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JULY 10, 2022

FIFTEENTH 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: 11:00am

At Westpark Healthcare Campus

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Tuesday: 8:30am

Wednesday: 8:30am

Thursday: No Mass

Friday: 8:30am

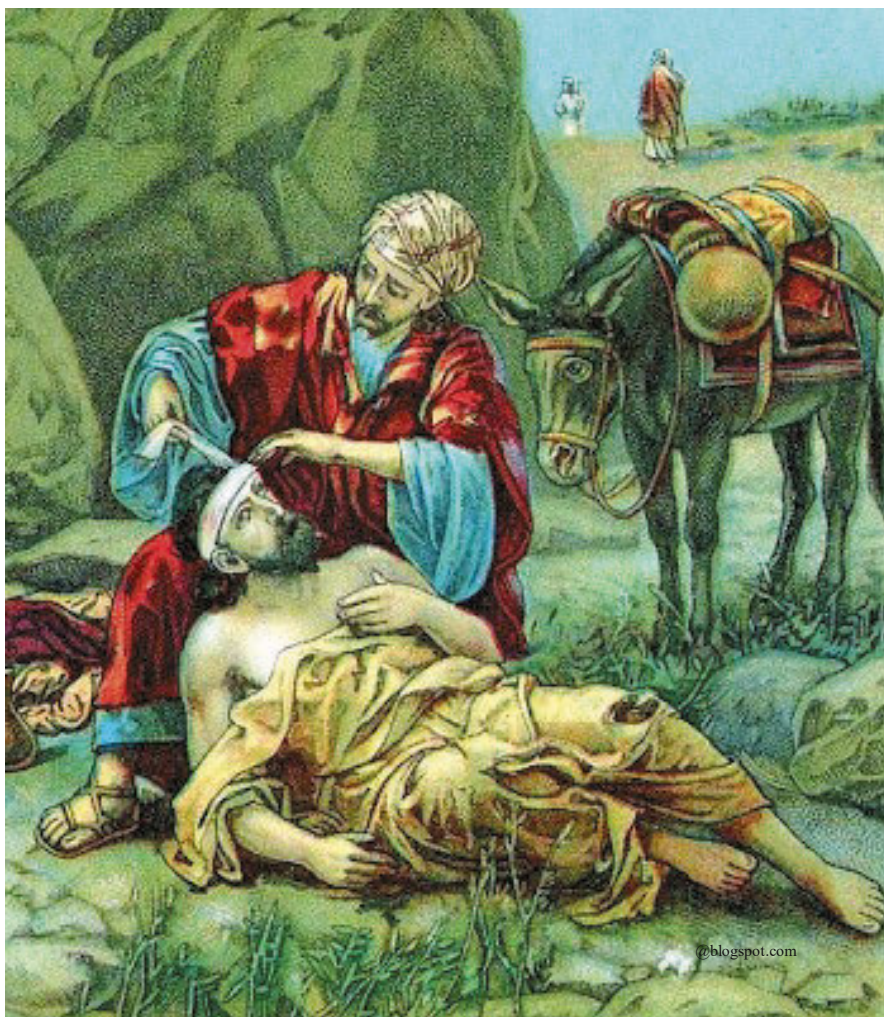
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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: 69



Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

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From the Desk of Fr. Doug

What's the Opposite of Excommunicated?

Back in the day, the worst thing that could happen to a Catholic was that they would be excommunicated. In the canon law of the Catholic Church, excommunication (Lat. 'ex', out of, and 'communio' or 'communicatio', communion, meaning exclusion from the community), the principal and severest censure, is a penalty that excludes the guilty Catholic of all participation in church life. Being a penalty, it presupposes guilt and being the most serious penalty that the Catholic Church hierarchy can nowadays inflict, it supposes a grave offense. The excommunicated person is basically considered as an exile from the Church, for a time at least, in the sight of ecclesiastical authority.

Notice the reference to an ecclesiastical authority. But if someone is baptized Catholic but never participates in the life of the church, aren't they also excommunicated, i.e., not a part of the community? By living their lives the way they do, they have declared that they do not wish to be a part of the community of faith. In this case, excommunication is not a punishment by an ecclesiastical authority. It is a choice. It's another way of saying non-Catholic or I'm not Catholic any more.

But what is the opposite of excommunication? When Pope Paul VI ruled that the practice of artificial forms of birth control were immoral and that Catholics were forbidden to use them, 96% of Catholics in the US, ignored him. Although excommunicated, they remained faithful to the other teachings of the church. They simply ignored this one.

More and more I encounter people who declare themselves Catholics. They assert that no episcopal authority is going to define who

can be a Catholic for them. They continue to participate in all aspects of church life. They may be gay, divorced and remarried, living together before marriage, non-Catholic, yet they show up on Sunday, are in communion with the rest of the assembly by their presence and receive the Eucharist. They haven't been to the sacrament of reconciliation in years and see no need to go. The people that I have encountered that fit this category are sincere about their faith. They simply have lost all confidence in the structure of the Catholic Church which they find duplicitous. And the most common example cited is that priests and cardinals who have molested children can be forgiven and receive communion but people who support abortion rights cannot?

This may not be as radical as it sounds. In olden days we spoke of baptism of desire and baptism of blood. These baptisms described people who by their actions, desire or sacrificing their life for Christ, were welcomed into the church and into eternal salvation.

