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**MARCH 31, 2024**

**EASTER SUNDAY**

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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

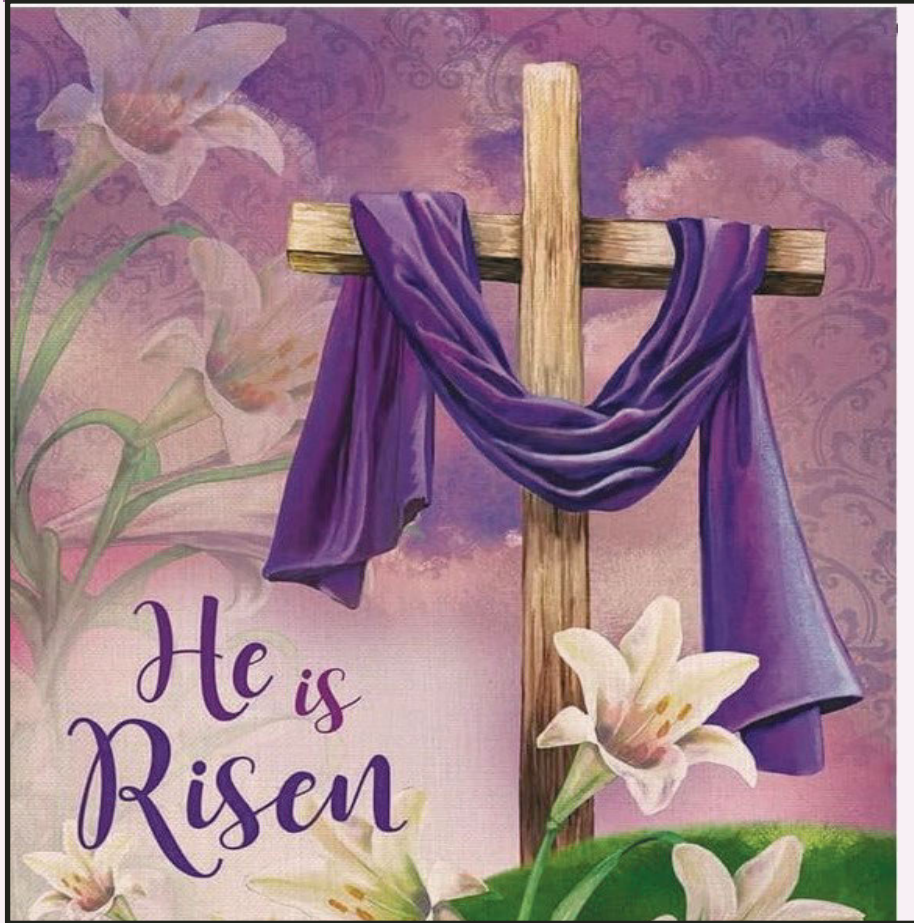
**Friday:** 8:30am

**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 118: This Is the Day

Refrain



This is the day the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad.



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## Happy Easter

When Mark opened his Gospel with the words, “The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ,” he was telling us the title of the entire work: The “beginning of the gospel” applies to Mark 1:1 to 16:8. Mark’s last verse challenges the reader to take up the task of continuing the work that Jesus began. According to Mark, the last part of this most important story in history begins with a small group of women taking on an impossible task. They were carrying spices to anoint a body they didn’t expect to be able to see or touch. But that’s only a small detail in this symbol-laden narrative. Mark’s Gospel usually seems very simple and direct, but he fills this narrative with symbolic ideas and gestures so that we can hear the story again and again, each time understanding it more deeply.

Mark writes that as they arrived at Jesus’ tomb, the major concern of the women who had witnessed Jesus’ death was the humongous stone that walled his body off from the land of the living. The only words we hear from them question who could move that boulder.

From the way Mark narrates the story, it seems that the women were talking to one another near the sealed tomb when they looked up and discovered that the stone had been rolled back as if from the inside. The place of death had been broken open, and terrifying as it was, they went in and encountered a messenger who told them that Jesus the crucified had been raised and could not be found in the realm of death. The messenger then commissioned them to send Jesus’ disciples to Galilee where they would see him as he had told them.

