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JULY 23, 2023

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Wednesday: 9am—8pm

Thursday & Friday: 9am—5pm

(Closed for lunch 12:30–1:00pm)

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 86: 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

Tom Booth



R. Lord, you are good and for - giv - ing.



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"I belong to the Church of Doug"

Have you even been flattered and saddened at the same time? I was when someone told me "I belong to the church of Doug". I knew what he meant. He liked my version of Catholicism and how Blessed Trinity's mission captures the message of Jesus Christ. In particular he liked our welcoming community, our inclusive mission, our interfaith activities, our vibrant and faith filled liturgies and our emphasis on social justice.

This man moved to the burbs for a while. He had been accepted and active in our parish. He had many friends here. As a black man in an interracial marriage the Catholic Church he found there was not welcoming. He told me that after Mass he would just stand there and no one, none of the white people, would talk to him. They weren't racist. They just weren't welcoming. Well, maybe there were some racists, too. Who knows?

He and his family moved back to Lakewood and rejoined our parish for a time. But he and his wife have four daughters. As he looked at the wider church, he saw that his daughters did not have a future in the Catholic church, especially if they felt a call to priesthood. Sure there were opportunities for women to be involved and to serve in the church, but not in many leadership positions and not in ways that celebrate their gifts. So they joined another Christian denomination where they are very active and where women have a voice. As a consequence, we lost a great family and I miss seeing my friend.

I share this story by way of introduction to join Blessed Trinity and our Catholic faith community. Our institutional Catholic church is not perfect. We know that. In fact it has many warts and pimples. So does Blessed Trinity. But here at BT we see a church in action, a church striving to be better, a church wishing to make a difference in the lives of its member and the people around us.

There are many non-Catholics who come

to Mass frequently, if not every Sunday with the rest of their families. We are so pleased that you join us for worship. And if you never become Catholic, that's okay too. But maybe you've never considered it. Maybe no one ever asked you.

I remember noticing that our flautist on Sunday, Janet Dubas, never went to communion. So one day I asked her. "Janet, why don't you go to communion." She said, "I'm not Catholic." I said, "Well you're here every Sunday, would you like to become Catholic?" "No one ever invited me before," was the reply. Within a few weeks Janet was welcomed into our Catholic faith.

Being Catholic isn't so much accepting a set of beliefs as it is feeling that I belong. If you have four daughters, they might not have a future in the Catholic Church. But chances are, things will change soon because of the synod. Changes in the church usually come from within, not from without, or from the top.

Pope Francis has seen the need for change as well. He has appointed Archbishop Victor Manuel Fernandez, an enthusiastic supporter of his reformist program, to lead one of the most powerful curial offices the office of doctrine. Of greater significance is what the appointment says about the current moment in the Francis pontificate. Francis is almost 87 years old, and it is hard to imagine this tireless pope continuing at his current pace for too many more years. It increasingly appears as if the upcoming fall 2023 and 2024 assemblies of the synod on synodality in Rome will provide the denouement of this pontificate, the capstone of a papacy committed to bringing to fruition the still unrealized vision of the Second Vatican Council.

So if you or someone you know might be interested in joining our expression of Catholicism, please let me know. Classes will be starting up sometime in September.



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, 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, 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, Margaret McMahon, 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, 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

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

Advertiser of the Week:

Catholic Cemeteries Association

Breaking Open the Word. Please join us on Sunday mornings in the rectory at 10am to pray with and explore the Sunday Scriptures. Together we will explore God's word for each of us and for our church. We will meet for about 50 minutes in the rectory beginning this Sunday, July 16. The time is conveniently scheduled so that you can attend the 9am Mass and stay or come early and attend the 11am Mass.

There is no need to register and it is not necessary to attend every week. Please come when you are able. If you would like more information contact Laura Fibbi at lfibbi@gmail.com

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY – Pre-Planning Seminar

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Saturday, August 5, 2023 at 1 p.m. Please join us to learn more about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. Attendees will receive a personal reference guide and savings certificate. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event to HOLY CROSS Cemetery – 14609 Brookpark Rd., Brook Park 216/641-7575 ext. 3 or email Bob DeJohn at bdejohn@clecem.org.



This Week at Blessed Trinity

Sunday, July 23

12:15 pm—2:15 pm Taize Prayer Music Practice (Church)

Monday, July 24

9:00 pm – 10:30 pm Legion of Mary (Church)

7:00pm – 8:30pm Finance Council (Joseph Center)

Tuesday, July 25

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
(Rectory Library)

Wednesday, July 26

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)

7:00pm—8:30 pm LGBTQ+ Faith Sharing
(Rectory Living Room)

Thursday, July 27

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

Friday, July 28

1:00 pm—3:00 pm Stephen Leaders Meeting
(Rectory Library)

Saturday, July 29

Have A Blessed Weekend

Cherries are sold out. We saved 365 cups of cherries from the birds and they cleaned off every last one we left on the trees! We froze 73 quart bags of pitted cherries that sold out in just two weekends. That successful harvest is because our pickers and pitters came when the cherries called! Thanks to: Trisha Brashers, David Cutshall, Joan Francis, Irene Furst, Diane Kortan, Rick Mack, William Phillips, Teresa & Todd Reidel, Marge Sheridan, and Deborah Shiffer.



For the month of July the Bountiful Basement could use canned or boxed meal. Thank you!

WORSHIP

Saturday, July 22

4:00 pm Dora Brancaccio (O'Malley Family)

Sunday, July 23 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23

9:00 am	Joanna Somerville (Family)
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11:00 am Blessed Trinity

Monday, July 24

11:00am All Souls

At West Park Healthcare Campus

4387 W.150th St.

Tuesday, July 25

8:30 am All Souls

Wednesday, July 26

8:30am All Souls

Friday, July 28

8:30am All Souls

Saturday, July 29

4:00pm Blessed Trinity

Sunday, July 30 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 Rom 8:28-30 Mt 13:44 32-44

9:00am Joanna Somerville (Family)

11:00am Jerry Nusbaum (Jacki & Mike Capasso)

Thank you for your generous support!

Sunday Contruibtions will be reported next week.

Gift Card Profit 7/16 \$ 132.25

Donations needed by July 30. Please place in boxes at the doors of the Church.

School Supply List

5 oz. Elmer's Glue	Colored Pencils
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Crayons—8 and 16 count	Washable Markers
Spiral Notebooks—Single and Multiple Subject	

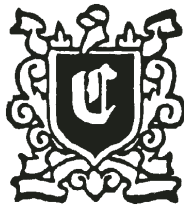
Outdoor Taize Prayer: Join us for contemporary chants and silence Sunday, July 30 at 8 pm. We will be outdoors at Centering Space, 14812 Lake Road. Bring a chair to our gathering. Our theme is "Resting in Beauty and Peace." In case of rain or high humidity, our prayer will be at Blessed Trinity Church on the 30th. Contact Mike Reiling at 216-382-8648 with questions.

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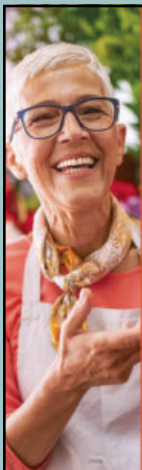
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