

Blessed Trinity

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APRIL 20, 2025

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

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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 12:30–1:45 p.m.)
Saturday: 1:00–3:45 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

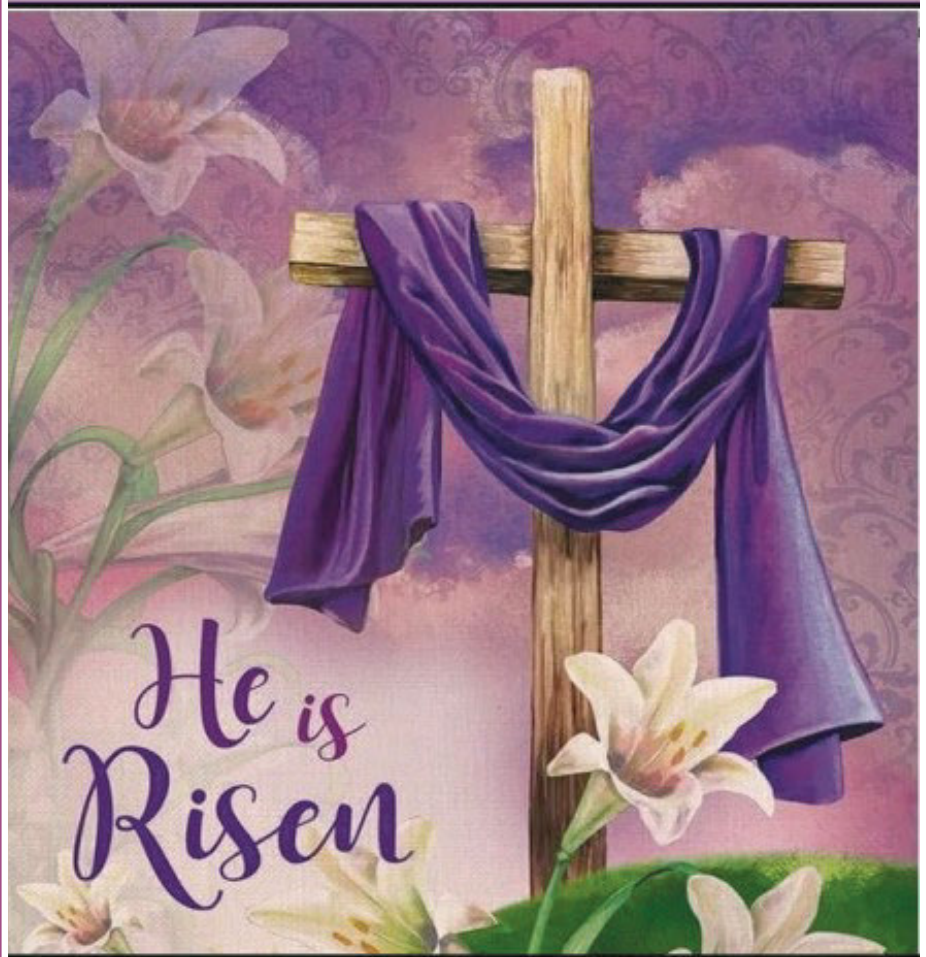
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Children’s Liturgy of the Word: 11 a.m.
Monday: see worship calendar
for time & location
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 a.m.

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 118: This Is the Day

Refrain



This is the day the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad.



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Beyond Easter

As Easter approaches , I cannot help but think about the helpless state we would be in had it not been for Our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ stepping in for us. The selfless act of exchanging his sinless and perfect life for our sinful and imperfect lives is more than enough for one to contemplate with a sense of gratitude on the goodness of God.

What also calls for a reflection of gratitude this Easter is the cross. The cross is one of the most powerful images in the world not only because of the popularity of Christianity, but because it was the absolute best that God could ever do to repair his relationship with us. The cross stood for reconciliation, a new covenant, and the liberation of all people. Through the cross, God was working in the past, present, and future.

While the cross serves as a reminder of a much-needed atonement for our sins, we cannot help but to be perplexed by the love, grace, and mercy of God that was extended to us. What is most mystifying about the cross is the method of sacrifice that God used to save a sinful, unrepentant, wayward human race. God chooses his one and only son, an unblemished image of perfection, the standard for holiness, to be used as a sacrifice to stone for our sins.

When we think of God sacrificing his own son just so that he could repair our relationship with him, it speaks volumes as to how much God loves us and how badly he desires a genuine relationship with utterly depraved human beings. In Jesus' selfless sacrifice, God extends an olive branch to us and holds his hand out in hopes that his son's death would be enough to call others to repentance and right relationship with him. What is even more remarkable about the consciousness of God when using Jesus as a sacrifice

for humanity is the fact that God did this knowing that some people would still reject his love, grace, and mercy, his olive branch.

This Easter season, God is calling our hearts, minds, and spirits to a period of reflection, reconciliation, and forgiveness. In this season, we too must be willing, just as Jesus was, to be used as selfless sacrifices for the sake of others who desperately need God. Let us be reminded that Jesus laid down his life for the sake of others. We are called to do the same thing, to live a life of radical selflessness that ushers others into a life of spiritual maturity . We must remember this.

Let the spirit of Easter, sacrifice, reconciliation and forgiveness stay present with us in the days, months, and years to come.

Do this in remembrance of him.



