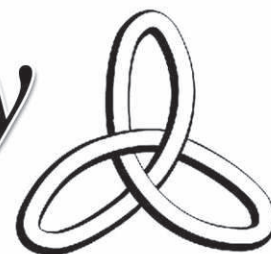


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The Body and Blood of Christ

Psalm 110: You Are a Priest Forever

Setting by: Michel Guimont

Refrain



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From Fr. Doug's Desk...***Get ready, Get set, GO!***

Welcome to Blessed Trinity Parish. Many people have worked hard giving birth to this day. And yet, now that the merge has finally occurred we have this new life that, like any first time parent, we are not quite sure what to do with. We know we will grow to love it more each day, but it will take time and effort. We pray for the patience to make it a place of respite and love and spiritual joy.

Some new religious objects have found their way into the new church. From St. Patrick Church we have a three piece sculpture called Fishers of Men. It depicts the Trinity and we are blessed to have it since it is so appropriate. We also have the Stations of the Cross from St. Patrick. (These religious items will be returned to St. Patrick if their appeal succeeds.)

From Annunciation we have the Shrine to the Cleveland Martyrs, reminding us all of our call to lay down our lives in service to our neighbor. We also have the Haiti display which will now become Blessed Trinity's foreign mission collaboration. We will continue the collaboration begun by Annunciation with St. Philomene parish in Haiti.

From Ascension we keep the Risen Christ statue and the mosaic of Mary.

The church has been reconfigured to accommodate more people. The choir area is moved, chairs have been added. Ironwork has been taken down. The statue of the sacred heart of Jesus has been moved and in its place is a painting of Rublev's Icon of the Trinity. We hope that these religious works of art will give everyone some sense of ownership and comfort in the new church as they see something familiar. Rublev's icon is something new to bring us all together.

This is an exciting time. We have the rare opportunity to create a parish from scratch. It is also a difficult time. People are mourning and grieving and angry. It will not be easy. One thing that I want to do is to have question and answer sessions after Masses for at least the first month and longer if necessary. Another thing is to give people a chance to express their thoughts about the new parish by using part of my column. We'll call it "View from the Pew".

Few ministries or groups are finalized yet, but most everything is on the table. All ideas are welcome. We hope to establish many parish groups and ministries. Help is needed and welcomed right now with the Bountiful Basement, transportation, all liturgical ministries, bingo, five nursing homes, gardening, etc. We want you and need you to be involved in this new parish. Getting involved is the best way to respond to the call to discipleship. It is also a great way to get to know one another.

To that end, I encourage everyone to get and wear a name button. Many of you have filled out a slip and your button is already made. Please wear it to Mass the first year. Leave it in your car so that you do not forget it. This is the most important community-building thing that we can do this week.

Volunteers are also needed to drive people to church. If you are able, please notify me and tell me what Mass you will be attending. If you need a ride, let me know as well.

During this time there will probably be more questions than answers. If God took six days for creation, we can expect that creating this new parish will take us longer. We are a work in progress, We are a pilgrim people. We have given birth and now we are nurturing this new life.

We Are Here to Serve!*Dear Parishioners,**As your new Core Team for Blessed Trinity Parish, we wanted to give you a brief introduction to each of us with a bit of biographical information and some of our hopes. In the days and years ahead, we pledge to serve you and to serve with you in the name of God our Creator, our Savior and our Sanctifier.*

As a Sister of the Congregation of St. Joseph (C.S.J.), I began my years of service in education, teaching for eight years. That quickly changed as I became involved in parish ministry, which has been my commitment for the past thirty-five years. I have been blessed to serve at a variety of parishes including Saint Ignatius and St. Colman, just to name a couple. It has been my privilege to be a Pastoral Minister at Annunciation for the last twenty-one years, serving the final eight as Parish Life Coordinator. It is my hope that the Pastoral Council and Core Team of Blessed Trinity Parish will both provide leadership as we meld into a new vision of parish. Our best dreams will be realized if we truly strive to capitalize on the talents and assets of each of the three parishes. Together we have the possibility of becoming far more than the sum of our individual parts.

-Janet Bednar, C.S.J.

