

# *Blessed Trinity Parish*

## *Roman Catholic Church*

*Greenfield, Massachusetts*

*Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 10, 2023*



### *Schedule of Holy Mass*

Lord's Day Vigil— Saturday 4 pm

Lord's Day—Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am, & 11 am

#### **Weekday**

M-T-Th-F- 8:30 am

Wed. 12:05 pm & 6 pm

First Saturday - 8 am

Holy Day Vigil - 6 pm

Holy Day - 8:30 am, 12:05 pm, & 6 pm

*"Just as the living Father sent me  
and I have life because of the Father,  
so also the one who feeds on me  
will have life because of me." Jn 6:57*

### *Our Churches & Sacred Spaces*

#### *Blessed Sacrament Church*

221 Federal Street

Mass: Saturday—4 pm | Sunday—11 am

Monday & Tuesday—8:30 am | Wednesday—6 pm

Holy Day Vigil: 6 pm | Holy Day: 8:30 am

#### *Calvary Cemetery*

Wisdom Way | First Burial recorded 1792

#### *Holy Trinity Church*

135 Main Street

Mass: Sunday - 8 am & 9:30 am

Wednesday 12:05pm | Thursday & Friday—8:30 am

Holy Day: 12:05 pm & 6 pm

#### *Perpetual Adoration Chapel*

221 Federal Street | Always present 24/7

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*All are Invited & Welcome to Join Us!*

We are a diverse Catholic Community of Greenfield which shares a faith in Jesus Christ, is nourished at the table of the Eucharist, celebrates life-giving and healing Sacraments, tries to live the Beatitudes, and reaches out in service, together.

Please join us on this journey of life and faith!

## **TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS**

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon Your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. - **Amen**



### **PARISH OFFICE.**

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Arrangements for use can be made through the Parish Office.

**PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL**

Deacon John Leary, Coordinator

Hours available and Coverage Requested

**CALVARY CEMETERY**

Arrangements for burial can be made through the Parish Office.

## **OUR MINISTRIES.**

**FOOD PANTRY**

Saturday 9 am– noon | Tuesday Noon-3 pm | Thursday 3 pm-6 pm | pantry@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org

**COMMUNITY MEALS:** 2nd, 4th & 5th Thursdays—to volunteer call Kathy Melnik 413.773.3311

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## ***Thoughts from the Pastor's Desk ...***

Dear friends of Blessed Trinity,

The readings and call to action of Holy Mass this weekend speak well to our ongoing parish efforts. Gathered as the People of God, the faithful of Greenfield, we seek the voice of the Lord, discern His promptings, and find courage in divine providence. "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Mt 18:20).

Finding ourselves in this new season after Labor Day, I draw your attention to the matter of our pastoral initiatives. As you know from the bulletins of the last several weeks, our Pastoral Commissions are beginning their fall schedule of discussions, activities, and events. From our first Open Parish Meetings in December, our parish has instituted several pastoral commissions highlighting and focusing a multitude of programs and initiatives.

Our Pastoral Ministry to the Sick & Homebound (with co-chairs Ava Clark and Pat Coffin) coordinates visits and sacraments for those in our nursing homes, hospitals, and among our homebound. With ongoing volunteer recruitment and training, Blessed Trinity Parish can expand the nature of our relationships and strengthen our accompaniment of those in particular infirmity or physical difficulty. Our Worship Commission continues discussions on a range of matters affecting our liturgies, worship, and music as it meets each First Wednesday of the month. Our Pastoral Ministry to the Homeless, Poor, and Hungry engages various programs (such as our Food Pantry and Community Meals programs) as well as local actions to serve many who struggle throughout Greenfield, our streets, and neighborhoods. Our Faith Formation Commission, which meets each Second Thursday at 6PM, is excited to commence our Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (with classes on Tuesdays at 6PM), as well as various sacramental preparation programs and possible bible studies in the near future.

