

Parish Mission Statement

We, the members of Blessed Trinity Parish, share a common bond of love given to us through the Mystery of the Blessed Trinity.

As the loving Father does, we welcome and support everyone who enters our faith community.

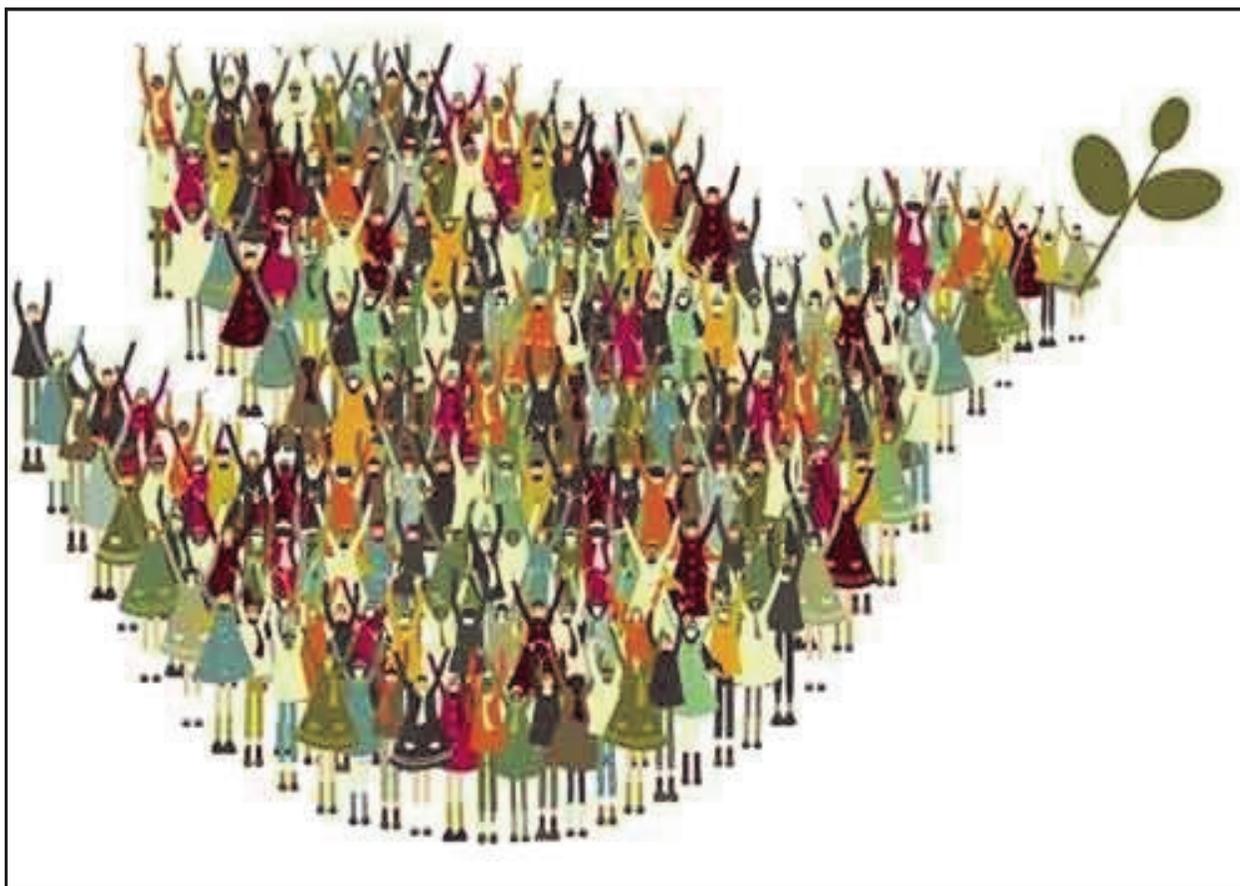
As His Son exemplifies, we humbly strive to be a learning, giving, caring, and teaching parish eager to serve, evangelize, and give generously of ourselves to others.

As the Holy Spirit inspires and leads us, we are a faithful, prayer family that worships God through the many gifts and ministries with which the Lord has blessed us.

Blessed Trinity Catholic Church

*958 E. Tuscola St., Frankenmuth, Michigan
989-652-3259*

*~ Seventh Sunday of Easter ~
June 1 & 2, 2019*



...so that they may all be one...

