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JANUARY 21, 2024

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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

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Tuesday: 8:30am

Wednesday: 8:30am

Thursday: No Mass

Friday: 8:30am

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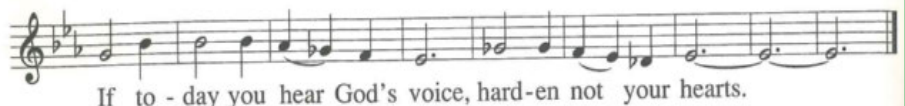
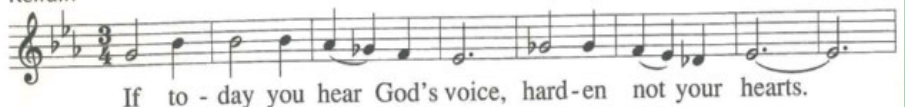
OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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.



51 Psalm 95: If Today You Hear God's Voice

Refrain



Text: Psalm 95:1-2,6-7,8-9; David Haas Music: David Haas 1983,1994, GIA Publications, Inc.



Age

With Katie's birthday last November, everyone on the parish staff is in their 70's except for Krystal Rodriguez, our parish office manager. Shortly afterwards, Katie announced her upcoming retirement this year. This highlights the question of age.

Age has been a topic all year. Many cite Biden's age as too old to run again. Others say that Trump is only three years younger and equally too old. But Pope Francis is 87. Look what he has done in a few years. Francis presided over the first stage of his legacy-making meeting on the future of the Catholic Church. The first session ended with "urgent" calls to include women in decision-making roles in the church. The next phase is scheduled for October 2024.

"The effort to change the rigidly top-down nature of governance in Catholicism is the main reform project of the Francis papacy and its success or failure will likely be his chief legacy," said Fordham's Gibson. He said the jury was still out on whether it would succeed, since the transition period is "messy and absolutely exhausting."

Alongside the synod, Francis this year appointed an unusually progressive theologian as the Vatican's chief doctrine watchdog, and he has already begun setting a very new tone for the church's teachings that could have big effects on the church going forward.

Cardinal Victor Fernandez has issued decrees on everything from how to care for cremated ashes (in a defined and sacred place) to membership in Masonic lodges (forbidden) and whether transgender people can be godparents (they can). And priests can now bless couples who are in a union that is either between a divorced and remarried person or same sex couples. For a church that just apologized to Galileo after 500 years, that's breakneck speed. It's not just Pope Francis. It's the quality people he has surrounded himself with.

Francis exiled Archbishop Gaenswein to his native Germany after a series of infractions culminating with a tell-all memoir published in the days after Benedict's death that was highly critical of Francis. He forcibly removed the bishop of Tyler,

Texas, Bishop Joseph Strickland, whose social media posts were highly critical of the pope. He cut off the former Vatican high court judge, Cardinal Raymond Burke, after he warned that Francis' reform-minded synod risked dividing the faithful.

John XXIII was 76 years old when elected pope. At 77, he called for an ecumenical council. He began the reform of the church by that Second Vatican Council.

It's not the age alone that is a factor. It's the people that the person in charge surrounds him/herself with, whether pastor, president or pope. No one does it alone. Well no one in their right mind would say, "I alone can fix it." It takes a team of people who share the same vision, the same goals, the same theology, the same commitment. We have been blessed with such people in Katie, and Deacon Dick, and Ginger, and Carol Roberts, and Deacon Jack, and Linda Wilson. In addition we have been surrounded with wonderful disciples who do everything from lead bible study and RCIA and Breaking Open the Word to leading small faith groups in the parish. These spiritual gurus are as important to the parish leadership team as are the paid ones. Yes, the team is old. We ache sometimes. I know I have slowed down a lot this past year. But it's not just our age that matters. Our parish is alive and vibrant. We are blessed with good leadership and good disciples who respond to that call because they share the same vision.

Like Joe Biden and Pope Francis, our parish is blessed with people besides the guy at the top that make things happen. We are blessed.

PS. Many thanks to the "youngsters" who filled in for Mass when the missionary priest didn't show; Frs. Jim Sheil, age 83, Ron Bryda, age 85, Bob Sanson age 82 and Lou Papes, age 86.