If a church is supposed to continue the work of Jesus, it's hard to define what "being Catholic" means because we all fall short of following Jesus' example of perfect human love and putting into practice everything that Jesus taught and did. This is where it helps to see that we are all on a journey rather than members of a group who have to follow the rules.

So, are you a Catholic because you want to be, or because you were born into the faith or because you haven't been excommunicated? Or are you Catholic by choice with an adult faith?

AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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Please pray for:

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Thank you for your generous support!

Sunday, July 3 \$ 4,768.00

Special Gifts \$ 2,875.00

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COMMUNITY MEAL TODAY 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. in Fogarty Hall. All are welcome. Come enjoy a free meal and wonderful hospitality!



SAVE THE DATE: July 22, 7-8pm at Blessed Trinity Parish. A program honoring **Mary Magdalene on her feast day**. Hosted by women from Blessed Trinity. This event will be held in the church. Please RSVP to the office at 216-671-5890.

The **Centering Prayer Group** has become "official". We will be meeting every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month, starting **July 12th at 7pm** and going to about 8:30pm. We will be meeting in the Joseph Center. Anyone still interested in participating, come July 12th.

2022 Guidebook and Directory Registered parishioners can look forward to receiving your copy soon through the mail. We are aware that several phone numbers are missing. Ginger is preparing an insert page with the missing numbers. We will make it available for you to pick up to add to your copy. If you need your insert page mailed, please contact the office. Apologies to all whose listing is incomplete.

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.

On behalf of the Sisters of St. Joseph, it is with deep gratitude for your commitment to serve, that we thank you for helping us coordinate our memorial Mass of June 25, 2022. The mission of your ministry of consolation reflects our own ministry of service to the dear neighbor.

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This Week at Blessed Trinity

Sunday, July 10

12:30pm—1:30pm Community Meal (Fogarty Hall)

Monday, July 11

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

Tuesday, July 12

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 Mtg.
(Rectory Living Room)

7:00pm—8:30pm Centering Prayer Group Mtg.
(Joseph Center)

Wednesday, July 13

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

5:00pm—6:45pm Bountiful Basement

7:00pm—8:00pm Tai Chi Easy (outside by gardens)

Thursday, July 14

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

Saturday, July 16

5:00pm—5:45pm Witness for Ukraine/End Racism
(front sidewalk)

The Haiti Committee will be selling **Just Haiti coffee** after all the Masses this weekend (**July 9/10**). Bags of Whole Bean or Ground are \$12 each and Boxes of "J" Cups are \$10 each. Thank you for your support!

Theology on the Rocks – West. Meeting July 11 at 7pm. Topic: Marriage, Annulment & the Church. Held at La Centre, 25777 Detroit Rd. \$15 per person. Pay online or at the door. Be sure to RSVP either way. At www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west.

The next Cleveland Retrouvaille Weekend is scheduled for **August 26-28, 2022**. The Retrouvaille program is a Lifeline for Troubled Marriages. Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring – your relationship cold, distant – thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced but both of you want to try again? Then the Retrouvaille program may help you rediscover each other again. RETROUVAILLE, French for rediscovery, is supported by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, but it is open to couples of all faiths. This program consists of a weekend experience for couples and six follow up sessions. A registration fee of \$200 is required to confirm your reservation. For more information concerning the program, or to register, please call Marce or Liz Gliha at 440.357.6580 or 1.800.470.2230, or go online to www.helpourmarriage.org



WORSHIP

Saturday, July 9

4:00pm Blessed Trinity

Sunday, July 10 (Dt 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37)

9:00am All Souls

Baptism: Alexander Louis Gaulty

11:00am Dan Miller (Deborah Maschke)

Monday, July 11

11:00am All Souls

Tuesday, July 12

8:00am Novena—Rosary

8:30am All Souls

Wednesday, July 13

8:30am All Souls

Friday, July 15

8:30am All Souls

Saturday, July 16

4:00pm All Souls

Sunday, July 17 (Gn 18: 1-10a; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42)

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Betty Kensick (Hannah McMonagle)

Journaling with Teilhard: The Spiritual Journey in The Divine Milieu - Series 2. *A Virtual Program.* Mondays, from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. July 11, 18, 25 and August 1, 8, 15. Presented by Michael Reiling, M.Ed. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, SJ lays out in his book, *The Divine Milieu*, the spiritual journey according to an evolutionary and Cosmic Christ perspective. In this virtual program, we will enter Teilhard's depiction of the spiritual journey to enrich and direct our own. Each session will include short presentations, directed journaling work and conversations. Cost: \$45. *Jesuit Retreat Center, 5629 State Rd, Parma, OH 44134.* <https://www.jesuitretreatcenter.org>

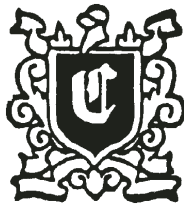
Catholic Renewal Ministries' 39th Annual Conference to be held on **Saturday, July 16** at St. Albert the Great Parish Reception Hall, 6667 Wallings Rd., N. Royalton. This year's theme: "Rejoice, Pray, Give Thanks". Guest speakers: Sr. Marie Fidelis from the Disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ Community, Barbara Heil with Renewal Ministries, & Fr. Bob Franco. Bishop-Elect Michael Woost will be the celebrant for the Vigil Mass. Visit the CRM website: www.crmweb.org or call Sandy at 440-554-8119 for more info and to register. Advance registration by Wednesday, July 6, is \$30, and at the door \$35. Come, experience the healing power and gifts of the Holy Spirit!

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