

# Blessed Trinity Parish

317 Leroy Avenue - Buffalo, New York 14214



## 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 27, 2021

*We are a loving, welcoming community of Blessed Trinity Roman Catholic Church, endowed with a diversity of backgrounds, gifts and experiences. Our lives are based on faith, hope and charity, guided by the Holy Spirit and sustained by the sacraments. Our faith life extends to the larger community around us, and we enthusiastically commit ourselves to serve our neighbors and each other.*



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Ms. Patricia Dyer  
Pastoral Associate  
Religious Education Coordinator

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Mr. Homer Dick  
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CONFESSIONS	Saturday, 4pm
BIBLE STUDY	Suspended until September
ANOINTING OF THE SICK	Will resume post pandemic
VISITS TO THE SICK	Call rectory during business hours
BAPTISMS	By appointment
WEDDINGS	Arrange six months in advance

Catholic Central Food Pantry - 350 Dewey Avenue

Every Wednesday 9:30am - 1:30pm



Celebrating  
*St John the Baptist*

Rectory Office Hours:

Monday - Wednesday  
10:30 am - 2:30 pm



Sunday Mass: 10:00 am

Saturday Mass: 4:30 pm

Daily Mass: Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri - 11:00 am

## 13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading** Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24 (98B)  
**Psalm** Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13  
**Second Reading** 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15  
**Gospel** Mark 5:21-43



*How does your garden grow ... Not with silver bells and cockle shells ... but with the help of many hands and generous hearts. Again, we are most grateful for those who turned out with shovels, rakes, trimmers, and "garden grunt" for our second parish grounds maintenance outing this past Tuesday. We should all be proud that our parish outside appearance - in maintained lawns, plants, flowers, landscaping, weed control, vegetables, herbs and more - is really a genuine reflection of what goes on inside our parish, in the treasure of our church building, and the faith lives of all who actively worship here and call Blessed Trinity home!*



**Special thanks** to Colleen Schroeder, chairperson, and for the "special forces" who worked under her command as a true team .... Prep, set up, clean up, cooking, plating, organizing, directing traffic, collecting monies, taking orders .... Phew, and all with a smile, charitable hearts, & in support of our parish. The **Chicken BBQ fundraiser** this weekend was most successful, in my estimation, in bringing people together for a Time of Charity and service! More details on the BBQ in a coming bulletin.

**Road to Renewal** – This current diocesan process to renew our parishes and the entire Church of Buffalo will bring about many changes. Information can be found in a new section created on our parish website homepage. Also, Regular information about this process can be found at [www.roadtorenewal.org](http://www.roadtorenewal.org)

### Summer Volunteer Opportunities

Thank you to those who responded to our parish need for volunteers to accomplish those endless cleaning and cleanup/cleanout jobs, mowing, and gardening, etc. You will be contacted as needed! If you are interesting in offering some of your time and talent, please let me (Fr. Bob), Pat Dyer, or one of our parish trustees (Madonna Hartzell, Bud Dick) know. We can put you quickly to work!

---Fr. Bob

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

**Blessed Trinity Stewardship** – The total offertory collection for June 19/20, 2021 was \$1,995.25 which includes Catholic Communication \$35 and fuel \$85.

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**Saturday, July 3**

Lector – Lorna Cameron

**Sunday, July 4**

Lector – Sr. Liz Savage

Eucharistic Minister – Fidelia Ejimadu

**Don't forget .... The Coffee Fundraiser will run until the end of June.** The delicious and exclusive blend at our Feast Day celebration is \$10 a bag (also available in K-Cups and decaf.) Purchase at the Welcome space and from many Parish Council members. They are great hostess gifts for a backyard barbecue or family reunion that's finally happening this year.

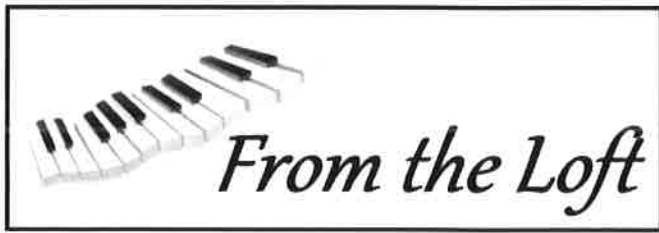
**We are looking for two additional people** who can meet Protecting God's Children requirements to help with Wednesday Vacation Bible School for 5 weeks this summer. Contact Pat Dyer or Fr. Bob if you are interested.

**Future of Parishes** ~ Discussion study group on the document issued by the Vatican July 2020 is suspended until September.

**We are looking for a couple of people interested in helping us out!** If interested in any of these ministries, please see Pat Dyer for more information.

**Welcome Desk** ~ staffing on weekends and special Masses like Holy Days and Holy Week.

**Compassion Ministry** ~ helping our current volunteer send out cards and notes to shut-ins, the ill and families after a death occurs - all materials provided and can be done from home.



Last Tuesday, my husband was doing chores around the house and whistling, as he often does. I smiled with glee as I recognized that he was actually whistling *Bread for the World*, a new hymn that we sang in church just the Sunday before. Do you ever catch yourself humming or even singing one of the hymns you heard in church later that week? If so, that is really wonderful! There's a lot that goes into selecting Liturgical music to help you carry the week's message in your heart that may surprise you.

