

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Blessed Trinity

All Are Welcome



AUGUST 2, 2026

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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 90

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Seven Reasons Why I Won't Vote in This Election

1. I can't get off work that day and have family obligations before and after work.

You can vote early at your local county Board of Elections, starting 30 days before election day. Check the website or call for voting hours. In Cuyahoga County, the Board of Elections is located at 1803 Superior Avenue in Cleveland and is on an RTA bus line.

2. I don't have transportation to the polls.

You can vote from the convenience of your home by requesting a mail-in ballot. Absentee voting for the Nov. 3 general election starts Tuesday, Oct. 6. You can request a mail-in ballot either by using the form on your county's Board of Elections website (print, complete and mail the form) or by calling the Board of Elections to request a ballot. Just be sure to follow the directions carefully and return your ballot by 7:30 p.m. on election day. Deliver it directly to the Board of Elections or mail it. DO NOT take your ballot to the polls on election day.

3. I don't know what's on the ballot.

Sample ballots are posted on your county's Board of Elections website at least 30 days before the election.

4. I don't have enough information about the candidates or issues to make an informed decision.

Local nonpartisan groups like the League of Women Voters publish voter guides with information about the candidates and issues. Several bar associations post their ratings for judicial candidates. (In Cuyahoga County, go to judge4yourself.com.) And many local newspapers post information and endorsements on their websites before election day.

5. My vote doesn't matter anyway.

Many elections, especially local ones, are decided by slim margins. City council and school board seats, and even state legislative races, have been decided by single digits or tied votes. It's also important to consider that, the more people who fail to vote, the less representative our government becomes. Every vote counts!

6. I don't trust ANY politician.

Elections also determine important policy issues and how much you'll pay in taxes – and how your tax dollars will be spent. Even if you distrust politicians, many issues have a direct impact on your life and the lives of your neighbors.

7. Nothing's going to change, no matter the outcome of this election.

Elections can have significant impact on programs like Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid, immigration and tax policies, and support for education. Significant policy shifts have occurred over the years, based on who wins an election.

YOUR VOTE MATTERS!



Blessed...at The FEST!!!

Every year The FEST gives us a glimpse of the Kingdom of God as thousands from across our region come together, as one Church, for an inspiring day of prayer and worship, great music and songs, family fun....and great food and games!!!

Join us on Saturday, August 15 at ForeFront Field in Avon for an inspiring day of faith, family and fun. Come and hear the amazing music of Cain, Matt Maher, and Riley Clemmons. Join Bishop Malesic for Mass at 8 pm. Catholic composer and song leader, Steve Angrisano, will lead the music for the Mass. Afterwards, there's an incredible American Fireworks Display. National Catholic presenter, Joe Melendrez, will open The FEST and serve as one of the MC's for this incredible day.

It's truly a perfect family day – a little retreat day – with opportunity for Prayer and Adoration, faith based crafts and activities, along with lots of fun games and meaningful displays and vendors. There's something for everyone at The FEST. For a complete schedule of the day, and a listing of all the activities, go to: www.theFEST.us. Tickets are \$10 per person. Plenty of FREE parking is available. The FEST....a glimpse of the Kingdom and a day of blessing for all. Please join us at The FEST.



AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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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.

Liturgy & Ignatian Spirituality: Mass & Ignatian Reflections in August. Tuesdays, 8:00am - 8:45am. August 4, 11, 18, 25. On Tuesdays, the Jesuit Retreat Center offers Mass/Liturgy at 8am, followed by a brief reflection on Ignatian Spirituality, and then join us for coffee & pastries to build our faith community.

July-August Weekend Directed Retreat. Friday, July 31, 5:30pm - Sunday, August 2, 1:00pm. A time of sacred silence, an invitation to step away from the pressures and demands of daily responsibilities, and an opportunity for sustained personal prayer. Ideal for anyone seeking to explore or deepen one's relationship with God and take the next step in his or her spiritual journey. Cost: \$350 – \$454. Jesuit Retreat Center, 5629 State Rd, Parma, OH 44134.

Thank you for your generous support!

Sunday, July 26	\$ 2,925.00
Haiti Missions	\$ 148.33
Bountiful Basement	\$ 121.34
Help the Needy	\$ 13.331
Capital Improvements	\$ 3.34
Pastoral Ministry	\$ 10.00
Memorials & Special Gifts	\$ 1,480.00
Newman Campus Ministry	\$ 5.00

Please pray for our sick:

DeAnna Behring, Mary Ann Bowers, Charlene Boyer, Adele Burke, Gladys Castro, Pat Chapin, Teri Crowe, Scherrie Damm, John Darmstadt, Al Delattre, Diane Dorenkott, Dukles Family, Joseph Dunn, Barb Dylag, Jenny Flynn, Joan Francis, Will Gibson, June Grace, Michael Graham, Louise J. Hall, Thomas Heim, Susanne Heisey, Agnes Hocesvar, Gail Iseli, Nicola Jandric, Annette Janetzke, Vicki & Rudy Juris, Eileen Kelly, Helen Kollus, Joanne Kauchuk, Dan Kemer, Ralph & Judy Kobus, Marilyn Lombardo, Karen Long, Eileen McAndrew, Liz Mahon, Eileen Mangan, Jerry Masek, Claudette Matero, Andrea Medina, Betty Ann Menzing, Mary Jo Menzing, Michael Mitchell, Jim & Steve Moravcik, Steven Povlis, Jose Rivera, Matthew Rossman, Liz Rosa, Mary Salmon, Marilyn Samonte, Rob Salvatore, Betty Schmidt, Dottie Schultz, Catherine Sesztak, Evana Stanonik, Christopher Stein, Richard Stein, Sharon Tressel, Kathy Vasko, Tom Vasko, Jesse Wilson, Monica Woodman, Maggie Wooley, 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