With the foundation of these established Pastoral Commissions and the fruits of our conversations from this week's Open Parish Meetings (Wednesday at 10:00 AM / Thursday at 7:00 PM / Saturday at 11:00 AM), we will have the opportunity to set the course for our parish and give direction to a newly formed Pastoral Council. Consisting of the chairs of the Pastoral Commissions and several At-Large members representing the diversity of our parish, together with our deacons and pastoral staff (such as Director of Religious Education and Director of Educational Outreach), our Pastoral Council will be able

to engage the mission defined by our faith, hope, and love, that of the proclamation of the Gospel and the salvation of souls. Indeed we heed the words of the Gospel acclamation, "God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation".

Please give ardent thought and prayer to your possible involvement and increased engagement in any and all of these areas of parish life, and know how valuable your time, talent, and treasure is. As collaborators together in the action of God's grace here in our midst we can be ever reminded of the words of Jesus today: "Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father". The Lord will not be outdone in this pastoral zeal He invites us to share! Rise, let us be on our way!

*Most Holy Trinity, I adore You!*

*My God, I love you in the Most Blessed Sacrament!*

**Fr. Pierz**

## **THIS WEEK: OPEN PARISH MEETINGS**

### **1 YEAR LATER.**

Last Fall we had an incredible response to our Open Parish meetings shortly after Blessed Trinity Parish was formed. So many parishioners attended, shared their thoughts, ideas, concerns and suggestions. And you were heard.



### **Open Parish Meetings**

**Wednesday, September 13—10:00 am**

**Thursday, September 14— 7:00 pm**

**Saturday, September 16— 11:00 am**

**One Year later—how are we doing? We still want to hear your feedback and suggestions!**

As we enter our second year, we invite you to prayerfully attend and continue to share your thoughts, concerns and ideas with the follow up series of open dialogue meetings.

Are there voids you feel need to be filled? Are their changes made over the last year that you love? In the spirit of cooperation we hope to work together to build a strong, welcoming spirit within our parish that will foster even greater participation in our community.

Come learn about our progress over the last 12-months with updates on what we have accomplished in our Ministries and our vision for the future. Bring your questions, comments and concerns.

***Please be a part of these important discussions as together we shape the future of our Parish.***



# OUR FAITH.

## OUR SACRAMENTS.

### EUCCHARIST:

#### LORD'S DAY MASS

**Saturday** 4:00 pm (BSC) | **Sunday** 8:00 am (HTC), 9:30 am (HTC), 11:00 am (BSC)

#### WEEKDAY MASS

M & T 8:30 am (BSC) | Wed. 12:05 pm (HTC) & 6 pm (PAC) | Th & F 8:30 am (HTC)

#### ADORATION

Always present, 24/7 in our Perpetual Adoration Chapel (PAC)

### CONFESSION:

Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm | 30 min. before Sunday Masses | Wednesday, 5-5:45pm | or by appointment. (Every effort is made to arrive 30 min. before the 11 am Mass for Confession, however priest availability can be limited.)

### BAPTISM:

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule baptism preparation classes, review sponsor eligibility, and plan celebration of the sacrament. Typically celebrated within 8 weeks of birth. Ceremony may be private or during our Sunday Masses.

### MARRIAGE:

Please contact the Parish Office at least 9 months in advance to enroll in marriage preparation classes and plan liturgy arrangements.

### CONFIRMATION:

Typically takes place through our Religious Education program. If you are an adult and have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact the Parish Office.

### HOLY ORDERS:

Have you ever been inspired of a vocation to the priesthood or religious life? Please speak with Fr. Pierz or call the Parish Office.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Available during pastoral visit, Sacrament of Confession, or by appointment.

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS:** Seeking to receive all your sacraments and enter full communion with the Catholic Church? You are invited and welcome to join us! Please contact the Parish Office to learn how to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER.

