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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**

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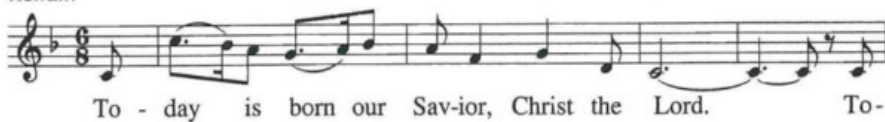
## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

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 96: Today Is Born Our Savior**

**Refrain**



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## *From the Desk of Fr. Doug*

### A New Year, A New Beginning

The New Year marks an opportunity for a new beginning! Yes, clearly, every day is an opportunity for a new beginning. But a new year usually triggers something inside of us to leave last year in last year and begin again in this New Year—we anticipate some positive changes in our life as we close on one year and start a new one.

Here are four ways to begin the New Year:

1. Reflecting and celebrating on God's deliverance in our life. When God first officially established the New Year, God chose the Passover—the day when He had completely delivered the Israelites from Egypt—as the beginning. God's first "New Year" is brought in with a great deliverance, and then an order for His children to start every New Year remembering what He has done for them by celebrating Passover. That's a way to begin the New Year, reflecting and celebrating in your heart, in your mind, and in your standard of living the great deliverance God has done in your life by way of Jesus. Think on that.

2. Appreciating God's glory in our lives and offering our lives in response. "Then the Lord said to Moses: "Set up the tabernacle, the tent of meeting, on the first day of the first month...In this New Year we see that the Tabernacle was set up. The Tabernacle—i.e. the sacred tent of meeting, which housed the Ark of the Covenant—was a constant sign of God's dwelling place among the Israelites. The new beginning in this New Year was God's presence. His glory amongst them leading them into fulfillment of His promises! So how much more shall God's glory be amongst us, us who have received "Emmanuel" and in whom the Holy Spirit now lives, leading us into the fulfillment of His promises for our lives? Think on that. So here's another way to begin the New Year, appreciating God's glory in your life by offering your life in response.

3. Highlighting God's faithfulness to His

promises in our lives. In this New Year we see the Israelites crossed the Jordan. Crossing the Jordan for the new generations was as paramount as the prior generations crossing the Red Sea. That's definitely a new beginning! Crossing the Jordan signified God's faithfulness to His promises. And that is another way to begin the New Year. Stop highlighting the negatives around you and in your life, but rather highlight God's faithfulness to His promises in your life. You have health. You have shelter. You have food. You have a church community. You have family and/or friends. You can use your mind and senses and other abilities. You have a purpose you will fulfill before you leave this earth. You have the protection of a sovereign God. You have eternal life. You have a personal relationship with the Creator of the Universe. Do I need to go on?

4. Claiming and walking in our victory through Christ over sin. "We've already read that Passover is during the first month of the year for the Israelites. In the beginning of this Christianization of Passover, the death and resurrection of Jesus was the straw that broke the back of sin and death, giving us all the possibility of a new beginning, hope of life after death, and the accessibility to His power in our daily lives. The Bible says in 1Cor. 15:57, "But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." And, that there is a right way to start the New Year, claiming and walking in our victory through Christ over sin day-by-day.

In closing...What positive changes do you need to make in your life this year? St. Paul writes, "Not that I have already reached the goal or am already perfect, but I make every effort to take hold of it because I also have been taken hold of by Christ Jesus. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and reaching forward to what is ahead, I pursue as my goal the prize promised by God's heavenly call in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 3:12-14, CSB).



## AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

Leave last year in last year, and take this opportunity in this New Year to petition God for God's help and power and then do your part to make the changes you know need to be made.

Matthew Henry wrote, "When a new year begins, we should think of serving God more and better than we did the year before." And that pretty much sums it up right there. A New Year, A New Beginning.

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As we commemorate the second anniversary of the victory of democracy over treason, join us on Friday, January 6 at 7:00pm as we celebrate the Journey of the Angels, a Christmas inspired musical celebration of song, dance and theatre. All are invited. Refreshments afterwards.

### Thank you for your generous support!

<b>Sunday, December 18</b>	<b>\$ 4,245.00</b>
<b>Special Gifts</b>	<b>\$ 2910.00</b>
<b>Profit from gift card sales 12/19</b>	<b>\$ 454.56</b>
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The Calendar Raffle is back! We will be selling tickets this weekend after Masses. We will be drawing winners starting January 1st!

### Please pray for:

Nancy Abarca, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Azarello, Lisa Baus, Lenore Begin, Vincent Bontempo, Charlene Boyer, Mary Brennan, Adele Burke, Ann Busch, Callie Carley, Gladys Castro, Pat Chapin, Romualdo Cipro, Alex & Ashley Cornet, McKayla Coyne, Teri Crowe, Cathrine Damm, John Darmstadt, Diane Dorenkott, Martin Patrick Dugan, Dukles Family, Joseph Dunn, Barb Dylag, Edward Dzuro, Scott Eidam, Shirley Fago, Donald Flanagan, Vesna Goverdovski, Michael Graham, Dottie Green Family, Liz Greller, Donald Haluska, Robert Hardman, Catherine Heidinger, Susanne Heisey, Agnes Hocevar, Helena Hoogstraten, Gail Iseli, Carole Iseli, John Itayem, Eileen Kelly, Nicola Jandric, Roubir Jesri, Jr., Vicki & Rudy Juris, Joanne Kauchuk, Tony Kernan, Karen Kraus, Linda Kreon, Fr. Dennis Kristancic, Marilyn Lombardo, Karen Long, Mary Lynch, Eileen Mangan, Sr. Rita Marra, SND, Rosemarie Martin, Patrick McAvinue, George McKee, Molly McQuillan & family, Andrea Medina, Betty Ann Menzing, Mary Jo Menzing, Tony Miller, Charles Miller, Jim & Steve Moravcik, Dave Norris, Tom O'Boyle, Noreen Ortiz, Tony Pierson, Lisa Prokopius, Carol Roberts, Matthew Rossman, Ron Ruble, Bob Ruddy, Mary Salamon, Grace Samarin, Marilyn Samonte, Jerry Secunde, Brandy Shuttera, Debbie Shavorinsky, Terri Siegwarth, Joanna Somerville, Larry Sowders, Bernie Sprenger, Christopher Stein, Roberta Steinbacher, Janet Tang, Kevin Thompson, Sherrie Thompson, Celine Whelpley, Noreen Williams, Monica Woodman, Jay Yesenko, Eileen Young, Jeala Youssefi, Jacqueline Zambarano.

