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**Holy Hour every week**  
 Tuesdays (7pm to 8pm) SMM

**Eucharistic exposition once a month**  
 First Tuesdays (7pm to 8pm) SMM



**Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.  
 Be our protection against  
 the wickedness and snares of the Devil.  
 May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,  
 and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,  
 by the power of God, cast into hell  
 Satan, and all the evil spirits,  
 who prowl about the world  
 seeking the ruin of souls. Amen**

**Prayer for Our Troops**  
 Sam Interlichia — Marines  
 Noah Foro — Air Force  
 Bryan Wetzel — Air Force

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands.  
 Protect them as they protect us.  
 Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they  
 perform for us in our times of need, and give them peace.  
 I ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior.  
**AMEN**

**Our Parish Mission Statement**

We, *the people of Blessed Trinity Parish*, come from diverse backgrounds and *are working together* to learn, live and spread the Roman Catholic Faith. *We support one another on this journey of faith* by studying the Gospel, celebrating the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, and nurturing the spiritual growth of all. Our pledge is *to consistently strive to build an ever-stronger parish family* where the word of God is proclaimed, studied, and integrated into daily living, where we worship in prayer and in sacrament the presence of God in our midst, and where *we witness the Gospel through our actions* of care and concern for the needs of those around us.



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 Check out our website: [www.cblessedtrinity.org](http://www.cblessedtrinity.org)!

**Living in Grace through the Sacraments**

**Sacrament of Baptism.** We share in your joy as we welcome the newest member of your family into God's family, the Church. Our Parish offers Baptism Preparation Program to parents, with godparents, who wish to share their faith with their child. To register, please call the Parish Office.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation.** Persevere on the journey to holiness: Say "No" to sin and "Yes" to God's love, mercy and forgiveness. St. Mary Magdalene in the Church Hall on Saturday evenings 3:30 to 4:15 PM, St. Jude's in the old Sacristy on Sunday morning from 7:20 to 7:50 AM, or please call the Parish Office to make an appointment.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.** Jesus continues his healing ministry through his Church. If you or any parishioner is ill at home, in the hospital or the nursing home, and desires to celebrate this sacrament of healing, call the Parish Office to schedule a visit.

**Sacrament of the Eucharist.** One of our priests will bring Communion during home visits or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (communion ministers) can and may bring you Communion regularly. Call the Parish Office.

**Sacrament of Confirmation.** Our young parishioners who wish to prepare to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation must be enrolled in a 2 year preparation program. Adults must call the rectory.

**Sacrament of Marriage.** You and your fiancé are called to mirror the love of Jesus for his Church! Please contact the Parish Office at least six months before the intended date of your wedding so we can help you prepare for this wonderful sacrament of committed love.

**Sacrament of Holy Orders.** Do pray for vocations to the ordained priesthood and permanent diaconate. It is our common obligation to raise vocations—ordained, religious, married, single—in the Church.

**Are You a Visitor or a Newcomer?** Welcome and we are glad you're here to worship with us!

**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 November 8, 2020**

**Weekend Masses**  
 Saturday 4:30 PM at St. Mary Magdalene, Wolcott  
 Sunday 8:00 AM at St. Thomas, Red Creek

**Weekday Masses at Saint Mary Magdalene**  
 Monday and Friday 8:30 AM


**November 8  
 Psalm 63  
 My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.  
 O God, you are my God whom I seek;  
 for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts  
 like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.**

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary  
 to see your power and your glory,  
 For your kindness is a greater good than life;  
 my lips shall glorify you.

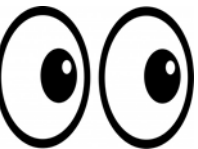
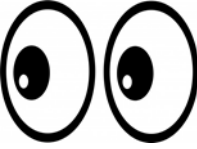
Thus will I bless you while I live;  
 lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name.  
 As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied,  
 and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

I will remember you upon my couch,  
 and through the night-watches I will meditate on you:  
 You are my help,  
 and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.

IDEAS? SUGGESTIONS?  
 Your Parish Council is interested.  
 Please share your thoughts with any Parish Council member listed in this bulletin.



