

CATHOLIC CHURCH

# Blessed Trinity

## All Are Welcome



**AUGUST 30, 2026**

**TWENTY-SECOND 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 63: My Soul Is Thirsting

Refrain



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### Our Wonderful Parish Council

Our parish pastoral council had its monthly meeting last Tuesday. Once again it was filled with brainstorming and new ideas.

We followed up with a suggestion from a previous meeting to support local businesses, so the council will meet for dinner at Café Everest on West 143 and Puritas on Friday Sept. 18 at 6:00pm. We encourage all parishioners to choose local establishments to show our support for them. Café Everest is closed on Tuesdays.

Someone suggested that we have a suggestion box. Surprise! We already have one, but no one knows where it is. It will be moved to "the back table". Council members will go through the suggestions and respond accordingly.

Another suggestion was to install a bike rack. That will be done soon.

It was suggested that we also give people an opportunity to share their thoughts, so we will resurrect "What's On Your Mind" a kind of open forum in which people could come and share their thoughts and suggestions.

We evaluated the "ministry minutes" at Mass from various parish groups and ministries. They were very well received. Some ministries got new members. But often heard throughout the congregation was a greater understanding and appreciation of what is going on in our parish.

Our buildings are old but well maintained. A frequent topic of discussion has been accessibility. There is only one lift. After Sr. Donna Wilhelm's Mass, it took forty minutes for all those who needed the lift to get to the church basement. Is an elevator in our future?

We had discussions about the following topics:

We are the only parish that has catechesis of the Good Shepherd in the West Park area. Should we invite other Catholic families whose children are in public schools to join our PSR and/or Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program?

How can we enhance the parish website to welcome, engage and support parish ministries? (Terri Pastura is working on more modern ways to communicate such as QR codes. Our younger parishioners are more tech savvy than us older ones.)

The parish council should do a ministry minute

both to inform and recruit new members.

Should we try to recruit two parents of school age children to join the parish council? Currently there are two openings on the council.

Have name tags available.

There is a strong connection between parish mission and ministries in the parish. How do we sustain that?

Should we consider electric vehicle charging stations?

Can we get cushions on the pews, at least some of them?

Sometimes people are approached about doing something. Many times, the response is "Oh, I didn't know I could do that." How do we get the word out that parishioners can do many things, including things that we currently are not doing but that might be a good idea.

Finally, we thank Terry Gorges for his participation on the parish council this past year. Terry has completed his term of service.



### Caring for Creation: Worldwide Concerns, Local Action

Catholic social teaching calls for us to care for all of God's creation. We invite you to attend an interactive panel discussion on Sunday, September 13, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at St. Ladislav Parish (2345 Bassett Road, Westlake) for a look at Pope Francis's encyclical, the global water crisis, and the surprising connection among what we consume, how we treat creation, and the lives of people around the world. No reservations required. Light refreshments will be served.

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





## 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.

### *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, Mary Salamon, 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

**Sacramental Preparation ages 7+** Do you know a youth who would like to be baptized or celebrate First Communion? Candidates must be a member of Blessed Trinity parish and attend a Catholic school or our PSR program. **Families must register for sacramental preparation sessions by Aug. 31.** Contact Katie Corbett.

kcorbett@blessedtrinitycleveland.org



**Fr. Doug will be out of town from Monday through Friday this week.**

### *Thank you for your generous support!*

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| <b>Sunday, August 23</b>  | \$ 4,005.54 |
| Assumption of Mary        | \$ 77.00    |
| Haiti Missions            | \$ 3.33     |
| Bountiful Basement        | \$ 278.34   |
| Faith & Values-Cath. Ed.  | \$ 10.00    |
| Memorials & Special Gifts | \$ 2,980.00 |
| Help the Needy            | \$ 43.33    |
| Pastoral Ministry         | \$ 200.00   |

**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. 29**

**SUNDAY, AUG. 30**

10:00am-10:45am Breaking Open the Word

**MONDAY, AUG. 31**

9:00am-10:30am Legion of Mary (CH)

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 1**

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)

6:00pm-8:00pm Bell Choir Practice (CH)

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 2**

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-9:00pm Choir (CH)

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 3**

11:00am-12:30pm A.A. Meeting (RB)

6:00pm-8:00pm Bell Choir Practice (CH)

7:15pm-8:45pm Stephen Ministers Peer Group (JC Lg)

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 4**

1:00pm-3:00pm Stephen Leaders (Zoom)

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 5**

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 6**

10:00am-10:45am Breaking Open the Word (R Lib)



### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

is our exciting Sunday morning faith formation program, which uses a Montessori approach with our 3 to 9-year-olds. Offered from 9 to 10:45 a.m. in the Church Atrium participation can also accommodate family Mass attendance. Scan the QR code or go to the menu of [www.blessedtrinitycleveland.org](http://www.blessedtrinitycleveland.org) to register today! Classes begin September 27.

### Are You Grieving the Loss of a Loved One?

We invite you to register for an 8-week bereavement support group that will be held at St. Ladislav Parish (2345 Bassett Road, Westlake) on Wednesday evenings. "Growing through Grief" presents a different topic each week while offering compassionate spiritual and emotional support for those grieving the death of a loved one. The group will meet September 9 through October 28 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. To register, call 440-835-2300 or email the facilitator Carol Burnett at [cburnett@stlads.org](mailto:cburnett@stlads.org).

## WORSHIP

**SATURDAY, AUG. 29**

4:00pm Bernie Sprenger (Family)

**SUNDAY, AUG. 30 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Jer 20:7-9 Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27(124)

9:00am Ernesto & Luisa Cacho (The Samonte Family)

11:00am Loretta Rafter (Catherine Rafter)

**MONDAY, AUG. 31**

11:00am All Souls at West Park Health Center

4401 West 150th, Cleveland, Ohio

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 1**

8:30am No Mass

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 2**

8:30am No Mass

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 3**

No Mass

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 4**

8:30am No Mass

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 5**

4:00pm Ma-an Samonte (The Samonte Family)

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 6 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN**

**ORDINARY TIME**

Ez 33:7-9 Rom 13:8-10 Mt 18:15-20 (127)

9:00am Michael Piccolo (June Grace)

11:00am Blessed Trinity

"What to do in the Moment" is a training presentation explaining what to do when a mental health emergency occurs. Participants will learn about: (1) How to respond in a crisis, (2) Crisis intervention training skills, and (3) Skills to use when making a call for help. Co-sponsored by the Diocesan Social Action Office of Lorain County and St. Julie Billiart and St. Peter Parishes, the event will be held on October 4, 2026 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at St. Julie Billiart Parish, 5500 Lear Nagle Road, North Ridgeville, Ohio 44039. For questions or to register, contact Terry Flanagan at [tjpflan@gmail.com](mailto:tjpflan@gmail.com).

An inter-parish men's group will meet September 4th for a First Friday luncheon at St. Clarence Church, 30106 Lorain Road, North Olmsted. Registration begins at 11:15 AM, followed by the luncheon, then an inspirational talk, and concludes with Mass. Please call George Perz at (440) 937-6606 by **Tuesday, September 1st** to make a reservation. Cost is \$15.00.

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