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CATHOLIC CHURCH



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JANUARY 7, 2024

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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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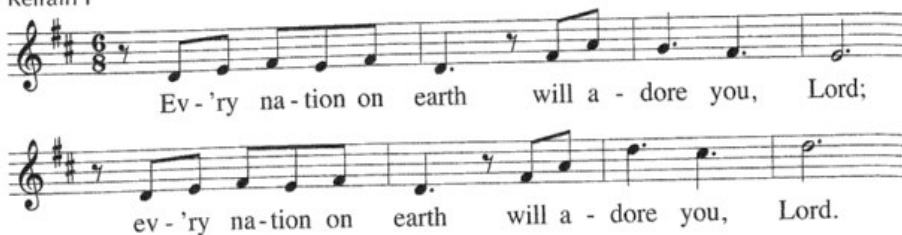
OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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.



46 Psalm 72: Every Nation on Earth

Refrain I



Text: Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13; Michael Joncas
Music: Michael Joncas 1987, 1994, GIA Publication Inc.



Advent to Christmas through Ordinary Time

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." The magi interrupted their lives to follow the star, wholeheartedly journeying in faith, searching for Jesus. When they found the child, they were overjoyed and offered their gifts.

Our Advent season gives us an invitation to deliberately interrupt our lives, to wholeheartedly journey in faith, to find Jesus in daily life. Especially at this time of year, I consider my job such a privilege.

Each Advent I look forward to the call from St. Bernadette Parish. Would we like to participate in their Adopt-a-Family Christmas Program? They have partnered with Blessed Trinity for 14 years (and with Annunciation Church for I don't know how long before our merger). In our earliest connection, St. Bernadette parishioners shopped for the wish lists of our families with children, providing gifts and all the fixins for Christmas dinner. Over the years, the face of our parish has changed. It wasn't families with children who could use some Christmas joy, but many of our senior citizens. St. Bernadette adapted their program and would now provide gifts for our seniors' wish lists. Covid brought further changes, but still not an end to the program. Currently St. Bernadette parishioners purchase gift cards they give to us, which we distribute to those who can use some Christmas cheer.

The St. Bernadette parishioners never see the faces of those whose lives they touch and yet they continue to do what they do, this

year gifting us with \$5,300 in gift cards. We were also blessed to receive generous donations of cash, gift cards, toys, games, Christmas cookies, children's winter coats, clothing, and an entire truckload of food for the Bountiful Basement from several parishioners and friends of Blessed Trinity.

These gifts, distributed by the parish and SVDP, brought Christmas joy to more than 50 households. Most of the givers never saw the impact of their selfless giving.

... and they offered their gifts. I see the smiles and the tears. I get the hugs and hear the stories of what this outreach means. I repeat, what a privilege this job of mine is! How else to describe a job where the "work" is to see the face of Christ!

Ordinary Time follows the Christmas Season. "Ordinary" comes from the Latin *ordinalis*, which means numbered. Each week in Ordinary Time is numbered, but not ordinary, as it is a time to deepen one's prayer life, spiritual reading, and practice to grow to be more like Jesus.

Ordinary Time 2024 has me thinking of years and numbers. The gift those 14 Advent and Christmas seasons on staff at Blessed Trinity have been to me; my 33 years of service in the Diocese; turning 70. That reflection has brought me to the decision that this will be the year of my retirement. The exact date I don't know yet. As we plan for it, some tasks I do others can learn and take over. For example, ordering for the Community Meal could be done even from home. More to come on that...

"The geography of your destiny is always clearer to the eye of your soul than to the intentions and needs of your surface mind." (John O'Donohue)



AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS



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E-MAIL PRAYER LINE REQUESTS TO:

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Thank you for your generous support !!!
Sunday contributions will be posted next week.

Please welcome Fr. Richard Kunzman who will speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Brochures will be provided with donation information if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry. Your generosity is appreciated.

Fr. Doug will be on vacation in El Salvador from Jan. 1 - Jan. 12.

Dementia Training. Training in dementia understanding and communication tools for caregivers. Together, we can build our caregiver community and our skills.

These six 1.5-hour sessions are absolutely ideal for anyone who has a curiosity about dementia, such as family and hands-on caregivers.

These trainings from Positive Approach to Care are deeply rooted in compassion, curiosity and empowerment.

Trainings will be held Tuesdays, 6:00-8:00, with a light soup supper. January 23, 30, February 6, 13, 20, and 27. Rectory basement.

Please call/text Beth Mancuso at 216-225-5100 to RSVP. Questions? Interested in a future opportunity? Call Beth.

Please pray for:

