

Blessed Trinity Parish

Roman Catholic Church

Greenfield, Massachusetts

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 12, 2023



Schedule of Masses

Lord's Day Vigil— Saturday 4 pm
Lord's Day—Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am, & 11 am
Weekday - 8 am & 9 am

First Saturday - 8 am
Weekday Holy Day Vigil - 6 pm
Holy Day - 9 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 | Daily - 9 am
Holy Day Vigil: 6 pm | Holy Day: 9 am

Calvary Cemetery

Wisdom Way | First Burial recorded 1792

Holy Trinity Church

135 Main Street

Mass: Sunday - 8 am & 9:30 am | Daily - 8 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!

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. —*Amen*



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BL. MCGIVNEY CONFERENCE ROOM (14 Beacon St)

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 Marcy Hoynoski 413.773.3311

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413.774.6010 *Pregnancy Tests, Counseling, Support, Post Abortion Support*

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Thoughts from the Pastor's Desk ...

Dear friends of Blessed Trinity,

“Open my eyes, that I may consider the wonders of your law. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord” (Ps 119). Our Responsorial Psalm today sings the praises of discernment and diligence in the word and commandment of the Lord. “Blessed are they whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD”.

A definition for law is a rule of conduct enacted by competent authority for the sake of the common good (cf. CCC 1951). Entering deeply into an encounter and engagement with the Lord our God, we discover that He, who is the ultimate authority and source of all graciousness, desires our greatest good. For our sake, He directs our gaze and orders our ways according to His wisdom, mysterious and hidden, yet revealed to us through the Spirit. God invites us to marvel, wonder, and feed on the splendor of His grace. Yes, our bodies may be nourished by the stuff of the earth, but it is in God's law and by the promptings of His Spirit by which we are truly fed and truly live.

“Unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven” our Blessed Lord proclaims in the Gospel today. Such a pronouncement could easily strike us with fear and trembling at our unworthiness and incapacity to be perfectly righteous. Yet, again it is God's gift that, entering into a deep and profound communion in the life, death, and resurrection of the Person of Jesus Christ, we may be fulfilled, raised up, and His righteousness ransoms our own – in Him and through Him. Jesus, who is the Word made flesh and the Law of God incarnate, invites us into an intimate relationship whereby God's law now becomes part of our very nature, redeemed in Christ, nourished in faith, bound in holy communion.

Most Holy Trinity, I adore You!

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

Fr. Pierz

PS I am grateful to our local retired priests and pastors emeriti, Msgr. Ronald Yargeau and Fr. Tim Campoli, for their presence and prayer at Mass this weekend. May their priestly service continue to give us joyful witness to Christ and His Church!

I also repeat my invitation from last weekend to several Open Parish Meetings on themes promoted at our first encounters in December. In addition to Pastoral Ministry, you'll find in the following pages that we've also added upcoming Worship/Liturgy discussions on the Masses and Eucharistic experiences in our parish as well as Faith Formation activities, like bible studies, RCIA, adult Confirmation, marriage preparation, and more. Please join me and others around our parish as we continue to discern, discuss, and grow our various ministries and bring many more to a living encounter with Christ Jesus.

Proposed Daily Mass Schedule

Monday	8:30
Tuesday	8:30
Wednesday	12:05 & 6:00 PM
Thursday	8:30
Friday	8:30

Locations to be determined, based on the best use of our sacred spaces.

NB. Sunday Mass schedule does not change.

Proposed Daily Mass Schedule (*Lent*)

Monday	8:30	12:05
Tuesday	8:30	12:05
Wednesday	12:05	6:00 PM
Thursday	8:30	12:05
Friday	8:30	12:05

8:30 AM Mass in Blessed Sacrament Church
12:05 PM Mass in Holy Trinity Church
6:00 PM Mass in Perpetual Adoration Chapel

With consultation, discernment, and deliberation, these proposals can take effect **Ash Wednesday, February 22.**

OUR FAITH.

