

Blessed Trinity

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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APRIL 29, 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Wednesday: 9am—8pm

Thursday & Friday: 9am—5pm

(Closed for lunch 12:30–1:00pm)

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

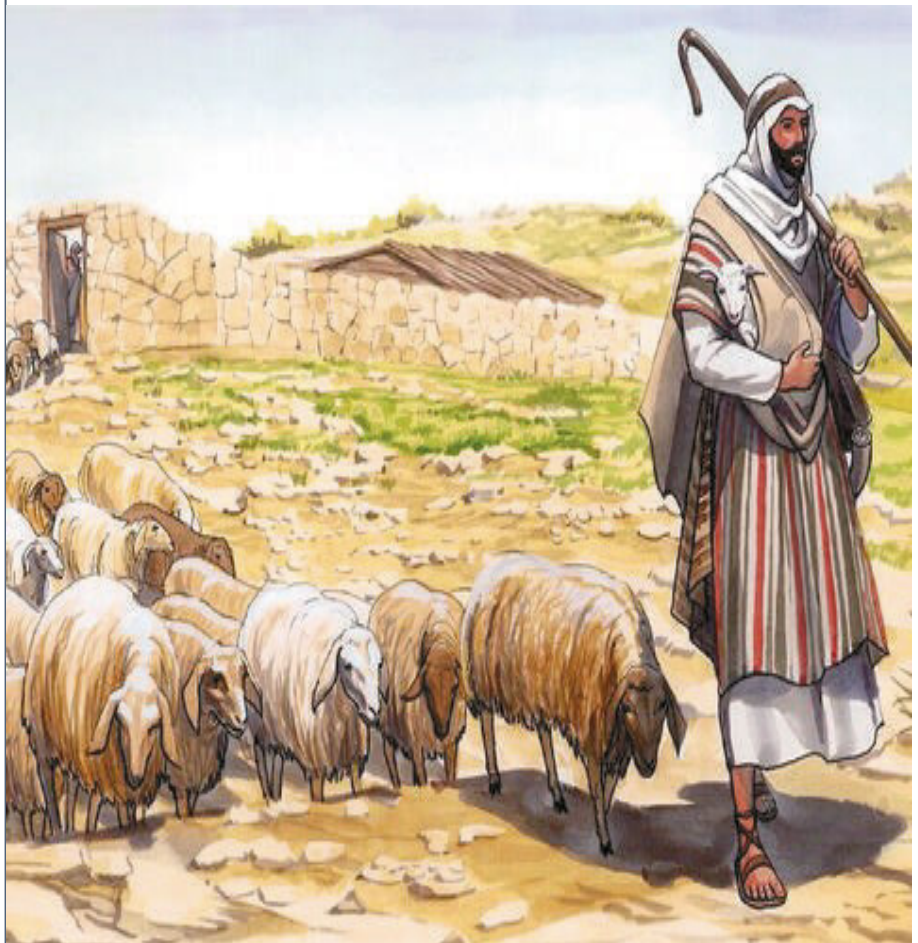
Friday: 8:30am

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.



Psalm 23: My Shepherd Is the Lord

Antiphon I



My shep-herd is the Lord, noth-ing in-deed shall I want.

Text: Psalm 23; The Grail
Music: Joseph Gelineau, SJ
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From the Desk of Fr. Doug

Eucharistic Revival (part two)

There is a Latin saying that goes like this, “lex orandi, lex credendi”. Translated it means, the way we pray reflects what we believe. This is seen not just in the words we say but especially in our architecture, art, environment, our body posture, the hymns we choose, etc.

With the renewal of the Mass came a renewed understanding of what Mass is. More emphasis was given to the shared, ritual meal aspect of the liturgy. This was expressed in one of the first English guitar hymns that we sang, *Sons of God*. We don't sing it any longer because it was about as musically sophisticated as something you'd find on Sesame Street and the language was not gender neutral, but look how things had changed from Holy God We Praise Thy Name.

Sons of God, hear his holy word.

Gather 'round the table of the Lord.

