

Blessed Trinity

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AUGUST 25, 2024

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Wednesday: 9 a.m.–8 p.m.

Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p. m.

(Closed for lunch 12:30–1:00 p.m.)

Saturday: 1:00–3:45 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word: 11 a.m.

Monday: see worship calendar
for time & location

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Anytime by appointment only

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.



THE CRY OF THE POOR

Psalm 34



The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Bless-ed be the Lord.



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We Are the Sign of Unity at Mass

One of the main themes of any Eucharistic liturgy is unity. So often in our prayers and in the readings we hear a call for unity, “that we may be one”. We have heard that recently in the readings from the bread of life discourse.

One of the ways we show our unity is by praying “together”. We do this almost naturally, without thinking about it, but it is there as plain as day. We do not sing hymns at our own pace. We sing together. We do not say the responses at the speed we wish to say them. We say them together. We pray the Our Father together. These simple examples express our unity.

We also express our unity with our body language. The Mass is neither a private prayer nor a personal devotion. It is the prayer of the church. It is the community who prays the Mass. The priest is a part of the community. We all stand when we should be standing. This shows the unity that we share. We all sit when we should be sitting. We make the sign of the cross together. We sign ourselves before we hear the Gospel together. We share the sign of peace together. These liturgical gestures reflect our unity. If not for the sake of good liturgy, then for the wisdom “when in Rome, do what the Romans do” should suffice.

Another liturgical principle that I have mentioned is “do what we are doing”. We need everyone to do that for the best possible liturgies. We need you here before Mass begins to learn the new hymn, to hear the announcements, to quiet ourselves, to greet our neighbor, to learn our neighbor’s name. We need you here from the beginning so that we can all sing the gathering hymn. We need you here at the end so that we can all sing the sending forth hymn. For the ushers, simple things like listen to and pray the petitions, don’t be getting up to get the baskets to get ready to take up the collection. We’re not going anywhere and we’re not in a hurry.

Having said all that, there are notable exceptions. With older congregations such as ours, some people cannot stand for a long period of time. Some cannot stand at all. I have recently joined the first club. My arthritis has been affecting my right leg to the point that I cannot stand for more than 20 minutes. Consequently, as I am sure you have noticed, I have been sitting down for communion because I have to. On occasion I have preached sitting down at the presider’s chair rather than my usual spots. This is not license for you to sit down unless you have to, too.

A couple people questioned if I was being lazy. One person wanted to know if I was making a statement, that lay people can distribute communion as good as the priest can. The simple answer is just arthritis and sciatica pain.

Wanting to set a good example about our unity of prayer is important to me. It pains me (no pun intended) not to stand while the rest of you are standing. But it pains me more to stand when it hurts. So, do what is right and just. Reflect our unity in our prayers, our postures and our actions. This is the unity that Jesus prayed for.

I’ve been doing physical therapy for the past five weeks and it doesn’t seem to have helped. I had an eye appointment Wednesday to see if I can get my vision fixed after the cataract surgery fiasco. Next Tuesday I meet with my pulmonologist to get the final report to see if my shortness of breath is a lung problem or a heart problem. He’ll have the results of my recent echocardiogram. Other than those things, I am in good health and great shape for 72. A couple of people asked when I can retire. Actually I could have retired at 70 and become a senior associate somewhere else. No thank you.



AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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bulletin@blessedtrinitycleveland.org or deliver them to the rectory office. Notices MUST be in by **Monday** of the week before the bulletin is distributed.



*May the Peace of Our Lord be with
Ruth (Laney) Kaviak
May God grant comfort to her family and
friends.*

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. Newcomers are welcome. Contact Steve Flynn at 440-539-0689 or sflynn1129@gmail.com .



**Mobile Pantry/Produce Give Away
September 4, 2024, 5:30--6:30 p.m.**
Contact Katie to help at 3:45 pm for early set up. Disciples also needed

4:45pm--6:30pm. No one is allowed on property before 4:30 pm.

Taize Prayer Sunday at 7 pm

Join us for meditative Taize Prayer this Sunday evening at 7 pm at Centering Space, 14812 Lake Ave. in Lakewood. Bring a chair and bring a friend! Bad weather means we will be at our parish at 7 pm.

