



Blessed Trinity Catholic Church
Creating a Vision for the Future Together

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM VIGIL

SUNDAY: 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM

HOLY DAYS: 7:30, 9 AM & 7 PM

WEEKDAYS: 7:30 AM

SATURDAY : 9:00 AM

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS 3:00-3:30 PM
OR BY APPOINTMENT

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

PLEASE CALL EILEEN
PLASSE IN THE PARISH
OFFICE FOR INFORMATION
REGARDING THE PRE-
BAPTISM CLASS BEFORE
SCHEDULING A BAPTISM.

MATRIMONY

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH
OFFICE FOR AN
APPOINTMENT WITH A
PARISH PRIEST BEFORE
SETTING A DATE. EVERY
DIOCESE IN FLORIDA
REQUIRES AT LEAST SIX
MONTHS PREPARATION
BEFORE MARRIAGE.

OCTOBER 2, 2016
27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**“IF YOU HAVE THE FAITH THE SIZE OF A
MUSTARD SEED ...” ~ LUKE 17:6**

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Thoughts Worth Sharing

By Father Wayne C. Genereux, Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

Bishop Lynch Talks About Pro Choice, A Must Read

FAITH CENTERED CHOICE FOR LIFE

I have been made aware of a recent advertisement that appeared in the *Tampa Bay Times* as well as a number of other publications throughout the United States which offer us an opportunity to proclaim with renewed vigor that God, the author of life, is a God of love Who has endowed every human being with a sacred and inviolate dignity which bears His very image and likeness and which has been touched by the Incarnation of His Son, Jesus. Together with the prophets of sacred Scripture, our Catholic Social Teaching heralds that God has known each and every human being from the time of conception within the womb and values human life from this moment until natural death.

Our Catholic faith calls us to champion a consistent ethic of life and to commit ourselves to working for a social reality which evidences God's own preferential option for the most vulnerable. Therefore, the Church steadfastly and irrevocably condemns procured abortion as a moral evil which fails to honor that every human being is a child of God who bears the image of Christ. Together with Pope Francis, we proclaim the joy of the Gospel which inspires us to show particular love, concern and care for the unborn and commit ourselves to reject contemporary efforts aimed at denying the dignity of these most innocent and defenseless among us. Our conviction is that *a human being is always sacred and inviolable in any situation and at every stage of development* (Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium* #213).

Because of this consistent teaching of the Church, even any slightest inference that being "prochoice" is compatible with Catholic social teaching is simply not true and is disingenuous. If those who paid at great expense for this advertisement in the nation's major newspapers truly embrace Catholic social teaching, they might best have spent the money on post-abortion trauma counseling, residences for pregnant women facing birth alone or in desperate poverty, or providing for homeless families with small children bereft of employment and sometimes even hope. That's what the socially conscious and committed baptized Catholic does and that is what the Catholic Church in America does.

Therefore, as we prepare for Respect Life month, let us redouble our efforts to be heralds of human dignity and commit ourselves to social action which seeks to ensure the protection of all life and to create a society which reflects and gives witness to the values of God's Kingdom. There is no commitment to the common good if there is not a commitment to all life. Below please find links to some of our Diocesan and National resources which provide us with opportunities to serve life and to learn more about Catholic Social Teaching. +RNL September 16th, 2016

Diocese of St. Petersburg Priests to Gather at The Bethany Center

The Priests of the Diocese will gather with Bishop Lynch October 3-6. This is our Annual Convocation in which we discuss matters in the Church and programs that are beneficial to our priestly ministry. It is also the only time we can gather together because we are often too busy during the year.

Daily Masses during this period will be as follows: October 3, Mass at 7:30 a.m.; October 4, 5, and 6; a Communion Service with Deacon William Lovelace, October 7, Mass at 7:30 a.m..

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Priest's Vacation Time

From time to time it is important that Parishioners have an understanding of the life of their Pastors and Parochial Vicars. This week I am focusing on a Priest's Vacation and his time off. Parishioners really need to be aware because at times hurtful remarks are made when priests are off. Most of the time it is because it comes from a lack of understanding.