I moved to West Park in 1953 and except for a brief stay in Pittsburgh, of all places, have lived here ever since. It is a great place to live and raise a family; that's why we never thought of moving. The community called me to diaconate in 1983, and I was ordained in 1986. My wife Judy and I have been involved in a great many ministries over the past 30 years, including marriage preparation (Pre-Cana and Couple-to-Couple), RCIA, Hunger Center, parish missions, Baptism preparation, and Confirmation preparation. I have also served as spiritual moderator for the Holy Name Society and Athletic Association. We have been married for 41 years and have five children, and two grandchildren. I work in the Corporate Communications Department at Ferro Corporation and also do free-lance technical writing. We are looking forward to building a new and vibrant community at Blessed Trinity Parish that is a beacon of faith and hope in West Park. I hope to use my gifts of listening and understanding to build this community and make it aware of God's love and presence.

-Deacon Dick Beercheck

Life before Blessed Trinity Parish seems almost hard to remember at times as these last months have been so focused on moving ahead with the Spirit into the fullness of our new parish. Yes, there was a time in the 80's and 90's when I taught high school theology and history and served on the administrative team at Beaumont School. Then I was graced with the move west to Ascension School's principalship and the parish Core Team. Now I am blessed as I have the opportunity to remain as a pastoral consultant with Blessed Trinity. I plan to continue to volunteer at West Park Catholic Academy, to minister with my presence as an Ursuline Sister wherever I am in the parish and to witness in our neighborhood so that others may look at us and say,

"See how those Christians love one another" and want to join Blessed Trinity Parish.

-Sister Laura Bregar, OSU

I have loved my many years and many ministries in the Ascension community. My husband, Paul, and I purchased our West Park "starter" home in '78, sure we'd be on our way out in just a few years. With gratitude I look back on these years, time spent raising 3 children and discovering within me a call to share my love for Jesus. With great hope, I look forward to the blossoming of all that is good from the Annunciation, St. Patrick and Ascension church families into a brand new adventure in faith and prayer in our expanded neighborhood. With all that we bring together from all three churches, Blessed Trinity offers the opportunity and the mix of people for new vision. I wholeheartedly embrace the opportunity to serve as Youth and Family Minister, to work with creative people who bring energy and great ideas for reaching and teaching our children. Let's get together and bring a new vision into reality for our children and for all of us!

-Katie Corbett

Waiting for the position of Music Director for Blessed Trinity Parish to be posted was something like laboring (with my husband Greg, of course!) to bring forth my children, Nina and Nolan. It was as natural as the music I have loved and used to serve God and God's people since I was in 8th grade, but it was as painful and relentless as the demand I felt almost 15 years ago when I was part-time at Brooklyn Heights UCC and was applying at Ascension Church for a full time position. You can imagine then, that I applied for the role as soon as it was posted in our bulletins and online. There is no place else I would rather be right now than in this new parish with these people in this neighborhood. We will pray our way into a family in the pews but also in the streets as we ask ourselves: Do we still want to Christmas carol? Are we happy that we now have a platform for our choir like Annunciation did? Will there ever be another Musicfest? What about the Puritas Park Festival? And how many music ministers might we consider if we choose to be a part of the neighborhood or city parades? I look forward to being your Music Director at Blessed Trinity parish and answering those questions and more together as a choir and as a parish.

-Melissa Gali Bird

Fifteen years of breaking the east-west divide daily! After serving St. Louis Parish on the east side and grad school at St. Mary Seminary, I have driven so often to W.140 & Puritas that my car is on auto-pilot. It has not just been coming to work, however, it has been coming home as well because I grew up on West Ave and attended John Marshall High School! It has been a privilege to serve at Ascension and to have a part in helping to shape Blessed Trinity parish. During this time I have watched my four sons graduate from high school & college, and celebrated a wedding and new grandchildren. And now we are bringing forth a new generation of faith in this new community called Blessed Trinity, too! Our new parish will nourish the bodies and spirits of all who choose to become a part of us because, just as the song says: "All are welcome in this place." I am

delighted to be in a position where I can help facilitate that welcoming process whether it is food for the 500 or so hungry families we feed in the Joseph Center each month, or gatherings of the wise elders no matter what names we claim for each organization (a Women's Guild, a Holy Name, a Men's Ministry, a 55+ Club...), or through a Peace Commission, Gay/Lesbian Community or Neighborhood Outreach. As Pastoral Minister at Blessed Trinity Parish I eagerly anticipate our lives and our liturgies being inextricably linked to feed our needs and to increase our hunger for God.

