

Blessed Trinity Parish

Roman Catholic Church

Greenfield, Massachusetts

Fifth Sunday of Easter - April 28, 2024



Schedule of Holy Mass

Lord's Day Vigil— Saturday 4 pm

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

Weekday Daily Mass Schedule

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 | Wed — 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
Wed — 12:05pm | Thursday & Friday — 8:30 am
Holy Day: 12:05 pm & 6 pm

Perpetual Adoration Chapel

221 Federal Street | Always present 24/7

www.blessedtrinitygreenfield.org

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!

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – MONTH OF THE EUCHARIST AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

Almighty ever-living God, constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us, that those You were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism may, under Your protective care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of life eternal.

- Amen



PARISH OFFICE.

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~PARISH SPACES~

FATHER JAMES CASEY HALL (135 Main St)

PASTORAL CENTER HALL (14 Beacon St)

K OF C CONFERENCE ROOM (14 Beacon St)

Dedicated and sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Deacon John Leary, Coordinator

Hours available and Coverage Requested

CALVARY CEMETERY

Arrangements for burial can be made through the Parish Office.

For More Information and to Reserve our Spaces:

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Welcome! New Parishioners & Guests. Thank you for joining us today! We are so glad you are here! We are eager to meet you & invite you to learn more about our parish and register at the Parish Office.

Thoughts from the Pastor's Desk ...



Dear friends of Blessed Trinity,
Happy and Holy Easter to one and all!

“With the consolation of the Holy Spirit”, the Church is being built up, walking in the fear of the Lord, and growing in numbers. Fostering discipleship and profound trust in God, so proclaims our First Reading today from the Acts of the Apostles. The Church grows and lives with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

Often we hear of consolation when we accompany those who mourn or suffer. We console a loved one in times of distress. We console a child having fallen and crying out in need.

In the spiritual life we hear of consolation and desolation as states of the soul in prayer and grace. We experience the consolations of the Holy Spirit as an undeserved gift of God's loving presence. We can also experience desolation when we feel the Lord is far from us and our prayer runs dry.

Yet in the midst of consolation and desolation let us remain in Him for God is greater than our hearts. He invites us to remain in Him as He remains in us. We are assured of this as we keep His commandments and “love, not just in word and speech, but in deed and truth”. Sometimes we may experience the dryness of desolation and be frightened of His absence, but the Lord is ever with us. Like a branch on the vine that seems brittle and with crooked form, as long as it remains with the vine, it will draw from a hidden spring of life and receive again its consolation.

The Church grows and lives with the consolation of the Holy Spirit. Please, let us help one another know the grace of God here in our midst. May all the people of Greenfield and throughout our Diocese of Springfield know that we are the Lord's drawing upon His grace and consoled in His Spirit. Let us remain in Him as He remains in us, and we will bear much fruit!

Most Holy Trinity, I adore You!

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

Fr. Pierz



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Sandra Mizula (Chair) office@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org

OCIA | Bible Studies | Adult Confirmation

Baptism Preparation | Marriage Preparation | Lectures

PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE HOMELESS, POOR, & HUNGRY

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Resource for Shelter | Food | Clothing

Food Pantry: Sat. 9a–12p | Tue. 12p–3p | Thur. 3p–6p

Donna Leary, Coordinator pantry@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org

Community Meals: 2nd, 4th, & 5th Thur. 5–6p @ HTC

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Saint Dismas Jail Ministry: Deacon John Leary

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Altar Server Program | Ushers/Greeters ministry

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Ed & Suzi Cottrill stjpiiyouthgroup@gmail.com

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CEMETERY COMMISSION

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Marcy Hoynoski, President

Knights of Columbus: *Lt. John Gavin* Council No. 133

Dan Arsenault, Grand Knight

Alternatives Pregnancy Center: 413.774.6010

Pregnancy Tests | Counseling & Support |

Post Abortion Support

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-TH-F 8:30 am (BSC) & 12:05 pm (HTC) | Wed. 12:05 pm (HTC) & 6 pm (PAC)

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.



Diocese of Springfield
Office of the Bishop

April, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Greetings in the name of the Lord!