Eat his body drink his blood

And we'll sing a song of love

No longer was the emphasis on sinfulness and sacrifice. Now we rejoice that we are children of God. Now we are hearing the Word of God in our native tongue. Now we are at a banquet of love where we eat AND drink. This was a new way of understanding and celebrating the death and resurrection of Christ. Instead of individual hosts, we “broke the bread”, a larger bread to emphasize the Eucharistic call to share.

The church was growing in the late 60s and 70s. As new churches were being built new architecture captured the “lex orandi, lex credendi”. Gone was the long nave. Instead churches were built “in the round” really a semi-circle. The idea was to get people closer to the altar and to each other, to simulate a family gathered around the table for a Thanksgiving meal.

Gone was the large crucifix on which Jesus died. Instead of stopping in the middle of the story, churches celebrated the end of the story –Resurrection and new life. Depictions of the Risen Christ, whose sanctifying power dispels wickedness, washes guilt away, restores lost innocence, brings joy to mourners, drives out hatred, fosters concord, and brings down the mighty, replaced the suffering Christ on the cross.

The second Vatican Council was all about the baptism of the laity. Gone were the tiny fonts of water at the doors of the church. Instead, they were replaced by large baptismal fonts with living water, flowing water. It was here that the newly baptized were immersed in the waters. Baptisms were to be celebrated at Mass, not privately, because baptism is a welcoming into the community. You can't get welcomed if the community isn't there to welcome you.

The early church had no tabernacle. Communion was taken directly from the Eucharistic table to the sick and homebound and prisoners. New churches and newly remodeled ones, like ours, moved the tabernacle away from the center of attention and placed it off to the side or in a separate chapel area. There were now four focal points to the space: the altar, the ambo, the presider's chair, and the assembly. This is because Christ's presence is acknowledged in the Eucharist, in the Word, in the priest and in the baptized faithful who gather in His name. When it comes to church decorations, those four focal points should be highlighted each season of the year.

It was one thing to make changes, but quite another to get people to make them their own. I used to do many retreat Masses for Trinity High School students at Camp Christopher. Because it was a campsite, we had lots of flexibility in how we set up the chairs, the altar and ambo. Once I set up the chairs and we sat in a circle with the altar in the middle, like a family gathered for a meal. Once we placed the chairs in a semi-circle with the ambo on one end of the space. When the liturgy of the Eucharist came we all moved to the place where the altar was. Many times we had Mass outside. But when the kids had a chance to set up the worship space, what did they do? It looked like a pre-Vatican II set-up, me on one end and everyone else in rows facing me. The only thing that made it worse was the retreat director saying to me “Tell them what you want”, as if it was about what I wanted rather than what the church was doing.

Do you like how we pray at Blessed Trinity? Does it reflect what you believe?

AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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*May the Peace of Our Lord be with
Patrick McAvinue,
father of Chris McAvinue,
May God grant comfort to his family and friends.*

The **Blessed Trinity Centering Prayer** group meets at 6:30 pm in the Joseph Center every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. Newcomers are welcome. For more information, please contact Steve Flynn at 440-539-0689 or email: sflynn1129@gmail.com.



Mobile Pantry/Produce Give Away
May 3, 2023, 4:30--6:30 p.m. Contact Katie to help at 2:30pm to set up. Disciples also needed 3:45--6:30pm. Clients may be in line to receive produce after 4 p.m.

Please pray for:

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 Heiding-er, Susanne Heisey, Agnes Hovevar, 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 Kreon, Fr. Dennis Kristancic, Marilyn Lombardo, Karen Long, Mary Lynch, Eileen Mang-an, 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, Tony Pierson, Jean Plato, Lisa Prokopius, Carol Roberts, Matthew Rossman, Ron Ruble, Mary Salamon, Marilyn Samonte, Betty Schmidt, Vic Scigliano, Jerry Secunde, Brandy Shuttera, Debbie Shavorinsky, Terri Siegwarth, Larry Sowders, Bernie Sprenger, Evana Stanonik, Christopher Stein, Roberta Stein-bacher, Janet Tang, Kevin Thompson, Sherrie Thompson, Judy Urban, Celine Whelpley, Noreen Williams, Karin Wishner, 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
- * Francisco Cacho (Police), son of Medel Cacho and stepson to Marianne Cacho.
- * Michael Duniec (Air Force), grandson of Dottie Schultz and nephew of Margie Pavone
- * James Andrews (Navy), nephew of Bob and Kathy Grega



For the month of May the Bountiful Basement could use cleaning products. Thank you!

