

# Blessed Trinity

## All Are Welcome



**JUNE 8, 2025**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

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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 104: Lord, Send Out Your Spirit

Refrain



Lord, send out your Spir-it, and re - new the face of the earth!

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Happy Anniversary

This past Thursday, June 5, was the fifteenth anniversary of the opening of Blessed Trinity Parish. So much has happened over these last 15 years.

When the personnel board called and asked me to come here, I assumed (my bad) that it was because of my experience with the Retrouvaille program, a program to bring healing for couples hurting in their marriage. I had experience bringing healing to where there was hurt. Years later, in a passing conversation with one member of the board, he told me that they asked me because “Doug was in El Salvador during the civil war so he’s used to dodging bullets”!

Those first days were difficult for us all. Sometimes they brought out the worst in me as I didn’t deal with the stress and frustration as I should have. But looking back, it was all worth it.

In the past 15 years, there were 162 baptisms and 8 people were received into the church. These baptized babies and adults from RCIA are a sign that our parish is vibrant and alive.

There were 125 First Communions, 176 Confirmations and 40 marriages.

A total of 407 people were buried from Blessed Trinity in those 15 years. I took some time to read the names, pray for each deceased person, laugh as I saw some names that brought a smile to my face, and shed a tear as I read the names of those who had become dear friends. It’s hard to imagine our parish today compared to what it was like 15 years ago. We have an entirely new staff except for Deacon Dick Beercheck, custodian Phil Devaty and me. Our Bountiful Basement relocated from the rectory basement to its present location. Clientele has quadrupled. We started a monthly hot community meal. Our What’s On Your Mind gatherings brought many innovations to our parish.

Our Haiti Committee has sent tens of thousands of dollars raised from all of you. Many of us were able to visit Haiti and we long to go back again someday.

We’re now enabling people to get a birth certificate, Social Security Cards, and other forms of identification and through the IDCC program on our campus.

The Peace and Justice Committee. Mobile Pantry, Witness for Ukraine, Eucharistic Bread Baking Ministry, Stephen Ministry, Centering Prayer Group and the Entrepreneur Incubator program did not exist when we opened. They are now life-giving parts of our parish.

There is a beautiful flower garden on the south side of the former convent. Thanks to those who weed there from time to time as well as the “adopt-a-spotters” who care for our grounds and make them look inviting.

Our two unused baseball fields are now filled with 25 raised beds, 104 fruit trees and over an acre for in ground planting for refugees from Congo, Bhutan, Nepal, and Afghanistan.

Six bee hives have found a home for us and give us honey. Raspberry jam, mulberry jam and apple sauce are “the fruits of our labor”.

But mostly it is in our spirituality, our mission and our ministry that we are grounded. Our liturgies reflect the passion we have for what we do. Whether it is personal prayer, bible study, prayer groups, or Sunday worship. Our eyes are fixed on Jesus’ call.

We are indebted to one another for the hundreds of disciples that make our parish thrive.

Not all people liked the new parish. Some never joined. Some, like Mikey, “tried it but didn’t like it”. Some walked out during homilies. Some left because of “white binder homilies”. And some were asked to leave because clearly, they didn’t belong.

But for those who stayed after the merger and for those who have joined in the 15 years since, we have created a parish that is flourishing and vibrant.

Thank you for buying into what we are about. It is you who make us who we are.

Our mission statement says it all: Blessed Trinity Parish is an open and welcoming Catholic community, centered in the Eucharist and celebrating God’s gift of diversity. We are a new parish family, bringing God’s love to one another and supporting 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.



Pentecost is celebrated the weekend of June 7/8. Red is the liturgical color. Help decorate our church by wearing something **red** to church that

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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.

**Caring Corner** 

In this crazy, divided world, people often ask, “What exactly do we do?” Here are a few ideas. First, choose mercy. In a world where demeaning someone is applauded, choose to honor dignity. In a world where exclusion is real, choose the Gospel: Little gifts count: Hug the hurt, kiss the broken, bandage the wounded, befriend the lost, love the lonely, stand up for the humiliated. Little gifts of compassion, connection, dignity, empathy, kindness, generosity, peace leave people better than we find them.

