Blessed Trinity Parish Roman Catholic Church

Greenfield, Massachusetts

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 22, 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 Thave 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!

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works.—Amen



PARISH OFFICE.

14 Beacon Street. Greenfield, MA 01301

Hours: Monday-Friday: 8 am - 4 pm

413.773.3311 | 413.774.2884 office@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org



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Deacon George Nolan | Deacon Channing L. Bete (ret.)

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FATHER JAMES CASEY HALL (135 Main St)
PASTORAL CENTER HALL (14 Beacon St)

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

ALTERNATIVES PREGNANCY CENTER

413.774.6010 Pregnancy Tests, Counseling, Support, Post Abortion Support

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: Ed & Suzi Cottrill 413.773.3311

Young & CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT GROUP OF FRANKLIN COUNTY: Stephanie Paige 413.773.3311

POPE ST. JOHN PAUL THE GREAT YOUTH GROUP: Ed & Suzi Cottrill 413.773.3311

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HOSPITAL MINISTRY | JAIL MINISTRY | HOMEBOUND MINISTRY | HOMELESS MINISTRY

Thoughts from the Pastor's Desk ...

Dear friends of Blessed Trinity,

Reflecting on our call to be a light to the nations and deepening our depth of discipleship in Christ, we hear the voice of the Lord in today's Gospel. As He first called Andrew and Peter, James and John, so too does the call resound in our own day and upon these our own shores. The call to discipleship reaches throughout time and space.

Dear brothers and sisters, you and I are each called to be witnesses to Christ. We are to be united in making Him known. Some in ministry, others in charity, still others in teaching and service. As St. Paul urges us, we are to "be united in the same mind and in the same purpose". Each of us are called to faithfulness and discipleship after the heart and mind of Christ.

During our December open parish meetings, this theme of hopefulness and new life in Christ came through. Great desire to engage our youth and young families. Hope to foster community and increase hospitality, especially after the struggles of the pandemic. Eagerness to expand our communications and highlight our activities and ministries.



Building on these hopes with you and seeking to be ever united in mind and purpose, I share with you some recent actions around our parish. Our Religious Education Board has worked diligently in identifying priorities and developing responsibilities for a Director of Religious Education whom we seek to hire in the coming months. Our Finance Council has been considering the various fiscal challenges and opportunities of our parish, especially as we face the current economic climate and support the efficiency of our unified parish. Our administrative staff in the Parish Office are organizing workspaces so to anticipate our growing efforts in support of current and expanded ministries and activities.

Similarly, with the aspiration to enhance our opportunities to gather together as a parish in Eucharistic prayer and worship, I have sought to hear thoughts and address requests about the daily Mass schedule. While our current 8:00 and 9:00 AM weekday Masses are faith-filled encounters, I am also aware there is need for a new dynamic in consideration of the varying work and school schedules of our parishioners, retirees, workers, students, and families, as well as the availability of clergy and good use of our spaces. Thank you for your prayer of patience and wisdom with suggestions as we plan to discern and implement a new schedule shortly before Lent.

Recalling St. Paul, I urge you brothers and sisters to be united in the same mind and in the same purpose: discipleship in Jesus Christ present in our midst.

Most Holy Trinity, I adore You! My God, I love you in the Most Blessed Sacrament!

Fr. Pierz

OUR FAITH.

COME PRAY WITH Us.

<u>Most Holy Rosary</u>—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.

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

CONFIRMATION RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES.

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

CATHOLIC 101. Why do Catholics kneel during the Mass? Why not just sit still and listen to the preaching of God's word?

At a Catholic Mass, you will see the first part of it consists of reading and preaching; we stand for the Gos-

pel, but we sit for the other readings and for the preaching.

But the Mass is more than just reading and preaching. The Mass is a sacrifice, and there



are times—especially in the last part—when the faithful pray on their knees. Kneeling shows our humility before God and scripture suggests you should. In Ephesians 3:14 Paul says, "I kneel before the Father," and in Acts 9:40 Peter "knelt down and prayed."

The Catholic habit of kneeling is consistent with Scripture and is another manifestation of the continuity between the Church of the first century and the Catholic Church of today. (catholic.com)

JUST 4 WORDS.

"The voice of the Lord can always be recognized; it has a unique style — it is a voice that pacifies,



encourages, and reassures in difficulties," Pope Francis said on discerning God's voice from among the other interior and exterior voices we hear.

