

Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community

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MPB Rectory Office Hours

Monday & Friday......9:00 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil:	4:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:00 a.m.
Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday, Friday:	8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

Infant Baptism: During weekend Masses. Parents must be practicing Catholics and attend a Pre-Baptismal Class. Call the rectory office to register.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Call the rectory office.

Reconciliation (Confessions): Tuesdays 5:30-6:30 p.m. or by appointment, in the Chapel.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage must make an appointment to meet personally with the Pastor before a definite wedding date may be scheduled. Church arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding. No wedding date will be scheduled over the phone.

Anointing of the Sick: Anyone who is seriously ill is invited to contact the rectory to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion.

Parish Devotions

Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesdays: immediately after morning Mass. First Friday Devotions and Benediction: 8:30-11:00 a.m.

Letters of Recommendation: Registered parishioners in good standing for a minimum of 3 months and active, who are confirmed, and if married, did so in accordance with the Church's regulations, will be issued letters on request. One week prior notice is required.

New Parishioners: We welcome you warmly. Please register at the rectory office as soon as you arrive

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Saturday, May 25

Vigil: The Most Holy Trinity

4:00 PM - Marie Pinker - req. Donna Kane & Sons

Sunday, May 26 - The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 AM - Linda Valentin - reg. Rick & Patty Voltz

Monday, May 27 - (Memorial Day)

12:00 PM - Cemetery Mass - Honoring Veterans
Buried in Holy Cross Cemetery

Wednesday, May 29-

8:00 AM - Frances Pinto - req. Lammerhirt Family

Friday, May 31 - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM - Donald Mogavero, Sr. - Pat & Don Kirsch

Saturday, June 1 - St. Justin, martyr Vigil: Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

4:00 PM - Frances Pinto - req. Christine Burgin

Sunday, June 2 - The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

8:00 AM - Patty Latimore - req. Family

In your prayers, please pray for the deceased of the parish.

When a weekend Mass is celebrated in the intention of a loved one, please inform one of the ushers hat you would like to bring up the gifts in the offertory procession

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 26



1 DEUTERONOMY 4:32-34, 39-40 PSALM 33 ROMANS 8:14-17 MATTHEW 28:16-20

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 2

ACTS 2:1-11

PSALM 104 **CORINTHIANS** 12:3b - 7, 12-13 **JOHN** 20:19-23

A Vocation View

Next Saturday, Bishop Michael Fisher will ordain a new priest for our diocese! There's room for many more -- perhaps you? If God is inviting you to serve the Holy Trinity in a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at buffalovocations.org or 716-847-5535.



A Message from the Pastor

Solemnity of the Holy Trinity: Family of Love

This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next Sunday, however, are designated as solemnities, special

days that call our attention to the central mysteries of our faith. Last Sunday, we celebrated the sending of the Spirit, which sealed God's new covenant and made a new creation. In this new creation, we live in the family of God, who has revealed himself as a Trinity of love. We share in His divine nature through His Body and Blood. This is the meaning of the three feasts that cap the Easter season - Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, and Corpus Christi.

These feasts should be intimate reminders of how deeply God loves us, how He chose us, from before the foundation of the world, to be His children. Today's readings illuminate how all God's words and works were meant to prepare for the revelation of the Trinity and God's blessing in Jesus Christ; the blessing we inherited in Baptism and renew in each Eucharist.

By God's word the heavens and earth were filled with His kindness, we sing in today's Psalm. Out of love, God called Abraham and chose his descendants to be His own people, Moses says in today's First Reading. Through the Israelites, He revealed to the nations that He alone is Lord and there is no other. In Jesus, God's word took flesh as a son of Abraham. And Jesus reveals in the Gospel today that the one God is Father, Son, and Spirit, and that He desires to make all people His own.

As He led Israel out of Egypt, God freed us from slavery, Paul says in today's Second Reading. As He adopted Israel, He gives us the Spirit by which we can know Him as "Our Father." As God's heirs, we receive the commissions of Moses and Jesus today. We are to fix our hearts on Him, and to observe all that He has commanded. The Eucharist is His pledge: that He will be with us until the end, that He will deliver us from death to live forever in the promised land of His kingdom.

As we read this Gospel on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are reminded that this central mystery of faith is meant to be lived. As baptized Christians, we share in the life of the blessed Trinity and seek to invite others to share in God's love.

Choicest Blessings,

Fr. Tim

Healing Mass in May

A Healing Mass will take place Wednesday, May 29 at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church, 1032 Central Ave., Dunkirk.

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Pray For the Healing of the Sick

Diane Cooke, Eugene Frometa, Jane Granville,
Pauline Landes, Karen Schiavone,
Vigo Meyer, Linda Muscato, Anthony Genovese,
Dorothy Genovese, Lucille Zoda Galfo,
Joseph Schiavone, Marlene Petrie,
Antoinette Pinter, Kim Borkowski, Anna Geidel,
John Yerney, Mary Ann Hartzell, Evelyn Paradiso,
Carol Penski, Joyce Prisco, Angela Jones,
David Skoczylas, Doreen Miller, Mary Ann Barrett,
Karl Trembath, Kenny Drag.