SAVE THE DATES—OPEN PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS.

We invite you to join several upcoming discussions for the growth and expansion of our parish ministries. Your thoughts and suggestions are earnestly invited!

Many of these efforts and initiatives, with more to come, have been born from our first conversations during our **Open Parish Meetings**. Thank you for keeping the conversation going and for the works we can all engage so to build up the Church of Christ here in Greenfield! Let's have an engaging discussion and please bring your creative ideas.

PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE HOMELESS, THE POOR, & THE HUNGRY:

Thursday, February 16 at 6:00PM in the Father Casey Hall

Discussions to include Food Pantry, Community Meals, Take & Eat, expanding our Homeless Ministry, and supporting the Poor.



PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND.

Monday, February 20 at 6:00PM in the Pastoral Center Conference Room

Discussions to include Hospital Ministry opportunities, Nursing Home visitations, and Homebound outreach.

WORSHIP/LITURGY PASTORAL COMMISSION.

Wednesday, March 1 at 4:00PM in the Pastoral Center Bl. McGivney Conference Room

Thursday, March 9 at 1:00PM in the Pastoral Center Bl. McGivney Conference Room

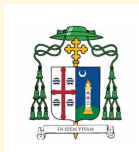
Discussions to include volunteer opportunities for lectors, altar servers, ushers, sacristans, environmental sacristans, etc. as well as considerations for music, schedules, vocations, children's activities, and more.

FAITH FORMATION PASTORAL COMMISSION.

Wednesday, March 1 at 7:00PM in the Pastoral Center Bl. McGivney Conference Room

Thursday, March 9 at 9:30 AM in the Pastoral Center Bl. McGivney Conference Room

Discussions to include all ideas, events, and recommendations pertaining to adult faith formation classes, bible studies, sacramental preparation, Adult Confirmation, and more.



Diocese of Springfield Lenten Regulations, 2023



1. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat as well as days of fast, when only one full meal is allowed. On days of fast, two other meatless meals may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal.
2. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.
3. The obligation to abstain from meat begins at age fourteen (14) and does not cease.
4. The obligation to fast begins at age eighteen (18) and ceases at age fifty-nine (59).

Please note: Although the faithful may excuse themselves from fast and abstinence, for a just cause, there is an obligation to substitute another penance in its place. No Catholic should lightly excuse him/herself from these Lenten obligations

(Please see Bishop Byrne's Letter in next week's bulletin)

Love one another as I have loved you. - John 15:12

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

8:00 am (HTC) and 9:00 am (BSC)

ADORATION

Always present, 24/7 in our Perpetual Adoration Chapel

CONFESSION:

Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm / before weekend Mass / by appointment.

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.

ANOIDTING 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.

CATHOLICS COME HOME.



To learn more about our Catholic Church and to help you understand more clearly the Church and her teachings you can find helpful resources at

CONFIRMATION RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES.

There are many upcoming opportunities for Confirmation Retreats this Spring. Please check the calendar at www.CatholicYouthRevival.org for more info.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME— As the Year of the Eucharist comes to a close, we pray



that the importance of attending Mass becomes so prevalent in people's lives that they make it their excuse to miss everything else. We pray to the Lord.

COME PRAY WITH US.

Most Holy Rosary—before Daily Mass at 7:35 am (HTC) Join us in asking our Blessed Mother to help, comfort, protect, and heal.

Adorations & Benediction—after the Wednesday 8 am & 9 am Daily Masses

Roses for Mary Prayer Group—each Monday at 6:00 pm in the Adoration Chapel. All are welcome.

Holy Hour for the Sick and Dying—each Wednesday at 7 pm in the Adoration Chapel. If you know of someone in need of prayer, come and spend an hour for their intention.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy—Fridays at 3 pm in the Adoration Chapel—all are welcome.

With the Lenten Season fast approaching, please take note of our updated Confession times.

Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm

Wednesday, 5:00-5:45 pm (*Begins Feb. 22*)

Before weekend Mass

By appointment. 773.3311

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**Feb. 22—Ash Wednesday**

**April 6—Holy Thursday | April 7—Good Friday**

**April 8—Holy Saturday | April 9—Easter Sunday**

**OUR DIOCESE.**

# HE IS PRESENT

## WILL YOU BE?

*Eucharistic Congress*

**MARCH 4TH, 2023**

**At the MassMutual Center**



For more details or to register  
Please visit our website  
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Dr. Edward Sri  
Barbara Hell  
Dr. Carlos Parellada  
Patricia Sandoval  
Ray Grijalva  
Sr. Maris Stella



**Adoration • Confession • Vigil Mass**

Register at  
[CatholicLifeConference.org](https://CatholicLifeConference.org)  
Register by February 20, 2023  
to have lunch included



# OUR FAITH.

## MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS BENEDICT XVI FOR THE 80TH WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

*"Charity: soul of the mission"*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

World Mission Sunday is an opportunity to reflect this year on the theme: "Charity: soul of the mission".

**Unless the mission is oriented by charity, that is, unless it springs from a profound act of divine love, it risks being reduced to mere philanthropic and social activity. In fact, God's love for every person constitutes the heart of the experience and proclamation of the Gospel, and those who welcome it in turn become its witnesses.**

God's love, which gives life to the world, is the love that was given to us in Jesus, the Word of salvation, perfect icon of the Heavenly Father's mercy.

The saving message can be summed up well, therefore, in the words of John the Evangelist: "In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him" (1 Jn 4: 9).

It was after his Resurrection that Jesus gave the Apostles the mandate to proclaim the news of this love, and the Apostles, inwardly transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, began to bear witness to the Lord who had died and was risen. Ever since, the Church has continued this same mission, which is an indispensable and ongoing commitment for all believers.

**Every Christian community is therefore called to make known God who is Love.** In my Encyclical *Deus Caritas Est*, I wanted to pause and reflect on this fundamental mystery of our faith. God imbues the entire creation and human history with his love.

In the beginning, man came from the Creator's hands as the fruit of an initiative of love. Later, sin obscured the impression of the divine within him.

Deceived by the Evil One, Adam and Eve, our first parents, failed to live up to the relationship of trust with their Lord, succumbing to the temptation of the Evil One who instilled in them the suspicion that the Lord was a rival and wanted to limit their freedom.

So it was that they preferred themselves to divine love freely given, convinced that in this way they were asserting their own free will. They consequently ended by losing their original happiness and they tasted the bitter sorrow of sin and death.

However, God did not abandon them. He promised salvation to them and to their descendants, announcing in advance that he would send his Only-begotten Son, Jesus, who in the fullness of time was to reveal his love as Father, a love capable of redeeming every human creature from the slavery of evil and death.

**In Christ, therefore, immortal life was communicated to us, the very life of the Trinity.**

Thanks to Christ, the Good Shepherd who did not abandon the lost sheep, human beings of all time were granted the possibility of entering into communion with God, the Merciful Father who was prepared to welcome home the Prodigal Son...

**Being missionaries means stooping down to the needs of all, like the Good Samaritan, especially those of the poorest and most destitute people, because those who love with Christ's Heart do not seek their own interests but the glory of the Father and the good of their neighbour alone.**

Here lies the secret of the apostolic fruitfulness of missionary action that crosses frontiers and cultures, reaches peoples and spreads to the extreme boundaries of the world.

Dear brothers and sisters, may the World Missionary Day be a useful opportunity to understand ever better that the witness of love, the soul of the mission, concerns everyone. Indeed, **serving the Gospel should not be considered a solitary adventure but a commitment to be shared by every community.**

As well as those who are in the front line on the frontiers of evangelization - and I am thinking here with gratitude of the men and women missionaries - many others, children, young people and adults, with their prayers and cooperation, contribute in various ways to spreading the Kingdom of God on earth. It is to be hoped that this participation will continue to grow, thanks to the contribution of one and all...

**PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE HOMELESS, THE POOR, & THE HUNGRY:**

**Thursday, February 16 at 6:00PM in the Father Casey Hall**

# OUR PARISH.



## Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, February 11—MONSIGNOR YARGEAU

4:00 BSC MARIE NOGA— Noga / Smith Family

SUNDAY, February 12—VOCATIONS / SEMINARIANS / PRIEST CANDIDATES

8:00 HTC BLESSINGS FOR FR. VALENTINE NWORAH— Mary Fleury

9:30 HTC ANN AND JOSEPH HOHNHORST— their niece, Mary Reilly Parsons

11:00 BSC LARRY AND KENNETH UNDERWOOD — the Family

MONDAY, February 13— DEACON BUCCI

8:00 HTC KINDER FAMILY — LIVING AND DECEASED — Barbara Clapp

9:00 BSC MARTIN FRITZ — 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY— the Family

TUESDAY, February 14—FATHER AKSAMIT

8:00 HTC BARBARA CLAPP — the Estate

9:00 BSC GRACE AND BLESSINGS FOR MATTHEW HIMES — Maureen Filiault

WEDNESDAY, February 15—DEACON NOLAN

8:00 HTC WHELLEHAN FAMILY — LIVING AND DECEASED — Barbara Clapp

9:00 BSC IN THANKSGIVING FOR PRAYERS ANSWERED — Christina Martel

THURSDAY, February 16—FATHER LUNNEY

8:00 HTC GARY STOOKSBERRY — Linda Martin

9:00 BSC ANNIE AND ANDREW DEDINAS — their daughter, Birute

FRIDAY, February 17—DEACON PATTEN

8:00 HTC JOHN E. KILEY FAMILY — the Estate

9:00 BSC MARTIN LEO AND FRANCES B. COYNE

SATURDAY, February 18—FATHER GONI

4:00 BSC JAMES TETREAU— his Wife and Son

SUNDAY, February 19—FATHER PIERZ

8:00 HTC SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR ROBIN TASSINARI — Mary Fleury

9:30 HTC MARCEL AND HELEN HOYNOSKI — the Family

11:00 BSC JOHN HANNON — Ann Marie Hannon

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

**FEBRUARY 12, 2023**

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

**VICTIMS OF THE WAR IN UKRAINE | VICTIMS OF EARTHQUAKE IN TURKEY**



## FEBRUARY 12 - 25

The **SANCTUARY CANDLES** will burn this week in memory/honor:

For a Special Intention from Anonymous

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

1. Joanne DeNofrio/Coney— by Husband & Family
2. Health & Blessings for Debbie Gleason— by Claire Heath
3. John, Brownie, Aaron Philo & Family— by June & Greg
4. Patricia Duffey Earley— by Robert Earley

The **SANCTUARY FLOWERS** this week are in memory/honor of: **Mafalda Musacchio** from A Friend

## ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE.

“The rite of receiving ashes on our heads is meant to protect us from the error of putting the reward received from others ahead of the reward we receive from the Father. This austere sign, which leads us to reflect on the transience of our human condition, is like a medicine that has a bitter taste and yet is effective for curing the illness of appearances, a spiritual illness that enslaves us and makes us dependent on the admiration of others.”

