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CATHOLIC CHURCH

## All Are Welcome



**JULY 21, 2024**

**16TH SUNDAY OF 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.



## 24 Psalm 23: My Shepherd Is the Lord

Antiphon I



My shep-herd is the Lord, noth-ing in-deed shall I want.

Text: Psalm 23, The Grail

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We Need Laudato Si More Than Ever  
(Part two of four)

Last week I quoted from an article about climate tipping points. Human-made climate change is growing exponentially fast.

So what happens if some of the most likely tipping points play out? Scientists are still working to better model how natural systems may suddenly tip in response to global warming, but below are some of the scenarios that keep them up at night.

The thawing of permafrost

Permafrost is the slab of frozen-solid soil that sits just below the surface across a quarter of the Northern hemisphere's land, in Arctic and sub-Arctic regions of Alaska, Russia, and Canada. The icy layer acts as a built-in freezer, preserving carbon-rich organic matter that would otherwise decay. As a result, permafrost holds about twice as much carbon as currently exists in the atmosphere.

But as the planet heats up, that soil thaws, releasing carbon dioxide and methane in the process. This could further speed up global warming and permafrost thawing, creating what's known as a positive feedback loop. Evidence of that is already visible. Without the structural integrity provided by permafrost, there have been reports of hillsides literally slumping over, increased mudslides and rockslides, and the appearance of "thermokarst" lakes. In other cases, lakes that sat atop the ice are draining into newly thawed soil and shrinking or drying up entirely. Together, these changes could disrupt infrastructure, ecosystems, and drinking water sources.

The IPCC say that we've Already Warmed the Planet to Catastrophic Effect, but the Level of That Catastrophe Is Up to Us.

Dieback of boreal forests

The coniferous crown of the Northern Hemisphere, the boreal forest spans North America, Scandinavia, Russia, and parts of China, and is the most carbon-dense terrestrial ecosystem, storing as much as 40 percent of the world's land-based carbon in its trees, vegetation, and soil. But this massive carbon storehouse is now at risk of becoming a massive carbon source, due to both climate change and unsustainable industrial development.

Climate change is exacerbating both drier and warmer conditions, which can fuel more frequent and farther-reaching wildfires that release massive amounts of the boreal's stored carbon and melt its carbon-storing permafrost. While fires are natural and common in the boreal, and even essential to the ecosystem, back-to-back runaway wildfire seasons, along with increased insect infestations, are driving the boreal beyond its natural state. Plus, the clearcutting of more than 1.3 million acres of the Canadian boreal each year only makes it worse by releasing even more carbon emissions, further weakening the forest's resilience to climate impacts and exacerbating the

impact of changing temperatures. Ultimately, all of this risks permanently transforming the boreal from a vast landscape of old-growth conifers into a shrubby grassland.

Dieback of the Amazon

The Amazon rainforest, a famously wet ecosystem, holds an estimated 150 to 200 billion metric tons of carbon in its diverse plant life, or about a quarter of all the carbon stored on land.

But climate change has led to unprecedented drought and extended the dry season. That has impacted the growth of some trees and killed others, causing the release of their stored carbon. Deforestation, too, is changing precipitation patterns. With fewer trees to soak up water and breathe it back out, the rainforest becomes even warmer and drier. The soil also dries and the risk of fire goes up. If a tipping point is reached where the Amazon's precipitation patterns change too drastically to support its flora and fauna, and the rainforest's resilience is too compromised from deforestation, it could eventually transform from a diverse tropical rainforest into a savannah.

Even if emissions were halted today, 10 inches of sea level rise from Greenland's melting has likely already been locked in. But if emissions continue as usual, self-sustaining feedback loops could send the ice sheet barreling past its tipping point. That could eventually melt it entirely and lead to long-term global consequences, like rising sea levels that could eventually redraw coastal maps.

The weakening of the Gulf Stream

Oceans are shaped by currents, which act as powerful underwater conveyor belts that help transport heat and regulate global weather patterns. In particular, the "Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation" (AMOC), a global system of currents that includes the Gulf Stream, carries warm water northward from the Gulf of Mexico, alongside the United States' northeast coast, and toward Greenland and Iceland. On its way, the water cools and some of it evaporates, increasing its concentration of salt. By the time the water runs into the icy coast of Greenland, it's heavy, cold, and salty enough to sink to the bottom and slowly spread back southward, marking the completion of its circuit. This process affects everything from temperatures to rainfall over large parts of the world.

But what happens when the planet heats up and sends freshwater from melting ice into the Atlantic Ocean? The northern water may no longer be salty enough to sink and complete its circuit, potentially slowing down or even stopping the flow of the AMOC altogether. Temperatures and precipitation patterns could dramatically change, risking agricultural seasons and ecosystems. Even marine life could be affected. While the IPCC says that a complete collapse of the AMOC this century is very unlikely, new evidence suggests the current is already at its weakest state in more than 1,000 years.