### ADULT OCIA CLASSES—SEPTEMBER 19TH!



Blessed Trinity Parish will be offering an OCIA Program starting this September. The program will run weekly on **Tuesday evenings from 6pm till 7:30pm at the Pastoral Center** at 14 Beacon Street in Greenfield. The program will be open to those within Greenfield, surrounding communities, and other parish communities. Anyone interested can contact the Parish Office at 413-773-3311 or by email at [office@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](mailto:office@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org).

### YOUTH CCD CLASSES— STARTING SEPTEMBER 24.

**CCD Registration is open!** You can print out the form on our website, [blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](http://blessedtrinitygreenfield.org) and submit it to the office. Printed forms are also available in the parish office. Please reach out to Virginia Christi, our new Director of Religious Education any time with questions at [Religious@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](mailto:Religious@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org)



Our program will start on **September 24th** and will run through the beginning of May. Classes for all grades on **Sundays from 9:45-10:45am** at the **Pastoral Center** - 14 Beacon Street



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# OUR MINISTRIES.

## OUR UPCOMING PASTORAL COMMISSION MEETINGS.

**SEPT 11TH - PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE HOMELESS, POOR, & HUNGRY:** *serving people and families experiencing hardship.* Meets 2nd Monday @ 6:00 pm. **Next Meeting:** 6:00 pm on Mon., September 11 in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

**SEPT 14TH – FAITH FORMATION:** *Catholic Religious Education programs and events for Youth and Adults.* Meets 2nd Thursday @ 6:00 pm. **Next Meeting:** 6:00 pm on Thurs., September 14 in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

**SEPT 18TH– PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND:** *Do you know of a parishioner entering a nursing home, recently or with an upcoming hospital stay who would like a visit or to receive the sacraments?* Contact [comfort@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](mailto:comfort@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org) or call 413-773-3311. Meets 3rd Monday @ 7:00 pm.  
**Next Meeting:** 7:00 pm on Mon., September 18 in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

**SEPT 25TH – St. Dismas Jail Ministry:** *Serving people and families affected by incarceration.* **Meets:** 4th Mon. @ 6:00 pm  
**Next Meeting:** 6:00 pm on Mon., September 25 in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

## OUR AFFILIATED PARISH GROUPS.

**SEPT 17TH – Pope St. John Paul the Great Youth Group:** **Meets:** 3rd Sun. @ 6:30 pm  
**Next Meeting:** 6:30 pm on Sun., September 17 in our Father Casey Hall.

**SEPT 21ST & 28– Community Meals Served:** 2nd, 4th and 5th Thurs. from 5:00-6 pm.  
Take out only at our Holy Trinity Church.

**SEPT 25TH – Knights of Columbus:** **Meets:** 3rd Thurs. @ 6:00 pm.  
**Next Meeting:** 6:00 pm on Thurs., September 25 in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

**OCT 2ND – Blessed Trinity Rosary Sodality:** **Meets:** 1st Mon. @ 6:30 pm.  
**Next Meeting:** 6:30 pm on Mon., October 2 at Father Casey Hall at Holy Trinity Church.

## OUR MINISTRIES – MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

Each week we will update how our growing Ministries are having a positive impact in our community while sharing our Catholic Faith by the caring of others.

**Community Meals:** Our team served 102 meals of Chicken Jambalaya, Coleslaw, Yogurt, & Blueberry Crisp Dessert on August 31th.

**Homebound & Nursing Homes:** Currently we have 22 amazing volunteers visiting 49 homebound parishioners and 50 parishioners in nursing homes.

**Food Pantry (August):** Number of Pounds of Food - 9720 | Number of Meals Equivalent - 8100 | Number of Households - 920 | Number of Individuals - 2240 | Number of Volunteer Hours - 96

**Interested in volunteering?** Please contact us at the Parish Office 413.773.3311 or [blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](mailto:blessedtrinitygreenfield.org).



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# OUR MINISTRIES.

