

Blessed Trinity

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MARCH 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION 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 1:15-1:45 p.m.)
Saturday: 1:00–3:45 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

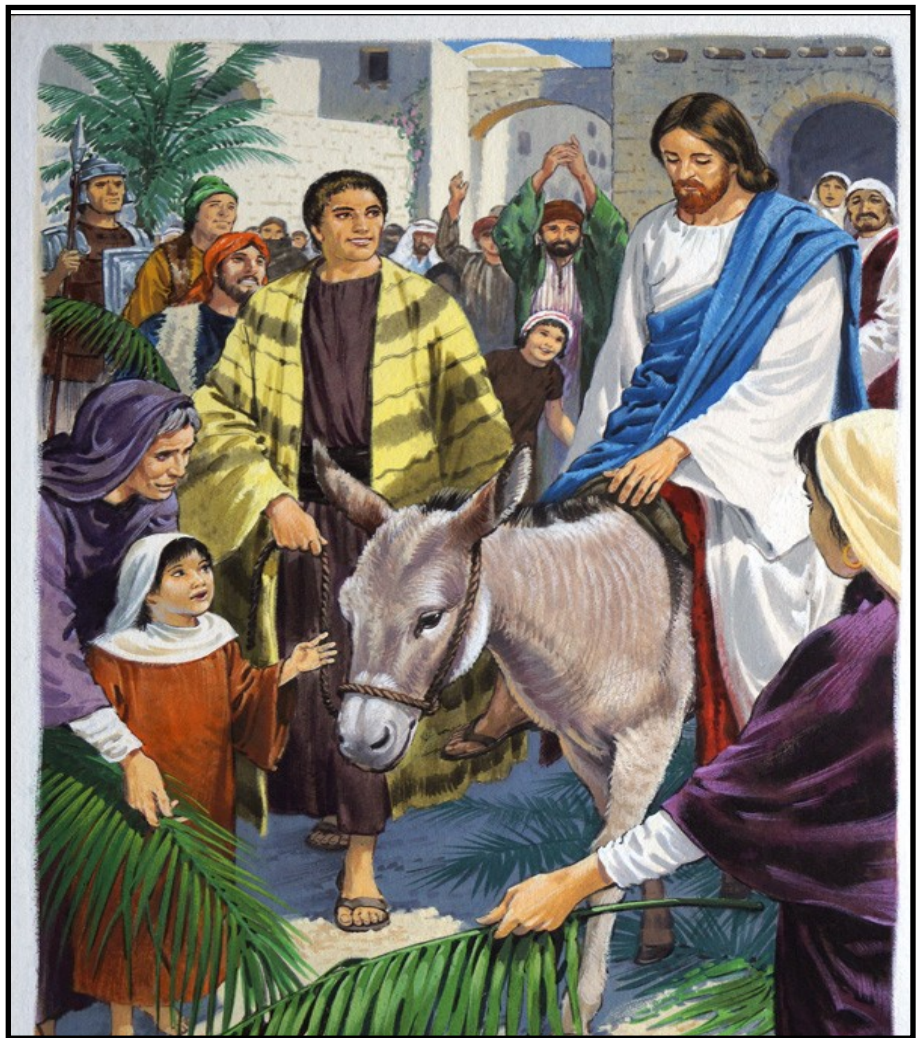
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Children’s Liturgy of the Word: 11 a.m.
Monday: see worship calendar
for time & location
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 a.m.

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.



Psalm 22: My God, My God

Refrain



My God, my God, O why have you a - ban-doned me?

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Holy Week

Today is Palm Sunday, which begins the most solemn and most important week of the church year. The liturgies of Holy Week are filled with rich symbolism and majesty. They speak for themselves.

On Palm Sunday this year we read the Passion from the Gospel of Luke. Luke's version of the passion includes many little details that the other gospels do not. The Palm Sunday liturgy does not have a sending forth hymn. We leave the church in silence, contemplating the wondrous love God has shown us. Another reason to leave in silence without a closing hymn is to indicate that this week, we are really celebrating one continuous liturgy. Good Friday liturgy begins without a gathering hymn, a symbolic way of showing that we are picking up where we left off.