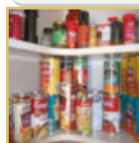
Joan Andrews, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Az-zarello, Lenore Begin, Vincent Bontempo, Charlene Boyer, Mary Brennan, Jeanne Brent, Adele Burke, Callie Carley, Gladys Castro, Pat Chapin, Romualdo Cipro, Alex & Ashley Cornet, McKayla Coyne, Teri Crowe, Scherrie Damm, John Darmstadt, Martin Patrick Dugan, Dukles Family, Joseph Dunn, Barb Dylag, Edward Dzuro, Scott Eidam, Shirley Fago, Donald Flanagan, Marianna Fleming, Will Gibson, Vesna Goverdovski, Michael Graham, Dottie Green Family, Maria Guy, Donald Haluska, Robert Hardman, Linda Heaton, Catherine Heidinger, Susanne Heisey, Agnes Hocevar, Anna Hvizdos, John Itayem, Eileen Kelly, Nicola Jandric, Roubir Jesri, Jr., Vicki & Rudy Juris, Joanne Kauchuk, Dan Kemer, Tony Kernan, Paul Kish, Diane Kortan, Karen Kraus, Linda Kreon, Fr. Dennis Kristancic, Ken Lesko & Family, Marilyn Lombardo, Karen Long, Mary Lynch, Eileen Mangan, Sr. Rita Marra, Jerry Masek, SND, George McKee, Margaret McMahon, Molly McQuillan & family, Andrea Medina, Betty Ann Menzing, Mary Jo Menzing, Tony Miller, Charles Miller, Michael Mitchell, Jim & Steve Moravcik, Genevieve Noar, Dave Norris, Tom O'Boyle, Terri Pastura, Lisa Prokopius, Jose Rivera, Carol Roberts, Matthew Rossman, Liz Rosa, 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, Jesse Wilson, Karin Wishner, Monica Woodman, Jay Yessenko, 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
- * 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

Advertiser of the Week:

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For the month of January the Bountiful Basement could use canned prepared meals. Thank You!!



This Week at Blessed Trinity

7:00pm-8:30pm	Fish Fry Volunteer Meeting (FH & K)
Saturday, Jan 6	
9:30am– 11:00am	Ragamuffin Faith Sharing Group (R Liv Rm)
Sunday, Jan 7	
9:00am-10:45am	CGS Level 1 (Atrium)
9:00am-10:45am	PSR 1-3 Grade (A)
9:00am-10:45am	PSR 4-6 Grades (RB)
10:00am-11:00am	Breaking open The Word (R Lib)
11:00am-12:00pm	CLW Church Atrium
Monday, Jan 8	
9:00am-10:30am	Legion Of Mary (Ch)
Tuesday, Jan 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)
10:30am-12:00pm	A.A Meeting (R B)
6:30pm-8:00pm	Centering prayer Group (JC LG)
7:00pm-8:30pm	LGBTQ Faith Sharing Group (R Liv Rm)
Wednesday, Jan 10	
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	IDCC (Joseph Center)
5:00 pm - 6:45 pm	Bountiful Basement (BB)
Thursday, Jan 11	
11:00am-12:00 pm	A.A Meeting (R B)
7:00pm-8:30pm	Bible Study (R Liv Rm)
6:30pm-8:00pm	Faith Sharing Prayer grp. (R Lib)
Friday, Jan 12	
1:00pm-3:00pm	Stephen Leaders (R Lib)
Saturday, Jan 13	
	Have a Blessed Weekend !!!!
Sunday, Jan 14	
9:00am-10:45 am	CGS Level 1 (Atrium)
9:00am-10:45am	PSR 1-3 Grade (A)
9:00am-10:45am	PSR 4-6 Grade (R B)
9:30am—10:00am	RCIA (R Liv)
10:00am-11:00am	Breaking open the Word (R Lib)
11:00am-12:00pm	CLW (Church Atrium)
11:00am-12:00pm	CL Rite Enrollment (Ch)
12:00pm-1:00pm	Community Meal (FH & K)
12:00pm-1:15pm	CL Session (Atrium)

It's not too early to reserve a raised bed in the Community Garden for next season. If interested, contact Father Doug.

WORSHIP

Saturday, Jan 6

4:00pm Dolores Tabor
(Diane & Jim Stricker)

Sunday, Jan 7 The Epiphany Of The Lord Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a,5-6 Mt 2:1-12 (20)

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Blessed Trinity

Monday, January 8

11:00 am No Masses

Tuesday, January 9

8:30am No Masses

Wednesday, January 10

8:30am No Masses

Friday, January 12

8:30am No Masses

Saturday, January 13

4:00pm Dolores Tabor
(Joan & George Sobczak)

Sunday, January 14

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Sharon & John Vertal (Family)

LENTEN FISH FRIES WILL SOON NEED YOUR HELP Last year a skeleton crew was able to offer a come-in to eat with us event. A comment often heard was, "Why no carry out?" With the skeleton crew of volunteers we worked with we did an amazing job, but no carryout option was possible. The way to offer more is to come forward to volunteer. An organizational meeting is scheduled for January 11, 7pm in Fogarty Hall. This is the time to say you are willing to help. Fish Fries begin February 17. Contact Katie for more info.

Centering Prayer

The Blessed Trinity Centering Prayer group meets at 6:30 pm on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month in the Joseph Center. Meetings include a period of silent prayer and a discussion of a spiritual reading. Come and join us. For more information, contact Steve Flynn 440-539-0689 or sflynn1129@gmail.com .

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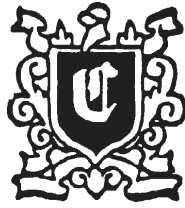
We are in need of volunteers to cover the office on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday from 5pm-8pm.
Also on Saturday 1pm-3:45pm. Some morning shifts as well, when needed. Contact the office if interested.

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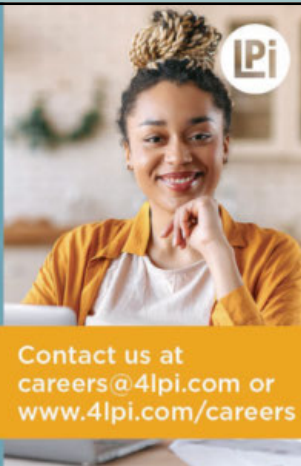
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