**Thank you for your generous support!**

Sunday, June 1	\$	4,553.36
Bountiful Basement	\$	955.00
Help the Needy	\$	70.00
Capital Improvements	\$	58.33
Education	\$	33.34
Pastoral Ministry	\$	43.33
Memorials & Special Gifts	\$	3,265.00
Newman Campus Ministry	\$	20.00

*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, Thomas Heim, 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 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, 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, Mary Pat Wynne, 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 still have Mulberry jam for sale for \$7 a jar.



## This Week at Blessed Trinity

### **SATURDAY, JUN. 7**

### **SUNDAY, JUN. 8**

9:00am-10:00am Community Meal (c)FH&K  
12:15pm-2:00pm Taize Music Practice (CH)

### **MONDAY, JUN. 9**

9:00am-10:30am Legion of Mary (CH)  
6:00pm-7:00pm Pastoral Council Planning Committee  
(R LivRm)

### **TUESDAY, JUN. 10**

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, JUN. 11**

9:00am-1:00pm Habitat for Humanity ReStore Project  
3:00pm-3:45pm Witness for Ukraine (Outdoors)  
4:00pm-6:00pm IDCC (JC Lg)  
5:00pm-6:45pm Bountiful Basement (BB)  
7:00pm-8:30pm LGBTQ Faith Sharing Mtg. (R  
LivRm)  
7:00pm-8:00pm Tai Chi (Outdoors)

### **THURSDAY, JUN. 12**

10:30am-12:00pm AA Meeting (R B)  
4:00pm-5:15pm Zoom Poverty Simulation: Hunger  
Education

### **FRIDAY, JUN. 13**

### **SATURDAY, JUN. 14**

9:30am-11:00am Ragamuffin Faith Sharing Grp. (R  
LivRm)

### **SUNDAY, JUN. 15**

10:00am-1:00pm Coffee & Donuts (FH)

**Kayaking anyone?** Blessed Trinity Adventurers are anxious to get back on the river again! Help us plan our first kayaking trip of the season. All are welcome! If this will be your first time in a kayak and you want to ride with someone else we can arrange that. These river trips are just right for any beginners and enjoyable for all. Signup sheets to gather info for trip planning are on the back table in church OR contact Katie Corbett; [kcorbett@blessedtrinitycleveland.org](mailto:kcorbett@blessedtrinitycleveland.org).



Welcome

**We Welcome Into Our  
Blessed Trinity Family:  
Abigail Meyer**

**SATURDAY, JUN. 7**

4:00pm Raymond Francis (Joan Francis)

**SUNDAY, JUN. 8 PENTECOST SUNDAY**

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b

9:00am Blessed Trinity

11:00am Betty Kensick (Teri Crowe)

**MONDAY, JUN. 9**11:00am at West Park Health Center  
4401 West 150th, Cleveland, Ohio**TUESDAY, JUN. 10**

8:30am Blessed Trinity

**WEDNESDAY, JUN. 11**

8:30am Blessed Trinity

**THURSDAY, JUN. 12**

No Mass

**FRIDAY, JUN. 13**

8:30am Blessed Trinity

**SATURDAY, JUN. 14**

4:00pm Blessed Trinity

**SUNDAY, JUN. 15 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

Prv 8:22-31 Rom 5:1-5 Jn 16: 12-15 (166)

9:00am Catherine Rajnicek (BT Apiary Team)

11:00am Josephine DiLiasio (Rosemary)

Calvary Cemetery, Cleveland – Pre-Planning Seminar

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour, educational pre-planning seminar on Saturday, June 14, 2025, at 1p.m. in the main office building of Calvary Cemetery, Cleveland. Please join us to learn more about the necessary steps to pre-planning the burial process, burial options including options for cremated remains, and the Catholic burial rite. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event to Calvary Cemetery – 216-641-7575 ext. 2 or email [bstrauchon@clecem.org](mailto:bstrauchon@clecem.org). Please visit [clecem.org](http://clecem.org) for more information.

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