## BLESSED TRINITY PARISH

### **PASTORAL COUNCIL: NOMINATION INFORMATION**

The new Pastoral Council will work to identify and coordinate the many ministries and activities in our parish. Our goal is to open lines of communication between our pastor, the pastoral council, our pastoral commissions, and the various groups, we all share in coordinating activities within the parish. In the spirit of cooperation we hope to work together to build a strong, welcoming spirit within our parish that will foster even greater participation in our community.

To that end, we are looking for parishioners who would give of their time and leadership talents to help our pastor in his administration of the close to sixty ministries and activities in the parish. We encourage members of these groups to consider nomination to the council as well as those who would represent the parish-at-large.

***Nominees must be 18 years old, having received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist), registered and active in the Parish, who are outstanding in firm faith, good morals, and prudence.***

A nomination form is found below. Upon filling out you can place it in the basket or turn in to the Parish Office. You may also contact the Parish Office by telephone or email with a nomination.

**Nominations will remain open though September 30th.**

*"Let the spiritual shepherds recognize and promote the dignity as well as the responsibility of the laity in the Church. Let them willingly employ their prudent advice. Let them confidently assign duties to them in the service of the Church, allowing them freedom and room for action. Further, let them encourage lay people so that they may undertake tasks on their own initiative. Attentively in Christ, let them consider with fatherly love the projects, suggestions and desires proposed by the laity. However, let the shepherds respectfully acknowledge that just freedom which belongs to everyone in this earthly city.*

*A great many wonderful things are to be hoped for from this familiar dialogue between the laity and their spiritual leaders: in the laity a strengthened sense of personal responsibility; a renewed enthusiasm; a more ready application of their talents to the projects of their spiritual leaders. The latter, on the other hand, aided by the experience of the laity, can more clearly and more incisively come to decisions regarding both spiritual and temporal matters. In this way, the whole Church, strengthened by each one of its members, may more effectively fulfill its mission for the life of the world."*

**VATICAN COUNCIL II. LUMEN GENTIUM Dogmatic Constitution on the Church. 21 November 1964, 37.**



### **BLESSED TRINITY PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: NOMINATION FORM**

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit to Parish Office by email, phone call or drop into offertory basket.



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# OUR MINISTRIES.

## From Chapter V: The Pastoral Council

Can. 511. In each diocese, to the extent that pastoral circumstances recommend it, a pastoral council is to be established whose responsibility it is to investigate under the authority of the bishop all those things which pertain to pastoral works, to ponder them and to propose practical conclusions about them.

Can. 512. §1. The pastoral council consists of Christian faithful who are in full communion with the Catholic Church, clerics, members of institutes of consecrated life and especially lay persons, who are designated in a manner determined by the diocesan bishop.

§2. The Christian faithful who are appointed to the pastoral council are to be so selected that the entire portion of the people of God which constitutes the diocese is truly reflected, with due regard for the diverse regions, social conditions and professions of the diocese as well as the role which they have in the apostolate, either as individuals or in conjunction with others.

§3. No one except Christians of proven faith, good morals and outstanding prudence are to be appointed to the pastoral council.

Can. 513. §1. The pastoral council is to be established for a period of time according to the prescriptions of the statutes which are issued by the bishop.

§2. When the see is vacant the pastoral council ceases to exist.

Can. 514. §1. It pertains exclusively to the diocesan bishop to convoke the pastoral council according to the necessities of the apostolate and to preside over it; the pastoral council enjoys only a consultative vote; it is for the bishop alone to make public what has been done in the council.

§2. The pastoral council is to be convoked at least once a year.

Can. 536 §1. If the diocesan bishop judges it opportune after he has heard the presbyteral council, a pastoral council is to be established in each parish, over which the pastor presides and in which the Christian faithful, together with those who share in pastoral care by virtue of their office in the parish, assist in fostering pastoral activity.

§2. A pastoral council possesses a consultative vote only and is governed by the norms established by the diocesan bishop.