This is where the Easter Sunday Gospel stops. It ends much as Mark ended his Gospel by telling the disciples to go back to where it all began and retrace their journey of discipleship, this time a little better prepared to understand what it was all about.

More than any other evangelist, Mark is aware of the frailty of the disciples. He knows that they are thickheaded and slow of heart and that it takes more than one vision for them to come to active belief — that’s why he told two stories of Jesus

healing a blind person and sandwiched Jesus’ three predictions of his passion in between them. It’s not a simple thing to allow Jesus to open our eyes.

That stone that concerned the women, the barrier between them and Jesus, turned out not to be what they thought. The fact that they were going to anoint him indicated that they had accepted his death; the fact that they expected the stone to block their way indicated that they didn’t understand it. The stone that sealed the tomb signified the absolute finality of death, the end of relationship and the burial of hope. It was the symbol of the tragedy of mortality and the women who had stood by as Jesus was executed had faced and accepted it. They had done more than their male companions who had changed the subject when Jesus spoke of his death and fled when he confronted it.

Like most Christians, the women took the next step without knowing what it meant. They went into the tomb. With that step, they went beyond witnessing Jesus’ death. Now, they were symbolically participating in it. That step made good on their sharing of the cup with him at the Last Supper, but they still didn’t comprehend it. The world had been turned upside down, nothing meant what it had before, and they were justifiably terrified. God’s messenger in the tomb told the women to announce that Jesus had been raised to the disciples. They were to tell the disciples to start all over again so that they could understand that everything Jesus did was, as Mark said in the first verse of his Gospel, just the beginning.

The women’s entry into the tomb, like our baptism into the death of Jesus, was the first step in a lifelong process. It requires a long process of going back to the beginning and understanding again and again who Christ is and what it means to be his disciple.

Easter Sunday is the beginning of a 50-day period of celebration and meditation on the Christian mystery. Today we are invited to journey with those faithful women who were ready to attempt an impossible final act of love only to discover that nothing was as it had seemed. This is the beginning, not the end.





# 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, Charlene Boyer, Mary Brennan, Jeanne Brent, Adele Burke, Callie Carley, Gladys Castro, Daniel Cavoli, 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, Denise Kamiola, Nicola Jandric, Roubir Jesri, Jr., Jim Jefferis, 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, Lucy McInerney, Tom McInerney, Tommy McInerney, George McKee, Margaret McMahan, 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, Steven O' Malley, Terri Pastura, Lisa Propokius, 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, Marilyn Spangler, Janet Tang, Kevin Thompson, Sherrie Thompson, 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

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

Set Your Appointment! Online scheduling for our New BT Photo Directory is easy as 1-2-3-4, and is available Mon-Fri. Simply go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) Click on "photography scheduling login" on the righthand side. Enter our church code [oh2744] & password [photos]. Follow the prompts to schedule your household's appointment time. Families of 6+, choose 2 consecutive time slots. Pictures will be taken in the rectory LR. Each household that is photographed will receive a free 8x10 portrait and a directory! If you are not available during our photography dates contact Katie.

## Save-the Dates

June 1: Walk for Hunger at the Cleveland Metro park's Zoo. Make a donation to help fight hunger in our city or sign up to walk with our Bountiful Basement Buddies Team at <https://give.hungernetwork.org/event/36th-annual-walk-for-hunger-5k-run/e539558>.