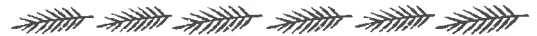
Every season, I review many materials published by the Oregon Catholic Press, GIA Publications, and National Pastoral Musicians, just to name a few. I read the Gospel and the readings for every Liturgy and then pull hymns that I think the congregation will enjoy that will help to solidify the readings for the week. Did you know we currently have almost 1,000 hymns available in the current edition of *Breaking Bread* alone with another 900 right at our fingertips in the *Gather Hymnal*? That's a lot of options! I narrow it down based on the lyrics and the singability of the tune and also keep a comprehensive list of the chosen hymns (I have notebooks dating back to 2010 right in my office). I work hard not to repeat hymns too often in order to keep our Liturgical music more dynamic, but I do try to include parish favorites regularly. I have to admit that this weekly scavenger hunt is a source of great happiness when I discover hymns that I think you will enjoy.

Certain hymns are appropriate at specific times in the Liturgical calendar, but if you have a favorite hymn you would like me to put into the mix, please don't hesitate to let me know. You can jot me a note and leave it in the sacristy, write it on the pad at the foot of the loft stairs, or call the church office and leave me a message. If you caught yourself singing a church song during the week, please let me know that as well. Together, we can build a better musical atmosphere within our amazing church. Let's keep a song in our hearts!

--Elizabeth Clay

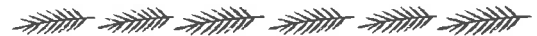
**8 Days of Hope** ~ Please sign-up to help out. Sheets will be available at the doors of the church. It is important that you indicate which days/times are better for our meeting **prior** to the event. If you'd like to be part of the "clean up the neighborhoods," you can start right now by volunteering to help around the parish. Just couple of hours a week can make all the difference in the world.

**Vacation Bible School** ~ Summer is upon us and **we still need volunteers or we cannot have a Bible School this summer.** It's a 1-2 hour weekly commitment for five weeks. No experience is needed, but you must be Protecting God's Children certified. Please call Pat Dyer at 256-2598 any time to discuss.



**TIME IS RUNNING OUT.  
WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

**Appeal 2021** will close in just 15 days, and with more than \$1.3 million to raise to achieve goal, we are asking for your help! Your support of our annual campaign ensures that Catholic Charities can continue to serve those who are most in need and most vulnerable in Western New York – bringing **HOPE for all seasons.** If you have already contributed, we offer our sincere thanks. If you have not yet given or made a pledge, now is the perfect time. Donations can be made securely online at [www.ccnw.org/donation](http://www.ccnw.org/donation) or by calling 716-218-1400.



**To remember in our prayers all who are sick,** especially parishioners: Sr. Ann Helene, Naoma Allen, Thomas Andrew, Yvonne Andrew, Bernice Bradley, Anthony Hartmann, Madonna Hartzell, Sionen Laciura, Marilyn Lang, Shirley Parks, Fr. Reger, Mary Ellen Roach, Janeva Tabb, Cortez Wells, Freddie White, Pedro Zola.

### **Parish Council .... Looking forward!**

As indicated in the June 12/13 Bulletin which listed current Parish Council members, the 20-21 year concludes this June and begins again in September 2021. The Council is composed of caring, eager parishioners who come together to address the ongoing activities and life of Blessed Trinity parish. You may be interested in becoming a member of the Council! We welcome you to share your interest. If you have questions or would like to gather further information, please contact Vice-President, Colleen Schroeder. You may also know some of our members and you could also inquire with any of them. Colleen's phone number is: 458-0186.

Mass



Intentions

Saturday, June 26 4:30 pm  
**Repose of the Soul of Mary Tuttlebee**  
*John E. Curtin*

Sunday, June 27 10:00 am  
**In Memory of Joe Slade White**  
*Robert J. Kresse Family*

Monday, June 28 11:00 am  
**Members of the Crib Donors Guild**  
*Our Lady of Victory*

Tuesday, June 29 11:00 am  
**Repose of the Souls of Arthur & Lillian Hildman**  
*Our Lady of Victory*

Wednesday, June 30 11:00 am  
**Repose of the Souls of the Betz Families**  
*Our Lady of Victory*

Friday, July 2 11:00 am  
**Deceased Members of the Ryan, Reilly, Reynolds, and Pfeiffer Families**  
*Estate of Mary Reilly*

Saturday, July 3 4:30 pm  
**Birthday Remembrance for Robert Schimpf**  
*Bud & Mickey Dick*

Sunday, July 4 10:00 am  
**In Memory of Alice Rose Schroeder**  
*Colleen Schroeder*

† *A remembrance in your will and last testament keeps alive the beauty and works of this church. †*



*The Sanctuary Lamp burns June 27-July 3 in remembrance of Linda Curthoys by Beverly Howard.*

*If you are interested in memorializing a loved one or special occasion, please contact the rectory at (716-833-0301).*

### **Corbel-Table Trivia ~**

Corbels are small supportive brackets on exterior walls, and our church has one of the most extensive – and impressive – sets in the world. Totalling 615 in all, our corbels can be found in rows under the cornice at the roof line (*flat corbel-table*) and below these, at the ends of small strips that create arches (*arched corbel-table*). They are a favorite place for Lombard decoration, and 338 of BT's corbels display symbols. For easiest viewing, look on the ambulatory (curved wall on the back of church) or near the statue of the Sacred Heart on the right side. The corbels pictured here are on the left nave wall.



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