## BLESSED TRINITY PARISH

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Parish Office** - Reception | Project Coordination

**Refugee Assistance** - Donation Sorting | Donation Delivering | Welcoming Visitors to Mass

**Adoration Chapel** - Adoration Hours Available

**St. Cecilia's Choir** - Funeral Choir | **Community Meals** - Baked Goods | Meal Volunteers

**Pastoral Ministry to the Sick & Homebound** - Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion | Visitors | Card Ministry

**Blessed Solanus Casey Food Pantry** - Stocking | Pantry Hour Coverage | Greeting

*If interested please contact the Parish Office 413-773-3311*

## PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE SICK &

**HOMEBOUND:** Do you know of a parishioner entering a nursing home, recently or with an upcoming hospital stay who would like a visit or to receive the Eucharist? Call 413-773-3311



*You are a child of God, you are wonderfully made, dearly loved, and precious in his sight. - Psalm 139*

Sandrina Erica

Etienne

*Baptized and welcomed into the Faith  
and our parish family,  
Sunday September 3rd*



## PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

*"Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?" - Matthew 26:40*

**Hours Available. | Coverage Requested.**

Please contact Deacon John Leary at

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# OUR PARISH.



## Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, September 9 — CLERGY IN PURGATORY

*SAINT PETER CLAVER, PRIEST*

4:00 BSC GIANNA DEMERS — by the CCD Students

SUNDAY, September 10 — VOCATIONS, SEMINARIANS,  
DEACON CANDIDATES

8:00 HTC FRANCIS BRISSETTE — by Jim

9:30 HTC WINSTON LABELLE — by Pierre & Lucille Belhumeur

11:00 BSC HENRY & NELLIE BRIGGS — by their daughter, Norma & Family

MONDAY, September 11 — DEACON LEARY

8:30 BSC FRANCIS "BUTCH" GOCHINSKI — by Denis Rueb

TUESDAY, September 12 — CLERGY IN PURGATORY

*THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY*

8:30 BSC JOYCE TILTON — by Laurie

WEDNESDAY, September 13 — DEACON DECARLO

*SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH*

12:05 HTC CAROL DYER — by Jeff & Andrea Smith

6:00 PAC RICHARD LETOURNEAU — by the Family

THURSDAY, September 14 — FATHER LUNNEY

*THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS*

8:30 HTC STANLEY & ELEANOR PARDA — by Donald Parada

FRIDAY, September 15 — CLERGY WHO ARE SICK

*OUR LADY OF SORROWS*

8:30 HTC HOWARD N. LEETE — by his Wife, Theresa

SATURDAY, September 16 — FATHER AKSAMIT

*SAINTS CORNELIUS, POPE, & CYPRIAN, BISHOP, MARTYRS*

4:00 BSC DEACON GEORGE & LISA NOLAN — by the CCD Students

SUNDAY, September 17 — FATHER DIMASCOLA

8:00 HTC TOM KOPLAR — by Mary Fleury

9:30 HTC THE DEMERS FAMILY — by the CCD Students

11:00 BSC MARTIN LEO & FRANCES B. COYNE

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**SEPTEMBER 10, 2023**

Give eternal life, O Lord, to all our beloved dead.  
May they rest in peace! We remember in our prayers:

**Maui Fire Victims**

## SEPT 10TH - 23RD



**BSC SANCTUARY CANDLE** is burning for **Mary Glover** - from the Glover Family

**ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES** will burn in memory/honor of:

1. **Special Intention** — by Anonymous
2. **Special Intentions** — by Claire Heath
3. **Jack Dutcher** — by Alec & Mary Anne Duda
4. **Patricia Duffey Earley** — from Robert Earley

**HTC 7-DAY CANDLE: Health & Blessings for Ryan** — by his loving family

*If you would like to burn a candle or donate flowers for a special occasion, in memory of a loved one or other intention, call the parish office at 773.3311*

## **ALTAR CORPS TRAINING**

### **SEPT 13TH & 16TH**

Our Altar Corps is having its first training session of the year **Wednesday September 13th** following our 6pm Mass & **Saturday September 16th** 1pm. Meet at the Pastoral Center, attending both sessions is preferred.