On Tuesday of Holy Week, Bishop Malesic celebrates what is known as the chrism Mass. At this Mass, the oil of catechumens, the oil of the sick and the holy chrism are blessed. After Mass the oils are distributed to each parish in the diocese to be used at the Easter vigil.

On Holy Thursday, we celebrate Mass of the Lord's Supper. The theme of this liturgy is that of service. We are reminded that the essence of discipleship is to serve one another. John's Gospel does not mention the institution of the Eucharist. Instead, he substitutes the washing of the feet. After Jesus washed the disciples' feet he says, "If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet."

At the end of Mass we process to the tabernacle, officially called the altar of repose, where we sing hymns and once again leave in silence. There will be time to pray before the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00pm.

There is no Mass on Good Friday out of respect for the sacrifice of Jesus occurring on this day. Rather there is a service that contains three parts. The first part is the Liturgy of the Word in which we read the passion narrative, this time from John's Gospel. The second part is the veneration of the cross. The third part is communion. There is no Eucharistic prayer. Enough hosts are consecrated on Holy Thursday to be distributed on Good Friday.

The Easter vigil is the most important liturgy of the year. It has four parts. The first is the service of light. A large fire is lit outside the church. After a brief introduction, the priest prays, "O God, who through your Son bestowed upon the faithful the fire of your glory, sanctify this new fire, and grant that, by these paschal celebrations, we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires, that with minds made pure we may attain festivities of unending splendor.

From this fire the Paschal candle is lit. We pray "Christ our light" as we follow "Him" into church. Once inside the church, we each light a candle from the Paschal candle. Then the Exultet is sung. Exultet means "Rejoice"

Then follows the liturgy of the word. Old Testament readings recall God's covenants with his people and with creation. They are a summary of the history of salvation. The New Testament readings recall the Resurrection. Before the Gospel we sing "Alleluia" for the first time since Ash Wednesday.

After the homily is the liturgy of baptism. Here we are reminded that we who have died with Christ in baptism, will also rise with him. We sing the litany of the saints, mindful of all who have gone before us in faith. Then we renew our baptismal promises, blessing ourselves with holy water and lighting our candles again.

The last part of the Easter vigil is the liturgy of the Eucharist. Every time we celebrate the Mass we remember what Christ did for us and how we are to live out our baptismal call.

Easter Masses conclude with the "Easter Alleluia" being sung to which we respond, "Thanks be to God." We will conclude Mass this way again on the feast of Pentecost which concludes the Easter season.



**GENTLE WOMAN FELLOWSHIP –
an INTER-PARISH GROUP**

Enjoy fellowship and more including possibly being one of many being given a book on one or more Christian topics. If you will be joining us in Classroom 8, rsvp to Christine Deidrick at 216.337.3664 by Tuesday, April 7, and please be seated by 10:00. **When North Olmsted City Schools are closed, our gatherings are too.**

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HOLY WEEK PRAYER TIMES AT CENTERING SPACE IN LAKEWOOD

Glory Road is a series of stations "walking" with Jesus through all seven days of Holy Week — meditative and engaging. Sunday, March 29 2-3:30. Free will offering. A social follows. **Holy Week Taize Prayer** is Monday, March 30 from 7-8 pm. We pray through the Tridium events. A social follows. Both programs are led by parish member Mike Reiling and involve parish members.

Thank you for your generous support!

Sunday, Mar 22	\$ 6,688.24
Haiti Missions	\$ 28.33
Bountiful Basement	\$ 1,522.09
Help the Needy	\$ 38.33
St. Vincent de Paul Society	\$ 550.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 15.00
Memorials & Special Gifts	\$ 3,925.00
Operation Rice Bowl	\$ 40.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 2.00

Please pray for our sick:

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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



Come and Pray the Stations of the Cross.

