

# Blessed Trinity

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**MAY 7, 2023**

**FIFTH 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**

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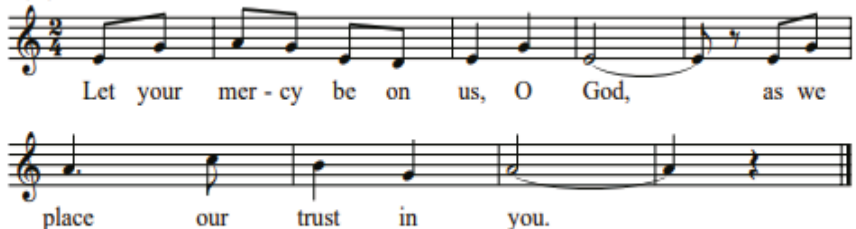
## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

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 33: Let Your Mercy Be on Us**

*Refrain*



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## ***From the Desk of Fr. Doug***

### **Eucharistic Revival (part three)**

Looking back it's hard to imagine that we seniors grew up learning that the Mass had three parts: Offertory, Consecration and Communion. The only hint that we had that the word of God was important was that if you didn't get there before the Gospel, then you hadn't "gotten to" Mass. This omission was accompanied by the requisite mortal sin.

Today we speak of the need for the assembly to have "full, active, and conscious participation." The Mass is our communal prayer. We are not individuals who happen to be in the same room. We are a community gathered praying as one. There are a few consequences to this. The first is to understand ritual prayer. The second is "do what we, the community" are doing.

Our worship is filled with symbols, signs and actions that connect us with the divine. We carry the Gospel book in procession, but we don't carry it out. Why? Because it is supposed to be in our hearts now that we have heard it. Lectors and Eucharistic ministers sit within the assembly. We use bread and wine, symbols of many grains and grapes becoming one. We break the bread and share the cup, a sign that we are called to care for one another so that no one goes hungry. We exchange a sign of peace, Shalom, Namaste, to honor the God within each. We raise our hands in prayer at the Our Father. We extend our hands in blessing as we invoke to power of the Holy Spirit. Some couples, families, or congregations join hands during the Our Father, a sign of the unity of the disciples at prayers. Ritual prayer draws an emotional response from us. We end up leaving Mass saying, "Wasn't that beautiful?" instead of saying, "Wasn't that informative?"

Sometimes ritual prayer and action is meaningless or inappropriate. For example, on occasion someone will make the sign of the cross before receiving communion. Why would someone do that? It makes no sense. Or in some parishes

young parents bring their baby to be baptized already clothed in a white garment. This renders the part of the baptismal rite where the child is clothed in white as a sign of just having put on Christ, meaningless.

In addition to full, active and conscious participation, a simple liturgical but important principle is, "Do what you are doing". This is where many assemblies fall short. If the congregation is singing a hymn, then every parishioner should be singing. Every person should have a hymnal in their hands, praying the words.

If you're an usher, don't get up during the petitions. Pray the petitions with the congregation. When the universal prayer is over, then go get the collection baskets.

If the congregation is singing the gathering hymn, you should not be parking your car. You should already be in your pew. And if you arrive last second, you've missed music practice, announcements, reminders and the important moment when we gather our thoughts in silence and center ourselves.

A similar thing can be said at the end of Mass. If the assembly is singing the sending forth hymn, you should be singing it too, not leaving the church.

Last month, the winds were so strong that the interior doors of the church were banging. Every time they did, many people, myself included, kept looking over to see what was making all the noise. Late arrivals, early departures and unnecessary movement are the same kind of distraction. For example, I have asked funeral directors not to come up the aisles while I am saying the final commendation. If they do, heads turn in the direction of their movement and the people do not hear the words being said. Like the rest of us, they should do what we are doing.

It's easy to spot visitors to our church. Most often they don't sing, don't gesture, come late, leave before Mass is over. It makes one wonder what is happening in other parishes.



# AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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## E-MAIL PRAYER LINE REQUESTS TO:

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## Please pray for:

Joan Andrews, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Az-zarello, 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, Scherrie 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, 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 Mangan, Sr. Rita Marra, SND, Rosemarie Martin, 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, Terri Pastura, Jean Plato, Lisa Prokopius, Carol Roberts, Matthew Rossman, Ron Ruble, Mary Salamon, Marilyn Samonte, Betty Schmidt, Vic Scigliano, Brandy Shuttera, 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 Yesenko, Eileen Young, Jeala Youssefi, Jacqueline Zambarano

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**Outdoor Clothing Give Away** is June 4, 12:30-2 p.m. Save the Date for collecting your donations and for volunteering your time to help.

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

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## This Week at Blessed Trinity

### **Sunday, May 7**

- 10:00 AM-10:45 AM Planning for the Future Workshop (Fogarty)  
11:00 AM-12:00 PM CLW (Church)

### **Monday, May 8**

- 9:30 AM-10:30 AM Legion of Mary (Church)  
4:00 PM- 6:00 PM Stephen Min. Peer Grp. (Rectory Library)

### **Tuesday, May 9**

- 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)  
6:30 PM- 8:00 PM Centering Prayer Group (Joseph Center)  
7:00 PM- 8:30 PM LGBTQ Faith Sharing Grp. Mtg. (Rectory Living Room)

### **Wednesday, May 10**

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

### **Thursday, May 11**

- 11:00 AM-12:00 PM A. A. Meeting (Rectory Basement)  
6:30 PM- 9:00 PM NAMI (Joseph Center)  
7:00 PM- 8:30 PM Bible Study (Rectory Living Room)

### **Friday, May 12**

### **Saturday, May 13**

- 1:30 PM- 3:00 PM Confirmation Prep (Joseph Center)

Please join our Holy Name Society on May 16th at 7pm in the Joseph Center. Our guest speaker is Fr. Michael Denk from St. Matthias Church in Parma as he presents the Examen prayer. It will be an evening of prayer and song. ALL Women and Men are welcome. Bring your family and friends. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

### **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: [svdpce.org](http://svdpce.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, 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)

### **Monday, May 8**

11:00am All Souls  
**At West Park Healthcare Campus  
4387 W. 150th St.**

### **Tuesday, May 9**

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

### **Wednesday, May 10**

8:30am All Souls

### **Friday, May 12**

8:30pm Laverne Fuller (Bill & Family)

### **Saturday, May 13**

4:00pm Richard Gromek (Stanley Gromek)

### **Sunday, May 14 (Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21 (55) )**

9:00am Thomas & Joanne Salem (Family)

11:00am Blessed Trinity



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 receive her work permit and be able to legally work after applying 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.

Catholic Renewal Ministries will host a charismatic Pentecost Mass Celebration, Sunday, May 28th, at Our Lady of Angels Parish, 3644 Rocky River Dr., Cleveland 44111. The celebration will start at 2:00 p.m. with praise and worship. Fr. Bob Franco will be the celebrant. After Mass, there will be an opportunity for individual prayer for healing, and there will also be fellowship time. For more information, please contact CRM at 440-944-9445. All are invited to celebrate Pentecost as a community and join in as we pray, in power, for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit.



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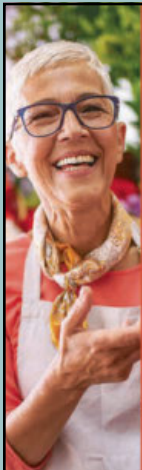
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