*Additional dates to follow*



## **WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2023**

*"Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father"*

Weekly Collection: \$6020

Utilities Collection: \$546

Maintenance Collection: \$110

*"May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of His Holy Church."*

**Thank you for your generosity!**



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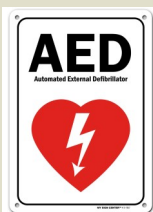


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# OUR PARISH.

## PARISH AED INSTALLATION




Our parish will be installing AEDs in our facilities in the coming weeks.

"An AED, or automated external defibrillator, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. It's a sophisticated, yet easy-to-use, medical device that can analyze the heart's rhythm and, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock, or defibrillation, to help the heart re-establish an effective rhythm" (Cf. Red Cross).

Thanks to the generosity of the Knights of Columbus, they have covered the expense of two out of three devices, at a cost of \$1750 each.

*Would you or your organization be willing to sponsor the third device? Please contact the Parish Office and thank you!*

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**  *Please consider making your donation today.*  
**Contact** 413-452-0670  
 or email [aca@diospringfield.org](mailto:aca@diospringfield.org)

## PARISH BUILDING & MAINTENANCE UPDATES

**HTC Elevator** - repairs are made and we are awaiting date of re-inspection by the State.

**Father Casey Fund 2023 Grant**- project to paint exterior of Holy Trinity Church proposal recommended, applied, and accepted. Work to begin when contractor sets date.

**Father Casey Fund 2024 Grant** - Buildings & Maintenance Commission and Finance Council recommend: Install a new roof on Blessed Sacrament Church

**Confessional Project** - we have activated the formal confessionals located in the rear of our Blessed Sacrament Church, new seating has been installed in the confessionals, one will be adapted for handicap accessibility, new lights will be installed, and the occupation lights over the confessionals will be re-activated. To be completed in the near future.

**Adoration Chapel Tabernacle** - a long-unused tabernacle has been installed in the Chapel for access to the Eucharist for our Pastoral Ministry to the Sick & Homebound for security and ease of accessibility. Project is nearing completion.

## THIS WEEK AT BLESSED TRINITY PARISH

MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR!



### Saturday September 9

4:00 pm Mass (BSC)

### Sunday September 10

8:00 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-minutes beforehand

9:30 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-minutes beforehand

11:00 am Mass (BSC) Confession: 30 minutes beforehand (Note: Priest availability can be limited with 9:30 am Mass at HTC.)

### Monday September 11

8:30 am Mass (BSC)

6:00 pm Roses for Mary Prayer Group (PAC Mon.)

6:00 pm Pastoral Min. to the Homeless, Poor, & Hungry - Pastoral Ctr, Conference Room

7:00 pm Boy Scouts Meeting - Pastoral Center

### Tuesday September 12

8:30 am Mass (BSC)

### Wednesday September 13

10:00 am Open Parish Meeting - Pastoral Ctr. Conference Room

11:30 am Most Holy Rosary (HTC)

12:05 am Mass (HTC)

5-5:45 pm Confession (PAC)

6:00 pm Mass (PAC)

7:00 pm Altar Corps Training (BSC)

7:00 pm Holy Hour for the Sick & Dying-(PAC)

### Thursday September 14

8:30 am Mass (HTC)

5-6:00 pm Community Meal (HTC)

6:00 pm Faith Formation Meeting - Pastoral Ctr. Conference Room

7:00pm Open Parish Meeting - Pastoral Ctr. Conference Room

### Friday September 15

8:30 am Mass (HTC)

### Saturday September 16

11:00 pm Open Parish Meeting - Pastoral Ctr. Conference Room

1:00 pm Altar Corps Training (BSC)

2:30 pm—3:30 pm Confession (BSC)

4:00 pm Mass (BSC)

6:00 pm Holy Hour for Non-believers (PAC)

### Sunday September 17

8 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-minutes beforehand

9:30 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-mins beforehand

11:00 am Mass (BSC) Confession: 30 minutes beforehand (Note: Priest availability can be limited with 9:30 am Mass at HTC.)