- Pope Francis

**Wednesday, February 22**

8:30 AM (BSC) | 12:05 PM (HTC) | 6:00 PM (BSC)



## KID SNACKS NEEDED.

The Food Pantry is in need of Granola bars and other individual sized servings of kids snacks—they go quickly. Other items in high demand are **canned fruits, Jello,**

**pudding, desserts and kids snacks.** Financial contributions are always appreciated. Many thanks!

## CANTORS.

Saturday Feb. 11 4:00 pm— Betsy Grybko

Sunday Feb. 12 11:00 am — Brenda Hill

Saturday Feb. 18 4:00 pm— Jackie Jurewicz

Sunday Feb. 19 11:00 am — Sanda Pavoni



# OUR PARISH.

## UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEALS.

**February 23** Norma Patten | **March 9** Kathy Tomaus  
**March 23** Darlene Steiner | **March 30** Kathy Tomaus



Take-out only 5-6 pm at Holy Trinity Church on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Thursday of the month. People can come to the door and they are given a container with a complete meal.

**Additional volunteers are needed** to prepare and serve meals, as well as bakers to make desserts. If you would like to volunteer for this ministry with a few hours of your time, please call Marcy at 773.3311.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.** The next regular monthly meeting will be held on **Thursday, February 16th from 6-8:30 pm** at the Pastoral Center. Any Catholic gentleman interested in becoming a Knight, please contact Dan Arsenault or Lou Grader through the Parish Office at 413.773.3311.



**BLANKET & WARM CLOTHES DRIVE.** To benefit area homeless shelters is being conducted by the Knights of Columbus. If you would like to donate, please leave the blankets and clothing in the containers by the doors of the Church or call Lou Grader at 413.774.2848.

## 2022 DONATION STATEMENT.

If you would like a copy of your 2022 Contribution Statement for your tax preparation, please call the office at 773.3311. We will be happy to mail or email you a copy.

## WEEKENDS OF JANUARY 29, 2023 & FEBRUARY 5, 2023

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

|                           | Jan. 29 | Feb. 5 |
|---------------------------|---------|--------|
| Weekly Parish Collection: | 5,131   | 5,319  |
| Fuel/Energy Collection:   | 30      | 568    |
| Maintenance Collection:   | 249     | 281    |

*"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!**

MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR!



## Coming up at Blessed Trinity Parish

**Daily Mass** 8 am HTC & 9am BSC

**Daily Holy Rosary** 7:35 am HTC, 8:30 am BSC

**Confession:** Sat. 2:30-3:30 pm (BSC), before each weekend Mass, or by appointment

### Monday Feb. 13

**6:00 pm Roses for Mary** Prayer Group (Adoration Chapel each Mon.)

### Tuesday Feb. 14

**6:30-9 pm Boys Scouts** Pastoral Center (every Tues.)  
*No meeting Feb. 21-school vacation week*

### Wednesday Feb. 15

**After Daily Mass**—Adoration & Benediction after BSC & HTC Daily Masses (each Wed.)

**7 pm - Holy Hour** for the Sick and Dying (Adoration Chapel each Wed.)

### Thursday Feb. 16

**6 pm**—Pastoral Ministry to the Homeless, the Poor, & the Hungry—Father Casey Hall

**6-8:30 pm Knights of Columbus**—Pastoral Center

### Friday Feb. 17

**3 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy** recited (Adoration Chapel each Fri.)

### Saturday Feb. 18

**1 pm**—RCIA Pastoral Center

**4 pm**—Mass (BSC)

### Sunday Feb. 19

**8 am**— Mass (HTC)

**9:30 am**—Mass (HTC)

**9:45 am –10:45 am Gr. 1-8 Religious Education Classes** Pastoral Center. Coffee & conversation available for parents. **NO CLASSES School Vacation.**

**9th/10th Bread of Life.**

**11 am Mass (BSC)**

# OUR YOUTH.



## Thomas Aquinas College Open House

Prospective students will soon be able to experience the intellectual, spiritual, and community life of Thomas Aquinas College at an open house on the New England campus.

High school juniors and seniors are invited to stay overnight through Sunday morning to sit in on classes, meet students and members of the teaching faculty, and to engage in a range of fun activities including game nights, bonfires, and an evening social.