And then he repeated one four-word phrase that is said in the Gospel over and over—365 times.

The Gospel reminds us of this continually: "Do not be afraid" (*Lk* 1:30), how beautiful is the Angel's word to Mary after the resurrection of Jesus; "Do not be afraid" – it is the style of the Lord, "Do not be afraid!" the Lord repeats to us today too, "Do not be afraid": If we trust in his word, we will play the game of life well, and we will be able to help others.

As the Psalm says, his Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path (cf. 119, 105). (aleteia.org)



Start your mornings inspired to become the best Catholic you can be. Sign up for "bite-sized" daily emails at **dynamiccatholic.com.**

"Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this faith is to see what you believe." - St. Augustine of Hippo

OUR FAITH.

OUR SACRAMENTS.

EUCHARIST:

LORD'S DAY MASS Saturday 4:00 pm (BSC) | **Sunday** 8:00 am (HTC), 9:30 am (HTC), 11:00 am (BSC)

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

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.

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.



THE SEVEN Spiritual WORKS OF MERCY

To share knowledge

To give advice to those who need it

To comfort the suffering

To be patient with others To forgive those who hurt you

To give correction to those who need it

To pray for the living and the dead

THE SEVEN Corporal **WORKS OF MERCY**

To feed the hungry To give drink to the thirsty To clothe the naked To shelter the homeless To care for the sick To visit the imprisoned To bury the dead

—Source: Archdiocese of Boston



Perpetual Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place in the Adoration Chapel twenty-four hours a day, every day. All are welcome to come and worship and adore our Eucharistic Lord.

"Could you not watch one hour with me?" thew 26:4

Please contact Deacon John for available hours. 773.3311

NEW PARISHIONERS.

Welcome! We are eager to meet you and we invite you to register at the Parish Office.

We look forward to getting to know you in prayer and service and we hope that you will favor our Parish with your prayers, your presence, and your talents.

OUR PARISH.



SATURDAY, January 21—CLERGY WHO ARE SICK

4:00 BSC DAVID KEOUGH— by Anne Keough

SUNDAY, January 22—FR. O'MANNION

8:00 HTC Mrs. Frances Baron - Mary Fleury

9:30 HTC LUIGI POLO— JANE McDonough

11:00 BSC LARRY FILIAULT – the Family

MONDAY, January 23- DEACON NOLAN

8:00 HTC MARY SOKOLOSKY – Deacon Joe and

Marie Bete

9:00 BSC ROSEMARY SAYLOR—Chris and Maureen

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TUESDAY, January 24—DEACON CULLITON

8:00 HTC MICHAEL J. DEDINAS – by the Family

9:00 BSC THADDEUS AND /STEPHIE KROL – by the

Family

WEDNESDAY, January 25—DEACON DECARLO

8:00 HTC MATTHEW KOSTANSKI – his Parents

9:00 BSC HONEY FREEMAN – Mary Barchenski

THURSDAY, January 26—FATHER CAMPOLI

8:00 HTC PAUL CAMPBELL – Deacon Joe and

Marie Bete

9:00 BSC IN THANKSGIVING FOR PRAYERS ANSWERED

- Christina Martel

FRIDAY, January 27—DEACON PATTEN

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

9:00 BSC GRACE AND BLESSINGS FOR ELIZABETH

 $\mathsf{Moore}\mathbf{-}\mathsf{Mom}$

SATURDAY, January 28—FATHER O'CONNOR

4:00 BSC IN THANKSGIVING FOR THOMAS AQUINAS

COLLEGE— by Betty Fritz

SUNDAY, January 29—CLERGY IN PURGATORY

8:00 HTC ROBERT RENAUD—Mary Fleury

9:30 HTC WILLIAM "BILL" WILES—

9TH ANNIVERSARY— hi wife, Georgianna

and Family

11:00 BSC JOSEPH McCrea – David and Helen Shea

Murphy

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. JANUARY 22, 2023

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

DONALD GATES | Fr. Tim Muphy | George Cardinal Pell | Victims of the War in Ukraine

JANUARY 15-28

The **SANCTUARY CANDLE** will burn in memory/honor:



For a Special intention-from Anonymous

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

- 1. Ellen Dunn- from Joyce Thibodo
- 2. Mary & Stephen McCarthy—from Julie McCarthy
- **3. For a Special intention**-from Anonymous
- 4. Patricia Duffey Earley-from Robert Earley

CORRECTION—UPCOMING BULLETIN NOTICES.

