





# All Are Welcome



## **FEBURARY 25, 2024**

# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT **14040 PURITAS AVENUE**

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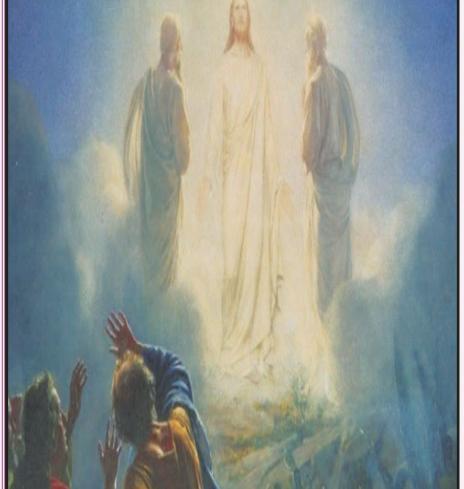
Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm **Sunday:** 9:00am and 11:00am Monday: 11:00am At Westpark Healthcare Campus 4387 W. 150th St.

Tuesday: 8:30am Wednesday: 8:30am Thursday: No Mass Friday: 8:30am

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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.







Text: Psalm 33:1, 4-5 12, 18-19 20, 22; Marty Haugen 1987, GIA Publication, INC. Music: Marty Haugen, 1987, GIA Publications, INC.







# From the Desk of Fr. Doug St. Oscar Romero and Navalny

The world was shocked at the murder and assassination of Alexei Navalny last week. The stark reality of a head of state directing such perilous acts is abominable. Alexei Navalny, Russian President Vladimir Putin's most prominent domestic foe, died on Friday at the Arctic prison where he was serving a three-decade prison term. Russia has refused to release the body which is still in the morgue. Many conclude that he was poisoned and the release of the body at a later date will allow the poisons to dissipate. The murders of opposition leaders at the hands of the state, whether they be political leaders, members of the press or religious figures belies comprehension.

Next month, we celebrate the feast of one such incident, the anniversary of the murder of St. Oscar Romero. Romero was murdered at the chapel of La Divina Providencia hospital on March 24, 1980. Unlike Navalny's death, there were many witnesses of the murder of St. Oscar and of the getaway car as well. A young seminarian, Octavio Druan, who had been documenting the work of Romero for the past three years, grabbed his camera, ran from the seminary, which was about a mile away, and began taking photos of the bloody sight. Such bold action, marking history as it happened, made him a marked man. The Salvadoran government was after him, in much the same way that Putin sought the death of Navalny. That seminarian fled the country and came to the United States. He became my friend in the summer of 1980 when we met in San Antonio, Texas, at the Mexican American Cultural Center.

It is now 44 years since St. Oscar Romero was assassinated. Each year there is a memorial in his honor. This year we are pleased to be able to host that annual celebration. It will be held on Thursday, March 21, at 7:00pm in the church. Attend in-person or watch the livestream. Reservations are encouraged. Contact coarpeacemission.org.

Here are some quotes from St. Oscar:

a. Each one of you has to be God's microphone. Each one of you has to be a messenger, a prophet. The church will always exist as long as there is someone who has been baptized...Where is your baptism? You are baptized in your professions, in the fields of workers, in the market. Wherever there is someone who has been baptized, that is where the church is. There is a prophet there. Let us not hide the talent that God gave us on the

day of our baptism and let us truly live the beauty and responsibility of being a prophetic people.

b. Peace is not the product of terror or fear.

Peace is not the silence of cemeteries. Peace is not the silent result of violent repression. Peace is the generous, tranquil contribution of all to the good of all. Peace is dynamism. Peace is generosity. It is right and it is duty.

- c. Beautiful is the moment in which we understand that we are no more than an instrument of God; we live only as long as God wants us to live; we can only do as much as God makes us able to do; we are only as intelligent as God would have us be.
- d. I don't want to be an anti, against anybody. I simply want to be the builder of a great affirmation: the affirmation of God, who loves us and who wants to save us.
- e. By contrast, whoever out of love for God gives oneself to the service of others will live, like the grain of wheat that dies, but only apparently... Only in undoing itself does it produce the harvest.
- f. If we are worth anything, it is not because we have more money or more talent, or more human qualities. Insofar as we are worth anything, it is because we are grafted onto Christ's life, his cross and resurrection. That is a person's measure.
- g. The transcendence that the church preaches is not alienation; it is not going to heaven to think about eternal life and forget about the problems on earth. It's a transcendence from the human heart. It is entering into the reality of a child, of the poor, of those wearing rags, of the sick, of a hovel, of a shack. It is going to share with them. And from the very heart of misery, of this situation, to transcend it, to elevate it, to promote it, and to say to them, "You aren't trash. You aren't marginalized." It is to say exactly the opposite, "You are valuable."
- h. There are not two categories of people. There are not some who were born to have everything and leave others with nothing and a majority that has nothing and can't enjoy the happiness that God has created for all. God wants a Christian society, one in which we share the good things that God has given for all of us.
- i. Here there is a challenge from Christ to the goodness of humankind. It is not enough to be good. It is not enough to not do evil. My Christianity is something more positive; it is not a negative. There are many who say, "But I don't kill, I don't steal, I don't do anything bad to anyone." That's not enough. You are still lacking a great deal. It is not enough to be good.
- j. There are many things that can only be seen through eyes that have cried.