Advertiser of the Week:

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This Week at Blessed Trinity

Sunday, April 30

- 8:45 AM-10:30 AM Atrium Level I (Joseph Center)
- 9:00 AM-10:45 AM PSR Grs. 1-3 (Atrium)
- 10:00 AM-10:45 AM PSR Grs 4-8 (Rectory Basement)
- 10:00 AM-10:45 AM Planning for the Future Workshop (Fogarty)
- 11:00 AM-12:00 PM CLW (Church)

Monday, May 1

- 9:30 AM-10:30 AM Legion of Mary (Church)
- 7:00 PM-8:30 PM St. Vincent DePaul Society Mtg. (Rectory Living Rm)

Tuesday, May 2

- 8:00 AM-8:30 AM Novena - Rosary (Church)
- 9:00 AM-11:00 AM IDCC (Joseph Center)
- 9:30 AM-12:00 PM Bountiful Basement (BB)
- 10:30 AM-12:00 PM A. A. Meeting (Rectory Basement)
- 7:00 PM-8:30 PM Blessed Trinity Prayer Group (Joseph Center)

Wednesday, May 3

- 3:00 PM-3:45 PM Witness for Ukraine (BT Grounds)
- 4:00 PM-6:00 PM IDCC (Joseph Center)
- 4:30 PM-6:30 PM Mobile Pantry/Produce Give-Away (BT Grounds)
- 5:00 PM-6:45 PM Bountiful Basement (BB)
- 7:00 PM-8:30 PM Tai Chi Easy (Fogarty)

Thursday, May 4

- 11:00 AM-12:00 PM A. A. Meeting (Rectory Basement)
- 6:30 PM-8:00 PM Faith Sharing Prayer Group (Rectory Living Rm)
- 6:30 PM-9:00 PM NAMI (Joseph Center)

Friday, May 5

- 1:00 PM-3:00 PM Stephen Leaders Mtg. (Rectory Library)

Saturday, May 6

- 9:30 AM-11:00 AM Ragamuffin Faith Sharing Grp. (Rectory Living Rm)
- 5:00 PM-5:45 PM Witness for Ukraine/End Racism (BT Grounds)

Race for Hunger Relief Matching Gift Appeal

Rising food costs and decreases in the government's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) have resulted in numerous additional families in need of hunger relief. YOU can make a difference with your donation today to our matching gift campaign. Please share your blessings today with your financial gift. Donate at: svdpcl.org or mail your check to: St. Vincent de Paul Society Race for Hunger Relief, 1404 East 9th Street-3rd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114. Thank You!



WORSHIP

Saturday, April 29

4:00pm Patricia Kilbane (Family)

Sunday, April 30 (Acts 2: 14a, 36-41; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10 (49))

9:00am Peter Kenney (Mary Kreager)
Baptism—Alessa Ross Carney

11:00am Blessed Trinity

Monday, May 1

11:00am All Souls

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

Tuesday, May 2

8:30am All Souls

Wednesday, May 3

8:30am All Souls

Friday, May 5

8:30pm Sean Kelley (Joe & Maria Kelley)

Saturday, May 6

4:00pm Blessed Trinity

Sunday, May 7 (Acts 6:1-7; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14: 1-12 (52))

9:00am Maureen Ashdown (Ken & Audrey
Luke)

11:00am Dan Miller (Mike & Linda Wilson)

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



We will be selling Laura's candy
after each mass the weekend of
May 6th and 7th. There is very
good news, Laura will soon re-
ceive her work permit and be
able to legally work after apply-
ing 5 years ago. Thank you for
your continued support of Laura and her
boys during this waiting period. Checks
should be made out to Laura Martinez.

GENTLE WOMAN FELLOWSHIP an INTER-
PARISH GROUP Meets on First Fridays at Saint
Clarence Parish Center, 30106 Lorain Road, North
Olmsted, 44070. The May 5 meeting begins with
Mass at 8:30 am in the Chapel, followed by Rosary
and Coffee and Snack plus May Crowning in Class-
room 8. R.S.V.P. to Mary Tschanz at 440-235-6258.
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