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, June 3

Memorial of St. Charles Lwanga and Companions

Wednesday, June 5

Memorial of St. Boniface

8:30 a.m. Mass

9:00 a.m. Rosary

11:00 a.m. Adult Study Session

Thursday, June 6

Memorial of St. Norbert

Saturday, June 8

4:00 p.m. Individual Reconciliation until 4:30 p.m.

5:00 p.m. Mass with Baptism

Sunday, June 9

Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday

9:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass



Scripture Readings for June 8 & 9, 2019

Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23

General Information

- ◆ If you would like to celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**, please call the parish office for more information.
- ◆ If you would like to have your **child baptized**, call the parish office for information. Baptisms are celebrated regularly, except during Lent.
- ◆ Adults who are interested in learning more about the **Catholic faith** are invited to call the parish office for more information.
- ◆ Are you planning a **wedding**? Please call the parish office before setting a wedding date. Six months are required for preparation.
- ◆ Would you or someone you know wish to celebrate the **Anointing of the Sick**? Please call the parish office to request an individual anointing.
- ◆ Please remember that when **entering a hospital**, you should register as a member of Blessed Trinity Parish. When **confined at home**, please contact our parish office.
- ◆ **New parishioners** are always welcome at Blessed Trinity. If you wish to join our community, please contact the parish office for an appointment to register.
- ◆ Text and pictures for the weekly **bulletin** is due by 12:00 noon on Mondays to: lsnyder@blessedtrinityfrankenmuth.org.

Community With a Capital "C"

The church is built on community. Together, the people of God welcome new members in Baptism, come together to be fed in the Eucharist, and witness faith proclaimed at Confirmation. Such community nurtures, supports, and affirms the universality and unity of church.

When gathering around the table to celebrate, give thanks, and worship, it is helpful from time to time to look and see those around us. Who isn't present? Who isn't being served at the table? Who have I shut out?

Our call is to spread the Good News....and sometimes the greatest news of all is that all are welcome.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)



Lately, there has been a shortage of EMHC for the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday and the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday. This will only continue to be more difficult as families travel during the summer. Please stop by the sacristy when you come to church and sign-in, so we can plan accordingly.

If you are interested in this ministry for the first time, there is a diocesan training session scheduled for Saturday, June 15 at St. John Paul II, 469 Shattuck Rd., Saginaw. Training is from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

For those who were commissioned as a EMHC in 2015/2016 and did not attend the January or February re-commissionings held at Blessed Trinity, we offer one more opportunity on Wednesday, June 19 at 7:00 p.m. Commissioning for EMHC is for a three-year period, then if one would like to continue their gift of this ministry, need to attend a re-commissioning class.

Thoughts from our Pastoral Administrator ~ Deacon Larry Deford

I was reading a National Geographic article this past Monday about Memorial Day: what it means, when and where it started and what it means to people today. Memorial Day has been celebrated as a national holiday since the early 1970s, but its basis goes back to the Civil War era. Memorial Day commemorates those who have died in service to their country, while Veteran's Day, on November 11, focuses and pays tribute to those currently serving in our Armed Forces.

During the U.S. Civil War, nearly 500,000 men died or the article states two percent of the U.S. population. (Fr. Patrick Jankowiak is a Civil War expert.) Women often tended graves of fallen soldiers at that time, regardless of which side they fought for. May brings spring weather, new life and fresh flowers were often used. After World War I, Decoration Day was expanded to include all soldiers who had died fighting, later re-named Memorial Day.

The majority of Americans see this as a time of relaxation and rest, instead of a time for reflection and time to pay tribute to those who fought for our freedom. For many in Michigan, it's a busy time to open up summer places, get docks in the lake and clean up summer lots. Many head up north in anticipation of the first glimpses of summer weather.

Memorial Day has always been special and reverent to me, as I draw parallels to it and the lives of Jesus, the disciples, martyrs and saints throughout the course of time. With one cause, the evangelization of the world, men and women have given their lives spreading the Good News of the Lord. Consider how all the disciples alone were killed. How the Romans chased down Christians to rid them from the world after Jesus' death and resurrection. For the sake of our Catholic faith, how many have gone before us or endured continual suffering in attempts to bring the unconditional love of Christ to others?

In that same fervor in spirit and tenacity to never give up, we are privileged in live and worship in the freedom of our homes and parishes. Take time this weekend to give thanks, appreciate all that we have, and maybe reflect on a family member who may have been in a war and a Saint or Disciple. As Jesus tells us in today's Gospel: "I made known to them your name and I will make it known, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them."

*this week's
sanctuary candle
is sponsored by
Bob & Mary Frank
in honor of
St. Anthony's Feast Day*



We Are Stewards

On-line Giving ~ May 19-25, 2019

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| Parish Adult Contributions | \$1,350.00 |
| Parish Debt Retirement Fund | 65.00 |
| Weekend Total | \$1,415.00 |

Weekend ~ May 25 & 26, 2019

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| Parish Adult Contributions (133 envelopes) | \$4,789.00 |
| Weekend Loose | 764.00 |
| Children's Contributions (4 envelopes) | 4.00 |
| Parish Debt Retirement Fund (1 envelope) | 100.00 |
| Weekend Total | \$5,657.00 |

Children's Stewardship Messages: Keegan's time ~ washing the dog; Izik's time ~ being funny; Jack's talent ~ picking up rocks; Mya's time ~ babysitting.

The purpose of life is to be useful, responsible, honorable, and compassionate. It is, above all, to matter: to count, to stand for something, to have made some difference that you lived at all.

Youth Ministry News

Let's fill the bus for our June 26 trip to **Cedar Point!** Please contact me for a permission slip or grab one in the youth room. Let me know if you plan to go so that I can reserve a seat for you. Cost is \$85.00 each and includes deluxe travel accommodations, entrance to the park, beverage, and snacks. All in grades 5-12 are invited to participate. Friends are welcome.

Our **Mackinac Island Retreat** will take place on June 17 & 18 with Seth Messing, Nick Carter, and Shiloh Kotch serving as leaders. All in grades 8-12 are invited to participate, but space is limited. Contact me today if you want to go. Cost is \$75.00 each which includes travel to and from the island, overnight accommodations, ferry ride, and meals.

We Are Called to Serve Tuesday ~ on Tuesday, June 25, all youth in grades 6-8 are invited to take part in a morning service project from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. We'll end our gathering with lunch at McDonald's of Frankenmuth. Parents are asked to email or text me if your child is interested in participating.



Attention Youth Leaders!! We will meet on Monday, June 24 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. at BT to continue our discussion from our May meeting. It's time to put your ideas in motion. Pizza will be served and postcard reminders will be sent.

Vacation Bible School youth leaders are needed. The event will take place at Frankenmuth United Methodist Church from July 21-25. Please contact me if you are able to help. You are great role models and this is a perfect way to share your faith with our younger parishioners.

Kathy Cramer ~ Director of Youth Ministry ~ kramer@blessedtrinityfrankenmuth.org

Prayer for a Joyful Heart

Bless me, O God, with a joyful heart.

Awaken me each day with eagerness
to see the possibilities that lie ahead of me.

In doing so, enlarge my capacity
for sharing your love with others.

During times of distress, remind me that joy
does not always equate with happiness.

Through openness and hope,
I will find gladness in the midst of my troubles.

As I retire for the night,
let worry and anxiety fall away,
replaced by a simple trust in your care.

Let the joys of the day wash over me
in a spirit of gratitude and wonder.

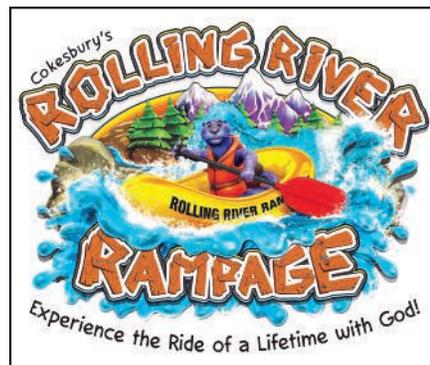
In the name of your beloved Son, Jesus,
I pray. Amen.

Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School 2019, to be held at Frankenmuth United Methodist Church on July 22-25! Don't forget to register your child/ren at: <https://tmab.cokesburyvbs.com/fumcbtcc>. You can also access this link on our parish website.