Friday, April 3, 10:00 - 11:00am. We invite you to come on Good Friday and pray the Stations with us. The Jesuit Retreat Center Stations are located at the rear of our property surrounding the Jesuit Cemetery, the final resting place for more than 100 members of the Society of Jesus. This is a free event. No registration required.

Guest Speakers Cuyahoga Councilman Dale Miller, Marty Sweeney, Brian Kazy, and Charlie Slife will be our Guest Speakers for our next Holy Name meeting on Tuesday, April 21st, at the Joseph Center. Doors open at 6:45pm. Everyone, all Women and Men, are Welcome.



This Week at Blessed Trinity

SATURDAY, MAR. 28	
SUNDAY, MAR. 29	
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)
MONDAY, MAR. 30	
9:00am-10:30am	Legion of Mary (CH)
5:00pm-6:30pm	OCIA (R Lib)
7:00pm-8:00pm	Finance Meeting (JC Lg)
TUESDAY, MAR. 31	
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)
7:00pm-9:00pm	Bell Choir Practice (CH)
WEDNESDAY, APR. 1	
4:00pm-6:00pm	IDCC (JC Lg)
5:00pm-6:45pm	Bountiful Basement (JC Lg)
5:30pm-6:30pm	Mobile Pantry (Back Lot)
6:30pm-7:30pm	Tai Chi (FH)
7:00pm-9:00pm	Choir (CH)
THURSDAY, APR. 2	
11:00am-12:30pm	A.A. Meeting (RB)
7:00pm-9:00pm	Bell Choir Practice (CH)
7:15pm-8:45pm	Stephen Ministers Peer Group (JC Lg)
FRIDAY, APR. 3	
SATURDAY, APR. 4	
9:30am-11:00am	Ragamuffin Faith Sharing Group (R Liv Rm)
8:30pm-11:30pm	Holy Saturday (CH)
SUNDAY, APR. 5	
9:00am-10:45am	CGS Level 1 (A)
9:00am-10:45am	PSR 1-3 (A)
10:00am-10:45am	PSR 4-8 (RB)
11:00am-11:15am	CLW (CH)

The water department is going to begin repairs on W. 140th St. beginning Monday, March 30, (just in time for Holy Week and mobile pantry!) There may not be access to parish property from W.140 from time to time. There may be different traffic patterns from day to day. Leave some extra time to get to church.

For the month of March, the **Bountiful Basement** needs cereal, jelly (*no glass please*) and plastic grocery bags. Large shopping bags are needed too.



WORSHIP

SATURDAY, MAR. 28	
4:00pm	Pastura Family (Terri Pastura)
SUNDAY, MAR. 29 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	
Mt 21:1-11 (37)	Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11
Mt 26:14-27:66	
9:00am	Blessed Trinity
11:00am	Blessed Trinity
MONDAY, MAR. 30	
11:00am	at West Park Health Center 4401 West 150th, Cleveland, Ohio
TUESDAY, MAR. 31	
8:30am	Blessed Trinity
WEDNESDAY, APR. 1	
8:30am	Blessed Trinity
THURSDAY, APR. 2	
7:00pm	Blessed Trinity
FRIDAY, APR. 3	
	No Mass
SATURDAY, APR. 4	
8:30pm	Blessed Trinity
SUNDAY, APR. 5 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESSURECTION OF THE LORD	
Acts 10:34a, 37-43	Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9 (42)
9:00am	Blessed Trinity
11:00am	Blessed Trinity

The **15 Minute Prayer Solution** discussion dates and times are as follows:

- Wed April 8th. 9am and 6pm
- Wed April 15th 9am and 6pm
- Wed April 22nd 9 am and 6pm
- Wed April 29th 9am and 6pm
- Wed May 6th 9am and 6 pm
- Wed May 13th 9am and 6 pm

The books have been ordered and we will advise you when they come in.

Raffle tickets for the reverse raffle on April 25 are available after Masses this weekend. They are also available in the office.

May the Peace of Our Lord be with Florence Tomasch and David Norris. May God grant comfort to their family and friends



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