A priest is on call 24/7. We know this when Christ calls us to this ministry and we freely give our lives to the people we serve. It's the same for policemen, firemen, doctors, nurses, and many other professions. Bishop Sheen once said, "A priest's time is not his own." Every priest in the Diocese of St. Petersburg is allowed 4 weeks' vacation when he can get away, and may take a whole month if he so desires and has the coverage to take care of his duties and responsibilities. Priests whose family lives outside the U.S. take up to 6 weeks. A priest also takes a week for a retreat sometime during the year for his spiritual growth. All priests gather for several days for the Annual Priest Convocation. The priests also gather at the Bethany Center for an afternoon of recollection during Lent in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Like many parishioners who have Saturday and Sunday off each week, a priest is also allowed a day or two off during the week. Sometimes it's a day and a half. We are also on call for anointing the sick, and other parishioner requests, and confessions. We also go to nursing homes to visit the sick and celebrate Mass, and visit hospitals. Many Churches are one-priest parishes. That also presents many challenges. If he is a pastor he is also the CEO of the parish and must deal with all the administrative challenges that come with it. The weight of the priestly office can sometimes be very heavy. Finally, we must be men of prayer and must fit this into our daily schedule.

When I came to Blessed Trinity three years ago, I did not avail myself of all of these benefits. A lot of my fellow priests don't, many to the detriment of their mental and physical well being. Most often I can be found working in the office on my days off, and rarely take a real vacation so that I might totally disengage. As many of you know I had a lot of health issues this past year but still managed to work through it all but really did not take the time off I needed. It has taken me a lifetime in business and the priesthood to realize I cannot continue this pace. My doctors told me I needed to totally disengage and get away, my family also echoed this, and finally many parishioners and my staff told me to get away. Parishioners also sometimes wrongly think if a priest is not in his office he must be off. If I am not in my office it does not mean I am not working on something for the parish, or I am at my rectory office working on a homily or some other project. Priests also are at work within the community and are often invited to public events. I am also President of Trinity Housing. Pope Francis has told us to get out of the office. Many priests are lucky if they are in bed by 11:00 p.m. and most likely have an early morning Mass to get ready for.

The old stories that the priest celebrates Mass on Sunday and is off the rest of the week is really hurtful and disingenuous. If you think a priest is always on vacation you now have a glimpse of our life, and we freely embrace it. The next time you hear a priest is away know that he really needs to disengage.

REMINDER:

**Memorial to Father J. Frederick McGuire
November 2, 2016 – 7:00 p.m. Feast of All Souls**

Work begins this week on remodeling the confessional as we prepare to name it in memory of Father Fred. His mother has been invited to attend the ceremony along with his family members. All parishioners are invited to attend to remember him, as well as our loved ones who have died especially this year.

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– (Continued from page 3) **Reminder: Memorial to Father J. Frederick McGuire**

During his ministry at Blessed Trinity, Fr. Fred had a special gift as a confessor. This was communicated to the family many times during his funeral rites. I can think of no other way to properly recognize Fr. Fred than through the Sacrament of Mercy.

We are accepting donations to help in the renovation. There is no set limit, and everyone who donates will have their name inscribed in the Liturgy Aid. Deadline is October 26, 2016

Name (Please Print) _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Make Checks payable to Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, and Mail to:
 Blessed Trinity Catholic Church
 1600 54th Avenue South
 St. Petersburg, FL 33712

Amount Enclosed: _____

Kind personal regards,
 Father Wayne C. Genereux. Pastor



Blessed Trinity Liturgical & Social Calendar of Events - October 2016

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Tues. 10/04	10:00 a.m.	Grief Support	Conference Rm
Wed. 10/05	7:00 p.m.	Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Begins	Faith Formation Rm
Sun. 10/09	9-11 a.m.	Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast	Parish Hall
Sun. 10/16	12:30 p.m.	Welcome Luncheon for New Parishioners	Parish Hall
Sat. 10/22	8:00 a.m.	Mass - Feast of St. John Paul II	Church
TBA		Grief Support	
Sat. 10/29	5:00 p.m.	Oktoberfest with German Band	Parish Hall
Sun. 10/30	9:30 a.m.	Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion	Church

