

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Blessed Trinity

All Are Welcome



PURITAS

September 6, 2026

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Wednesday: 9 am - 8 pm

Thursday, Friday: 9 am - 5 pm

(Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:00 pm)

Saturday: 1 - 3:45 pm

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil: 4 pm

Sunday: 9 am and 11 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word: 11 am

Monday: See Worship Calendar for
time & location

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am

RECONCILIATION

Any time by appointment

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 of the everyday life of their church, especially Spiritual Growth, Community Life, the Building of a Just Society, and Service to All God's People.



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In Every Age

Refrain



In ev-'ry age, O God, you have been our ref-uge.

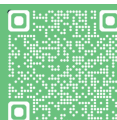
Last time to Coda ☩



In ev-'ry age, O God, you have been our hope.

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FROM TERRI - WHAT'S HAPPENING IN FAITH FORMATION

If it ain't broke, don't fix it. Those are words that I have taken to heart over the years, but *sometimes* change is a good thing.

Blessed Trinity has had a wonderful faith formation program for years. I am truly grateful to all of the leaders and teachers who have provided superior opportunities for us. We are at a different point in both formation philosophy and parish demographics now. **Welcome to GIFT: Growing in Faith Together.**

Many of us grew up with an isolationist model: parishes taught the Catholic School Kids and the Public School Kids. People were prepared for sacraments. Opportunities for adults were rare. Many lived by the rule of thumb that once you were prepared for Confirmation, you knew all that there was to know.

In article 113 of the 2020 *Directory for Catechesis*, we are told that "... the catechist has the twofold task of transmitting the content of the faith and leading others into the mystery of the faith itself. The catechist is called to open others to the truth about human beings and their ultimate vocation, communicating the knowledge of Christ and at the same time introducing them to the various dimensions of the Christian life, unveiling the

mysteries of salvation contained in the deposit of faith and renewed in the Church's liturgy."



GIFT will offer curated lists of resources and activities each week to assist all of us in knowing Christ better. You will be able to explore tools to expand your spiritual life. There will be offerings for all ages that might be pursued individually or with others.

We will still be addressing the passing on of the faith to our children, but expanding on the textbook model. We will capitalize on parents being the primary formators of their children in faith - no matter what school they attend. But we are also recognizing that, in our community's demographics, many grandparents are engaged in their grandchildren's lives. This new format will give you tools that we have never been able to provide before.

Yes, this is different. I am counting on you to be open to giving it a try. I look forward to your feedback as the year progresses. Stay tuned for more details next week.

For 40+ years, our family has been part of the Ascension and Blessed Trinity communities. We have gotten to know you by working side by side with you and praying with you in the good and the sad times. We feel that God has put us here for a reason - to be family together!

We appreciate the honor you bestowed on my husband Jim with your expressions of sympathy and prayers. Thank you for donating generously to the St. Vincent DePaul Society and Wounded Warriors as Jim lovingly served in both that group and the Navy.

Thank you for the beautiful flowers and your presence at the funeral home; for joining us at the Church Service and the Veteran's Memorial at the cemetery. From the bottom of our hearts, we are grateful you were there when we needed you the most!

May the dear Lord bless you all and keep you in His heart forever.

Sylvia Beesley and Family



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 am in the Church Atrium, it is timed to accommodate family Mass attendance. Scan the QR code or go to the menu of www.blessedtrinitycleveland.org to register today! Classes begin September 27.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will resume on Thursday, September 10th, with a 5-part series on the questions Jesus asks. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the rectory living room and via Zoom. Contact Carla Fritsch (cefritsch66@gmail.com) for more information and to obtain the study guide. All are welcome!



WHAT TO DO IN THE MOMENT

This training presentation explains 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.



WHY IS THE BULLETIN DIFFERENT?

Our bulletin printing company switched to a different preferred layout software. So, as long as we had to do everything over, we thought we would try some cleaner fonts and options. We've moved all the prayer intentions and calendar info to the side panel so you can tear it off and place it on your fridge or mirror to remind you of who needs prayer or what's happening at the parish. If you have other suggestions, let Terri Pastura know.



THANK YOU for your generous support!

Sunday, August 23	\$ 5,316.61
Assumption of Mary	\$ 10.00
Haiti Missions	\$ 57.00
Bountiful Basement	\$ 580.00
Help the Needy	\$ 200.00
SVDP	\$ 300.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 8.34
Education	\$ 3.33
Pastoral Ministry	\$ 203.33
Memorials/Specials	\$ 885.00

COMMUNITY MEAL

Our next gathering will be on Sunday, September 13th from Noon—1 p.m., in Fogarty Hall. All are welcome. Come enjoy a free meal and wonderful hospitality!

BOUNTIFUL BASEMENT

This month, please help with peanut butter, white rice (1-2 pound bags) and pancake mix.

Large shopping bags are ALWAYS needed. You can bring them up as part of the Offertory at Mass or leave them at the back doors of the Church if carrying them forward is too difficult.

Advertiser of the Week
ADT Security Services Inc.

I would like to thank all the parishioners for making me feel welcome & making it worthwhile being at Blessed Trinity. Your helpfulness, kindness, and giving spirit has been wonderful — I will miss you but I can leave knowing you are in the best of hands. THANK you.

Donna M. Bell

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 Hocevar, 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.

PRAY FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL

- 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 & Kathy Grega

WORSHIP

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

4 pm Ma-an Samonte (Samonte Family)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 23rd Sun. in Ord. Time

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

9 am Blessed Trinity

11 am Michael Piccolo (June Grace)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

11 am All Souls at West Park Health Center
4401 West 150th Street, Cleveland

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:30 am Ron Mickler, Sr. (Kathy Mickler)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

8:30 am Gerald & Eileen McSweeney (K. Mickler)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 No Mass

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

8:30 am Laverne Fuller (Bill and Family)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

4 pm Blessed Trinity

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 24th Sun. in Ord. Time

Sir 27:30-28:7 Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35

9 am Marilyn & Paul Jindra (Raffay & Jindra Fam.)

11 am John & Ann Rafter (Catherine Rafter)

THIS WEEK AT BLESSED TRINITY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Labor Day - Office Closed

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8-8:30 am Novena (Ch)

9-11am IDCC (JC Lg)

9:30 am-Noon Bountiful Basement (JC Lg)

10:30 am-Noon A.A. Meeting (RB)

6-8 pm Bell Choir Practice (Ch)

6:30-8 pm Centering Prayer (JC Lg)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

3-3:45 am Witness for Ukraine (Outside)

4-6 pm IDCC (JC Lg)

5-6:45 pm Bountiful Basement (JC Lg)

7-8:30 pm LGBTQ Faith Sharing (R Liv Rm)

7-9 pm Choir Practice (CH)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

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

6-8 pm Bell Choir Practice (Ch)

7-8:30 pm Bible Study (R Liv Rm)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

9:30-11 am Ragamuffin Faith Sh (R Liv Rm)

5-8 pm Music Ministry Potluck

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

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

11-11:15 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word (CH)

Noon-1 pm Community Meal (FH)

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