On the weekend of April 27-28, 2024, a special collection will be taken-up for our Seminarian/Vocation Fund and for our Retired Priests Fund.

Your financial support for the Seminarian/Vocation Fund helps the education and training of men who love the Lord and have been called to leave everything behind and follow Him in the Priesthood. Funds collected through this special collection help defray the expenses of formation and seminary education such as room and board, tuition, fees and health insurance for each seminarian. The cost for our young men studying at a seminary is nearly \$3,000.00 per month, per seminarian. This fund is used solely for seminarians of the Diocese of Springfield.

On the same weekend, we will be taking-up a collection for our Retired Priests Fund, which will benefit the retired priests from our own Diocese. Your gift to the Retired Priests Fund helps to provide for the ongoing needs of our retired priests and offers a way for us to give back to the priests who have served our Diocese so well.

Please consider donating to these special funds, for use here in our own Diocese, as an investment for the future and as just reward for the past.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

With every good wish, I am

Your friend in Christ,

Most Reverend William D. Byrne, *Bishop of Springfield*



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OUR FAITH.

FEAST DAY OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER – MAY 1ST

On May 1, 1955, Pope Pius XII declared **May 1 to be the liturgical feast of St. Joseph the Worker.**

"**May Day**" has long been dedicated to labor and the working man. It falls on the first day of the month that is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Pope Pius XII expressed the hope that this feast would accentuate the dignity of labor and would bring a spiritual dimension to labor unions. It is quite fitting that St. Joseph, a working man who became the foster-father of Christ and patron of the universal Church, should be honored on this day.



St. Joseph is one of the most important figures of Christianity, however little is known about his life and death. He is only mentioned a few times in the Gospels, and he never says a word. The Bible does contain a few verses that explain what he did in Jesus' early childhood. However, after Jesus' childhood, it is not certain what happened to him.

Most scholars believe that St. Joseph died before Jesus' public ministry, as he is absent from all of the events that occur during the last three years of Jesus' life on earth. Joseph was not present at the crucifixion, and in the Gospel of John, Jesus entrusts his mother to someone outside the family (cf. John 19:27).

Where did St. Joseph die?

Most scholars point to **Nazareth** as the location of St. Joseph's death. While the precise location is not known, there does exist a church in Nazareth dedicated to St. Joseph. The Franciscans in the Holy Land describe the local traditions of Nazareth:

*In the 17th century, Father Francesco Quaresmi describes a place "that the locals call **Joseph's House and Workshop** where, for a time, there was a beautiful church dedicated to Saint Joseph."*

Furthermore, "The apocryphal 'Story of Joseph the Carpenter' narrates the death and interment of Jesus' father, describing how **Jesus Himself helped and comforted him at the moment that he passed out of this life.**" All of this places St. Joseph's death in the family home in Nazareth. Many traditions hold that Joseph died in the arms or presence of Jesus and Mary. It's a beautiful image, one that has led the Church to proclaim Joseph the patron saint of a "happy death." It is not certain the cause of his death or the precise date when he died.

His body is not located in any particular tomb, though there are some traditions that say he was "assumed" into Heaven, similar to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Whether or not that actually happened is difficult to pinpoint, but many saints claim it is true.

(www.aleteia.org)



FIRST FRIDAY—MAY 3RD.

Dedication to the **First Fridays** incorporates devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus into our monthly routines. In the 17th century, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a cloistered nun, began receiving visions in which Christ asked her to foster devotion to His Sacred Heart. One of the devotions received through these visions is the "First Friday devotion," which calls for the faithful to receive the Eucharist on the

first Friday of the month for nine consecutive months in honor and reparation of Jesus' Sacred Heart.

The specific conditions to receive the Great Promise of the Sacred Heart of Jesus are:

1. Receive Holy Communion on nine consecutive first Fridays of the month (this assumes that the person is in a state of grace, having made a sacramental confession for any mortal sins prior to receiving communion).
2. Having the intention, at least implicitly, of making reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for all the sinfulness and ingratitude of men.

FIRST SATURDAY—MAY 4TH.

The First Saturday Devotion is another way to devote yourself to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and honor our Holy Mother. When the Virgin Mother appeared to the three children at Fátima in 1917, she told the oldest child, Lucia, that she would grant special graces to persons who practiced the First Saturday devotion.