The weekend will conclude on Sunday, February 26m at 11:00 a.m. with a panel featuring alumna Jane (Neumayr '98) Nemcova, an AI professional and the chief operating officer at Veuu, members of the teaching faculty and TAC parents. Sandwiches and refreshments will be served at its conclusion and those who wish may join us for a full campus tour.

Parents, siblings, family, friends, and anyone else unable to attend the whole weekend are more than welcome to join us on Sunday for the panel discussion, tour, and lunch.

To RSVP for the overnight portion of the Open House, either scan the



QR code or go to [thomasaquinas.edu/OpenHouseNE](http://thomasaquinas.edu/OpenHouseNE).

If you are interested in joining us on Sunday, please email [SCassidy@thomasaquinas.edu](mailto:SCassidy@thomasaquinas.edu).

### ATTENTION PARENTS.

#### FIRST COMMUNION PARENT MEETING:

**FEB. 12**

Parents, please join us for the First Communion



Parent meeting on **Sunday, February 12 , 9:45 am-10:45 am** /during CCD class at the Pastoral Center.

Coffee and tea will be available as you learn more and can ask questions you may have about this important Sacrament for your children.

*For God*

so loved the world,  
that he gave his  
only  
begotten  
Son,  
that whosoever  
believeth  
in him should not perish,  
but have everlasting life.



*John 3:16*



### ATTENTION TODDLERS THROUGH TEENS.

We are looking for drawings of your faithful imagination! Easter, Spring, Heaven, and more to feature in our bulletin during the Lenten Season.

Get creative and colorful with your masterpieces so that we can feature them in upcoming bulletins! Please submit drawings by email [bulletin@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](mailto:bulletin@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org) or drop them off at the Parish Office, at CCD class, or hand them in after church to the greeters or Father Pierz.

Please include your name, age and a little about yourself and a description of what you drew!



# AND MORE.



## Diocese of Springfield

Office of the Bishop

January 19, 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

On the weekend of February 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, we will take up a combined collection across the Diocese of Springfield for four causes that serve our Church and people here in the United States. What used to be spread across four weekends each year as second collections are all taken up at once from now on.

Thanks to your support and engagement, the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal** can support and sustain the faith on college campuses, in youth ministries and in family formation programs by meeting your people where they are. Your assistance engages young Catholics at this significant state of life, inspires them and brings them closer to our Lord. Your continued support increases the ability to reach even more young people and help them for supportive communities of believers as they transition into adulthood.

**The Black and Indian Missions** continue to award grants annually for the evangelization efforts by parishes and schools among African American, Native American, Inuit and Aleut Catholics, so that they might be instrumental in building their Catholic communities and sharing the joy of knowing Christ and His Sacraments. Your support has helped educate African American and Native American seminarians for priestly service. It has also helped begin a new religious community for service to Native Americans in Arizona. Your financial commitment opens the door of faith to these Americans.

I also ask you to consider a generous gift in support of the **Catholic University of America (CUA)** located in the heart of our nation's capital. Founded by pontifical charter in 1887 as the research university of the Catholic Church in the United States, CUA yet continues to serve Church and Nation through its 12 schools, 32 research facilities and more than 250 academic programs. The CUA community works tirelessly on behalf of its 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students to help educate and form them as the Catholic leaders of tomorrow.

Finally, you support for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)** helps bring relief to those living in poverty, with special consideration for the disabled. Persons with disabilities are among the most vulnerable members of society. Due to the challenges they face in all aspects of life – from employment to housing, transportation to health care – persons with disabilities have a poverty rate of over 22%. In addition to making an impact nationally, your contribution to the CCHD helps those here in our own diocese who are living in poverty with the 25% of the collection that remains here.

Please prayerfully consider a generous contribution to these four worthy causes that serve the people of our Church here in our country.

With every good wish, I am,

Your friend in Christ,

Most Reverend William D. Byrne  
Bishop of Springfield

***Reverend and dear Monsignor / Father / Deacon: Please read this letter at Masses on the weekend of January 28/29 or February 4/5.***