls
At Westpark Healthcare Campus
4387 W. 150th St.

Tuesday, May 10

8:00am Novena—Rosary

8:30am John & Ann Roddy
(Ron & Kathy Mickler)

Wednesday, May 11

8:30am All Souls

Friday, May 13

8:30am All Souls

Saturday, May 14

4:00pm Richard Gromek & Joanne Stevens
(Stanley Gromek)

Sunday, May 15 (Acts 14:21-27; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35)

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Henry Reiting, Jr. (Family)

Nature's Way, (on the grounds of Blessed Trinity), is hiring for the **position of Cook**. Hours are Monday - Friday 8:00 - 1/1:30. Experience preferred but willing to train. Also: **Summer Camp Staff** - Active supervision of children. Both positions require : Minimum of 18 years of age, High School/ GED, Background checks FBI and BCI. Call 216-252-0024 or email to n8urway@aol.com

Hearts on Fire 2022 – Jesuit Retreat Center’s annual fundraising event. Friday, May 13, 5:45 - 8:30pm. Visit our [website](#) for tickets, sponsorship, and underwriting opportunities. *Jesuit Retreat Center, 5629 State Rd, Parma, OH 44134. <https://www.jesuitretreatcenter.org>.*

Theology on the Rocks – West at La Centre, 25777 Detroit Rd., Westlake. Speaker: **Sr. Rita Mary Harwood**, speaking on Migration and Refugee Services. Monday, May 9th at 7pm. Cost is \$15. Pay online or at the door. RSVP required. Register at www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west

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