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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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FROM FR. DOUG’S DESK

From Fr. Doug’s Desk...

Another Anniversary

This Tuesday marks the 8th anniversary of the founding of Blessed Trinity parish. In some ways, it seems like only yesterday. In other ways it seems like so many more years than that.

With each passing year, more and more people seem to feel comfortable calling Blessed Trinity their home, especially those who have come from other parishes and who have made us their parish by choice. Those people like our outreach, our inclusiveness, our Catholic values and our prophetic mission. They like to sing. They take ownership for what happens here. When talking about the parish they use the words “my” and “our”. These disciples truly “get it” when it comes to parish life.

So much has happened over these eight years. Many programs and activities have run their course. Remember name buttons? Remember AWE convocations? The goat? Bingo? West Park Catholic Academy? Talent shows? These programs either filled a need that no longer exists or were not possible to continue.

There have been great ideas and fantastic additions over these eight years. Birchwood School has a long term lease. Night at the Races and the Reverse Raffle were separated (and profits doubled). Eight dollar dinner nights began. Clothing giveaways happened. The community meal took off.

Spiritually, our liturgies have been uplifting. This has less to do with me than with the entire community’s participation in them. There has also been growth in understanding what good liturgical prayer is. This year’s Easter Vigil was a testament to that.

Over the years there have been many opportunities for spiritual growth. Three parish missions, five Ignatian Prayer modules and countless spiritual growth opportunities offered by Mike Reiling have “moved and shaken us”.

Today’s political climate forced us to respond with the creation of a Peace and Justice Commission. This group has sponsored an evening to learn about the undocumented and Islam. It calls us to be politically active as we put our faith into practice. In studying documents such as Reclaiming Jesus, a Confession of Faith in a Time of Crisis, the commission supports the declaration that contains six principles, including statements decrying racial bigotry, attacks on immigrants and refugees, authoritarianism, sexual violence, the normalization of lying in political life, and ethnic nationalism.

Locally the two by two program where parishioners walk the neighborhood has had lasting effects for peace and justice.

Our involvement in interfaith activities the past three years has brought greater strength to our mission and a stronger voice. When there are drugs, crime, safety issues, government neglect, and so on, it doesn’t matter what religion you are or if you have no religion. Those issues affect us all.

The Bountiful Basement continues to serve the community. The community garden has provided fresh vegetables for years now. The work in the edible forest is bearing fruit (pun intended!)

Our parish is not without its challenges, not the least of which is our average age. We are old and getting older by the day. Our labor pool is decreasing. Our prayer power is diminished. And we have lost so many fantastic people to death over these eight years. Many have stepped up to take their place but our overall numbers have decreased.

Over the next two years, we are going to have to make a concerted effort to invite people to join our parish, especially among those who have no parish to call their own. We are already seeing the fruits of our labors. At the Easter vigil this year, eight people were welcomed into our church and our parish. So, happy eighth anniversary to us all and many more.
Thank you for your generous support!

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Don’t forget CPO gift cards to buy food for graduation parties and presents! And don’t forget presents for Dad on Father’s Day!

**Men’s Ministry -- Father’s Day Cards/Sock Collection**
The Blessed Trinity Men’s Ministry/Holy Name Society will be selling Father’s Day Memorial Cards following the Masses on June 2-3 and 9-10. Twelve Masses will be offered throughout the year remembering fathers living and deceased. In addition, we are collecting new white socks and underwear for homeless men. Drop your donation in the bins at the entrances. Thanks for your support.

You Shop, Amazon Gives Back.
Visit Smile.amazon.com and select “Blessed Trinity Cleveland” as your charity of choice. Then shop Amazon as usual to donate 0.5% of your purchase to us!

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

$8 DINNER NIGHT Join us in Fogarty Hall, Sat., June 9th, 5-6:30p. Parishioner/chef Rashaun Collins will prepare 13 hour oak wood smoked brisket, served with homemade macaroni and cheese and a spring salad mix filled with almond slices, sliced strawberries, craisins, and mandarin orange slices tossed with a poppy seed dressing. Rashaun is preparing only a limited number of meals. Reserve your prepaid dinner after Mass this weekend. 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.

