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MARCH 5, 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Wednesday: 9am—8pm

Thursday & Friday: 9am—5pm

(Closed for lunch 12:30–1:00pm)

Saturday: 1pm—3:45pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am and 11:00am

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.



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Psalm 33: Let Your Mercy Be on Us

Refrain



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Volunteers vs. Disciples

Part of my ordination rite included an explanation by Bishop Murphy that we deacons had been preparing for ministry in the diocese of Cleveland. The seminary faculty said that, to the best of their knowledge, we were prepared. Then the bishop asked the assembly to affirm that we had been called by the community. The community gave their assent by applause. There were 13 of us being ordained so the cathedral was packed with family and friends. The congregation affirmed our call with a thunderous and sustained applause that was quite moving and powerful for us.

When Bishop Lennon came, he changed that response of the congregation. Instead of applause, he had the congregation chant “Thanks be to God.” It was like popping the air out of a balloon. That response did not have the same effect. But what Bishop Lennon was trying to do was to distinguish between the meaning of applause (congrats for a job or performance well done) and a ritual response (to acclaim what the grace of God has done).

This is an important distinction. There are many occasions when we applaud in church. We applaud our promise of support for those in the Children of Light process. We are not congratulating the kids. When we celebrate a baptism, we sing Alleluia as I lift the baby from out of the font instead of applauding. We are celebrating God’s work among us. We aren’t congratulating the parents and godparents.

You often see me making a request for, or thanking “disciples”. For example in the Bountiful Basement we have disciples filling orders and loading cars. But we also have volunteers do the same thing. And we also have people doing community service doing the same thing. It may look like the same thing

but it’s not. What’s the difference? It’s the motivation.

A volunteer sees a need and wants to help out.

A person doing community service, mandated or otherwise, is working to receive personal benefit.

A disciple is a student of Jesus Christ, putting the Gospel mandate into practice, feeding the hungry.

A volunteer is someone who freely gives his or her time and energy to a task, usually for some altruistic purpose. This is a good thing, even necessary. However, a disciple is a devoted follower, an apprentice. A disciple of Jesus is someone wholeheartedly devoted to the person, teaching and mission of Christ. While volunteerism can find a place within discipleship, it represents a tiny aspect of a far more demanding vocation.

Volunteers can do great things to love and care for others. However, they can also opt out when it is no longer convenient, when their volunteerism is seen as an exceptional act of service above the status quo. On the other hand, the disciple relates to the sons and daughters of God through the eyes of Christ—seeking to both see Jesus in them and be Jesus to them. They recognize that, like the incarnation, when we enter into the lives of others, we cannot simply opt out.

While volunteerism is and will remain an important way in which Christians can live out aspects of being disciples of Jesus, we must first cast off the assumptions of our consumerist culture that deceives us into believing that faithful obedience to God is yet another market option we can choose on a whim. What we need to see is those willing to embrace the vocation of genuine discipleship and to live lives of sacrificial service to God and others.

AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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Nancy Abarca, Joan Andrews, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Azzarello, 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, Will Gibson, 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, Dan Kemer, Tony Kernan, Karen Kraus, Linda Krenon, Fr. Dennis Kristancic, Marilyn Lombardo, Karen Long, Mary Lynch, Eileen Mangan, Sr. Rita Marra, SND, Rosemarie Martin, Patrick McAvinue, Roy McInerney, Jr., George McKee, Molly McQuillan & family, Andrea Medina, Betty Ann Menzing, Mary Jo Menzing, Tony Miller, Charles Miller, Jim & Steve Moravcik, Ginger Needham, Dave Norris, Tom O'Boyle, Noreen Ortiz, Tony Pierson, Lisa Prokopius, Carol Roberts, Matthew Rossman, Ron Ruble, Mary Salamon, Grace Samarin, Marilyn Samonte, Vic Scigliano, Jerry Secunde, Brandy Shuttera, Debbie Shavorinsky, Terri Siegwarth, Joanna Somerville, Larry Sowders, Bernie Sprenger, Evana Stanonik, Christopher Stein, Roberta Steinbacher, Janet Tang, Kevin Thompson, Sherrie Thompson, Celine Whelpley, Noreen Williams, Karin Wishner, Monica Woodman, Jay Yessenko, Eileen Young, Jeala Youssefi, Jacqueline Zambarano.