*May the Peace of Our Lord be with
Migdalia Delgado and Lenore Begin
May God grant comfort to their family and
friends.*



AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS



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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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This Week at Blessed Trinity

Saturday, Jan 20

8:30am-10:30am Fellowship Prayer Breakfast (FH&K)

Sunday, Jan 21

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)
 10:00am-1:00pm Coffee & Donuts (FH&K)
 11:00am-12:00pm CLW (Church Atrium)
 12:00pm-1:15pm CL Session (Atrium)

Monday, Jan 22

9:00am-10:30am Legion of Mary (Ch)

Tuesday, Jan 23

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 AA Meeting (R B)
 6:00pm-8:00pm Dementia Workshop (RB)
 6:00pm-8:00pm Centering Prayer Group (JC)

Wednesday, Jan 24

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm IDCC (Joseph Center)
 5:00 pm - 6:45 pm Bountiful Basement (BB)
 7:00pm–8:30pm Tai Chi (FH)
 7:00pm-8:30pm LGBTQ Faith Sharing Group (R Liv Rm)

Thursday, Jan 25

11:00am-12:00 pm AA Meeting (R B)
 7:00pm–8:30pm Bible Study (R Liv Rm)

Friday, Jan 26

1:00pm-3:00pm Stephen Leaders (R Lib)

Saturday, Jan 27

Have a Wonderful Weekend !!!!

Sunday, Jan 28

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)
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Tai Chi Easy on Wednesday Nights Join us at 7pm in Fogarty Hall. Tai Chi is excellent for increasing balance, muscle activity, all done with very relaxed breathing. Parish-ioner Mike Reiling leads the class. No experience necessary. Any donation will go to our parish Haiti Fund.

Bulletin News/note the change:

Any announcements for the bulletin should be sent to: office@blessedtrinitycleveland.org. Put "bulletin" in the subject line. Notices must be received by Monday for publication in the upcoming weekend's bulletin.

WORSHIP

Saturday, Jan 20

11:00am Lenore Begin Funeral
4:00pm Marlin (Chip) Hall (Family)

Sunday, Jan 21 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Jon 3:1-5 10 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20 (68)

9:00am Blessed Trinity
11:00am Ma-an Samonte (Family)

Monday, Jan 22

11:00 am Migdalia Delgado Funeral

Tuesday, Jan 23

8:30am Kathleen Scott (Donna Casey)

Wednesday, Jan 24

8:30am All Souls

Friday, Jan 26

8:30am All Souls

Saturday, Jan 27

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

Sunday, Jan 28 Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time Dt 18:15-20 1Cor 7:32-35 Mk 1:21-28 (71)

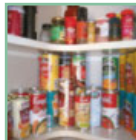
9:00am Mary & Eugene McSweeney
(Ron & Kathy Mickler)
11:00am Blessed Trinity

Training in dementia understanding and communication

tools. Teepa Snow, creator of Positive Approach to Care, has developed this training to help those living with dementia, their caregivers, families, and friends -- anyone who has a curiosity about dementia. Beth Mancuso has offered to lead this training for us. Six 1.5-hour sessions include video, handouts, and discussion. Training sessions will be held Tuesdays, January 23, 30, February 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the rectory basement. A light soup supper will be served 6 – 6:30 p.m. You do not need to attend all the sessions. Come to just one or any you can. Call/text Beth Mancuso at 216-225-5100 to RSVP. Questions? Interested in a future opportunity? Call Beth.

Prayer Partners Needed for Children of Light.

The Children of Light is a group of eleven 7–12 year-olds who are preparing for their First Eucharist. An important component of the Children of Light program is the parish connection. In the weeks ahead you will see some families standing at the church doors as you arrive for Mass. The Children of Light will be learning about the ministry of greeter. We hope you will make an effort to meet these children and their families. If you would be willing to “adopt” a Children of Light family with prayer during their sacramental preparation period please contact Katie.



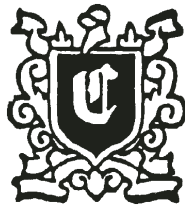
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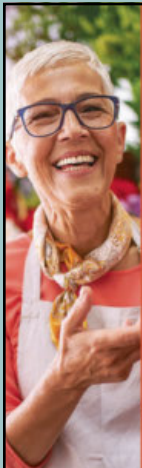
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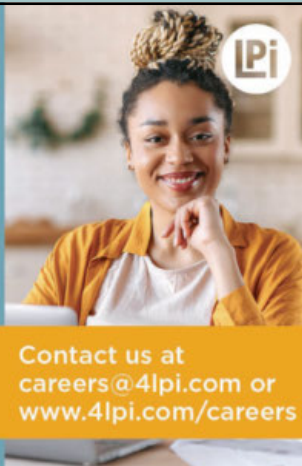
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