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.

**AUXILIARY HEARING AMPLIFICATION PACKS** are available in the sacristy. Please return them when you are finished.

**Centering Prayer** meets on the second and fourth Tuesday evenings each month at 6:30 pm in the Joseph Center. Join us for these spiritual growth sessions.

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## This Week at Blessed Trinity

<b>Sunday, Jan 1</b>	<b>Happy New Year!</b>
<b>Monday, Jan 2</b>	<b>Rectory Office Closed</b>
<b>Tuesday, Jan 3</b>	
8:00am-8:30am	Novena—Rosary (Church)
9:30am—12:00pm	Bountiful Basement
10:30am—12:00pm	AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)
6:00pm—8:00pm	Journey of Angels Practice (Church)
<b>Wednesday, Jan 4</b>	
4:30pm—6:30pm	Mobile Pantry Produce Give-Away (Parish Grounds)
5:00pm—6:45pm	Bountiful Basement
7:00pm—8:30pm	Tai Chi Easy (Fogarty Hall)
<b>Thursday, Jan 5</b>	
11:00am—12:00pm	AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)
2:00pm—4:00pm	Stephen Ministry Group Mtg. (Rectory Library)
6:30pm—8:00pm	Faith Sharing Prayer Group (Rectory Library)
<b>Friday, Jan 6</b>	
7:00—8:30pm	Journey of the Angels (Church)
<b>Saturday, Jan 7</b>	
9:30am—11:00am	Ragamuffin Faith Sharing Group (Rectory Living Room)
9:00am—11:00am	IDCC (Joseph Center)
11:00am—3:30pm	Rental (Joseph Center)
3:30pm—8:00pm	Choir Potluck (Joseph Center)

**Blessed Trinity Bible Study** is on break until after the start of the new year. Bible Study will resume on Thursday, January 12, 2023 and begin a series on Exodus. Bible Study meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month both in the rectory living room and via ZOOM. Study materials are available in the rectory library. All are welcome.

**AM 1260 The Rock** is having a monthly Mass said for YOU - our listeners and donors and your intentions. Each 11<sup>th</sup> day of the month we will have a Mass said at a different parish in the Diocese of Cleveland. Why you ask on the 11<sup>th</sup> of the month? Well, because our first broadcast was May 11<sup>th</sup>. We would welcome all to celebrate Mass as prayers are offered for you, our listeners, and benefactors. The January Mass is at St. Rocco on Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 AM. Visit [AM1260therock.com](http://AM1260therock.com) for the complete schedule of The Mass of the Month.

AN INTER-PARISH MEN'S GROUP will meet **January 6<sup>th</sup>** for a First Friday luncheon at St. Clarence Church, 30106 Lorraine Road, North Olmsted. Registration begins at 11:15 AM, followed by the luncheon, then an inspirational talk, and concludes with Mass. Please call George Perz at (440) 937-6606 by **Tuesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>** to make a reservation. Cost is \$16.00.



## WORSHIP

### **Saturday, Dec 31      The Holy Family**

4:00pm      Michael, Sr. & Luz Marflak  
(Victoria Suzrez)

7:00pm      Interfaith Service for Non-Violence

### **Sunday, Jan 1      Solemnity of Mary**

**(Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21)**

9:00am      Blessed Trinity

11:00am      All Souls

### **Monday, Jan 2**

11:00am      All Souls

**At West Park Healthcare Campus  
4387 W. 150th St.**

### **Tuesday, Jan 3**

8:30am      Joe & Goldie Koesel  
(McGraw family)

### **Wednesday, Jan 4**

8:30am      Lucy Kilbane  
(Marylu A. L'Hommedieu)

### **Thursday, Jan 5**

No Mass

### **Friday, Jan 6**

8:30am      All Souls

### **Saturday, Jan 7**

4:00pm      Rochelle Samonte  
(Ferdinand Samonte)

### **Sunday, Jan 8      Epiphany of the Lord**

**(Is60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12)**

9:00am      All Souls

11:00am      Blessed Trinity

**Gentle Woman Fellowship** meets First Friday Jan. 6 at St. Clarence Parish at 8:30am for Mass followed by the Rosary in the Chapel and refreshments and speaker in Room 8. Vicky Follen, will speak about pro-life issues. RSVP Mary Tschanz at 440-235-6258 if attending gathering.

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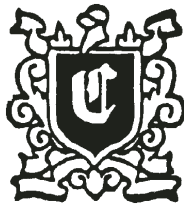


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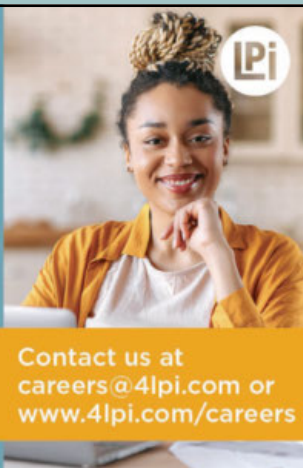
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