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CATHOLIC CHURCH



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OCTOBER 22, 2023

TWENTY- NINTH 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

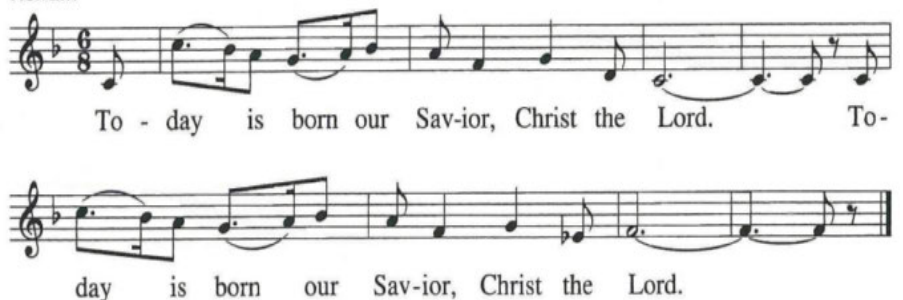
Blessed Trinity Parish is an open and welcoming Catholic community, centered in the Eucharist and celebrating God's gift of Diversity. We

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 96: Today Is Born Our Savior

Refrain



Text: Psalm 96; verses trans. 1970 , Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Washington, D.C.; refrain trans 1969, ICEL Music: Howard Hughes, SM, 1976 GIA Publications, Inc.



The moral disease of domination

It seems like we're always praying for world peace. Is world peace even possible anymore? We pray that we can believe that it is. How do we get there?

In Sr. Joan Chittister's book, *For Everything a Season*, she writes the following which is timely in these end days.

Once upon a time, an ancient story tells, the main tributary of a mountain stream became polluted. Everyone in the village became crazed, with the exception of those few people who refused to drink the water. Ridiculed for their differences, sick to death from loneliness, and facing dried-up wells, those who refused to drink from the stream went to the king to ask what they should do. And the wise old king said, "It is clearly madness to drink this water, but if drink it we must, let us at least have the honor of sending out messengers to tell the rest of the world that we know that we are mad."

Clearly, evil has seeped into the soul of the nation, but calls itself good, calls itself "freedom," calls itself "defense." And that may be the greatest madness of all. If we could only know the enormity of our spiritual distortion, perhaps we could be cured of it. "I never wonder to see people wicked," Jonathan Swift wrote, "but I often wonder to see them not ashamed." We need, indeed, to expunge the leviathan within us that has robbed us of our shame. We need to become human again. We need to see that what has led us to our profits and pretended to be moral power has really led us to our peril.

We have the moral disease of domination, with which we must struggle for our souls. Power has become our national obsession, as it has for many nations before us and around

us. We have bartered moral persuasion for brute force.

But why is it like this? Why? Answers suggest themselves but come only with a blush. Is it because we have come to some state of spiritual bankruptcy? Is it because, even as churches, we have given more energy to our institutions, perhaps, than we have to the gospel? Is it because we have spent more time saying our prayers to get into heaven than we have listening to the prophets who warn us that the reign of God must start first on earth? Yes, of course. For all these reasons. But not only.

The fact is that we cling to the image of the Warrior God in the face of the God of Love. The fact is that we mix the national religion and the Christian religion as a matter of course. This country, we presume, is especially favored by God, under God's singular protection, distinctly chosen to do God's will. To those types, Lincoln taught in the course of the Civil War, "The question is not whether or not God is on our side. The question is whether or not we are on God's side."

We abhor violence but we do not, as a people or a church, study nonviolence. We abhor conflict but we do not demand national research into alternative forms of conflict resolution. We are stricken with a fear of sharing that closes our borders and deports the defenseless.

It is time for us to withdraw our support for violence as we once withdrew it from the bartering for women, the institution of slavery, and the practice of chaining the mentally unfit. The spiritual effect is to become a person of peace, too strong to be intimidated even by our own, too involved to be silenced. The function of the peacemaker is not to shirk combat with evil. The function of the peacemaker is to find ways to confront evil without becoming evil.

- from *For Everything A Season* (Orbis Books), by Joan Chittister



AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS



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Please pray for:

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The Body of Christ grows through baptism..

Blessed Trinity welcomes:

***Evelyn Kathleen Rentz
James Elliott Dixon III***

Buckeye Making for the Craft Fair will be happening on October 21 & 22 @ 1:00pm in the Joseph Center, Please Call Lisa McAvinue @ 216-433-1518 if you would like to help.

Breaking Open the Word **will not** meet on Sunday October 22.

Breaking Open the Word **will resume** meetings on Sundays at 10am in the rectory on Oct 29.

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
- * 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
- * A.J Butler (Army) Grandson of Nancy Butler

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For the month of October the Bountiful Basement could use canned meals like Chili. Thank You!!!!!!!!!!



WORSHIP

Saturday, October 21

4:00pm Rochelle Samonte (Family)

Sunday, October 22

Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Is 45:1,4-6 1 Thes 1:1-5b Mt 22: 15-21 (145)

9:00am Joanna Somerville (Family)

11:00am Juanito S.Cayetano Sr.(Antoinette Cayetano)

Monday, October 23

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

11:00am Athena Ford & Family (Ginger Needham)

Tuesday, October 24

8:30am Dolores Cler (Jerry & Mary Bowers)

Wednesday, October 25

8:30am All souls

Friday, October 27

8:30am All Souls

Saturday, October 28

4:00pm Patrick & Patricia Kilbane (Family)

Sunday, October 29

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex22:20-26 1 Thes 1:5c-10 Mt 22:34-40 (140)

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Alfonzo S. Cayetano
(Antoinette Cayetano)

We Welcome Into Our Blessed Trinity Family:

Maurice, Molly, London, & Landri Leisinger

ANOTHER GREAT "COVERUP" - THANK YOU FOR A SUCCESSFUL BLANKET SUNDAY - We will print the total in a future Bulletin. Many needy families and individuals will receive warm blankets and other necessities for the winter months through SVDP's Ozanam Centers, Catholic Charities agencies and other organizations serving the homeless in our own metropolitan area. A sincere thank you to all our parishioners who assisted through their donations and prayers! If you haven't had a chance to contribute yet, there is always time: donate online at www.svdpcle.org or make a check payable to Blessed Trinity with SVDP Blanket Sunday on the memo line. Thank you VERY much!

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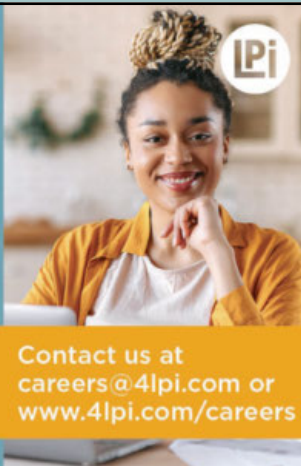
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