

Blessed Trinity

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APRIL 12, 2026

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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

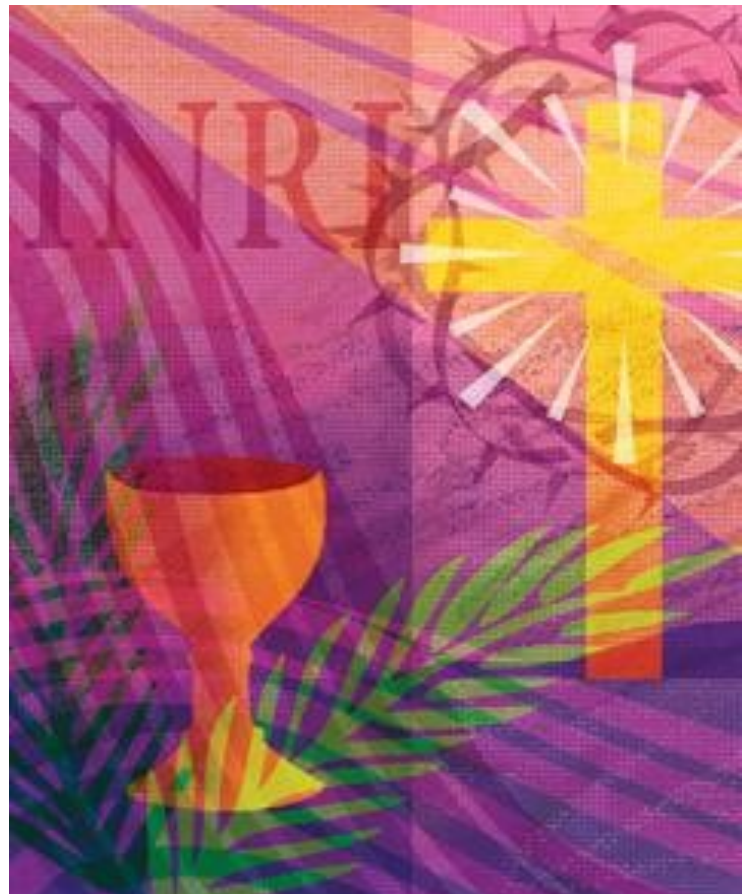
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Children’s Liturgy of the Word: 11 a.m.
Monday: see worship calendar
for time & location
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 a.m.

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 118: Let Us Rejoice

Refrain

This is the day the Lord has made, let us re-
joice and be glad; this is the day the Lord has
made, let us re - rejoice and be glad!

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Changes Coming

Briyant's resignation and Katie's not too distant retirement gave me pause. Our parish is 16 years old next month. What has changed? What are our current needs? How have they changed over the past 16 years? Most importantly, what kind of personnel do we need to meet those needs.

I've had several discussions with our parish pastoral council about those very topics. After our last meeting it hit me. I knew exactly what direction we needed to go. We created a new position – Coordinator of Parish Mission and Social Ministry.

There are four parts to this new position. First is implementation of Laudato Si. This includes: maintenance of 100 fruit trees and 40 raised beds used by 25 gardeners; making mulberry jam, applesauce, and pitting cherries for pies; harvesting fruit in the fall; assisting the beekeepers if necessary and inventory the supply of environmentally biodegradable paper products.

Second is Matthew 25 – feeding the hungry: Manage Bountiful Basement food pantry, Mobile pantry, monthly hot community meal and children's books distribution for Kids' Book Bank.

Third are seasonal activities. Christmas Adopt-a-family. Clothing giveaway, Ash Wednesday Soup Supper, Fish fries, Walk-for-Hunger and Womankind baby bottle drive.

Finally, Miscellaneous: Bread baking schedule, Guidebook, Certification from Cleveland Food Bank and the health department.

So where do I find such a person who has this wide variety of talents? I was going to post the job opening on the diocesan website but a voice told me to wait. God will provide.

The next day, Brian Hamblen, my good friend and a parishioner, called me. Dale sold Puritas nursery. After 17 years, Brian was let go from Puritas Nursery by the new owner. Many of you know him. Before working there Brian worked in several high end restaurants in downtown Cleveland.

The next day my "duh" moment passed. I called Brian and offered him the job for this new position that I should have offered him when he called me to tell me he had been laid off. He said "yes" immediately.

Coincidentally Eric Russell decided to step down from Bountiful Basement just before I hired Brian.

Thank you Eric, for your many years of service to the poor and hungry in our neighborhood..

Brian will start on April 27. He will have a couple of weeks of overlap with Briyant to show him the ropes.

But what of our spiritual side? What will happen there? Are we just a social service agency. Of course not. Our mission is tied up with the mission and ministry of Jesus.

We are blessed with so many gifted and educated spiritual mentors who are willing to share their talents with the parish.

Terri Pastura will come on staff part time. She will oversee Confirmation, family faith formation, Virtus, social media, parish website and other faith formation events.

Katie Corbett will return to lead the Children of Light program to prepare children for First Communion. She will also return to do announcements because nobody does announcements like Katie.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will continue next year. Colleen Gromek expressed interest in getting certified for Level II, which would guarantee continuation for the future.

Carla Fritsch wants to continue bible study next year and beyond. Carla is a master catechist. She does a great job teaching people about the Word of God.

Deacon Dick will coordinate Holy Name, no longer called men's ministry, so that women will know that are welcome to attend and participate in all meetings. Holy name has guest speakers who share their journey of faith.