Please plan to purchase one of our many **Gift Cards**. They're great for doing your shopping. 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 Malley's is now available as a plastic card and the whole amount of the card does not need to be spent. At this time they cannot be used for online purchases.



AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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You are not alone. **Catholic Cemeteries Association** walks with you along your grief journey. We offer free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings and Memorial events throughout the year. The next two Grief Support meeting are:

- April 27th – Sunday Grief Support meetings (3pm In-person at 6 locations throughout the Diocese; 5pm Virtual); The April topics are “Easter Season” and “Mother’s Day Grief”.
- May 18th – 3:00 pm In-person at 6 locations throughout the Diocese and 5:00 pm Virtual meeting; The May topics are “Father’s Day and Grief” and “Mental Health Awareness”. For details, visit: <https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>.

Thank you for your generous support!

Sunday, Mar 13	\$	4,692.00
Easter	\$	65.00
Haiti Missions	\$	80.00
Bountiful Basement	\$	3,370.00
Help the Needy	\$	3,005.00
Capital Improvements	\$	55.00
Education	\$	50.00
Pastoral Ministry	\$	70.00
Memorials & Special Gifts	\$	4,296.00
Restricted Special Gifts	\$	250.00
Operation Rice Bowl	\$	135.00

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, Erna Eifel, Terry Evans, Donald Flanagan, Marianna Fleming, Jenny Flynn, Will Gibson, Vesna Goverdovski, Michael Graham, Dottie Green Family, Maria Guy, Louise J. Hall, 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, 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

Save the date. The Reverse Raffle is this Saturday from 5-10pm. Tickets are \$45 for dinner and main board, \$25 for dinner only, and \$10 absentee ticket.



This Week at Blessed Trinity

SATURDAY, APR 19

SUNDAY, APR. 20

10:00am-11:00am Breaking Open The Word (R LivRm)
11:00am-11:45am CLW (CH)

MONDAY, APR. 21

9:00am-10:30am Legion of Mary (CH)
7:00pm-8:00pm St. Vincent DePaul Meeting (R LivRm)
7:00pm-8:30pm Peace & Justice Commission (JC Lg)

TUESDAY, APR. 22

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)
5:00pm-6:00pm First Communion Prep (A)
6:00pm-6:30pm Community Gardeners Mtg (JC Lg)
6:30pm-8:00pm Centering Prayer Group (JC Lg)

WEDNESDAY, APR. 23

3:00pm-3:45pm Witness for Ukraine
4:00pm-6:00pm IDCC (JC Lg)
5:00pm-6:45pm Bountiful Basement (BB)
6:30pm-7:30pm Tai Chi (FH)
7:00pm-8:00pm Choir (CH)
7:00pm-8:30pm LGBTQ Faith Sharing Mtg (R LivRm)

THURSDAY, APR. 24

11:00am-12:00pm AA Meeting (R B)
6:30pm-7:30pm Bell Choir (CH)
7:00pm-8:30pm Bible Study (R Liv Rm)

FRIDAY, APR. 25

1:00pm-3:00pm Stephen Leaders (R Lib)

SATURDAY, APR. 26

5:00pm-10:00pm Reverse Raffle

SUNDAY, APR. 27

9:00am-10:00am First Eucharist (CH)
9:00am-10:45am PSR Grade 1-3 (A)
9:00am-10:45am CGS Level 1 (A)
10:00am-11:00am Breaking Open The Word (R LivRm)
10:00am-10:45am PSR Grade 4-8 (R B)
11:00am-11:45am CLW (CH)

PARISH APPEAL

Today we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Your support for this collection aids victims of persecution and natural disasters, provides legal services to poor immigrants, and advocates for the powerless. Through your generosity, six Catholic agencies **reveal Christ's love** to the vulnerable refugee, the immigrant family, and those who are poor and marginalized. Please prayerfully consider contributing to The Catholic Relief Services Collection today.

SATURDAY, APR 19

8:30pm Easter Vigil

SUNDAY, APR. 20 EASTER SUNDAY

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Col 3:1-4

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Blessed Trinity

MONDAY, APR. 2111:00am at West Park Health Center
4401 West 150th, Cleveland, Ohio**TUESDAY, APR. 22**

8:30am Blessed Trinity

WEDNESDAY, APR. 23

8:30am Blessed Trinity

THURSDAY, APR. 24

No Mass

FRIDAY, APR. 25

8:30pm Margaret Cutshall (Cutshall Family)

SATURDAY, APR. 26

4:00pm Blessed Trinity

SUNDAY, APR. 27 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Col 3:1-4

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Angelina Martina (Rosa & Family)

Caring Corner

In these turbulent times, it's easy to get off-kilter, out of sorts, discombobulated.. If that describes you, consider this exchange from Tolkien's *The Fellowship of the Ring*; "I wish it need not have happened in my time," said Frodo. "So do I," said Gandalf, "and so do all who live to see such times. But that is not for them to decide. All we have to decide is what to do with the time that is given us." If you or someone you know could benefit from the listening ear, caring presence, and Christ-centered support of a Stephen Minister, please call 216-671-5890, Ext. 12.

Peace and Justice News. Senator Mark Kelly and others have said there are two things we can do to preserve our democracy, write letters and show up. Each weekend after Masses the Peace and Justice Committee will have letters for you to sign and add your own message. This week's letter is about the value of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Come sign a letter and make your voice heard. Donations to cover the cost of mailing will be accepted.

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