On the first Saturday of every month, the faithful should

- 1.) Go to Confession | 2.) Receive Holy Communion | 3.) Say the Rosary | 4.) Meditate on the Mysteries of the Rosary for 15 minutes.



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OUR FAITH.

A WORD FROM FATHER CAMPOLI...

To all of Blessed Trinity Parish and Beyond,

Kindly accept my deepest appreciation for the great outpouring of kindness to me as I celebrated my fiftieth anniversary of Ordination.

The Mass of Thanksgiving was filled in every way with beauty and awe. The reception, cakes, cards, and gifts were all elegant. I owe my gratitude to so many of you!

For your presence, your prayers, your quiet working behind the scenes, to one and all, please accept from the heart of this priest, all my love and appreciation!

Respectfully and gratefully,

Fr. Timothy Campoli



NOTABLE UPCOMING DATES IN MAY.



Sunday, May 5th: First Communion during 9:30am Mass at Holy Trinity Church

Thursday, May 9th: Ascension of Our Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)

Sunday, May 12th—Mother's Day

Monday, May 13th: Confirmation Mass at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Turners Falls

Sunday, May 19th: Pentecost Sunday, Solemnity

Sunday, May 26th: The Most Holy Trinity, Solemnity

Monday, May 27th: Memorial Day

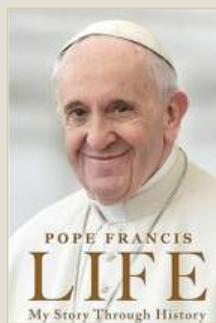
Blessed Trinity **CRYPTOQUIP**

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

Who lays down

His life for the sheep?

The Good Shepherd



BOOK CORNER. “Life: My Story Through History” by Pope Francis. \$26. (March 2024.) For the first time, Pope Francis tells the story of his life as he looks back on the momentous world events that have changed history—from his earliest years during the outbreak of World War II in 1939 to the turmoil of today.

It seems hard to believe that just a few short popes ago, popes stayed in Italy and didn't travel, and low-level technology meant Catholics didn't expect to see or hear from them. Popes would put out authoritative documents now and then called “encyclicals,” but it took time for the messages to trickle out. And even then, average Catholics didn't usually read the pope's words; they didn't feel qualified to interpret them.

No one has done more to make the face of the papacy than Argentine priest Jorge Mario Bergoglio, otherwise known as Pope Francis. He approves apps that offer his sayings in quippy form, gives chatty interviews, and is known for eschewing fancy homes and clothing. Instead, he takes public transportation, wears clunky orthotic shoes, and says such things as “I am a sinner — that's not a figure of speech” and, of gay people, “Who am I to judge?”

This book is a chronicle of his life organized through major world events, from World War II and Argentina's Dirty War to the 9/11 attacks and the coronavirus pandemic. It intersperses Francis's words with those of his co-author, Italian journalist Fabio Marchese Ragona, setting rich scenes of the pontiff's daily life with his description of how he experienced those periods, with whom and how he reflects on them now.

The book is aimed at young people in particular. The structure is simple, as is the language. Also, it has an almost wow-I-can't-believe-this-is-my-life vibe as Francis looks back on everything he has been through and pulls from its repeated core lessons. He presents these lessons in a secular, universal way. That's not to say he doesn't communicate his theology and faith. Throughout the book, he frequently speaks of the role of the church, prayer, and his feeling of God's presence, with a thread woven through the book: I am like you.

(excerpts from Washington Post & Amazon Reviews.)



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OUR YOUTH.

CCD

Please Note: Religious Education Registration (CCD) for the 2024-2025 classes begins this weekend on April 28th.

CORNER



RELIGIOUS ED. SCHEDULE: MAY—THE MONTH OF MARY

Apr. 28 - All Classes-Registration begins for the 2024/2025 CCD Year

May 5—All grades attend First Communion.

May 12—No Class—Happy Mother’s Day!

May 19-Last Class-End of the year celebration. All families in the parish are invited!