All You Can Eat
Pancake Breakfast
 Next Sunday 9 - 11 a.m. Parish Center

SECOND COLLECTION
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND
THIS WEEKEND

Blessed Trinity Roman Catholic Church Consultative Survey of Mass Times

Part of the Synod for creating our Vision for the Future is to give our parishioners a say in our deliberations. Our Survey of Mass Times is the first of several proposals for which you will have the opportunity to give your input.

We need to look seriously at the number of Masses and the attendance at each Mass, particularly during the summer months. We are fortunate to have Msgr. Dechering to help with celebrating Masses and he expects to continue until he is no longer physically able, but we should consider our future. This survey is for you to vote on your recommendations. Please give it to an usher or return it to the parish by mail or in the collection basket. Mail to: Mass Times, Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, 1600 54th Ave. S., St. Petersburg, FL, 33712. Deadline: October 30, 2016. Results will be announced in Jan. 2017.

- ONLY A SAMPLE - DO NOT FILL OUT -
Ballots will be handed out next weekend at all Masses
Week Day Mass Schedule All Year
 Please Vote only if you attend Daily Mass, or Occasionally

Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. Yes ___ No ___
 Saturday 8:00 a.m. Yes ___ No ___ Recently Changed 10/1/2016

Saturday Vigil Mass All Year

No change for the Vigil Mass. This was decided by a two to one vote in favor of 4:00 p.m. approximately two years ago.

Sunday Mass Schedule October 1 – June 1, 2017-18

8:00 a.m. Yes ___ No ___
 9:30 a.m. Yes ___ No ___
 11:30 a.m. Yes ___ No ___

Summer Mass Schedule June 1- October 1, 2017

8:00 a.m. Yes ___ No ___
 Or 8:30 a.m. Yes ___ No ___
 10:00 a.m. Yes ___ No ___
 Do you have another alternative? Time(s) _____

What Mass time do you normally attend? _____

If the Mass time is changed will you continue to attend Mass at Blessed Trinity? Yes ___
 No ___



Prayerful. Peaceful. Present.

I/We, _____

Wish to sign up to stand vigil in front of All Women's Health Center on Central Ave., St. Petersburg on:

Tues., Oct. 11 from _____ to _____

Tues., Oct. 25 from _____ to _____

Sat., Nov. 5 from _____ to _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please cut along dotted line & return top portion to Respect Life rep & keep bottom portion

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Prayerful. Peaceful. Present.

SIGN-UP REMINDER

I/We have signed up to Pray at All Women's Health Center on:

Tues. 10/11, from _____ to _____

Tues., 10/25 from _____ to _____

Sat., 11/05 from _____ to _____

To Stand Vigil outside of the All Women's Health Center (4131 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg) where our peaceful presence aims to offer hope when it is needed most. This is not a protest in the ordinary sense. This is an appeal to LIFE.

For more information, please contact:
Rich or Lynn Maloney at 727-258-7406 or:

rmloney67@gmail.com
 or: www.40DaysForLife.com/StPetersburg

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sat., October 1
 4:00 p.m. David Hoyle (dec)
- Sun., October 2
 8:00 a.m. Leila Vicari (dec)
 9:30 a.m. Blessed Trinity Parishioners
 11:30 a.m. Jose Bispo & Maria Silva (dec)
- Mon., October 3
 7:30 a.m. Barbara Alderfer (liv)
- Tues. October 4
 7:30 a.m. Srs. Of St. Francis (liv)
- Wed., October 5
 7:30 a.m. Vocations
- Thurs., October 6
 7:30 a.m. George Hoffman (dec)
- Fri., October 7
 7:30 a.m. Irene Hastings (dec)
- Sat., October 8
 8:00 a.m. Art Padula (liv)
 4:00 p.m. James Lawler (dec)
- Sun., October 9
 8:00 a.m. Chris Roberts (liv)
 9:30 a.m. Blessed Trinity Parishioners
 11:30 a.m. David Hoyle (dec)