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### *Please pray for:*

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## Caring Corner



David Orr, author of *Earth in Mind*, writes, "The plain fact is that the planet does not need more successful people. But it does desperately need more peacemakers, healers, restorers, storytellers, and lovers of every kind. It needs people who live well in their places. It needs people of moral courage willing to join the fight to make the world habitable and humane. And these qualities have little to do with success as we have defined it."

### *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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*Advertiser of the Week:*  
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For the month of August the Bountiful Basement could use Peanut Butter , Pasta and Pancake Mix. Thank you!!!!



## This Week at Blessed Trinity

<b>Saturday, July 20</b>	Have a blessed Saturday!!!!
<b>Sunday, July 21</b> 10:00am-11:00am 12:15pm-2:00pm	Breaking Open The Word Taize Practice
<b>Monday, July 22</b> 9:00am-10:30am	Legion of Mary ( Church)
<b>Tuesday, July 23</b> 9:00am-11:00am 9:30 am - 12:00 pm 10:30am-12:00pm 6:30pm-8:00pm	IDCC (JC Lg) Bountiful Basement (BB) AA Meeting ( RB ) Centering Prayer Grp. ( JC Lg)
<b>Wednesday, July 24</b> 3:00pm-3:45pm 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm 5:00pm-6:45pm 7:00pm-8:30pm	Witness for Ukraine IDCC (JC Lg) Bountiful Basement ( BB) LGBTQ Faith Sharing Grp.( R Liv)
<b>Thursday, July 25</b> 11:00am-12:00pm	A..A Meeting ( R B)
<b>Friday, July 26</b>	Happy Friday !!!!
<b>Saturday, July 27</b>	Have a blessed day!!!
<b>Sunday, July 28</b> 10:00am-11:00am	Breaking Open The Word

**We Welcome Into Our  
Blessed Trinity Family:**  
Axel Alvarez & Marie Morales Laboy  
And Family

**Taize Outdoor Prayer - Sunday, July 28**  
We gather at Centering Space in Lakewood by Lake Erie for Taize Prayer next Sunday, July 28 at 7:30 for our Taize Evening Service. Bring a chair with your prayerful presence and join us! Bad weather - really hot or rainy - means we will gather at Blessed Trinity that evening.

Tim Gill, Ph. D. is a resident of West Park, a St. Pat's/St. Ignatius alum, and now a sociologist at the University of Tennessee (although he;s up here now). He is currently conducting a study with Cleveland residents regarding their life, work, and cultural views. So long as individuals live in the Cleveland area and do not have a four-year college degree, they are eligible for the study. For participation, they will also receive a \$50 gift card. Contact Fr. Doug if you'd be willing to participate in this study.

## WORSHIP

**Saturday, July 20**

4:00pm Michael Pavlik ( J Pavlik Family)

**Sunday, July 21 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Jer 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34 (107)**

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Emily Clarke & Eleanor Barnett  
( Ron & Kathy Mickler)

**Monday, July 22**

11:00am @ Westpark Healthcare Center  
4387 W 150th Street

**Tuesday, July 23**

8:30am Blessed Trinity

**Wednesday, July 24**

8:30am Blessed Trinity

**Friday, July 26**

8:30am Donald Burger

**Saturday, July 27**

4:00pm Kate Downie Gomback  
(Peggy & Chris)

**Sunday, July 28 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**2 Kg 4:42-44 Eph 4:1-6/ 6:1-15 (110)**

9:00am George Barnett & John Mickler

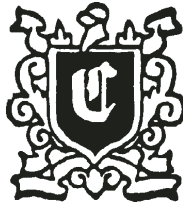
11:00am Blessed Trinity  
( Ron & Kathy Mickler )

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**Return Empty Jars.** If you have empty jam jars from your purchases of our mulberry jam, please return jars and screw on rims to the church or rectory. We've used up all the jars that had been returned. We can reuse the empty jars and rims. We cannot reuse the circle lids; those can be discarded. Thanks for buying and enjoying your jam and then returning the empty jars to us. We'll be happy to make you some more because now we have a whole new season of mulberries in the freezer!

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** is scheduled to begin again in the fall on Sunday mornings at the 11am Mass, but to continue this wonderful program we need adult help. You may choose to break open scripture with children (resources provided) or just be present during the program as another adult leads the session. All our programs with children require that two adults be present. High school age youth can also be mentored to lead the scripture reflection. Younger youth can serve as lectors. Call Katie to inquire or to sign on with a wonderful program!

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