For information: Virginia Christi, Director of Religious Education
ReligiousEd@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org | 413.773.3311, ext. 9

FIRST COMMUNION MASS. Sunday, May 5th

9:30 am Mass at our Holy Trinity Church.

CONFIRMATION MASS. Monday, May 13th

5:30 pm at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Turners Falls.

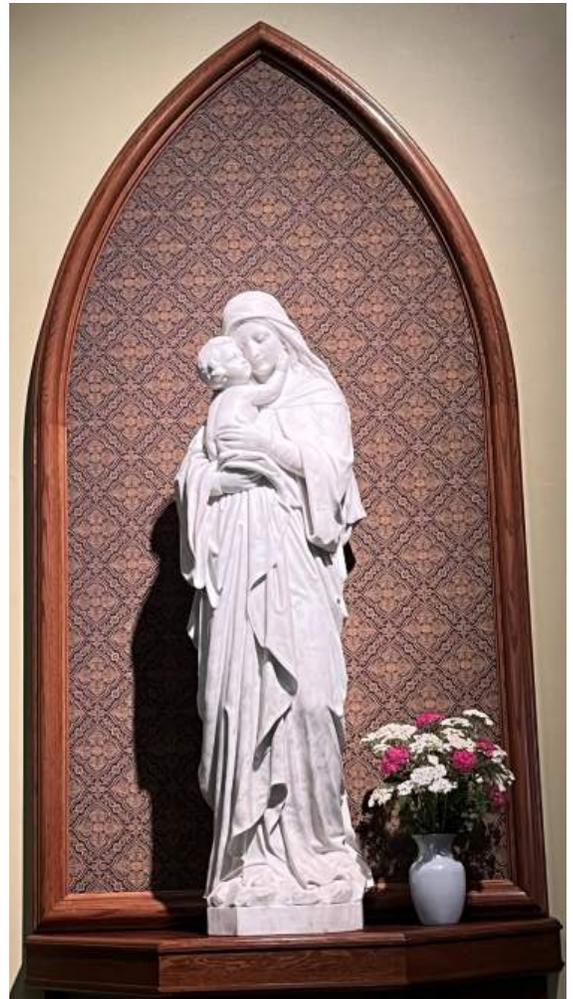
MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY.

The month of May is a special time for Catholics to pay homage to our Blessed Mother Mary. Contrary to misconceptions, we do *not worship* her. **As Catholics, we honor Mary.**

For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, Mother of God. *Not just a day in May, but the entire month.*

In medieval times, similar customs abounded, all centering around the practice of expelling winter, as May 1st was considered the start of new growth. During the medieval times, the tradition of *Tricesimum*, or “Thirty-Day Devotion to Mary,” came into being. Also called, “Lady Month,” the event was held from August 15-September 14 and is still observed in some areas.

The idea of a month specifically dedicated to Mary can be traced back to baroque times. Although it wasn’t always held during May, Mary Month included thirty daily spiritual exercises honoring Mary. It was in this era that Mary’s Month and May were combined, making May the Month of Mary with special devotions organized on each day throughout the month. This custom became especially widespread during the nineteenth century and remains in practice until today.
(ourladyofhopegraffton.org)



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OUR PARISH.



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, April 27 — FATHER AUFIERO

4:00 BSC LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE KOSTERMAN & REGAN FAMILIES — by Sandy & Charlie

