CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FEBRUARY 16, 2025

SIXTH 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

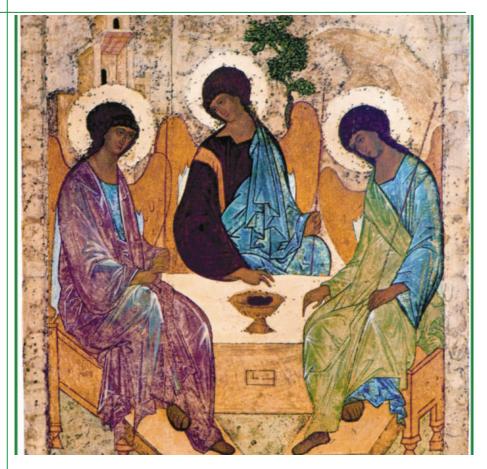
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word: 11 a.m. Monday: see worship calendar for time & location Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 a.m.

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.





Text: Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 5; Marty Haugen Music: Marty Haugen; refrain II adapt. By Diane Kodner ©1987, 1993, GIA Publications, Inc.









FROM THE DESK OF FR DOUG...

Lent is Fast Approaching

Ash Wednesday is March 5. It's not too early to start planning for Lent both individually and as a parish. As in years past, we will have Mass at 12:05pm and a word service in the evening at 7:30pm. Ashes will be distributed at both services. Parishioner Abbey Meyer has agreed to preach at the evening service. In preparation for Ash Wednesday, please bring your blessed palms to church before Monday, March 3 so that we can make fresh ashes.

Also on Ash Wednesday, we will have our annual simple soup supper beginning at 6:00pm. Everyone is invited to bring their favorite meatless soup to start off the Lenten season. We will provide bread and beverages.

Lent will also be the time to organize and join a prayer group for those who are interested. Details to follow.

As a parish I invite you to join in a special program that's sure to be a blessing to your family. This meaningful mission is called *Water for Life*, a powerful opportunity to bring clean, safe water to our brothers and sisters in sub-Saharan Africa.

According to the World Health Organization, dirty water kills one person every ten seconds – and the majority are young children. The hardest hit area in this water crisis is in sub-Saharan Africa where many families in remote villages drink water from contaminated rivers, streams and hand dug pits.

By participating in *Water for Life* our parish will help build 145 lifesaving community water systems and offer other important resources to families in Ghana, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Zambia and Eswatini

This Lenten outreach is organized by Cross Catholic Outreach, a respected U.S. based Catholic ministry that partners with bishops, priests, religious sisters and lay Catholic missionaries around the world who have dedicated their lives to the world's poorest of the poor.

You may remember that last year, Fr. Hilary came for all the Masses one weekend and spoke about the mission and ministry of Cross Catholic Outreach. Many of you told me how much you enjoyed his presentation.

I invite you to learn more about *Water for Life* at CrossCatholic.org/Lent. Over the years, Cross Catholic Outreach has taken the lead in transforming lives by giving remote villages access to safe, clean water.

This Lent, we invite you to join this lifesaving effort. Link arms with the Church in Africa to drill 145 community wells — giving 238,903 people clean and abundant water for life. Let's unleash a wave of compassion to fill their cups!

On their webpage, you'll find:

- Free family resources for Lent, including an activity guide filled with crafts and child-friendly reading passages aligned with the Sunday Gospel readings.
 - A video, photos and stories of families in Africa our parish can help bless with clean water.
- Details about well construction and the lay and religious partners overseeing these efforts.

You can go directly to the video by clicking the link below:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kd2yCGtJa-c

Across the continent of Africa, the U.S. suspension of aid funding ordered by the Trump administration has left chaos, fear and looming devastation, Catholic clergy and social service agency officials told National Catholic Reporter.

In these dark days when our government is trying to stop USAID that supports Catholic Relief Services throughout the word, the need for us to step in, is greater than ever. We will have a "traveling" plastic tub where donations can be dropped throughout the Lenten season, aligning us with the traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

I look forward to sharing this journey with the whole parish. This is yet another way to respond to God's call to "give drink to the thirsty and care for the sick".

May God bless our parish family as we unite throughout Lent to share clean water with those who thirst for Christ's compassion.

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February 2025 - Jesuit Retreat Center Programs & Retreats, Jesuit Retreat Center, 5629 State Rd, Parma, OH 44134

Feb. Morning Prayer for Women. Monday, February 17, 9:30am - 11:00am. Women from all walks of life are invited to pray together and learn more about the beauty of prayer. Led by Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, S.C., this prayer group will refresh your spirit and help you find strength in regular prayer habits. Free Will Offering (walk-ins welcome, registration not required).



AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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the rectory office. Notices MUST be in by Monday of the		
week before the bulletin is distributed.		

Ecumenical Resistance & Protest for the Oppressed

Interest Meeting: Tuesday, March 4, 2025 @7pm in Fogarty Hall

The actions of the current administration have led to policies that undermine justice, equality, and compassion for all citizens. We are particularly con-

cerned about issues such as social inequality, disenfranchisement, immigration, and the erosion of civil liberties. Our faith compels us to stand against these injustices and advocate for a more just and caring society. Together, let



us protest and stir the consciousness of America. Contact Briyant for more information.

Please pray for:

Joan Andrews, Thomas Ausnehmer, Doris Eikens Azzarello, 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 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, Liz Mahon, Eileen Mangan, Sr. Rita Marra SND, Jerry Masek, Claudette Matero, Lucy McInerney, Tom McInerney, Tommy McInerney, Margaret McMahon, 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 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

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This Week at Blessed Trinity

SATURDAY, FEB. 15	
SUNDAY, FEB. 16	
9:00am-9:05	Catholic Charities Parish Appeal
9:00am-10:45am	CGS Level 1 (A)
9:00am-10:45am	PSR Grade 1-3 (A)
10:00am-11:00am	Breaking Open The Word (R LivRm)
10:00am-10:45am	PSR Grades 4-8 (R B)
11:00am-11:45am	CLW (CH)
11:00am-11:05	Catholic Charities Parish Appeal
12:00pm-1:15pm	Children of Light (A)
12:15pm-2:00pm	Taize Music Practice (CH)
MONDAY, FEB. 17	
9:00am-10:30am	Legion of Mary (CH)
7:00pm-8:30pm	SVDP (R Liv Rm)
7:00pm-8:30pm	Peace & Justice Commission (JC Lg)
TUESDAY, FEB. 18	
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)
WEDNESDAY, FEB. 19	
4:00pm-6:00pm	IDCC (JC Lg)
5:00pm-6:45pm	Bountiful Basement (BB)
6:00pm-7:00pm	AA Meeting (R B)
7:00pm-8:00pm	Choir
THURSDAY, FEB. 20	
11:00am-12:00pm	AA Meeting (R B)
6:30pm-7:30pm	Bell Choir Practice (CH)
7:00pm-8:30pm	Women's Faith Sharing (JC Lg)
FRIDAY, FEB. 21	
11:00am-12:00pm	Stephen Leaders (Zoom)
SATURDAY, FEB. 22	
SUNDAY, FEB. 23	
9:00am-10:45am	PSR Grade 1-3 (A)
9:45am-10:45am	CGS Level 1 (A)
10:00am-11:00am	Breaking Open The Word (R LivRm)
10:00am-10:45am	PSR Grades 4-8 (R B)
11:00am-11:45am	CLW (CH)
12:00pm-1:15pm	Children of Light (A)

Thank you for your generous support!

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SATURDAY, FEB. 15

4:00pm Mary Ann Lenahan (Hannah McMonagle) SUNDAY, FEB. 16 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 17:58 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 Lk 6:17, 20-26 (78)

Blessed Trinity

11:00am Samantha Pavone (Margie Pavone)

MONDAY, FEB. 17

11:00am at West Park Health Center

4401 West 150th, Cleveland, Ohio

TUESDAY, FEB. 18

8:30am Blessed Trinity

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 19

8:30am Blessed Trinity

THURSDAY, FEB. 20

No Mass

FRIDAY, FEB. 21

8:30am Blessed Trinity

SATURDAY, FEB. 22

4:00pm **Blessed Trinity**

SUNDAY, FEB. 23 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk 6:27-38 (81)

9:00am **Blessed Trinity**

11:00am Kenneth Nodge (Family)



To our fellow parishioners and the academic honor they achieved for the 2024-2025 1st Semester Honors list at Saint Ignatius High School:

Brendan Friel '26, Grade 10, First Honors **Gregory Friel '25, Grade 12, First Honors**

END-OF-LIFE: A Catholic Perspective & Practical Considerations. Talking about death and dying can be difficult and uncomfortable. As you face decisions! about treatment and care at the end-of-life, two speakers will provide helpful guidance so you can plan with purpose and peace of mind.

Sunday, February 23, 5:00-6:00pm

St. Ladislas Church, 2345 Bassett Road, Westlake

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