

Blessed Trinity

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DECEMBER 29, 2024

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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

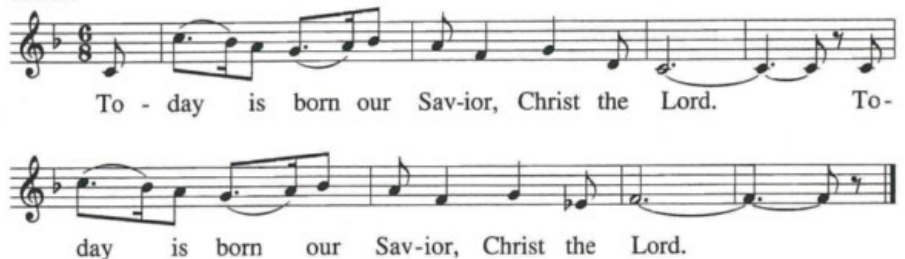
OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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.



Psalm 96: Today Is Born Our Savior

Refrain



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Of This and That
At the End of the Calendar Year

Mass on New Year's Eve is at 4pm and on New Year's Day at 11:00am. What better way to begin a new year than to gather with your faith community and pray for one another's needs in the New Year.

Save the date. New Year's Eve at 7:00pm will be our annual Witness for Peace and Gospel Non-violence interfaith gathering. This year's speaker is Mike Fiala. Near West Side resident Mike Fiala recollects how his early life experiences shaped his role in Cleveland's Catholic Worker movement. He shares his involvement in activism on behalf of affordable housing and providing services for unhoused people on the Near West Side. Fiala highlights the rise of gentrification in the Near West Side, along with the expansion of St. Ignatius High School. He also recollects his involvement in the 2015 March for Tamir Rice. Refreshments after the talk.

As many of you know Katie is retiring. Her last day of work will be Friday, Jan 17. Many of you have asked me what we are going to do to celebrate her retirement. Will there be a retirement party? Should we print envelopes? Can we have a cake? When I broached the topic with Katie she said "NO! Absolutely NOT! I don't want anything." I pointed out to her that if we don't do something, I am going to look really bad and it's all about me. People might ask me why we didn't do anything for Katie after her many years of faithful service.

So, Katie has agreed to celebrate her retirement by coming to coffee and donuts on January 19 after both Masses. This is a real sacrifice on her part because she doesn't even drink coffee.

I have been asking myself all year, "What would be an appropriate retirement gift for Katie? What would she like?" Over the past year I have tried to trick her into telling me something that she could use. A new fishing pole? Airline tickets to a destination of her choice? A gift certificate to Goodwill so she can expand her wardrobe? Each inquiry was met with a "no". So here is what I came up with and it involves you, too. No one gets into ministry for the money. No one gets into ministry for the fame. It is a calling, a vocation.

All the same, everyone likes to be appreciated. Everyone likes to be thanked. We don't do ministry for that reason, but it is nice when it happens.

So for Katie's retirement, I am asking you (of any age) to write a letter or draw a picture if that is all you can do, to Katie thanking her for what she has done for you and telling her how she has touched your life and the life of your family. Some of you have known her and worked with her for 40 years, others only recently. Each of us has benefited from her positive attitude, tireless devotion to our parish, inexhaustible work ethic and friendly smile. And let's be honest, announcements at the end of Mass will never be the same. Your letter to her will be a priceless gift, more cherished than a new fishing rod.

Put your letter or drawing in an envelope. At coffee and donuts I will have a box where you can deposit your letter. I know these letters will be great memories for Katie.

And speaking of "never be the same", we are in a time of staff transition. We have three new full time staff within the last three months. Of course it will not be the same. It will be different. But different does not mean better or worse. It just means "different". We each bring our own gifts and talents along with our different personalities. So a big "thank you" to Katie and a big "welcome" to Julio, our music minister, Donna our office manager and Briyant, our pastoral assistant. Enjoy the ride.

The Peace and Justice Committee meets this Monday at 7:00pm in the Joseph Center. Part of the agenda will be processing our feelings about the election and planning steps to move forward.

The **Catholic Cemeteries Association** offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings and memorial events throughout the year.

The next Grief Support meeting is:
January 19th – Sunday Grief Support meetings (3pm In-person; 5pm Virtual); The January topic is "Facing the New Year With Hope and Love".

AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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Can you give a ride? Sometimes people will call the office requesting a ride to an appointment. We would like to add to our list of people available to offer rides. If you would like your name on a contact list, contact the Office. You would receive a call when we are trying to find a ride for someone. You would be able to check your schedule and decide to offer the ride or not. (Blessed Trinity has no liability in this activity.)

Please plan to purchase one of our many **Gift Cards**. They're great for doing your shopping and make wonderful gifts for the holidays. The proceeds benefit Blessed Trinity Parish. *Blessed Trinity can make special orders from shopwithscrip.com for those items you may not find in our gift box. Contact the Parish office to place your special order. Please allow two weeks for delivery. Please note that Malleys will now be available as cards. At this time they can not be used for online purchases.

Please note that due to New Year's day, there will be **no MOBILE PANTRY** for the month of January. The next one will be on February 5, 2025.

Please pray for:

Joan Andrews, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Azarello, Jim Beesley, Kathy Betz, 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, Erma Eifel, Terry Evans, Donald Flanagan, Marianna Fleming, Joyce Geib, 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., 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, Lucy McInerney, Tom McInerney, Tommy McInerney, 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, 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, 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 Grega
- * A.J Butler (Army) Grandson of Nancy Butler

We will be making jam in the Fogarty Hall kitchen on Saturday, January 11 at 9:00am. If you can help, please contact Katie or sign up at the back table.





This Week at Blessed Trinity

SATURDAY, DEC. 28

SUNDAY, DEC. 29

11:00am-11:45pm CLW (CH)
 12:15pm-2:00pm Taize Practice

MONDAY, DEC. 30

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

TUESDAY, DEC. 31

New Year's Eve
Office Closed
 9:30am-12:00pm Bountiful Basement (BB)

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1

New Year's Day
Office Closed

THURSDAY, JAN. 2

10:30am-12:00pm AA Meeting (RB)
 6:30pm-7:30pm Bell Choir Practice (CH)

FRIDAY, JAN. 3

1:00pm-3:00pm Stephen Leaders

SATURDAY, JAN. 4

9:30am-11:00am Ragamuffin Faith Sharing Group

SUNDAY, JAN. 5

9:00am-4:00pm Stephen Leaders Training
 10:00am-11:00am Breaking Open the Word
 11:00am-11:45am CLW (CH)

St. Ignatius of Antioch Parish will host the University of Notre Dame Chorale Winter tour concert on Sunday, January 5, 2025 at 2:30pm. The Chorale is the official concert choir of the University of Notre Dame. It is free and open to the public.

Thank you for your generous support!

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SATURDAY, DEC. 28

4:00 pm Rochelle Samonte (Ferdinand Samonte)

SUNDAY, DEC. 29 Feast of the Holy Family

Sir 3-2-6, 12-14 Col. 3-12-21 Lk 2:41-52

9:00 am Pastura & Wroblewski Families

11:00 am Blessed Trinity

MONDAY, DEC. 30

11:00 am All Souls

@ Westpark Health Center

TUESDAY, DEC. 31 New Year's Eve

8:30 am Goldie & Joseph Koesel (Joe McGraw)

7:00 pm Peace Vigil

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1 New Year's Day

9:30 am Blessed Trinity

THURSDAY, JAN. 2

No Mass

FRIDAY, JAN. 3

4:00 pm Rochelle Samonte (Ferdinand Samonte)

SATURDAY, JAN. 4

4:00 pm Blessed Trinity

SUNDAY, JAN. 5 Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

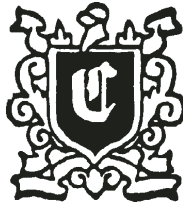
9:00 am Virginia Bevans (Helen Rielinger)

11:00 am Eugene & Mary McSweeney


The International Order of Alhambra is a fraternal organization of Catholic men and women founded in 1904 dedicated to assisting persons who are intellectually disabled or handicapped, particularly children. Within our Cleveland Diocese is the Cleveland chapter, the Carmona Caravan, organized in 1948. They meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Garfield Heights, 10806 Granger Road. During this season of giving, please consider supporting these special children and the nonprofits that serve them. Visit <https://www.carmonacaravan.org> to support the Caravan & for more details.

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