SUNDAY, April 28 — MONSIGNOR YARDEAU

8:00 HTC SPECIAL INTENTION FOR MANUEL SANTOS, JR. — by Mary Fleury

9:30 HTC DOMINIC MUSACCHIO — by Bill & Donna Kilgour

11:00 BSC MATTHEW KOSTANSKI — by Britney, George, & Children

MONDAY, April 29 — DEACON DECARLO

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

8:30 BSC HARRIET D MCCARTHY

TUESDAY, April 30 — BISHOP BYRNE

SAINT PIUS V, POPE

8:30 BSC JOSEPH DRALEAUS — by his Daughter, Jackie Jurewicz

WEDNESDAY, May 1 — FATHER LUNNEY

SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER

12:05 HTC MARY BARCHENSKI — by the Family

6:00 PAC JOHN F. BEDNARSKI — by Deacon Joe & Marie Bete

THURSDAY, May 2 — FATHER CAMPOLI

SAINT ATHANASIUS, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

8:30 HTC JESSICA FOLEY — by the Foley Family

FRIDAY, May 3 — BISHOP MCDONNELL

SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES

8:30 HTC ROBERT GEBO — by his Family

SATURDAY, May 4 — FATHER AUFIERO

8:00 PAC FATHER THOMAS SCHMITT — by Maureen Filiault

4:00 BSC JANET ZILCH — by Mike Zilch

SUNDAY, May 5 — DEACON RABBITT

8:00 HTC GEORGE, NAN, GEORGE BROSKY — by Betty Webber

9:30 HTC GRACE & BLESSINGS FOR NOREEN BROUDER — by Marie Breheny

11:00 BSC BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE FOR EDWARD MARION — by Ruth Henry

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 28, 2024

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

OUR BELOVED DEAD

APRIL 21 - MAY 4



BSC SANCTUARY CANDLE: is burning for Angela O'Brien — by her Family

HTC 7-DAY SANCTUARY CANDLE: is burning for Raymond Pydych — by his Wife & Children

ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES will burn in memory/honor of:

1. Willet Forbes — by Anonymous
2. Special Intention — by Anonymous
3. Special Intention — by Anonymous
4. Special Intention — by Anonymous

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

New candle prices: 7-Day Candles: \$15 | 14-Day Candles: \$25



KOC Annual Golf Tournament - May 17th.



Crumpin-Fox Golf Course will be the site for the Knights of Columbus Council 133 golf tournament. This is their major fund-raiser for the year.

To be a sponsor or to make a donation, please contact the parish office at 413.773.3311 or email Knight Bob Wanczyk at rvwanczyk@comcast.net

OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT & VICTIM ASSISTANCE.



Bishop William D. Byrne encourages anyone who has been a victim of sexual abuse by representatives of the Roman Catholic Church to come forward by contacting Michael Collins, Director, Office of Safe Environment & Victim Assistance, at (413) 452-0624, confidential toll free number at 800-842-9055 or email reportabuse@diospringfield.org



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OUR PARISH.

Blessed Trinity Rosary Society
Annual
Spring Tag & Bake



Friday & Saturday, May 3rd & 4th
Father Casey Hall | Holy Trinity Church | Greenfield, MA

Tag. Jewelry. Raffle. Homemade Baked Goods.

Friday 9 am - 1 pm | Saturday 9 am - 1 pm

No Early Birds, please!

Brown Bag Sale 12 noon - Saturday Only!

All proceeds used for church and community activities.

Spring Tag Sale Donations of clean & gently used items will be accepted on:
Mon. April 29 & **Tues.** April 30: 12-6 pm
Wed. May 1st: 10 am-6 pm.
Thurs. May 2: 12-5 pm ***Baked goods only***
(No appliances, books, or clothing will be accepted.)

PRAYER CHAINS.

Please contact us with your petition.

Our Parish Prayer Chains are available to all.

Call or email the Parish Office.

WEEKEND OF APRIL 21, 2024

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

Weekly Collection: \$5626
Fuel/Energy Collection: \$10
Maintenance Collection: \$568
Online Giving: \$1804

“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!

This Week at Blessed Trinity Parish

SATURDAY April 27

4:00 pm Mass (BSC)

SUNDAY April 28

8:00 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-mins prior

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

9:45-10:45 CCD Classes - Pastoral Ctr. Classrooms

11:00 am Mass (BSC) Confession: 30 minutes prior
(Priest availability can be limited with 9:30 am Mass)

MONDAY April 29

8:30 am Mass (BSC)

6:00 pm Roses for Mary - (PAC)

TUESDAY April 30

8:30 am Mass (BSC)

WEDNESDAY May 1

11:30 am Most Holy Rosary (HTC)

12:05 pm Mass (HTC)

4:00 pm Worship Commission

5:30-6 pm Liturgy of the Hours - (PAC)

5-5:45 pm Confession (PAC)

6:00 pm Mass (PAC)

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

THURSDAY May 2

8:30 am Mass (HTC)

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

6:00 pm Buildings & Maintenance

FRIDAY May 3

8:30 am Mass (HTC)

9-1:00pm Blessed Trinity Tag Sale (Fr. Casey Hall)

SATURDAY May 4

8:00 First Saturday Mass (PAC)

9-1:00pm Blessed Trinity Tag Sale (Fr. Casey Hall)

2:30 pm—3:30 pm Confession (BSC)

4:00 pm Mass (BSC)

SUNDAY May 5

Sacrament of First Communion during our 9:30 Mass

8:00 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-mins prior

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

11:00 am Mass (BSC) Confession: 30-mins prior.