The deadline for submitting information to be reviewed and published is the *Wednesday 10 days prior* to the published date.

Please email to: bulletin@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org.

The earlier we receive the information the better chance it will be published because we lay out several upcoming bulletins in advance.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY.

If you know of anyone who is a homebound and unable to attend Mass, or if you know of any parishioner who is in the hospital or nursing home, please email/call us at 773-3311 or 774-2884.



We want to reach out to all of our parishioners, especially in their time of need.

CANTORS.

Saturday Jan. 21 4:00 pm— Sandra Pavoni

Sunday Jan. 22 11:00 am — Karlena Henry

Saturday Jan. 28 4:00 pm— Betsy Grybko

Sunday Jan. 29 11:00 am — Brenda Hill

OUR PARISH.

THE FOOD PANTRY needs small cans of baked



beans, spaghetti sauce, canned ravioli, canned vegetables, rice, hearty soups, crackers, peanut butter & jams, cold cereals, ramen noodles, canned meats, canned fruits, Jello, pudding, desserts and kids snacks. The

items in bold are the most needed. Financial contributions are always appreciated.

PARISH SECRETARY.

Blessed Trinity Roman Catholic Parish in Greenfield, MA is seeking a spirited and enthusiastic individual to serve as Parish Secretary. This part-time paid position of 24-28 hours per week supports the pastor in promoting the mission of the Church, assisting parishioners in administrative needs, and maintaining a professional office environment

Responsibilities include but are not limited to communications, scheduling, record maintenance, census management, correspondence, and promotion of Catholic life and the activities of the parish. Understanding of the Church's teachings, organization, discretion, and technological skills are necessary qualities. Please contact Fr. Pierz at Blessed Trinity Parish by phone, (413) 773-3311 or email, pastor@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org with questions or interest.

PRAYER CHAINS.

Our Parish Prayer Chains are available to anyone. Please contact us with your petition: Andrea Lapointe / Parish Of-



fice at 773.3311 or Marie Boynton at 413.775.3633 / memeboynton42@gmail.com.

WEEKEND OF JANUARY 15, 2023

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

<u>Jan. 15</u>

Weekly Parish Collection: 6,356 Fuel Collection: 165 Maintenance Collection: 89

"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!



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 or by appointment

Monday Jan. 23

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

Tuesday Jan. 24

Wednesday Jan. 25

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

1 pm RCIA in Pastoral Center

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

Thursday Jan. 26

Friday Jan. 27

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

Saturday Jan. 28

4 pm—Mass (BSC)

Sunday Jan. 29

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.

11 am Mass (BSC)

6-7 pm—Gr. 9th/10th –Religious Education Classes

COMMUNITY MEALS. 2nd, 4th & 5th Thursdays



January 26 February 9 February 23

OUR YOUTH.



YOUTH MINISTRY MASTER CLASS SERIES

Strategy and support for professionals and volunteers working with youth

Spring Edition

Monthly Tuesdays on Zoom

5.00 PM TO 6.00 PM

100% ONLINE Cost: Free

Registration Required

Register now at:



www.CatholicYouthRevival.org

THE SPEAKER LINEUP



JANUARY 10

Rebuilding Youth Ministry in a post COVID reality

Michael Marchand Director & Co-founder Project YM Chattanooga, TN



FEBRUARY 7

Reaching the Modern Teen

Tim Habeeb Northeast Regional Director Life Teen Boston, MA



MARCH 7

Mission Field Prayer Life

Fr. Stephen Rooney Associate Pastor Notre Dame Parish New Hyde Park, NY



APRIL 4

Assisting Teens with Mental Health, Anxiety and Stress

Dan Hegarty Licensed Social Worker East Longmeadow, MA



MAY 9

AMA (Ask me Anything)

Jim Flanagan Director of Youth Ministry Holy Name Parish West Roxbury, MA

OUR YOUTH.

Come experience a day at Saint Michael Catholic School!





Open House Dates: Monday, January 23rd Thursday, February 2nd Monday March 6th Tuesday, March 7th



Visiting hour for families with coffee and breakfast pastries available in the morning.

Students can shadow in classrooms for the entire day.

