

# Blessed Trinity

## All Are Welcome



**MARCH 15, 2026**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

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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 1:15-1:45 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.



## Shepherd Me, O God

Refrain

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -  
yond my fears, from death in - to life.

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## Navigating the System

Working with Virgil has been a learning experience. I thought we had his SSI (Social Security Disability) and RSS (Residential State Supplement) straightened out in January when he received both checks, each for the correct amount. But only the SSI check arrived in February.

I checked with his house manager at Our Place Our Home and she suggested I just wait. So, I waited and waited and waited.

I tried to go online but managing the new online portal was challenging. After creating a Login name and creating a password, I entered my data (name, address, email address, Soc. Sec. number, etc.) Then I had to enter my cell phone number so they could send a text mess for confirmation that it was me. Then I had to send double verification by taking a picture of both sides of my driver's license and sending that in.

I could not find a record of the RSS check. At this point I decided to go down to the Virgil Brown building for public assistance with Virgil and see if we could make any progress. By this time the check for March had not come.

The woman who waited on us was very nice and had us fill out a "reissue" order for the checks for February and March which we did.

The next day, the original checks arrived in the mail, one, a month late, the other a day late. Now what do I do, knowing that they were going to put a stop order on those original checks? Do I try to cash these checks? Plus, the checks were not for the same amount. Why? I didn't know. Nothing about Virgil's situation has changed. So, I went down on Tuesday morning at 9:00am while Virgil worked at the Bountiful Basement. Throughout this process I've learned to take every bit of printed information I have ever gotten from the social security office. So, I took the benefit statement, the two checks and our paper for the reissue. I was glad I did.

This time I waited in line about an hour. When I explained the situation to the nice lady she said "Hmmm, let me go ask my supervisor. Follow me." So, I did.

The nice lady dropped me off with the supervisor. The supervisor took the checks and said she'd be right back. She was, kinda. When she came back she told me that they were going to keep those checks because they weren't sure where in the queue the newly issued checks were. "Just wait 5-10 business days and you will get the newly reissued checks."

"Okay" I said, but can you tell me why the checks are for two difference amounts? Oh, you'll have to go back to room 108 and fill out a request form.

"You mean get back in line and wait all over again?"

"Yes" she said.

"Can you expedite this since I've already been here over an hour?" She said "No" but I said, "Are you sure?" I think I looked like I was going to cry so she came back to room 108 with me and got me to the front of the line.

I was back in front of the nice lady who took down all the information and said that someone would be contacting me within the next three business days.

At this point I was sure it was five o'clock somewhere but since I was driving, I restrained myself. I got back to the church just in time to pick up Virgil at noon from the Bountiful Basement.

Let's hope I get that phone call and that the checks arrive on time.

To be continued....



# AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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## E-MAIL BULLETIN NOTICES TO:

bulletin@blessedtrinitycleveland.org or deliver them to the rectory office. Notices MUST be in by **Monday** of the week before the bulletin is distributed.

Once again we will be having a communal book experience with an option for discussions. Book are normally \$12.95 but if we get 50 people to order the book, they are \$5. The book is *The 15-Minute Prayer Solution*. Drawing on spiritual practices from the Christian tradition throughout the centuries, Jansen offers numerous and wide-ranging prayer exercises that can be completed in less than fifteen minutes. Deeply personal stories, thought-provoking modern-day parables, and even humorous anecdotes bring spiritual ideas down to earth, revealing the practical side of prayer. If you'd like to receive a copy of this book, please sign up at the back table of the church.

## Thank you for your generous support!

<b>Sunday, Mar 8</b>	\$ 6,019.00
<i>Easter</i>	\$ 100.00
<i>Haiti Missions</i>	\$ 60.00
<i>Bountiful Basement</i>	\$ 540.00
<i>Capital Improvements</i>	\$ 30.00
<i>Memorials &amp; Special Gifts</i>	\$ 1,465.00
<i>Catholic Relief Services</i>	\$ 115.00
<i>Operation Rice Bowl</i>	\$ 155.00

## Please pray for our sick:

Jim Beesley, Mary Ann Bowers, Charlene Boyer, Adele Burke, Gladys Castro, Pat Chapin, Romualdo Cipro, Teri Crowe, Scherrie Damm, John Darmstadt, Al Delattre, Diane Dorenkott, Dukles Family, Joseph Dunn, Barb Dylag, Scott Eidam, Erma Eifel, Terry Evans, Jenny Flynn, Will Gibson, June Grace, Michael Graham, Louise J. Hall, Thomas Heim, Susanne Heisey, Agnes Hocevar, Gail Iseli, Eileen Kelly, Nicola Jandric, Annette Janetzke, Vicki & Rudy Juris, Joanne Kauchuk, Dan Kemer, Ralph & Judy Kobus, Marilyn Lombardo, Karen Long, Liz Mahon, Eileen Mangan, Jerry Masek, Claudette Matero, Andrea Medina, Betty Ann Menzing, Mary Jo Menzing, Michael Mitchell, Jim & Steve Moravcik, Genevieve Noar, Dave Norris, Steven Povlis, Jose Rivera, Carol Roberts, Matthew Rossman, Liz Rosa, Mary Salamon, Marilyn Samonte, Rob Salvaore, Betty Schmidt, Catherine Sesztak, Evana Stanonik, Christopher Stein, Richard Stein, Jacqueline Zambarano, Kathy Vasko, Tom Vasko, Noreen Williams, Jesse Wilson, Monica Woodman, Maggie Wooley, Mary Pat Wynne.