Please pray for:

Joan Andrews, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Az-zarello, Jim Beesley, Charlene Boyer, Jeanne Brent, Adele Burke, Callie Carley, Gladys Castro, Pat Chapin, Romualdo Cipro, Alex & Ashley Cornet, Teri Crowe, Scherrie Damm, John Darmstadt, Al Delattre, 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, Eileen Kelly, Denise Kamiola, Nicola Jandric, Roubir Jesri, Jr., Jim Jefferis, Vicki & Rudy Juris, Joanne Kauchuk, Dan Kemer, Tony Kernan, Karen Kraus, Linda Kreon, Fr. Dennis Kristancic, Ken Lesko & Family, Marilyn Lombardo, Karen Long, Mary Lynch, Liz Mahon, Eileen Mangan, Sr. Rita Marra SND, Jerry Masek, Claudette Matero, Dennis McAndrew, 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 Prokopius, Jose Rivera, Carol Roberts, Matthew Rossman, Liz Rosa, Ron Ruble, Mary Salamon, Marilyn Samonte, Rob Salvaore, Betty Schmidt, Vic Scigliano, Brandy Shuttera, Larry Sowders, Evana Stanonik, Christopher Stein, Roberta Steinbacher, Marilyn Spangler, Sean Szill, Janet Tang, Kevin Thompson, Sherrie Thompson, Tom Vasko, Noreen Williams, Jesse Wilson, Monica Woodman, Maggie Wooley, 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 Gega
- * A.J Butler (Army) Grandson of Nancy Butler

Mulberry Jam is being sold at \$7 a jar after Mass or in the Rectory. While supplies last.



This Week at Blessed Trinity

SATURDAY, AUG 24

5:00pm-7:00pm Meet & Greet (R Liv)
 3:00pm-8:00pm Music Ministry Potluck (Jc Lg)

SUNDAY, AUG 25

Have a Blessed Sunday!

MONDAY, AUG 26

9:30 am-10:30 am Legion of Mary (CH)

TUESDAY, AUG 27

9:00am-11:00am IDCC (JC Lg)
 9:30am-12:00pm Bountiful Basement (JC)
 10:30am-12:00pm AA Meeting (RB)
 6:30pm-8:00pm Centering Prayer Grp (Jc Lg)

WEDNESDAY, AUG 28

3:00pm-3:45pm Witness for Ukraine
 4:00pm-6:00pm IDCC (JC Lg)
 5:00pm-6:45pm Bountiful Basement (JC)
 7:00pm-8:00pm LGBTQ Faith Sharing Mtg (R Liv)

THURSDAY, AUG 29

10:30am-12:00pm AA Meeting (RB)

FRIDAY, AUG 30

Happy Friday!!!!

SATURDAY, AUG 31

5:00pm-7:00pm Meet & Greet (R Liv)

SUNDAY, SEPT 1

Happy Sunday!!!!

Thank you for your generous support!

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>\$ 3,357.64</i>
<i>Bountiful Basement</i>	<i>\$ 970.00</i>
<i>Gifts and Memorials</i>	<i>\$ 1,050.00</i>
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<i>Assumption of Mary</i>	<i>\$ 316.00</i>

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For the month of September the Bountiful Basement could use Peanut Butter , White Rice 1-2lb bags, Pancake Mix Thank you!!!!

Bulletin News/note the change:

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

Saturday, Aug 24

4:00pm William & Verine Zales
(Ron & Kathy Mickler)

**Sunday, Aug 25 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jos 24:1-2a, Ehp 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69 (122)**

9:00 am Blessed Trinity
11:00 am Ernesto & Luisa Cacho (family)

Monday, Aug 26

11:00 am West Park Healthcare Center,
4387 W 150th St.

Tuesday, Aug 27

8:30am Blessed Trinity

Wednesday, Aug 28

8:30 am Blessed Trinity

Friday, Aug 30

8:30 am Blessed Trinity

Saturday, Aug 31

1:00pm Gary Williams and Darlene Wesolek Wedding
4:00pm Bernie Sprenger (Paula Ryniak)

**Sunday, Sept 1 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 4:1-2,6-8 Jas 1:17-18,21b-22,27
Mk 7:1-8 14-15, 21-23 (125)**

9:00 am Blessed Trinity
11:00 am Blessed Trinity

NO Breaking Open the Word:

August 25 & September 1

Rectory office will be closed September 2 (Labor Day)

Children's Liturgy of the Word, for ages 5-10, 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 are 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. This program cannot continue without help.

Tickets for the Haiti Fundraiser will be available Aug 31, Sept 1, Sept 7&8, Sept 14&15, Sept 21 &22 and Sept 28 &29 after mass and during the week at the rectory office. Tickets are \$30.00, children 10 and under are \$10.00.

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