6:30 pm St. John Paul II Youth Group in Father Casey Hall



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# AND MORE.



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With a parish subscription to **FORMED** each of our parishioners would be able to have an account and enjoy the many programs.

## Blessed Trinity Jumble

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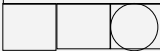
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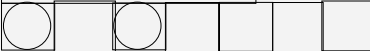
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With the equipment of faith, hope, & love, we are called together to be the Church.

What is the first instruction for such a gift?

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## CRYPTOQUIP

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle


WHAT DOES JESUS INVITE

HIS FRIENDS (YOU AND ME!)

TO CELEBRATE ON SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>?

"MOM'S BIRTHDAY"

(THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY  
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY)

SOME "  " REQUIRED



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## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time-"Stand on the mountain before the Lord."

September 22-24, 2023 in Huntington, NY

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <https://www.mectw.org/>.

## PRAYER CENACLE FOR REPARATION AND THE CONVERSION OF THE U.S.A.

The Most Holy Name of Jesus. Come join Moderator Socorro "Suki" Wong each Monday morning to pray for our Nation, our State and our Families in these **troubling times**.

*Prayer Cenacle immediately following the Monday 8 am Mass at  
Our Lady of Czestochowa Church, Turners Falls.  
Coffee will be provided.*

## VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

The van that drives St Michael's students from the Greenfield area to Brattleboro needs volunteer drivers for the afternoon school pickup shifts (2:40pm leave for 3:15 arrival at the school). If you would be willing to drive the van for a shift or two in the afternoons throughout the school year, or even occasionally to fill in for a driver who is unable to drive, please contact **David Korpiewski at 413-695-2191**. The van is a 12 passenger van and we currently have 11 students who need your help to make sure they can go up and back every day. Please pray and consider helping if you can.

## BISHOP'S MASS FOR MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

Are you celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary in 2023? Did you have a special anniversary in the past few years? If so, Bishop Byrne would like you to join him for a special Mass honoring and celebrating these milestones.

**For those celebrating 25, 30, 40, 50 or more years of marriage,** please contact your pastor and/or parish office to sign up for the invite list! The Mass will take place Sunday, October 15 at 2:00pm in the Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel, 260 State Street, Springfield. Special invitations will be mailed to each couple so please be sure to provide your names, mailing address and anniversary date!

## YOUR LASTING GIFT.

The celebration at the end of life brings hope and consolation to the living. As we plan for our eternal life, it is always good to remember those



that we love including those in our Catholic Community. As Christians, we can be assured the work that has been started will continue by including our Parish in your Will. A bequest to Blessed Trinity Parish is an impactful way to declare your commitment to the cause of Christ. It says that we are Christians in more than name – we've demonstrated that we really care.

By creating your Will, you can:

- Safeguard the people you love.
- Make critical decisions that secure your future.
- Preserve Blessed Trinity Parish and its Ministries for generations to come.

These gifts help us to build a solid foundation for future generations. We appreciate the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have left bequests to our Parish in the past enabling us to continue the work we are doing now and in the future.

You can have an everlasting influence on the lives of our Greenfield Catholic Community. There are various forms of bequests that can easily be made. If a Will or a Trust already exists, a codicil amendment can be easily added to your current Will. Blessed Trinity Parish is a charitable non-profit institution; therefore, all bequests are fully tax deductible for estate tax purposes.

For additional information, please contact the Parish Office by phone or email and someone will contact you.

**Have you already included the Parish in your Will?** We are so grateful. Please contact us so that we may thank you and be informed if your gift is for "most needed" or earmarked for something more specific.

*Thank you for remembering our Parish in your Will.*



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