## 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

## Food for the Spirit and the Body

Joining us for Lenten Fish Fry? How about coming a half hour early? We are offering a short prayer service at 5:00 pm in the Church where we can pray for the issues of our time, our personal needs and one another's intentions. Hope to see you there!



May the Peace of Our Lord be with **Ron Ruble and Kathleen Betz**.  
May God grant comfort to their family and friends



## This Week at Blessed Trinity

<b>SATURDAY, MAR. 14</b>	8:30am-12:00am	Teilhard de Chardin (JC Lg)
<b>SUNDAY, MAR. 15</b>	9:00am-10:45am	CGS Level 1 (A)
	9:00am-10:45am	PSR 1-3 (A)
	10:00am-10:45am	PSR 4-8 (RB)
	10:00am-10:45am	Breaking Open the Word (R Lib)
	10:00am-1:00pm	Coffee & Donuts (FH)
	11:00am-11:15am	CLW (CH)
<b>MONDAY, MAR. 16</b>	9:00am-10:30am	Legion of Mary (CH)
	5:00pm-6:30pm	OCIA (R Lib)
	7:00pm-8:30pm	St. Vincent DePaul Society (R Lib)
	7:00pm-9:00pm	Peace & Justice Commission (JC Lg)
<b>TUESDAY, MAR. 17</b>	8:00am-8:30am	Novena (CH)
	9:00am-11:00am	IDCC (JC Lg)
	9:30am-12:00pm	Bountiful Basement (JC Lg)
	10:30am-12:00pm	A.A. Meeting (RB)
	6:30pm-9:30pm	Holy Name Society (JC Lg)
	7:00pm-8:30pm	Lenten Series (CH)
	6:00pm-7:00pm	Bell Choir Practice (CH)
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAR. 18</b>	4:00pm-6:00pm	IDCC (JC Lg)
	5:00pm-6:45pm	Bountiful Basement (JC Lg)
	6:30pm-7:30pm	Tai Chi (FH)
	7:00pm-9:00pm	Choir (CH)
<b>THURSDAY, MAR. 19</b>	11:00am-12:30pm	A.A. Meeting (RB)
	5:30pm-7:30pm	Nonviolent Direct Action & Moral Formation Training Course (CH/Zoom)
	7:00pm-8:30pm	Women's Faith Sharing (JC Lg)
	7:00pm-9:00pm	Bell Choir Practice (CH)
<b>FRIDAY, MAR. 20</b>	5:30pm-7:30pm	Fish Fry (FH)
	5:00pm-5:30pm	Lent Prayer (CH)
<b>SATURDAY, MAR. 21</b>		
<b>SUNDAY, MAR. 22</b>	9:00am-10:45am	CGS Level 1 (A)
	9:00am-10:45am	PSR 1-3 (A)
	10:00am-10:45am	PSR 4-8 (RB)
	10:00am-10:45am	Breaking Open the Word (R Lib)
	11:00am-11:15am	CLW (CH)
	12:15pm-2:00pm	Taize Music Practice (CH)

Nature's Way has openings for the listed positions:

- Infant teacher
- Older toddler teacher - two and a half to young threes

Positions require: BCI and FBI background check, current physical (within the last year), High School/GED. Apply at [N8urway@aol.com](mailto:N8urway@aol.com) or stop in at 14010 Puritas (same grounds as the church).

## WORSHIP

<b>SATURDAY, MAR. 14</b>	4:00pm	Blessed Trinity
<b>SUNDAY, MAR. 15 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a	Eph 5:8-14 Jn 9:1-41
	9:00am	Blessed Trinity
	11:00am	Blessed Trinity
<b>MONDAY, MAR. 16</b>	11:00am	Blanche Fritsch (Terri Pastura) at West Park Health Center 4401 West 150th, Cleveland, Ohio
<b>TUESDAY, MAR. 17</b>	8:30am	All Souls
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAR. 18</b>	8:30am	All Souls
<b>THURSDAY, MAR. 19</b>		No Mass
<b>FRIDAY, MAR. 20</b>	8:30am	Blessed Trinity
<b>SATURDAY, MAR. 21</b>	4:00pm	Gregorio & Constacia Samonte (The Samonte Family)
<b>SUNDAY, MAR. 22 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	Ez 37:12-14	Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45
	9:00am	Blessed Trinity
	11:00am	Blessed Trinity

### GROWING THROUGH GRIEF

If you have lost a loved one and are looking for a place of understanding and support, you are invited to Growing Through Grief, an 8-week session offered by the St. Ladislav bereavement group. Beginning February 18, the weekly program provides a safe, compassionate space to share, listen, and gently move forward together. Sessions begin February 18 and are offered at no cost. The group meets at 2345 Bassett Road in Westlake. Email [pdubois@stlads.org](mailto:pdubois@stlads.org) with questions or to register.

**March Morning Prayer for Women, Jesuit Retreat Center.** Monday, March 16, 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. Free will offering (registration not required).

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