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Schedule of Sacred Liturgy

November 7, Saturday	4:30pm SMM	Irene Bidwell	By Nancy Polacek
November 8, Sunday	8:00am ST	Elizabeth and Francis Vona	By Parks Family
November 9, Monday	8:30am SMM	Gertrude LaForge	By Gerry and Luba LaForge
November 13, Friday	8:30am SMM	Arthur H. LaForge	By Gerry and Luba LaForge
November 14, Saturday	4:30pm SMM	Rich Bielemeier	By Eileen Bielemeier
November 15, Sunday	8:00am ST	Ron Polacek	By Nancy Polacek
November 16, Monday	8:30am SMM	William E. Bouley Family	
November 20, Friday	8:30am SMM	Chester & Marie Dziedzic	By John and Susie Gallo
November 21, Saturday	4:30pm SMM	Dowd Family	By Tom and Joyce Beman
November 22, Sunday	8:00am ST	Lee Poole	By Gerry and Luba LaForge

Attendance	10/31-11/1
4:30pm	34
8:00am	36
1st Collection	1331
2nd Collection	1048
Total	2379
Budget: \$2605	226
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Please pray for:

**Jill Virts, JoAnne Nichols, Mary Lou Adams, Ann Minosh, Bill McHenry, Danny Dreschler, Jeanine Gagnon, and all of our parishioners who are ill, at home or in the hospital.**



Please pray for the peaceful repose of the soul of *Lee Poole*

**Eternal rest grant to him, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.**



**BASKETS OF HOPE**



"Family Promise is having an online Christmas basket auction from November 4th through November 15th. The link is <https://www.32auctions.com/basketsofhope2020>. This is a great and contactless way to shop during COVID, and 100% of the proceeds goes to the Family Promise program in Wayne County. As you know, Family Promise addresses homelessness with care, support and compassion. Please consider bidding on a unique basket while contributing to a wonderful cause. Thank you and have fun!"  
(Any questions, contact Jill Lee #315-744-4932 or Marie Smith #315-591-1051).

From the desk of Fr. Michael Merritt:

A Different Kind of "Triduum"

The Triduum (Latin for "three days") is the period of time that begins on Holy Thursday and ends at the Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday. These three days mark the high point of the Liturgical Year, as we celebrate the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. While the Triduum occurs in the Spring, the Church also celebrates another "triduum" in the Fall. We just celebrated this three-day period last weekend. Every year it falls on the days of October 31, November 1, and November 2. It is a three-day period where we remember the souls of all the faithful departed who have gone before us.

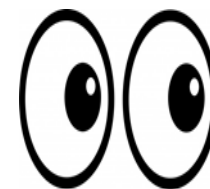
This begins on October 31. Now, in secular society, this day is celebrated as Halloween, a day where we celebrate everything that is spooky and scary. Many of these traditions stem from Celtic as well as other pagan cultures. However, Halloween's connection to spirits, souls, and the dead also has its roots in Christianity. After all, Halloween is simply "All Hallows Eve", the night before the Church celebrates the hallowed ones: the Saints who have died and are in Heaven. Halloween was most likely also influenced by the primarily Mexican "Día de los Muertos" (Day of the Dead) celebration that goes from November 1 to November 2, where people create altars for deceased loved ones, celebrate with traditional food and drink, and even sometimes dressing in costume. In the Church, it has often been commemorated as a day of fasting and prayer for the dead, in preparation for the following day's feast.

On November 1, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of All Saints, or All Saints Day. It is a very special day in the liturgical year, so much so that it is one of the Holy Days of Obligation. It is the day where we celebrate all those men and women who have, by virtue of their lives on Earth, have entered into the Heavenly Kingdom of God. This includes the ones that we know and honor by name, as well as the ones that we will never know about but lived holy lives nonetheless. The saints are our role models for how to live on Earth, while also interceding for us in Heaven. This is a reminder that we can always turn to the saints in prayer, and we are assured that they will always be guiding us along our Earthly journey.

The Fall "triduum" ends on November 2, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, or All Soul's Day. On this day, we recognize all those who have died. This is particularly a day in which people celebrate loved ones who have passed. But this day is markedly different from All Saints day. That day is a day of celebration for those who have finished the journey and are in paradise. On All Souls Day, we remember those who have died and are still in Purgatory awaiting entry into the Heavenly Kingdom. This is an important day of prayer. While we pray to the Saints, we pray for the souls that are still on the journey, waiting to enter their eternal home.

The month of November has been designated as a special month where the Church remembers and commemorates the dead. I encourage all of you to take the opportunity to pray for loved ones you have lost as well as those in Purgatory who still need prayers but have no one to pray for them. Remember that life is short, so let's make the most of it while we are here, in humble and joyful service to God.

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Coming Events:

- 11/7: Mass at SMM at 4:30pm
- 11/8: Mass at ST at 8:00am
- 11/9: Mass at SMM at 8:30am
- 11/10: Holy Hour at SMM at 7pm
- 11/12: Pastoral Council meeting at SMM at 6pm
- 11/13: Mass at SMM at 8:30am
- 11/14: Mass at SMM at 4:30pm
- 11/15: Mass at ST at 8:00am
- 11/16: Mass at SMM at 8:30am
- 11/23: Finance meeting at SMM at 5:30pm, Holy Hour at 7pm

**Confession times:**

St. Mary Magdalene in the Church Hall on Saturday evenings 3:30 to 4:15 PM, St. Thomas on Sunday morning from 7:20 to 7:50 AM



**Glory and Praise Missal**

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