Your help is needed! In the classroom wing, you'll see a bulletin board with a VBS poster and a "Help Wanted" sign. We need adult and teen leaders as well as helpers who are in grade 5 and higher. Please see me for more information.

*Pam Daily ~ Coordinator of Faith Formation
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In Support of Catholic Schools

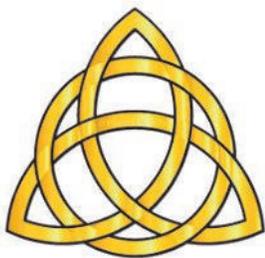
St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic School in Reese offers these reflections of support from a former student:

After graduating from St. Elizabeth in 2013, I went to Reese High School. I currently attend Saginaw Valley State University and plan on graduating with my Bachelor of Science in Nursing in May of 2022. I had the opportunity to attend St. Elizabeth from kindergarten through 8th grade.

During my time at St. Elizabeth, I had the opportunity to involve myself in many activities that may be harder to come by at a different school. St. Elizabeth provided me with the opportunity to be a part of the National Elementary Honor Society and the National Junior Honor Society. By being involved in these organizations I was able to have a greater understanding for the importance of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. In addition to the National Honor Society, St. Elizabeth has multiple opportunities for their students to give back to others.

One of my favorite opportunities was going to the Soup Kitchen in Saginaw to prepare and serve food to those in need. As a young student I knew that what I was doing was important, however, looking back now I am even more grateful for the opportunity to help others. These are just a few opportunities that St. Elizabeth offers that sets them apart from others. The emphasis that St. Elizabeth puts on serving others is what encouraged me to become involved with other organizations throughout high school and has eventually led me to my decision to have a career in nursing. (Lauren Hecht)

If you are interested in what St. Elizabeth can offer your child, please call 989-868-4081 or email: stelizabethreese@gmail.com.



Sponsor of the Week:

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Donate Household Items

Thanks to all who bring in clothing and household donations for Emmaus House. All items are picked up on Monday mornings by a parish volunteer who delivers them to Saginaw.

We ask that you only bring in two bags or boxes of donations at a time per week. We cannot handle a load of garage sale "leftovers." If you have more than this or larger items, please call Emmaus House for pick up at: 755-7538.

Need Prayers?

Call the Parish Prayer Network with your prayer needs and concerns: Ginger Hall at 652-9519 or Nanci Lyon at 652-6532.



You can also submit prayer requests on our parish website. When you visit Blessed Trinity during the week or when you come to weekend Mass, be sure to write your prayer intentions in the Book of Life in the back of church.

Info Needed

Do you have a new home address? Do you have a new cell phone number? Have you given up your land line? Do you have a new email address? If so, please let the parish know so that we have up-to-date records. Please call Lori at 652-3259 or email: lsnyder@blessedtrinityfrankenmuth.org.

Have Clothing to Donate?

The Clothesline Store is grateful for your donations. If you would like more information about this ministry, please contact the parish office at 652-3259.

Food Donations



Please consider purchasing extra grocery items for local food pantries, which service families in our area. All items are needed including paper supplies, cleaning supplies, food items, and personal care items.

Please do not bring in perishable food items or items past their expiration date. Drop off your donations at BT during the week or when you come to Mass.

Summer Camp Opportunity

Looking to spark the faith of your children or grandchildren while they have fun at the same time? Check out Camp Sancta Maria located in Gaylord, MI. This Catholic camp provides experiences in a technology-free zone while immersed in a faith-filled environment. For more info, check out: www.CampSanctaMaria.org.

Hope To Those Facing Cancer

All too often we hear that someone we know is facing cancer. A friend, relative, or neighbor - or a colleague, church member, customer, patient, care receiver, or client - receives the devastating news of a cancer diagnosis. During such a difficult time, we want to reach out with support and care, to offer help and hope. But how?

A simple, powerful way is to give a copy of *Cancer - Now What?* This book from Stephen Ministries is a comprehensive how-to guide that helps cancer patients and their loved ones navigate the medical, emotional, relational, and spiritual challenges of cancer. If you might be interested in this book, please call the parish office.



St. Mary's Cathedral offers their Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass livestreamed on Facebook, YouTube, or at www.dioceseofsaginaw.org for anyone who is hospitalized or homebound.