Please join us for

Holy Hour for Non-Believers

Thursday, May 2, 6pm

6 pm | Perpetual Adoration Chapel



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OUR MINISTRIES.

OUR UPCOMING PASTORAL COMMISSION MEETINGS.

Everyone Welcome! We encourage ALL to come to our discussions with your ideas or concerns. Attend one time or several times—no commitment required. You don't need to be a member.

MAY 1ST—WORSHIP COMMISSION: *All matters pertaining to Liturgy and worship.* 1st Wednesday @ 4:00pm in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

MAY 2ND—BUILDINGS & MAINTENANCE COMMISSION: *Preservation and improvements of our parish buildings & grounds.* 1st Thursday @ 6:00 pm in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

MAY 9TH — FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION: *Catholic education programs and events for Youth and Adults.* 2nd Thurs. @ 6:00 pm in our Pastoral Center Conf. Rm.

MAY 13TH — PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE HOMELESS, POOR, & HUNGRY: *Serving people and families experiencing hardship.* 2nd Monday @ 6:00 pm in our Pastoral Center Conf. Rm. Upcoming Community Meals: Thursday, May 9th & 23rd

MAY 20TH — PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND: 3rd Monday @ 7:00 pm. *Do you know of a parishioner who would like a visit or to receive the Sacraments?* Contact comfort@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org or 413-773-3311.

NO MAY MEETING — ST. DISMAS JAIL MINISTRY: 4th Monday @ 6:00 pm in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

OUR AFFILIATED PARISH GROUPS.

MAY 6TH — Blessed Trinity Rosary Society: Meets 1st Mon. @ 6:30 pm at Father Casey Hall. All ladies of the parish are encouraged to visit a meeting.

MAY 16TH — Knights of Columbus: 3rd Thurs. @ 6:00 pm in our Pastoral Center Conference Room. *Please note the new time of 6:00 pm.*

SPOTLIGHT: FOOD PANTRY

From Deacon John:

“My wife Donna and I worked in the Pantry on Saturday, April 6th. Four Spanish speaking people came in seeking help for a total of 17 family members. They spoke



no English and we spoke no Spanish. But we had the best time ever laughing and pretending to speak one another's language. At the end of the day, 17 family members received food because we all share the language of God.”

Do you have a few hours a month to help stock shelves, hand out food or even donate money or non-perishables? It's rewarding and makes a difference in our community! Please contact the parish office at 413.773.3311 for more information. Or come to the next Pastoral Ministry to the Homeless, Poor, & Hungry meeting serving people and families experiencing hardship. They meet the 2nd Monday @ 6:00 pm in our Pastoral Center Conf. Rm. The next meeting will be Monday, May 13th. *Thank you!*

Religious Brothers Day—May 1st



“He had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus.”

Pray for those who God is boldly calling forth to serve Him and His people as religious brothers. Are you being called? Please talk with Fr. Michael Pierz at the Parish Office or contact Fr. Jonathan Reardon of the Springfield Diocese Vocation Office 413-248-7034 or via email: vocations@diospringfield.org.



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OUR MINISTRIES.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: NOMINATION INFORMATION

Our Pastoral Council works 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.

Our parish's ministerial staff and deacons hold ex-officio membership, along with the chairs of our pastoral commissions. Each year two At-Large members are elected to a three-year term, for a total of 6 At-Large Representatives on our Pastoral Council.

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 are looking to fill one "Youth" (1-year term) and two "At Large" positions. The Pastoral Council meets monthly.

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.

Please Note: Nominations will remain open through this Tuesday, April 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.

The Pastoral Council meets monthly.

BLESSED TRINITY PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: NOMINATION FORM

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