Thank you for your generous support!

Sunday, February 19	\$ 4,201.50
Special Gifts	\$ 2,399.00
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Thank you for the truckload of cups, plates, silverware, etc! This year all of our Fish Fry non-food products have been donated by Shawn and Mary Ann Mueller, in remembrance of their brother and husband, Kerry Mueller. Shawn wrote, "He loved your church and also the Fish Fries. We miss him dearly. Have a great FF season!" We love and miss Kerry, too. Thank you, Shawn and Mary Ann, for such a generous gift!

Taize Lenten Prayer Our meditative evening prayer is this Sunday from 7-8 pm at Lakewood Baptist Church, 14321 Detroit Ave. in Lakewood. This gathering of chants, silence and short scripture readings is led by members of our parish choir. Free will offerings support Center Space. Join us!

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
- * James Andrews (Navy), nephew of Bob and Kathy Grega

Lenten Series starts this week! Join us for time of reflection, discussion and prayer stemming from segments of *The Chosen* video series. March 8 at 7 p.m. and March 9 at 9 a.m. will focus on the first four Beatitudes. 3/14 p.m. & 3/16 a.m. will be the last four Beatitudes. 3/20 p.m. & 3/23 a.m. are on the Woman at the Well. Sessions on Discipleship will be held on 3/30 in both the morning and evening time slots. *What happened in between was Him.*





This Week at Blessed Trinity

Sunday, Mar 5

9:00am—10:45am	Level 1 Atrium & PSR Grs 1-3 (Atrium)
10:00am—10:45am	PSR Grs 4-8 (Rectory Basement)
11:00am Mass	Children's Liturgy of the Word
12:00pm—1:15pm	Children of Light (Atrium)

Monday, Mar 6

9:30am—10:30am	Legion of Mary (Church)
7:00pm—8:30pm	St. Vincent de Paul Society (Rectory Living Room)

Tuesday, Mar 7

8:00am—8:30am	Novena—Rosary (Church)
9:00am—11:00am	IDCC (Joseph Center)
9:30am—12:00pm	Bountiful Basement (BB)
10:30am—12:00pm	AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)
7:00pm—8:30pm	Blessed Trinity Prayer Grp. (Joseph Center)

Wednesday, Mar 8

4:00pm—6:00pm	IDCC (Joseph Center)
5:00pm—6:45pm	Bountiful Basement (BB)
5:00pm—7:00pm	Evening of Confessions (Church)
7:00pm—8:30pm	Tai Chi Easy (Fogarty Hall)
7:00pm—8:30pm	Lent <i>Chosen</i> Series (Church)

Thursday, Mar 9

9:00am—10:30am	Lent <i>Chosen</i> Series (Church)
11:00am—12:00pm	AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)
7:00pm—8:30pm	Bible Study (Rectory Living Room)

Friday, Mar 10

1:00pm—3:00pm	Stephen Leaders Mtg. (Rectory Library)
5:30pm—7:30pm	Fish Fry (Fogarty Hall and Kitchen)

Saturday, Mar 11

9:00am—11:00am	IDCC (Joseph Center)
1:30pm—3:00pm	Confirmation Prep (Joseph Center)



A Prayer Request

We are asking for the involvement of the parish community during this Lenten Season to pray for those who are entering their final weeks of preparation for sacraments of initiation. Twelve youth will celebrate Baptism and/or Confirmation and Eucharist this year. Prayer cards are in the pews to take with you as a reminder of your prayer commitment. Let us do our part to support these members of our parish family.



WORSHIP

Saturday, Mar 4

4:00pm Marlene Brunette (Nancy Butler)

Sunday, Mar 5 (Gn 12:1-4a; 2 Tim 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9)

9:00am Thomas and Joanne Salem (Family)

11:00am Blessed Trinity

Monday, Mar 6

11:00am All Souls

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

Tuesday, Mar 7

8:30am All Souls

Wednesday, Mar 8

8:30am All Souls

Friday, Mar 10

8:30am All Souls

Saturday, Mar 11

4:00pm Jackie Ryan Smith (June Grace)

Sunday, Mar 5 (Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5: 1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42)

9:00am Amalia and Alberto Pirozzoli
(Rose Pirozzoli and Family)

11:00am Blessed Trinity

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