-Laurie Jurecki

I have enjoyed the best out of two of the three "worlds" that are coming together to form Blessed Trinity Parish. My wife Nancy and I reared our three children in St. Patrick Parish, and I have served as deacon at Ascension Church since 1996. Through my children, the positions I have held as a plumber over the years and my ministry, I have had the honor of sharing the lives of so many of you in the West Park neighborhood. It is a great grace to be a part of the Core Team of Blessed Trinity Parish. Having prayed together as a community member and deacon at all three of the "feeder" parishes, I know that there are many voices we can call upon to lift the suffering in prayer. I am aware that there are many strong hands and backs that can help to bear the burdens. And I am also well acquainted with the joyful spirit present among us that will call us to celebrate and rejoice in God's blessings. So let us put aside anything that divides us and extend to one another a sign of peace, a sign that charity and love do, indeed, prevail at Blessed Trinity Parish.

-Deacon Jack Koch

"Things will seem different and things will be different," I wrote last week in Ascension Church's bulletin. Welcome to different! We have arrived at the establishment of Blessed Trinity Parish. We come with joy and grief, vibrancy and exhaustion. But we are here. All of us. From all three parishes. Now we are new. And in many ways I who am named your leader am the newest kid on the block. Although I know how to be a pastor, I need to learn how to be *your* pastor. The best way for you to teach me is by your example. Come to Mass, volunteer for an activity at Blessed Trinity, play or work Bingo, tell your neighbors the good news about the reign of God and how it is lived out here joyfully in our new parish together. I will learn by listening to you, by watching you, by following your example. I have served at St. Clare, St. Mark, St. Peter and across the miles in El Salvador. The Spirit of God has taught me with and in and through God's people wherever I have been. Don't let the Spirit down now!

-Fr. Doug Koesel

I was born and raised in St. Patrick Parish and returned here with my wife Maryellen to raise our two awesome children, Chris and Shannon. My marriage and family is my most important ministry. I have also been a fire fighter for Cleveland for 21 years. While I am sad about the closing of St. Patrick, I am equally excited about forming and worshiping with a vibrant community that I am sure Blessed Trinity will become. I look forward to this experience with

hope! Personally I bring to the new parish the gift of music. In fact, I have played already in the Ascension building with Melissa before the 4:00 Saturday liturgy. If you heard the trumpet, then you heard me. It has also been a joy to serve as a deacon since my ordination in 1997. At Blessed Trinity Parish I fervently anticipate vibrant cooperation that leads to the eager participation of our parishioners and the warm hospitality tendered toward those who seek to join us.

-Deacon Bill Staab

Stay tuned to coming weeks when we will learn more about the rest of the staff of Blessed Trinity Parish.

**FIRST SATURDAY, JUNE 5: SAINT BONIFACE,
BISHOP AND MARTYR**

4:00 Edward Hutman (Family & Friends)

**SUNDAY, JUNE 6: THE MOST HOLY BODY AND
BLOOD OF CHRIST**

9:00 People of Blessed Trinity Parish

12:30 PM **Opening Mass**

John Cotter (Wife, Dorothy)

MONDAY, JUNE 7: WEEDKAY

8:30

TUESDAY, JUNE 8: WEEKDAY

8:30

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9: WEEKDAY

8:30

THURSDAY, JUNE 10: WEEKDAY

8:30 **No Mass**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 11: THE MOST SACRED HEART OF
JESUS**

8:30

**SATURDAY, JUNE 12: THE IMMACULATE HEART
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

4:00 People of Blessed Trinity Parish

SUNDAY, JUNE 13: ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 Alberto Pirozzoli (Wife & Kids)

11:00 Ida Mae Bokovitz (Mike & Pat Coughlin)

11:00 Children's Liturgy of the Word (1st Fl of School)

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