Private tours are available for parents during the day or before







If these Open House days do not work for your family, please call to schedule an alternate visiting day. Saint Michael School is a PreK-12 Catholic day school located in Brattleboro, VT. For questions, contact

Lindsay O'Neil . **802.254.6320**



The Steubenville East Catholic Youth Conference is coming back to Springfield this Summer 2023.

Details at steubieeast.org. If you have any questions about Steubenville East,
please contact Joe Austin at 413-276-5134.

OUR DIOCESE.

FROM OUR DIOCESE TO SHARE. The Magi followed the Star to find the newborn King. Make the same journey with your spouse to bring your relationship to Jesus.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring a variety of inperson and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples



will explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or visit them at https://wwmectw.org/.

Upcoming in-person events:

Feb 3-5, 2023 in Huntington, NY Mar 10-12, 2023 in Upton, MA

Respect Life Mass Monday, January 23 @ 10:00 a.m. St. Michael's Cathedral State St., Springfield

Bishop William Byrne will celebrate the Respect Life Mass at St

Michael's Cathedral in Springfield on January 23rd at 10 a.m. You are all invited and encouraged to attend! After the Mass, there will be a short "march" to City Hall in Springfield, followed by a light lunch at the Bishop Marshall Center.

Pope Francis Prep Students will be coordinating the Mass, along with the participation of St. Mary's High School Students, and this year we invite students from all our Catholic Schools in Grades 7 and 8 to participate!

We will have representatives from all of our Pro-Life Pregnancy Care Centers here in Western Mass, who will be present at the Mass and take part in the "march". The Bishops of the United States have embraced a national program and theme called "Walking With Moms". It is important for us to demonstrate that we have the desire and commitment to support mothers in their preservation of life in the womb.

OUR REGION.

GREENFIELD ART WALK.

This townwide event features a cohort of local arts organizations. The Arts Walk's mission is to grow the local creative community and economy by attracting interest from beyond the region while



strengthening the connections within. Enjoy a wide variety of exhibits, events and activities as you visit each stop on the arts walk map.

Friday Jan 27, 2023 | 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

To view the map visit: www.madhousemultiarts.com 479 Main St. Greenfield MA

FREE ADMISSION ALL WINTER.

The Clark Art Institute is opening their doors wide to welcome everyone with free admission through March 30! That's three full months of unlimited access to our permanent collection gal-

leries and our special exhibitions...as well as our 140-acre campus, which is a winter wonderland at this time of year.



Check out our events calendar to see what else

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we've got going on and make plans to visit us...again and again!

www.clarkart.edu

225 South Street | Williamstown, MA 01267

AND MORE.



Special appearance by Bishop Byrne who will be dropping the ceremonial puck!

Order tickets by scanning the QR code or visiting https://springfieldthunderbirds.formstock.com/forms/ catholicparishnight128

Questions? Contact Lauren Blanchard (413)417.2289 lblanchard@springfieldthunderbirds.com

FRAUD ALERT-BE VIGILANT

We again have reports of an attempt to trick parishioners into sending money via gift card numbers under the guise of responding to fake requests from their parish priest. People will pose as the parish priest and trick folks into sending them funds usually electronically.

The scammers ask parishioners to buy and then send them the gift card number and pin, which is all that is needed to cash them in—leaving the unsuspecting parishioner out of luck. Most times its unrecoverable.

We as a parish NEVER solicit funds via text messages or email that involve gift card numbers. If you receive any type of suspicious communication, please report it to the local police and the parish office.

"Have patience with all things, but chiefly have patience with yourself. Do not lose courage in considering your own imperfections, but instantly set about remedying them—every day begin the task anew."—St. Francis de Sales

SAVE THE DATE. MARCH 4, 2023. A CONFERENCE FOR EVERYONE.

The Eucharistic Congress is focused on the Springfield Diocese of Massachusetts to give Catholics in Western Massachusetts the opportunity to learn more about the Eucharist and deepen their love for the gift of Christ's Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. All Catholics of Western Massachusetts are invited—please come! If you are from another diocese or state, you are certainly welcome. Young or old, single or with a family—this is a fabulous day for the whole community to experience together. Whoever you are, we want you to come. Held at MassMutual Center in Springfield, MA.

Contact us at info@catholiclifeconference.org or Catholic Life Conference
PO BOX 468 | Shelburne Falls, MA 01370
Catholiclifeconference.org



Keynote Speaker Dr. Edward Sri



This is a lay initiative, led by people from the Diocese of Springfield, and is approved by our Bishop William Byrne.