Reminder: Weekday Masses, confessions, private prayer and Wednesday adoration have relocated from the [Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist](#) to a temporary worship space across the street on the first floor of Cathedral Square Plaza, the diocesan offices, at 1404 E. Ninth St. during renovations to the cathedral. Work in the cathedral is expected to last for several months.

Times for weekday Masses remain unchanged at 7:15 a.m. and noon. The noon Mass will be livestreamed, as usual. Confessions will follow the 7:15 a.m. Mass and will continue until 8:15 a.m. Midday confessions will remain at 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Only one confessor will be available midday and confessions will continue until all are heard.

Access to the temporary worship space is available beginning at 7 a.m. Monday through Friday. Enter the building through the main door under the black awning.



This Week at Blessed Trinity

SATURDAY, AUG. 1	
SUNDAY, AUG. 2	
10:00am-10:45am	Breaking Open the Word
MONDAY, AUG. 3	
9:00am-10:30am	Legion of Mary (CH)
7:00pm-8:30pm	St. Vincent DePaul Society (R Lib)
TUESDAY, AUG. 4	
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)
WEDNESDAY, AUG. 5	
3:00pm-3:45pm	Witness for Ukraine (Outside)
4:00pm-6:00pm	IDCC (JC Lg)
5:00pm-6:45pm	Bountiful Basement (JC Lg)
5:30pm-6:30pm	Mobile Pantry (Back Lot)
7:00pm-8:00pm	Tai Chi (FH)
THURSDAY, AUG. 6	
11:00am-12:30pm	A.A. Meeting (RB)
7:15pm-8:45pm	Stephen Ministers Peer Grp (JC Lg)
FRIDAY, AUG. 7	
1:00pm-3:00pm	Stephen Leaders (Zoom)
SATURDAY, AUG. 8	
SUNDAY, AUG. 9	
10:00am-10:45pm	Breaking Open the Word (R Lib)
12:00pm-1:00pm	Community Meal (FH)

THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST For Adults 40 & Over

Join us Monday, Aug. 10, 7 – 8:30pm

Westside Irish American Club

8559 Jennings Rd. Olmsted Twp.

An Evening of Reflection:

In March, we briefly introduced the Ignatian prayer known as *The Examen*. This evening, we'll take a deeper look at this meaningful prayer and experience it firsthand through guided practice with Mary Pat Frey, Pastoral Associate at Divine Word Catholic Church.

Cost is \$15.00 per person. Light appetizers included. Cash Bar is available. **Advance tickets recommended. Register in advance:**

www.theologyontherockswest.com.

Doors open at 6:30pm.

For the month of August, the **Bountiful Basement** could use canned, prepared meals and plastic grocery bags. Large shopping bags are needed too.



WORSHIP

SATURDAY, AUG. 1	
4:00pm	Blessed Trinity
SUNDAY, AUG. 2 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
Is 55: 1-3	Rom 8:35, 37-39 Mt 14:13-21 (112)
9:00am	Blessed Trinity
11:00am	Samantha Pavone (Margie Pavone)
MONDAY, AUG. 3	
11:00am	All Souls at West Park Health Center 4401 West 150th, Cleveland, Ohio
TUESDAY, AUG. 4	
8:30am	Blessed Trinity
WEDNESDAY, AUG. 5	
8:30am	Edward & Annette Kalister (Ed Kalister)
THURSDAY, AUG. 6	
	No Mass
FRIDAY, AUG. 7	
8:30am	Blessed Trinity
SATURDAY, AUG. 8	
4:00pm	Samantha Pavone (Margie Pavone)
SUNDAY, AUG. 9 NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a	Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33 (115)
9:00am	Blessed Trinity
11:00am	Blessed Trinity

Tai Chi Outdoors and New Summer Time

Beginning Wednesday, June 3 and continuing till the end of August, Tai Chi class will be held outdoors in the field. There will also be a new time: 7:00 to 8:00 pm. Bring a chair ... Excessive heat or storms means we will be in the parish basement on Wednesdays. Tai Chi Easy is good for the body and the mind! Join us and bring a friend! Contact Mike Reiling for more information at mreilingllc@gmail.com.

Villa Maria Education & Spirituality Center in Villa Maria, PA will host **“GOOD GRIEF” – The Gift of Grief** with Susan Schorsten, HM from Sunday, August 2 to Wednesday, August 5, 2026.



We Welcome Into Our
Blessed Trinity Family:
Alice Musko

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