



....whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant....

## *Blessed Trinity Catholic Church*

*958 E. Tuscola St., Frankenmuth, Michigan*

*989-652-3259*

*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 20 & 21, 2018*

### *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.*

## This Week in Our Parish

### Monday, October 22

Memorial of St. John Paul II

### Tuesday, October 23

Memorial of St. John of Capistrano

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study

3:00 p.m. Grades 3 & 4 Faith Formation Classes

### Wednesday, October 24

Memorial of St. Anthony Mary Claret

8:30 a.m. Mass

9:00 a.m. Rosary

11:00 a.m. Adult Study Group

3:00 p.m. Grades 5 & 6 Faith Formation Classes

7:00 p.m. Harvest Dance Set-up

### Thursday, October 25

3:00 p.m. Grades 1 & 2 Faith Formation Classes

7:00 p.m. Harvest Dance

### Friday, October 26

10:00 a.m. Youth Ministry Rake 'n Run Service Event

### Saturday, October 27

2:00 p.m. The Wedding of Evan Glowiak  
and Rio Schwichtenberg

5:00 p.m. Mass

### Sunday, October 28

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Faith for 3's, Faith for 4's, & Kindergarten  
Faith Formation Classes

11:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word (grades 1-4)

7:00 p.m. Youth Ministry Corn Maze Event



## 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](mailto:lsnyder@blessedtrinityfrankenmuth.org).

## Scripture Readings for October 27 & 28, 2018

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Hebrews 5:1-6

Mark 10:46-52

## Pastoral Team

Pastoral Administrator ~ Deacon Larry Deford  
 Pastoral Minister/Interim Director of Faith Formation ~ Karen Smith  
 Coordinator of Faith Formation ~ Pamela Daily  
 Director of Youth Ministry ~ Kathryn Cramer  
 Director of Music ~ Alissa Hetzner  
 Music Assistant ~ Steven Holovach  
 Parish Secretary ~ Lori Snyder  
 Bookkeeper ~ Carol Maurer  
 Director of Maintenance ~ Frederick Fitch  
 Maintenance Assistant ~ Philip Schmelzer  
 Commissioned Lay Ministers ~ Michael Snyder, Veronica Horn,  
 Virginia Little, Katherine Haney, Joseph Ricard,  
 Pamela Daily, Jacqueline Gere



## Thoughts from our Pastoral Administrator....

This past weekend, Pope Francis held a canonization Mass for Pope Paul VI, Oscar Romero, and five other new saints. "He gives all and he asks all: he gives a love that is total and asks for an undivided heart," the Pope told those gathered at St. Peter's Square. Christ "gives himself to us as the living bread; can we give him crumbs in exchange?" the Pope asked.

"All these saints, in different contexts, put today's word into practice in their lives, without lukewarmness, without calculation, with the passion to risk everything and to leave it all behind. May the Lord help us to imitate their example," Pope Francis stated.

Before I could complete my thoughts on the value of these saints and how we can honor and imitate their work, I found on a newsfeed that The Most Reverend Joseph R. Cistone had died. We then received confirmation and more news regarding his death from the diocese. For me personally and as a community, we moved forward in a haze this week. We are taken aback and share in the pain and sorrow of our beloved Bishop; it stings and burns in us to our core.

At the same time, I found that many of Pope Francis' statements during the canonization Mass applied to the life of Bishop Cistone. He put the Word of God to practice each day, lived it, preached it without being lukewarm, and put himself out there without reservation. With his passion for Christ's teachings, he risked it all, for the benefit of the faithful.

There are many, untold works performed by Bishop Cistone and he had a faith-filled impact on many community leaders in the Saginaw area, our diocese, and state. I was speaking with someone in the office this morning regarding his influence on leaders of other faiths. Bishop Cistone would often speak of his good friend, Art Lewis, a good Jewish boy from the Bronx, how they developed a warm friendship and shared support of the community.

Just as the saints were canonized, Bishop Cistone gave his life to the very end in service to his flock. He devoted his heart and soul for the betterment of the faithful. He loved everyone in the diocese and made it a point to travel to all the parishes. It was important for him to stay connected with his priests, deacons, lay ministers and the faithful.

Last Sunday, he presided over the Lay Ministry Commissioning Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral. I had been asked to be Deacon of the Eucharist and sat next to him during the Liturgy. It was a role I served many times during my assignment at the cathedral. I planned to celebrate with our parishioners Jackie Gere (newly commissioned) and with Mike Snyder on his 18<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of Lay Ministry (renewed another 3 years). After a very, busy week with funerals and committals, I looked forward to a celebratory liturgy.

Bishop Cistone gave a remarkable homily and warmly welcomed the newly commissioned lay ministers with a smile and handshake, and later prepared the Eucharistic gifts. He labored some, but had always pushed himself beyond normal limits during his illness. His strength, desire and courage to serve came from his love for the Lord and the prayers each of us offered up in his support.

Fr. Jose Cabrera posted a picture of Bishop Cistone - with a beaming smile - outside the Church of the Holy Sepulchre during a trip to Jerusalem. For me, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre is the holiest place on earth. All I could think of was God's promise to Bishop Cistone and each of us: "I've prepared a special place for you and will come back and take you to where I am."

May you rest in peace, good and faithful servant.

*Deacon Larry Deford*



This week, Brian Morano, a representative from bulletin publisher, Diocesan Publications, will be seeking new and renewing present parish bulletin ads. If you are interested in advertising please call the parish office for contact information. This is an excellent opportunity for local businesses to increase their visibility in the community. Advertising in the bulletin allows this publication to be printed each week at no cost to the parish.

## Youth Ministry News

Tonight/Sunday, our grades 7-12 youth will gather for a Respect Life Project where we will make baby blankets for the Underground Railroad Ministry. We'll begin with a special prayer service planned by our high school leaders. We'll also find out who predicted the correct MSU/U of M game score from our recent tailgate party (winner gets gift card of their choice!).

Last Sunday, our high school youth gathered to make pizza, socialize, and discuss their Confirmation. The youth spoke of passion for their faith and talked about how they live that faith through actions and deeds. We all need to remember our Confirmation and what it means to us.

Our annual Harvest Dance will take place on Thursday, October 25. Parish support is needed for pop and snack donations. If you are able to help us out with this, please bring your food items to the youth room by Wednesday, October 24.

All grades 7-12 youth should have received a postcard with October activity information. Please keep this card posted where you will be reminded of all the awesome things we have planned for you! Grade 6 youth received their own October info card at last week's class. Those who don't attend classes will receive a card in the mail.

Ashton Benkert didn't catch his name in last week's bulletin, but it may show up another time. I wonder if Katy Schuler is reading the bulletin? If so, let me know to collect your prize at youth group!

**Rake 'n Run News** ~ it's our 25th year of serving our parish and Frankenmuth community with raking and running! It's our 25th year of answering the "call to serve." Since there is no school scheduled for Friday, October 26, I ask all youth and available parish family members to meet at the parish at 10:00 a.m. that day. We'll head out for service and return to BT by 12:30 for lunch. Let's make this the best year ever!

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



Flynn and Shelby are finding all the answers!

## Faith Formation News

Reminder that there is a Sacramental Preparation Session today/Sunday from 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. This session is required for all those preparing for sacraments in the coming year. At least one parent must attend with their child.

Last week, the children were asked to write about a saint. We will display their projects at the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Thursday, November 1. Children are encouraged to dress like the saints and be able to answer questions from parishioners who may want to learn more.

A Reconciliation Preparation Session for parents and children will be held on Sunday, November 11 from 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. This session is required by all who wish to celebrate Reconciliation in January, 2019.

We would love to have adults help plan socials for our Faith Formation events. Our goal is to have families work together to make these true parish community events, planned and participated with all members of our family. The first one is Advent Family Night.

There are many different ways to get involved... from gluing candle holders in the wreaths, providing/serving refreshments, and set-up/clean-up crew. Please contact Pam Daily or myself to volunteer. There is also a sign-up sheet on the table in the classroom wing. Thank you!

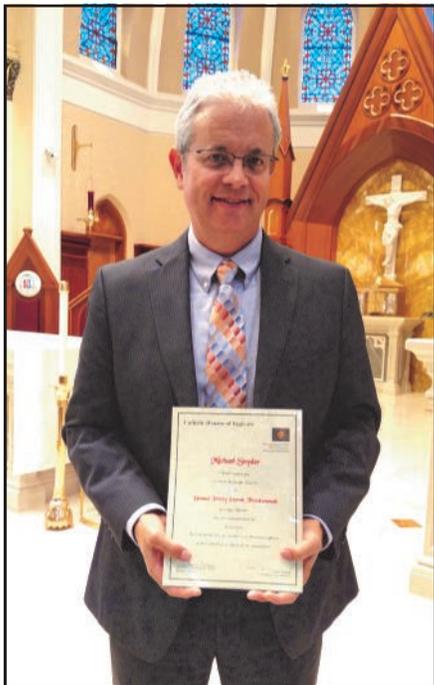
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*Help Needed*

We are still in need of a few volunteer catechists with a special need for permanent catechists in grades 3 and 5.

Some of our current catechists team-teach (alternating weeks with another catechist) which allows them time off that is needed for other things.

Please consider helping out in this important ministry; our children's faith education depends on it. If you can help, please contact Pam Daily at the parish by calling 652-3259.



Mike Snyder received a 3-year ministry renewal to serve Blessed Trinity Parish by Bishop Cistone at St. Mary's Cathedral last Sunday. Mike has been a Commissioned Lay Minister for 18 years. Thank you for serving!

*Living the Gospel Message*

Just as the disciples wondered at the nerve of James and John, we also may question their request to sit at the right and left hand of Jesus. Jesus summoned the disciples to try again to make them understand. He seemed to plead with them to see the world differently and respond with another set of values. He wants them to become servant leaders who care about the needs of others before their own needs.

Jesus, please with us today. The Christian life is about having a servant's heart. Today may be a good time to ask ourselves, "whose needs will I put before my own?"

*Help Needed from Parents and Grandparents*

We are looking for your help with a couple of coming projects:

**Preparation for All Saints' Day Mass** ~ your child or grandchild may have told you that he/she wants to play a role in our All Saints' Day Mass on November 1. Last year some of the children dressed up as saints and participated in the Mass by doing some of the readings. After Mass, there was a social in the gathering area where parishioners could meet the saints and ask them questions about their lives. Parishioners enjoyed this event very much as did the children, who put great effort into learning about their saint. Punch and cookies were also enjoyed!

Please help us make "Saint Toothpicks" to put into this year's cupcakes. On Monday, October 29, we will be in the social hall to cut out pictures of saints and glue them to toothpicks from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Please stop in and help if your schedule allows.

**Preparation for Advent Family Night** ~ this event is one of our most popular family events! We'll gather in the social hall on Tuesday, November 27 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. to make Advent Wreaths from fresh greens, which are generously donated by Frankenmuth Florist.

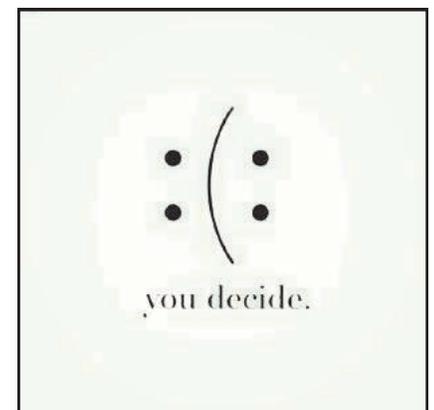


Candle holders need to be glued to the wreath forms ahead of time; we'll gather on Monday, November 26 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. to complete this project and set up for the next day. Please stop by if you can help with this project.

Our sponsor of the week is:

**Valley Allergy Clinic, P.C.**

To view this ad, see the back of the bulletin. Please patronize our sponsors. They make the bulletin possible.



If the world is cold, make it your business to build fires.

*Sponsor Sanctuary Lamp*

Parishioners are invited to make an offering for the candles used in the sanctuary lamp (the lamp that burns 24/7 before the tabernacle) which reminds us of the presence of the Risen Lord in the Blessed Sacrament that is reserved in the tabernacle.

The light comes from a large candle placed in a red glass container and burns for seven days. The candle is generally replaced on Friday or Saturday each week throughout the year.

If you would like to make an offering of \$50.00 for these candles in honor or in memory of a family member, friend, neighbor, etc. please call the parish office to find out which weeks are available.

*Sponsor Altar Flowers*

Parishioners can sponsor weekend altar flowers for Masses in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a special occasion, birthday, anniversary, etc. Two arrangements are available each weekend at \$50.00 each. Call the parish office for info.

*Our Father....*

*The Lord's Prayer is part of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and it is also central to the worship of most other Christian faiths. With more than 2 billion Christians on the planet, this prayer could potentially be recited by nearly one-third of the world's population - in 200 countries, in hundreds of languages - during Sunday services.*

*What a powerful unifier! Fitting, since, the Lord's Prayer is a plea to God for peace in our hearts and our world - a heavenly kingdom on earth indeed!*

*Why not take a moment and pray it now?*



*Mass Recordings*

We can record the entire Mass and transfer it to an audio CD that can be listened on any CD player. This is a good way for us to celebrate with those who are homebound, or perhaps you would like a copy of a specific homily.

Please contact the parish office or email Karen Smith at: [ksmith@blessedtrinityfrankenmuth.org](mailto:ksmith@blessedtrinityfrankenmuth.org) with the date of the Mass you would like. Your CD will be copied and ready for you the following weekend or another time that is convenient for you.

**Dream big. Work hard. Stay focused.  
Surround yourself with good people.**

*St. Cecelia Sing*

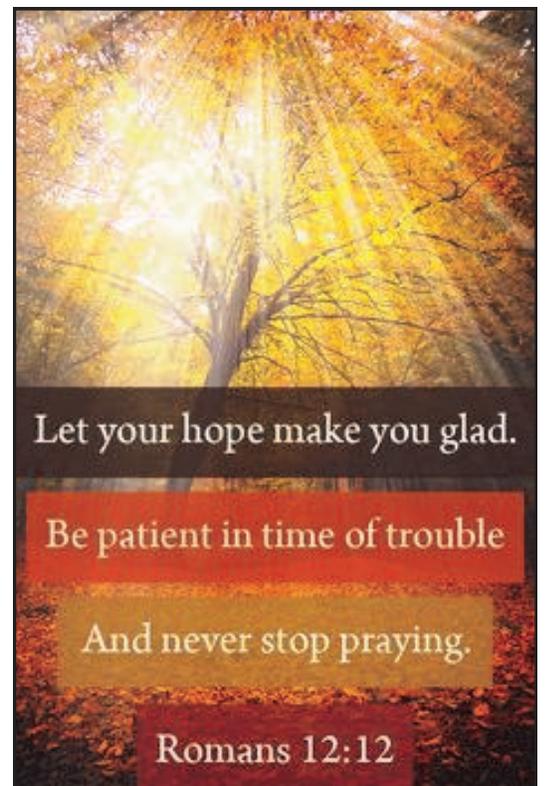
The St. Cecelia Sing is a musical event promoted by the National Association of Pastoral Musicians which blends sacred songs, choral music, readings, and prayer. The festival is a way to honor a patron saint of music and to encourage people of faith to worship together in song. The Saginaw Chapter of the NPM offers a St. Cecelia Sing event:



*on Sunday, October 28, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.  
at St. Dominic Parish  
2711 Mackinaw St., Saginaw*

Performing will be St. Dominic's Choir, Midland Area Catholic Community Choir, Rev. Jose Maria Cabrera, Rev. Robert Gohm, Pianist Alec Lipinski, Vocalist Grace Madziar, and Flautist Sophia Moskal. A free-will offering will be collected. All are welcome.

*God bless our family and all its members and friends; bind us together by your love. Give us kindness and patience to support each other and wisdom in all we do. Let the gift of your peace come into our hearts and remain with us. May we rejoice in your blessings for all our days. Amen.*



### We Are Stewards

#### On-line Giving ~ October 7 - 13, 2018

Parish Adult Contributions.....	\$1,215.00
Parish Debt Retirement.....	5.00
Total.....	\$1,220.00

#### Weekend ~ October 13 & 14, 2018

Parish Adult Contributions (148 envelopes) .....	\$6,660.00
Children's Contributions (4 envelopes) .....	1.34
Weekend Loose .....	977.00
Debt Retirement Contributions (3 envelopes) .....	35.00
World Mission Sunday Contributions (1 envelope) .....	30.00
Weekend Total .....	\$7,703.34

*Children's Stewardship Messages: Caroline's talent ~ being kind to my friends; Jack's time ~ attending church; Adelaide's time ~ helped pack; Natalie's talent ~ monkey bars.*

### Fall Craft & Vendor Bazaar

Saint John Paul II Parish, 3055 Harrison St. in Saginaw - off Shattuck Rd. in Carrollton) invites all to their Fall Craft & Vendor Bazaar on Saturday, October 27 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. All are welcome!

### Mission Trip to Africa

Love for Lukulu is accepting applications for the Summer, 2019 Mission Trip to Lukulu, Zambia. This 17-day mission will change your life.

For more information, check out the website: [loveforlukuluandbeyond](http://loveforlukuluandbeyond.com) and go to "current trip." The button on the upper right will take you to the application.

Questions should be emailed to: [birdhunter00@aol.com](mailto:birdhunter00@aol.com). Deadline is late November.

**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.