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## AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS



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## **Caring Corner**



When grieving, we often ask God to give us a sign that the person we're grieving is OK. When we plead for a tangible sign, we have in mind one particular way that we might see it. We're effectively looking to God with a challenge: "Prove it." We usually have more luck when we give up on asking for signs. More than signs, there are reassurances in our lives. God doesn't cause them to materialize out of thin air when we beg for them; if we look closely, they are already part of the fabric of our lives. But we've never paid close enough attention. God's grace is in plain sight, just waiting for us to see it.

May the Peace of Our Lord be with Margaret Buffurine

May God grant comfort to her family and friends.

Please pray for:

Joan Andrews, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Azzarello, 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, John Itayem, Eileen Kelly, Nicola Jandric, Roubir Jesri, Jr., Vicki & Rudy Juris, Joanne Kauchuk, Dan Kemer, Tony Kernan, Diane Kortan, Karen Kraus, Linda Kreon, Fr. Dennis Kristancic, Ken Lesko & Family, Marilyn Lombardo, Karen Long, Mary Lynch, Eileen Mangan, Sr. Rita Marra SND, Jerry Masek, 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, Evana Stanonik, Christopher Stein, Roberta Steinbacher, Janet Tang, Kevin Thompson, Sherrie Thompson, Celine Whelpley, Noreen Williams, Jesse Wilson, Monica Woodman, Jay Yesenko, Eileen Young, Jeala Youssef, 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

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For the month of February the Bountiful Basement could use canned meat like Chicken, Beef, Pork, No Tuna. Thank You!!



# This Week at Blessed Trinity

Saturday, Feb 24	Have a Blessed Weekend !!!
Sunday, Feb 25	
9:00am-10:45 am	CGC Lavel 1 (Atrium)
9:00am-10:45am	CGS Level 1 (Atrium)
	PSR 1-3 Grade (A)
9:00am-10:45am	PSR 4-6 Grade (RB)
9:30am—10:00am	RCIA (R Lib)
10:00am-11:00am	Breaking Open the Word (R Liv Rm)
11:00am-12:00pm	CLW (Church Atrium)
12:00pm-1:15pm	CL Session (Atrium)
Monday, Feb 26	
9:00am-10:30am	Legion of Mary (Church)
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Tuesday, Feb 27	
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 (RB)
6:00pm-8:00pm	Dementia Workshop (RB)
6:30pm-8:00pm	Centering Prayer (JC Lg)
7:00pm-8:00pm	Picture Directory Meeting (R Liv Rm)
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Wednesday, Feb 28	
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	IDCC (Joseph Center)
5:00pm-6:45pm	Bountiful Basement (BB)
5:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions (Church)
7:00-pm-8:30pm	LGBTQ Faith Sharing (R Liv Rm)
7:00pm-8:00pm `	Tai Chi (FH)
Thursday, Feb 29	
11:00am-12:00 pm	AA Meeting (RB)
Friday, Mar 1	
1:00pm-3:00pm	Stephen Leaders (R Lib)
2:00pm-5:00pm	Fish Fry Set Up (FH&K)
5:30pm-7:30pm	Fish Fry (FH&K)
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Saturday, Mar 2	
9:30am-11:00am	Ragamuffin Faith Sharing (R Liv Rm)
12:00pm-7:00pm	Workshop on Climate Change (JC Lg)
Cunday May 2	
Sunday, Mar 3	CCCI11 (Atrice
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 (RB)
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11:00am-12:00pm	CLW (Church Atrium)
12:00pm-1:15pm	CL Session (Atrium)
12:00pm-4:00pm	Stephen Ministry (JC)
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An inter-parish men's group will meet March 1st for a First Friday luncheon at St. Clarence Church, 30106 Lorain Road, North Olmsted. Registration begins at 11:15 AM, followed by the luncheon, then an inspirational talk, and concludes with Mass. Please call George Perz at (440) 937-6606 by Tuesday, February 27th to make a reservation. Cost is \$16.00.

# **WORSHIP**

	Saturday, Feb 24 4:00pm Robert Spevock ( George Spevock)
	Sunday, Feb 25 Second Sunday Of Lent Gn 22:1-2, 9a 10-13, 15-18 Rom 8:31b-34 Mk 9:2-10 (26)
	9:00am Blessed Trinity 11:00am George & Julia Barnett ( Ron & Kathy Mickler)
1	Monday, Feb 26 All SOULS 11:00am @ Westpark Healthcare Center 4387 W 150th Street
	Tuesday, Feb 27 All Souls
	Wednesday, Feb 28 8:30am All Souls
	Friday, Mar 1 8:30 am All Souls
	Saturday, Mar 2 4:00pm Anna Hvizdos ( Family )
	Sunday, Mar 3  Third Sunday Of Lent Ex 17: 3-7 Rom 5: 1-2, 5-8 Jn 4: 5-42  9:00am Blessed Trinity  11:00am Amalia & Alberto Pirozzoli (Rosa & Family)
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