June 2: Outdoor Clothing Giveaway & Unusable Clothing Collection (more details to come)

## Bulletin News/note the change:

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

*Advertiser of the Week:*  
**Nature's Way Day Care Center**



## This Week at Blessed Trinity

### **Saturday, Mar 30**

8:30pm Easter Vigil ( Church)

### **Sunday, Mar 31**

Easter

### **Monday, April 1**

9:00am-10:30am Legion of Mary ( Church)  
7:00pm-8:30pm St. Vincent De Paul Mtg.( R Liv Rm)

### **Tuesday, April 2**

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 )

### **Wednesday, April 3**

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm IDCC (Joseph Center)  
4:30pm-6:30pm Mobile Pantry ( BB)  
5:00pm-6:45pm Bountiful Basement ( BB)  
7:00pm-8:00pm Tai Chi ( FH)

### **Thursday, April 4**

11:00am-12:00 pm AA Meeting ( RB)  
6:30pm-8:00pm Faith Sharing Prayer Group ( R Lib)

### **Friday, April 5**

1:00pm-3:00pm Stephens Leaders Zoom Meet

### **Saturday, April 6**

9:30am-11:00am Ragamuffin Faith Sharing Grp.  
( R Liv Rm)

### **Sunday, April 7**

10:00am-11:00am Breaking Open the Word ( R Lib)  
10:10am-10:50am First Time Home Buyers Seminar (FH)

*May the Peace of Our Lord be with  
Kevin Kensick ( Father of Teri Crowe )  
May God grant comfort to his family and  
friends.*



### **Mobile Pantry/Produce Give Away**

**April 3rd, 2024**, 5:30--6:30 p.m. Contact Katie to help at 3:45 pm to set up. Disciples also needed 4:45pm—

6:30pm. No one is allowed on property before 4:30 pm.

Blessed Trinity Reverse Raffle, April 20, 5:30 -10:30 p.m., Fogarty Hall. \$45 admission includes chance at the \$1500 jackpot and a catered meal with beer, wine and pop included; “dinner only” ticket \$25. We need your support! Can’t attend? The \$10 “Absentee Drawing” ticket lets you donate to the fundraiser and have a chance to win \$1000. Tickets are available from the rectory and after masses next weekend.

## WORSHIP

**Saturday, Mar 30**

**8:30 pm**

**Easter Vigil**

**Sunday, Mar 31**

**Easter Sunday**

**Acts 10:34a,37-43/Cor 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9 (42)**

**9:00am**

**Mark Mazzolini ( M Kreager)**

**11:00am**

**Blessed Trinity**

**Monday, April 1**

**11:00am**

**@ Westpark Healthcare Center  
4387 W 150th Street**

**Tuesday, April 2**

**8:30am**

**Blessed Trinity**

**Wednesday, April 3**

**8:30am**

**Blessed Trinity**

**Friday, April 5**

**8:30am**

**Blessed Trinity**

**Saturday, April 6**

**4:00pm**

**Edward Kalister ( Family)**

**Sunday, April 7**

**Second Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 4:32-35 1 Jn 5:1-6 Jn 20:19-31 (44)**

**9:00am**

**Blessed Trinity**

**11:00am**

**Jerry Nausbaum ( Janice Adams)**

*MAY THE LORD BLESS*



**JD Smith & Olivia Zink**

*WHO WERE MARRIED ON*

**March 23, 2024**

*AT BLESSED TRINITY CHURCH*

**One Day, First Time Homebuyer Seminar** Sunday, April 7th, 10:10 to 10:50 a.m. in Fogarty Hall. Monica Woodman and Dametrius Clark (Keller Williams realtors/parishioners) are looking forward to sharing their knowledge on the home buying process. There will be a mortgage broker and a home insurance agent at the ready to help prepare new buyers for what to expect when getting ready to buy their first home.

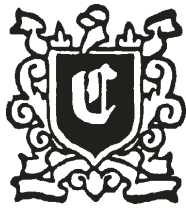
Thank You, Prayer Partners. 12 members of our community were adopted in prayer during Lent. Today we congratulate and welcome Gary Williams, fully initiated at the Easter Vigil. Sacraments of initiation for others will be celebrated at various masses throughout April. Thank you for your support along their journeys of faith.



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



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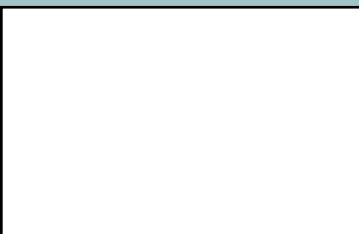
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