Next Mobile Pantry/Produce Give Away is Wed., June 6th, 4:30 - 6:30p. Disciples are needed throughout the event. Arrive after 2:30p to help with set up in the back parking lot. Clients need help carrying food. Come to help whenever you can. Elementary age youth who would like to help must be accompanied by an adult.

Advertiser of the week:
24Seven Home Protection
This Week at Blessed Trinity

**Sunday, June 3**
11:00am—12:00pm  
Childrens Liturgy of the Word

**Monday, June 4**
9:30am—10:30am  
Legion of Mary (Church)
8:30pm—9:30pm  
AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)

**Tuesday, June 5**
9:30am—12:00pm  
Bountiful Basement (BB)
10:30am—12:00pm  
AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)

**Wednesday, June 6**
4:30pm—6:30pm  
Produce Giveaway (N. Parking Lot)
5:00pm—6:45pm  
Bountiful Basement (BB)
7:00pm—8:30pm  
Choir Rehearsal (Church)
8:00pm—9:00pm  
AA Meeting (Joseph Center)

**Thursday, June 7**
9:30am—12:00pm  
Bountiful Basement (BB)
11:00am—12:00pm  
AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)
6:00pm—7:30pm  
Bell Choir Rehearsal (Church)

**Friday, June 8**
8:00pm—10:00pm  
AA Meeting (Rectory Basement)

**Saturday, June 9**
9:30am—11:00am  
Haiti Committee Mtg. (Joseph Center)
5:00pm—6:30pm  
$8 Dinner Night (Fogarty Hall)

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**THINKING ABOUT STEPHEN MINISTRY**

Our next step in beginning a Stephen Ministry here is to identify four members of our community to attend a Leader’s Training Course in Pittsburgh, PA, Aug. 5-11. They will learn how to train others in everything needed for this caring ministry—how to be an effective listener, specific techniques for ministering to grieving people, and more. When our Leaders return they will begin a class here to train people to be our Stephen Ministers. If you are feeling a call toward Leader’s Training or as a Stephen Minister talk to Katie Corbett. To learn more visit [www.stephenministries.org](http://www.stephenministries.org)

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**Communion Ministry at Fairview Hospital.** You are invited and encouraged to become a Volunteer-Eucharistic-Minister at Fairview Hospital – to comfort, to encourage, and to support the sick by bringing them Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. If you are already a Eucharistic Minister, and are willing to help, please, call Fr. Deogratias at 216 476 4929 to learn more about this consoling and compassionate ministry.

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St Mark will be hosting Mr. Tim Francis on the evenings of June 20th and June 21st. The presentation is titled **Do You Believe in Miracles ~ Seeing is Believing** ~ Tim is a catholic evangelist who has presented in over 500 parishes conveying his life story and the meaning of miracles in a way that deepens our understanding of the sacraments. The presentations will be held in Saint Mark Church each evening from 7 – 9:30pm. Baby sitting will be provided on Wednesday, June 20th presentation. We look forward to experiencing this with you.
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**FREE SUMMER CAMP AT ARTEMUS WARD SCHOOL!** June 4 - 29, for 6th - 8th graders who attend any school. 9am—2pm Mon.- Fri. Breakfast and lunch provided. Many activities, field trips, cooking, art, music. For more info contact Dameyonna Willis at Bellaire-Puritas Development Corp. at d.willis@bpdc.org or call Ian Heisey at 216-671-2710.

**Volunteer Opportunity!** Volunteers needed for picking up of food donations, food prep or donating of fruits and salad fixings for the Monday Night Meal served at St. Malachi. The Meal is free to those in need. For additional information contact: Jeanette Shemo/St Malachi:216-861-5343, or Diane Dorenkott 440-331-4663

Saint Joseph Academy is excited to offer a variety of summer camps where campers will explore, learn and create through hands-on learning. Our summer camps teach new skills and provide tools that enable children to strengthen their minds and pursue their passions. This summer we are excited to offer a few new camps! To complement our Varsity sports program, we are introducing a softball camp, as well as a sailing camp. For budding artists, there are two new visual art camps: “Working with the Masters” and “Art of Many Cultures.” Aspiring singers will enjoy our chorale camp and those that like to create and explore will use the equipment in our Makerspace innovation lab to design a range of projects. To learn more, please visit sja1890.org/summercamps.

**5 EUCHARIST SUNDAY**