THIS WEEK AT BLESSED TRINITY

- Sunday - October 2**
 11:00 a.m. - Faith Formation Classes
 8:00 p.m. - AA, Rm 4
- Tuesday, October 4**
 9:30 a.m. - Scripture - FFC
 10:00 a.m. - Grief Support, Conf. Rm
 7:00 p.m. - K of C - Church
 7:30 p.m. - Prayer Meeting - Library
- Wednesday, October 5**
 6:00 p.m. - Choir
- Thursday - October 6**
 2:00 p.m. - SHARE - Rm 4
 6:00 p.m. - SVdP - Rm 4
- Saturday - October 8**
 10:00 a.m. - Altar Circle - Mtg.
 7:00 p.m. - Women's AA, Rm 4

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Blessed Trinity ~ Sept. 25

Offertory	\$ 5,820.50
Fr. Fred Memorial	135.00
Donuts	21.00
Concert Series	<u>928.00</u>
Total for the church	\$ 5,820.50

St. Vincent de Paul: \$ 898.00

Thank You for Your Generosity!

Albersson, Michelle
 Antczak, Harriet
 Banks, Cathy
 Barnhard, Bobby
 Barrett, John
 Barrimond, Raphael
 Beckman, Fred
 Beekman, Connie
 Bogensberger, Rosemary
 Briere, Gloria
 Brown, Bob & Beverly
 Brown, Dorothy
 Browning, Bob
 Byrne, Kevin
 Caparro, Clara
 Carey, Sam
 Carr, John
 Christ, Kathryn
 Dawson, Anthony Peter
 Deuel, Fred
 Espinet, Brigitte
 Fazio, Mary & Frank
 Feehan, Joe

Feltes, Chuck & Lauren
 Forbes, Monica & Thomas
 Frallicciardi, Adele
 Gilberto, Josie
 Graeme, Mary
 Grimberg, Carol
 Hamilton, Tom
 Harris, Melonie
 Hawkins, Ashlyn
 Hawkins, Barbara
 Huff, Walter & Carole
 Iglesias, Olivia
 Irvin, Victoria
 Kantowicz, Jan
 King, Ada
 King, Kathy
 Kincaid, Kevin & Tammie
 Kleinberger, Donovan
 Kumick, Amelia
 Kuruzovich, John
 Lanier, Carolyn

Leath, Bill
 Leininger, Carol
 Lester, Lynne
 Lower, Shirley
 Lucas, Laura
 Lyons, Laura
 Mack, Jackson
 Mark, Jacqueline
 Mays, Linda
 McFee, Amy Lawler
 McManus, Elly
 Merchant, Geraldine
 Merchant, Rhonda
 Mesick, Phil & Nancy
 Meyer, Bob & Genevieve
 Mitchell, Stella
 Monahan, Sheila
 Murdock, Cheryl & Evan
 Naylor, Elizabeth
 Neumann, Janet
 Padula, Art

Palumbo, Jennie
 Pezzulo, Irene
 Privitera, Sandy
 Reed, Edward, Jr.
 Remp, Al
 Reyes, Nila
 Rixon, Juliane
 Romani, Angelo & Marlene
 Rosa, José & Nina
 Ryall, Edith
 Sanders, Kimberly
 Sanders, Marilyn
 Seitz, Rose Marie
 Sharp, Jennett

Sheridan, Samantha
 Schillaci, Peter
 Smith, Anita
 St. Pierre, Rick
 Stankiewicz, Cy
 Steinheimer, Dorothy
 Thompson, Sue
 Thore, Isabelle
 Truby, Ernest
 Watson, Doug & Claire
 Weber, Dolores
 Wilson, Dolores
 Zellers, Rosemarie

Please notify the parish office when you or a family member enters the hospital. Because of confidentiality laws, hospitals can no longer inform us when a parishioner is admitted. We would love to add you to our Prayer List. Also, please let us know when it is time to remove a name.