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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS
Monday–Wednesday: 9:00 am–8 pm
Thursday, Friday: 9:00 am–5:00 pm
(Closed for lunch 12:30–1:00 pm)
Saturday: 1:00–3:45 pm

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am
Children’s Liturgy of the Word: 11 am
Monday: see worship calendar
   for time & location
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am

RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 3:00–3:30 pm
Other times 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 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.

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Psalm 98  All the Ends of the Earth

Refrain

All the ends of the earth have seen the pow-er of God;

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FROM FR. DOUG’S DESK

From Fr. Doug’s Desk...

An Evening with Cardinal Rosa Chavez and Bishop Perez

Last Sunday, I spent the evening with the Cardinal from El Salvador, Gregorio Rosa Chavez, Bishop Perez and five other priests from our diocese who serve in Spanish speaking parishes ministering to the Latino community. There was lively conversation about the diocese of Cleveland, our work in El Salvador over the past 60 years, and where to go from here.

Bishop Perez recognized the unique relationship our diocese has with Latin America. No other diocese has such a relationship, staffing various parishes with lay women, religious women, and priests for that entire time. Cardinal Rosa Chavez was equally grateful for the diocesan work here which comes at no small sacrifice.

Moving to the present day, Bishop Perez noted the lack of diversity among our diocesan clergy. All but one diocesan priest is Caucasian. Yet the Latino community is the largest growing Catholic community in our diocese and throughout the United States. How do we prepare for that?

Bishop Perez and Cardinal Rosa Chavez are looking for ways to possibly send a Salvadoran priest and perhaps some seminarians to work and study here in Cleveland. Many details would have to be worked out, not the least of which would be the language problem for the seminarians. There are also the cultural differences that must be overcome as well as the “lure” of the United States for Salvadoran clergy. Bishop Perez stated that a priest from El Salvador can make as much in a month in the United States as he could in a year in El Salvador. Finding the “right” Salvadoran priest who would not succumb to our US materialism and immediate gratification would be an important process.

The bishop also noted that the only priests serving in parishes with a Mass celebrated in Spanish are the priests who served in El Salvador. I thought his questions were piercing. “Do other clergy in the diocese have an interest in serving the Hispanic community? Are there other clergy who speak the language and know the culture? Since there is only one Cleveland priest currently serving in El Salvado, how will this affect future parish staffing here in our diocese? In other words, in 15 years or less, all of the priests in Spanish ministry will have retired. Who will take their place?

During the meeting it was noted that I was the only attendee who does not have a Sunday Mass in Spanish. I pointed out that I speak Spanish every day in our neighborhood. Our neighborhood is changing. In addition, parishes like St. Colman, St. Wendelin and St. Stephen have a huge Latino population and their pastors do not speak Spanish. How will our diocese prepare for such a large demographic shift?

What is happening in our diocese is also happening in our parish. As our bishop seeks to know and serve our diocese for years to come, it is incumbent upon us to look at our parish in the same way. Our parish mission statement reminds us of why we are here. It is on the cover of our bulletin but I suspect you haven’t read it lately. Let me reprint it here for your reflection.

_We, the people of Blessed Trinity Parish, are an open and welcoming Catholic community, centered in the Eucharist and celebrating God’s gift of diversity._

_We are a new parish family, bringing God’s love to one another and supporting 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._

In the early church, being open and welcoming meant discovering that Jesus had actually started a new religion. Celebrating diversity meant welcoming the Gentiles, the wealthy and women into active leadership roles within the church. When we merged eight years ago we were a new parish. We are a different parish today than we were eight years ago. We have to change now as well.

If we are to encourage participation, where is the cultural sensitivity? Hymns or Mass parts in Spanish (or in Gospel), art work that reflect other cultures, food that resonates with ethnic palates are all ways that we must grow to become a more welcoming and participatory parish. Only in these ways can we serve all of God’s people and build up the kingdom of God.
AROUND THE PARISH & OTHER PARISH NEWS

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April 29            $ 4,379.88
Special Gifts       $ 1,070.00
CPO                 $   217.14

NO COMMUNITY MEAL MAY 13. We are giving our team the day off to spend time with their families. Happy Mother’s Day to all mothers!

A Civil Conversation:  What Can We Do About Guns in America? Originally scheduled for May 13th, is postponed for now. We will reschedule and let you know the future date. Thank you.

Walk/Run for Hunger Saturday, May 13. Step off at 9:30am at the Great Lakes Science Center. Walk with our Bountiful Basement Buddies team. Registration forms are at the back table in church or online at www.hungernetwork.org. OR make a donation to show your support. FUNdraising Apples (paper) can be purchased for $1 after masses. Your donations to the Run/Walk for Hunger are more important now than ever before. Rising food prices and fewer resources are forcing families in need to face more frequent and longer episodes of hunger. Hungry families are turning to the Hunger Network more frequently and your help is critical in keeping our shelves stocked in support of our neighbors. Questions? Contact Katie Corbett.

