

Blessed Trinity

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FEBRUARY 9, 2025

FIFTH 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.



Psalm 138: The Fragrance of Christ

Refrain III



III Lord, on the day that I cried out for help, you



an - swered me, you an - swered me.

Text: Psalm 138:1-5; David Haas Music: David Haas ©1989, GIA Publications, Inc.



Turning Water into Wine...

A few weeks back during a parish staff meeting, the story of Jesus' first miracle, the miracle of turning water into wine, was read by Fr. Doug. After contemplating for a few minutes, I asked the Holy Spirit to come into my heart and grant me a fresh revelation of that miracle. *Holy Spirit, I know I have read this story many times but give me a greater understanding. What is it that you want me to learn this time?*

Waiting for the Spirit of God to speak back to me, I thought of how dire the situation was. During the days of Jesus, weddings were such a grand occasion and had lasted for days. It would be embarrassing for the bride and groom to run out of wine during a wedding. In addition to that, wine was crucial to the celebration and considered a symbol of joy. The bride and groom were on the cusp of embarrassment with the symbol of joy almost fading away.

As we all know, Jesus' mother came to him overwhelmed by the faith that if there was someone who could save this wedding from a disastrous end, it would be him. Jesus was the Son of God, so why not go to the source of all miracles? Jesus, hearing her request, told her that it was not his time. Immediately after telling his mother this, she orders the attendants at the wedding to obey Jesus' every word; they do. From the jars the attendants fill comes the best wine that the party has ever tasted. The wedding is saved. A good time continues to be had. Mary's faith is strengthened. The bride and groom are saved from what would have been complete humiliation. Jesus saves the day.

While thinking on all of this, I could not help but think of Mary's plea to Jesus. I also could not help but think of Jesus' response to Mary's plea. I thought of Mary as the faithful oppressed, the disenfranchised, the marginalized, as they cry out to Jesus, seeking his aid, on the tip of losing hope. Their situation is dire and requires an immediate response. What happens when these people go to Jesus to seek aid and come to the realization that it is not *time* for him to respond or tend to their crisis?

In this context, why does Jesus' sense of time and the hour override the woes of those needing his help now? How do we make sense of this timing? Is it for us to understand without finite minds? In the context of morality, shouldn't the sense of urgency and cries from the people who are at their wits end require immediate action from Jesus?

Waiting on God can be challenging because humanity's concept of time and God's divine concept of time are not the same. We oftentimes believe that God is taking too long to alleviate some of our most burdensome troubles. What are we to do with this? What are those suffering from a myriad of disparities to do with this understanding?

My limited answer on this comes from the attendants doing what they were capable of doing (filling the jars with water) while Jesus did the impossible (turning water into wine). Let us do what is humanly possible to alleviate the oppression of others, while we wait until the return of Jesus the Christ to forever eradicate suffering of all people.

Gift Card Raffle Winners for January

Eleanor Jakubowski
Anna Marie Parker
Pat Soposky
Kathy Vasko
Marilyn Werner



Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings and Memorial events throughout the year. The next Grief Support meeting is Sunday, February 16th at 3:00pm for in-person support (at 6 locations), and 5:00pm for virtual support and the topic is "What's Normal in Grief?".

For details, visit: <https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>.

For more information or questions, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

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The Fish Fry Committee would appreciate your help in making this a success either by volunteering to work at the event or putting your baking skills to work making a dessert. There are signup sheets on the back table of the church for you to sign up for one of these activities. Thank you, Briyant



West Park Meals on Wheels

West Park Meals on Wheels is in desperate need of volunteers to drive and/or deliver meals to the homebound. On any day you are available, that is on any day of the week you are available. It is truly a rewarding effort for you and the people you serve are humbly grateful. Please help by calling Georgann at 216-251-6255 and leave a message. Your call will be happily returned.

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, Jenny Flynn, Will Gibson, Vesna Goverdovski, Michael Graham, Dottie Green Family, Maria Guy, Donald Haluska, Robert Hardman, Linda Heaton, Catherine Heidinger, Susanne Heisey, Agnes Hevar, 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, 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, Steven Povlis, 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 Yessenko, Eileen Young, Jeala Youssef, Jacqueline Zambano

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



*May the Peace of Our Lord with
Janet Lachowski
May God grant comfort to his
family and friends.*





This Week at Blessed Trinity

SATURDAY, FEB. 8

SUNDAY, FEB. 9

9:00am-10:45am	CGS Level 1 Atrium
9:00am-10:45am	PSR Grade 1-3 (A)
10:00am-11:00am	Breaking Open the Word (R Liv Rm)
10:00am-10:45am	PSR Grades 4-8 (R B)
11:00am-11:45am	CLW (CH)
12:00pm-1:00pm	Community Meal (c)FH&K
12:00pm-1:15pm	Children of Light (A)

MONDAY, FEB. 10

9:00am-10:30am	Legion of Mary (CH)
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TUESDAY, FEB. 11

8:00am-8:30am	Novena - Rosary (CH)
9:00am-11:00am	IDCC (JC Lg)
9:30am-12:00pm	Bountiful Basement (BB)
10:30am-12:00pm	AA Meeting (RB)
6:30pm-8:00pm	Centering Prayer Group (JC Lg)

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12

4:00pm-6:00pm	IDCC (JC Lg)
5:00pm-6:45pm	Bountiful Basement (BB)
6:00pm-7:00p	AA Meeting (R B)
7:00pm-8:00pm	Choir (CH)
7:00pm-8:30pm	LGBTQ Faith Sharing Mtg. (R Liv Rm)

THURSDAY, FEB. 13

11:00am-12:00pm	AA Meeting (R B)
6:30pm-7:30pm	Bell Choir Practice (CH)

FRIDAY, FEB. 14

1:00pm-3:00pm	Stephen Leaders (Off site)
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SATURDAY, FEB. 15

SUNDAY, FEB. 16

9:00am-10:45am	CGS Level 1 Atrium
9:00am-10:45am	PSR Grade 1-3 (A)
10:00am-11:00am	Breaking Open the Word (R Liv Rm)
10:00am-1:00pm	Coffee & Donuts (FH)
10:00am-10:45am	PSR Grades 4-8 (R B)
11:00am-11:45am	CLW (CH)
12:00pm-1:15pm	Children of Light (A)
12:15pm-2:00pm	Taize Music Practice (CH)

Thank you for your generous support!

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SATURDAY, FEB. 8

4:00pm Anna Hvizdos (Joan Francis)

SUNDAY, FEB. 9 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 1 Cor 15:1-11

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am James Ginley (Ginley Family)

MONDAY, FEB. 10

 11:00am at West Park Health Center
 4401 West 150th, Cleveland, Ohio

TUESDAY, FEB. 11

8:30am Blessed Trinity

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12

8:30am Mickey Kilbane (Eileen Kilbane)

THURSDAY, FEB. 13

No Mass

FRIDAY, FEB. 14

8:30am Deacon Jack Koch (Nancy Koch)

SATURDAY, FEB. 15

4:00pm Blessed Trinity

SUNDAY, FEB. 16 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 17:58 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 Lk 6:17, 20-26 (78)

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Samantha Pavone (Margie Pavone)

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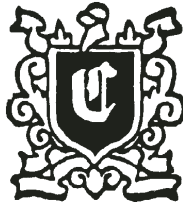
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