The many prayer groups that exist in our parish provide deep spiritual growth.

Laura Fibbi will continue with Breaking Open the Word on Sunday mornings as well as guiding our discussions of parish books such as the *15 Minute Prayer Solution* which begins on April 8.

Mike Reiling continues his educational talks about climate change as well as letter writing to our elected representatives. He and others also do the monthly Taize prayer service at Centering Space.

The Peace and Justice Committee will continue to provide education about the church's Catholic Social Teaching.

We are blessed to see clearly into the future. Enjoy the ride.

AN ADVENTURE WITH FR. DOUG KOESEL

Join Fr. Doug Koesel, pastor of Blessed Trinity Parish, for 13 glorious days in Croatia, Montenegro, Slovenia, Hungary and Slovakia, **June 8 - 20**. Cost is \$5,599 and includes airfare from anywhere in the US. To register go to or contact Fr. Doug for more information at dkoesel@blessedtrinitycleveland.org. Trip includes airport taxes, security fees, transfers, hotels, transportation with luxury bus, all breakfasts and dinners, all guided tours, and tips. Here is a link for the trip:

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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, Steven Povlis, Jose Rivera, Carol Roberts, Matthew Rossman, Liz Rosa, Mary Salamon, Marilyn Samonte, Rob Salvaore, Betty Schmidt, Dottie Schultz, Catherine Sesztak, Evana Stanonik, Christopher Stein, Richard Stein, Sharon Tressel, Jacqueline Zambarano, Kathy Vasko, Tom Vasko, 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

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.



**We Welcome Into Our Blessed Trinity Family:
The Wilburn Family
(Scott, Margaret, Jackson & Meghan)**

Thank you for your generous support!

Sunday, April 5	\$ 4,332.77
<i>Easter</i>	\$ 5,136.00
<i>Bountiful Basement</i>	\$ 345.00
<i>Help the Needy</i>	\$ 10.00
<i>Capital Improvements</i>	\$ 7.00
<i>Memorials & Special Gifts</i>	\$ 3,863.00
<i>Eastern Europe</i>	\$ 7.00
<i>Catholic Relief Services</i>	\$ 10.00
<i>Holy Land (Good Friday)</i>	\$ 286.00
<i>Operation Rice Bowl</i>	\$ 18.00

Outdoor Clothing Giveaway: June 7th, 1-2pm. Rain date is June 14. Save the date and plan ahead. Donations can be brought at 12:30pm on Sunday, June 7th. YOU will lay your donations out at the designated sidewalk areas by gender and size. (Limited volunteer help may be available to assist those physically unable to do this.) Those attending the 11am Mass can lay your donations out after Mass. ONLY donations of clothing, toys, bedding, baby items. If you would be able to help during this event or help to clean up, contact Katie Corbett.

UNUSABLE Clothing Drive: We are collecting your torn and stained clothing that is well-worn beyond use and headed for the landfill.

These clothes are good only for rags. The only requirement is that the clothing items are clean. Bag them. Mark them "UNUSABLE." Bring to the June 7th Clothing Giveaway and place in the UNUSABLE CLOTHING area.




This Week at Blessed Trinity

SATURDAY, APR. 11	
SUNDAY, APR. 12	
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)
12:00pm-1:00pm	Community Meal (FH)
MONDAY, APR. 13	
9:00am-10:30am	Legion of Mary (CH)
5:00pm-6:30pm	OCIA (R Lib)
TUESDAY, APR. 14	
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. 15	
9:00am-10:00am	Book Study (CH)
4:00pm-6:00pm	IDCC (JC Lg)
5:00pm-6:45pm	Bountiful Basement (JC Lg)
6:00pm-8:00pm	Book Study (CH)
6:30pm-7:30pm	Tai Chi (FH)
7:00pm-9:00pm	Choir (CH)
THURSDAY, APR. 16	
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)
FRIDAY, APR. 17	
SATURDAY, APR. 18	
SUNDAY, APR. 19	
9:00am-10:45am	CGS Level 1 (A)
9:00am-10:45am	PSR 1-3 (A)
9:00am-3:00pm	Stephen Ministry Continuing Education Class (JC Lg)
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)

March CPO Raffle Winners
 Joan Demko ... Eleanore Jakubowsk ...
 Jennifer Brown ... Anne Parker ...
 Al Mancuso

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



WORSHIP

SATURDAY, APR. 11	
4:00pm	Kenneth Nodge (Family)
SUNDAY, APR. 12 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER	
Acts 2:42-47	1 Pt 1:3-9 Jn 20:19-31 (43)
9:00am	Blessed Trinity
11:00am	Blessed Trinity
MONDAY, APR. 13	
11:00am	All Souls at West Park Health Center 4401 West 150th, Cleveland, Ohio
TUESDAY, APR. 14	
8:30am	Ron Mickler, Sr. (Kathy Mickler)
WEDNESDAY, APR. 15	
8:30am	Carl Rhodes (Kathy Mickler)
THURSDAY, APR. 16	
No Mass	
FRIDAY, APR. 17	
8:30am	All Souls
SATURDAY, APR. 18	
4:00pm	Lillian Twigger (Kathy Mickler)
SUNDAY, APR. 19 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	
Acts 2:14, 22-33	1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:13-35(46)
9:00am	Blessed Trinity
11:00am	Women of Blessed Trinity (Women's Ministry)

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.

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.

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