Please pray for:

Please pray for all who are serving in the military, especially the men and women connected to our parish:
* Robert A. Fago (Army), son of Tony & Shirley
* Gunny Raymond Gustavo Hazelton (US Marine Corps), brother of Cristina Snodgrass
* 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
* James Ashenhurst (Navy), stepson of Stephen Flynn and son of Jenny Simons
* Nicholas Parente (Army), grandson of Linda Parente

May the Peace of Our Lord be with Thomas Cognata, Son-in-law of Catherine Bobula
May God grant comfort to his family and friends.

Pentecost Red. May 20 is Pentecost Sunday. The liturgical color is red. Please wear something red to Mass that weekend to help decorate the church that we are.

All Blessed Trinity Church organizations need to submit their meeting dates, times and places for the upcoming fiscal year (July 1, 2018—June 30, 2019) to the office by May 23rd. Noting especially the use of Fogarty Hall, since we have to coordinate those times with Birchwood School. You can email your dates/times/places to office@blessedtrinitycleveland.org. Or, call 216-671-5890. Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

June 5th is our 8th Anniversary! Watch for what’s happening for the celebration! Have any ideas?!

Advertiser of the week:  Brian Kazy, Ward 16 Councilman
### This Week at Blessed Trinity

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**BLESSED TRINITY FULL FRONT LOGO T-SHIRT/SWEATSHIRTS** All orders must be placed by Sunday, May 13th and must be accompanied by payment (cash or check payable to Blessed Trinity). Crew OR V-neck short sleeve t-shirts and crew neck sweat shirts are available in red, white, navy, royal blue, and sport grey. TALL sizes available in crew neck only. A sampling of sizes will be available at the order table. Orders will be available for pick up the weekend of June 9 & 10.

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**Baby bottle collection for Womankind Cleveland begins from Mother’s Day to Father’s Day. Start saving your change!**

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**50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration** at The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist on Sunday, July 29, 2018 – 2:30pm Mass, Diocese of Cleveland. Reservations are now being accepted for couples married 50 years (married in 1968). Couples celebrating other significant anniversaries (55 or over) or who have missed previous celebrations are welcome to register and attend. **Seating is limited at the Cathedral. Number of guests will be determined by the seating capacity and total number registered. DEADLINE: MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2018** – to include jubilee couples’ names in worship aid. **Firm deadline!** Questions or for more information contact: Katie at 216-334-2978 or email klgallicie@ccdocle.org or Jason at 216-334-2974 or email jrlwsl@cococe.org. **ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE DONE ONLINE!** No faxes, no emails, no snail mails!
WORSHIP

Saturday, May 5 (Acts 16: 1-10; Jn 15: 18-21)
4:00pm  Blessed Trinity

9:00am  Tony Davila (Family)
11:00am  Chuck Pollack (Family)

Monday, May 7
11:00am  Ellen McKim (Mary McKim)
          @ WestPark Neuro & Rehab Center
          4401 W. 150th St.

Tuesday, May 8
8:30am  Mark T. Stroh (Family)

Wednesday, May 9
8:30am  LaVerne Fuller (Bill Fuller & Family)

Thursday, May 10
No Mass

Friday, May 11
8:30am  Michael Motka (Mary Ann Thomas)

4:00pm  Frank Kravec (Family)

Sunday, May 13 (Acts 1: 15-17, 20a, 20c-26; 1 Jn 4: 11-16; Jn 17: 11v-19)
9:00am  Blessed Trinity
11:00am  Mary, Arline & Gert Schill (Dukles Family)

$8 DINNER NIGHT May 12th, 5 – 6:30p. Chef Kelly MacCarthy will be treating us to city chicken, skin-on garlic mashed potatoes, corn, and roll. Also included is a simple dessert and coffee, tea, or lemonade. Reserve your prepaid dinner this weekend; only a limited number of meals will be prepared. Disciples are needed for set up, clean up, and serving. Sign up at the back table in church to volunteer. If you could bake a simple dessert contact Katie Corbett.

JULY 4TH PARADE: Summer is just around the corner! On Wednesday, July 4, 2018, Blessed Trinity will be participating in the Kamm’s Corners 4th of July parade. We would love to have as many parishioners as possible (young and old) march in the parade. This is a great opportunity to invite people to experience our vibrant parish community. Please mark your calendars now. If you are interested in participating, please sign up at the table in the back of church. Another way to participate is to donate candy that we will distribute to spectators along the route. Wrapped candy can be placed in the containers at the entrances to the church. (No chocolate, please!)

5 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER