# **BLESSED TRINITY PARISH**

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# PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Ambrose E. Sheehy	Pastor
Rev. Eric Gregory Mah	Associate Pastor
Mrs. Gail Bailey	Secretary
Mr. Dan Christante	Property Manager

# **OFFICE HOURS**

Mon Thu.	9:00 a.m 7:00 p.m.
Friday:	9:00 a.m 4:30 p.m.
Saturday:	4:00 p.m 5:30 p.m.
Sunday:	9:00 a.m 1:30 p.m.

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday:	9:40 a.m 10:30 a.m
	3:45 p.m 4:25 p.m
Sunday:	6:15 p.m 7:00 p.m

# BAPTISM

Last Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. by appointment.

# MARRIAGE

Please contact the rectory one Year in advance of desired date.

# WEEKEND SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigi	Mass:	4:30 p.m.
Sunday:	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
	12:15 p.m.	7:00 p.m.

# WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Friday: 8: Saturday: 9:

8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.

# Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

**NOVENA - ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX** Saturdays: 9:30 a.m.

# VOCATIONS

Fr. Hansoo Park, Director Vocations 416-968-0997 www.serrahouse.ca www.vocations.ca

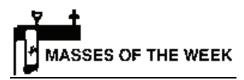
# **OUR PARISH SCHOOLS**

# Elementary Schools

Blessed Trinity School	. 416-393-5289
St. Agnes School	. 416-393-5345

# **Secondary Schools**

St. Joseph's Morrow Park	416-393-5516
Brebeuf College School	416-393-5508



Monday, April 14 Special Intention 8:00 am

<u>Tuesday, April 15</u> Bernadette Tsu (Deceased) *Requested by her daughter*  8:00 am

Wednesday, April 168:00 amJose Xavier Fernandes (Deceased)Requested by the Fernandes & Gomes families

# EASTER TRIDUUM

#### Thursday, April 17

#### Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper

Mass (only one Mass today) 7:30 pm Celebration of the Eucharist, washing of feet Reposition of Blessed Sacrament in the Church Adoration until 12 midnight

#### Friday, April 18 Good Friday

3:00 pm
7:00 pm

# Saturday, April 19 <u>Holy Saturday Easter Vigil</u>

8:00 pm

(Only one Mass and fulfils Sunday obligation) Easter celebration in parish hall

# EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 20

Resurrection of the Lord

Masses

8:30 am 10:30 am 12:15 noon (No 7:00 pm)

# **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Sunday, April 27

This inspired devotion of St. Faustina will begin after the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday evening. Each day during Easter week the novena to be prayed. On Divine Mercy Sunday we will have **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**, homily, prayers and Benediction from 1:15pm – 3:00 pm.

# Needs of the Holy Land Special Collection

There will be a special collection on Good Friday, April 18, 2014, a Pontifical request for the Holy Land, in support of Christian communities, the works of the Holy Land, and the upkeep of Holy sites. Thank you for your support of this important work

#### "Growing Together" Spring Dinner Dance Presented by the Blessed Trinity Parish Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus

Saturday, April 26, 2014 6:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. in the parish hall Tickets \$25.00 (will be available following Masses week-ends of April 5/6, April 12/13)

Contact: Paul Bar 905-764-9086 or Helen Truman 416-250-8742

# Movie Night at Blessed Trinity

On <u>Friday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m.</u> in the parish hall, we will be showing the documentary film, *DID JESUS REALLY RISE FROM THE DEAD?* This powerful and in-depth documentary carefully scrutinizes the historical evidence and faces head-on the question: Did Jesus really rise from the dead? If Christ has not been raised, said the Apostle Paul, the Christian faith is in vain. Rather than accept Christian belief blindly, top scholars and biblical historians critically examine alternative explanations. In the end, they show why it is a matter of sound reason as well as faith to affirm what the early Church proclaimed: Jesus is risen. Proceeds will benefit an RESP program for children living in poverty in our parish. Admission is a donation. For more information contact: Bob Ossowski at (416) 453-1494 or bob.ossowski@gmail.com



# Fellowship of St. Joseph Tuesday, April 22, 2014 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall

To celebrate the Octave of Easter, the Fellowship of St. Joseph (AHC) will

present **Fr. Robert Barron's Catholicism Series Lesson 7: WORD MADE FLESH, TRUE BREAD OF HEAVEN.** This is a moving and inspiring video about the Blessed Sacrament and the Mass. All are invited.



# Catholic Women's League

Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel (Patroness of the Catholic Women's League)

On **Tuesday, April 22**, Mass will be celebrated at 1 p.m. followed by a General Meeting in the parish hall. Guest speaker June Dyer will address the topic of "Human Trafficking". There will also be discussion of two resolutions to be presented at the 2014 CWL provincial convention: mandatory labeling of GMO (genetically modified) foods, and a national strategy for Canada. Refreshments will be served. All women of the parish are cordially invited to attend.



Working wonders for people locally and around the world...

ShareLife provides for everyone in our archdiocese to have access to a Catholic

family services counseling office, regardless of their background or religious affiliation. Housebound seniors receive care from Society of Sharing volunteers. Our brothers and sisters in Christ receive assistance overseas through Development & Peace. Canadian Food for children and the Pastoral Mission Fund. Immigrants and refugees are helped through Catholic Cross-cultural Services and the Office for Refugees. ShareLife supports the education of our priests and deacons at Serra House, Redemptoris Mater and St. Augustine's seminaries. ShareLife creates a happier, brighter and safer community for us all.

> Next ShareLife Sunday – May 4, 2014 Please give generously. You can work wonders!



# <u>NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE</u> <u>Ottawa – May 8, 2014</u>

Each year at the National March for Life, tens of thousands gather to demand protection for children before and after

birth. Last year an estimated 25,000 pro-lifers assembled on Parliament Hill and marched through downtown Ottawa to inform Canadians that we are the only western nation with no protection for the unborn. For more information, visit <u>www.campaignlifecoalition.com</u>.

On May 8, march like someone's life depends on it!



Knights of Columbus Blessed Trinity Council Follow them on twitter @kofc11681

#### Note Meeting Changes for April

**Executive Meeting**: Monday, April 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Knights Room.

**General Meeting**: Tuesday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the St. Joseph Room

**JOHN PAUL II** – On April 27, EWTN will feature LIVE coverage from the Vatican of the canonization of two beloved leaders of the modern-day Church: **Popes John XXIII and John Paul II.** Visit <u>www.ewtn.com</u> to watch online and for specials and series on their lives.

**Congratulations Bishop McGrattan** - Pope Francis Appointed Toronto Auxiliary Bishop William McGrattan as the next Bishop of Peterborough. Since 2010, Bishop McGrattan has served the Archdiocese of Toronto, assisting Cardinal Thomas Collins in providing pastoral leadership for Catholics in the Greater Toronto Area. We have received many blessings.

### **OBJECTIONS TO PRAYER**

#### Catechism of the Catholic Church #2726-2728

In the battle of prayer, we must face in ourselves and around us erroneous notions of prayer. Some people view prayer as a simple psychological activity, others as an effort of concentration to reach a mental void. Still others reduce prayer to ritual words and postures. Many Christians unconsciously regard prayer as an occupation that is incompatible with all the other things they have to do: they "don't have the time." Those who seek God by prayer are quickly discouraged because they do not know that prayer comes also from the Holy Spirit and not from themselves alone.

We must also face the fact that certain attitudes deriving from the mentality of "this present world" can penetrate our lives if we are not vigilant. For example, some would have it that only that is true which can be verified by reason and science; yet prayer is a mystery that overflows both our conscious and unconscious lives. Others overly prize production and profit; thus prayer, being unproductive, is useless. Still others exalt sensuality and comfort as the criteria of the true, the good, and the beautiful; whereas prayer, the "love of beauty" (*philokalia*), is caught up in the glory of the living and true God. Finally, some see prayer as a flight from the world in reaction against activism; but in fact, Christian prayer is neither an escape from reality nor a divorce from life.

Finally, our battle has to confront what we experience as failure in prayer: discouragement during periods of dryness; sadness that, because we have "great possessions" (cf. Mk 10:22), we have not given all to the Lord; disappointment over not being heard according to our own will; wounded pride, stiffened by the indignity that is ours as sinners; our resistance to the idea that prayer is a free and unmerited gift; and so forth. the conclusion is always the same: what good does it do to pray? To overcome these obstacles, we must battle to gain humility, trust, and perseverance.

"No to selfishness; No to injustice; No to pleasure without moral rules; No to despair; No to hatred and violence; No to ways without God; No to irresponsibility and to mediocrity; Yes to God, to Jesus Christ, to the Church; Yes to the effort to elevate people & to lead them to God; Yes to justice, to love and to peace; Yes to solidarity with everyone, especially with the most needy; Yes to home; Yes to your duty to build a better society."

Pope John Paul II