Life in the Eucharist

As Catholics, we draw our strength and nourishment from the Eucharist Jesus made present to us every time we attend Holy Mass or Eucharistic Adoration.

Everyone is invited to *Life in the Eucharist* retreat. Attend one session or more to learn about the Eucharist and to be drawn into a deeper relationship with it. Registration forms can be found on the family website lakeshorecatholicfc or in the church vestibule. Please return the form to the parish office via mail or collection basket. Each session begins at 7:00 p.m. and lasts approximately 90 minutes Remaining sessions are May 29 - St. Mary of the Lake; June 5 - St. Anthony.

Sacred Heart Novena

Join the Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community in praying the novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus from May 30 through June7. Copies will be available in the church vestibule.

You are invited to Most Precious Blood from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m and to St. Mary of the Lake from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for First Friday Devotions and Consecration to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

In 1675 Jesus told St. Margaret Mary that He wanted the Feast of the Sacred Heart to be celebrated on the Friday after the Corpus Christi octave. In 1856 it became a universal feast. St. John Paul II, a great devotee to the Sacred Heart said, "This feast reminds us of the mystery of the love of God for the people of all times."

Split Club Drawing

The winner of the fourteenth drawing of the 2024 Spring Split Club (week of May 19) is **John Latimore** with ticket # 130.

Information regarding the Saturday, June 8 reception and final drawing event was mailed May 13 to all ticketholders. The RSVP date is May 24. Please inform the office IF you will attend. Call Pat at the Rectory Office (716-549-0420, ext. 102).

Road to Renewal

The Holiday this Weekend was established as a remembrance for those who died in service to their Country. Rightly, I think it has become a commemoration of those who have served and now have died. But most important, it is that we do take a moment in prayer to our God for the courage, example and the people who, by their life, have given us this opportunity.

As today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, Saint Thomas Aquinas reminds us of the Trinity's role in our life, "The Father loves not only the Son but also himself and us, by the Holy Ghost." The Trinity allows God to bestow His love onto us as well as our bestowing our love to God and neighbor. For our discernment and understanding of the Spirit in our soul is vital to our growing and deepening relationship with God. Saint Seraphim of Sarov writes, "In spite of our sinfulness, in spite of the darkness surrounding our souls, the grace of the Holy Spirit, conferred by baptism in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, still shines in our hearts with the inextinguishable light of Christ ..."

This coming Tuesday, our Family Pastoral Council will meet to discuss the proposals from our pillars that were diligently prepared this month. Our focus will be on our Offices at our Hub, our Discipleship Department, and furthering our Liturgical Celebrations. The other pillars' continued meetings, working on unity as a family of parishes, will be addressed at our future meetings.

We are trying to include all the Family information similarly in the individual Bulletins until we can make one Bulletin for all; we are working through some legal issues on our one Family Website; and our family app should be up and running very soon. This centralized location of information will give parishioners access to all of our parishes' information as well as a form of communication to disseminate information quickly. The app will be free to download on iOS and Android devices.

Take time in your prayers to recall the joy and grace of your baptism, to recall the people and moments that have made us who we are. And allow God to use that joy and solemnity to move our hearts with love and affection for all of those we encounter and share the love of our Triune God.

Choicest Blessings,

Fr. Tím

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MPB Calendar

Saturday, May 25

4:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, May 26

8:00 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Monday, May 27

12:00 Noon - Memorial Day Cemetery Mass

Tuesday, May 28

5:30 p.m. - Reconciliation - Chapel

Wednesday, May 29

8:30 a.m. - Holy Hour (Following Mass) - Chapel

Saturday, June 1

4:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 2

8:00 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Monday, June 3

7:00 p.m. - Parish Council - Annex



Memorial Day At Holy Cross Cemetery

Whenever Memorial Day approaches, many thoughts turn to renewing and beautifying grave sites with flowers and adornments for the purpose of honoring loved ones.

This weekend, May 25 & 26, is the annual collection for the maintenance of Holy Cross Cemetery. Please consider the current needs at the cemetery and how you can help the parish meet the increasing costs. Your generous contribution will be deeply appreciated.

Memorial Day is Monday, May 27. Mass on that day will be celebrated at Holy Cross Cemetery at Noon. Traditionally, all veterans buried at the cemetery are remembered at this Mass. Their names are read aloud to honor them and their special service to the nation. (In March 2021, interments at the cemetery numbered 2,427 of which 362 were U. S. veterans.)

All who plan to attend are advised to bring lawn chairs. In case of rain, Mass will be celebrated in the church.

Chicken BBQ at St. Paul's

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 930 Lake St., Angola will have a Chicken Barbecue Saturday, June 1 from 11:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

The dine-in or take-out menu includes chicken, beans, coleslaw, roll and dessert. The price is \$15.



May 19, 2024

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ACH	\$360.00
The Church in Latin America	\$152.00

Thank you for your support.

'Music in the Garden' in Lake View

Everyone is invited to "Music in the Garden" Thursday, June 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish prayer garden of St. John Paul II. The evening will feature Tom Stahl and the Dangerfields.

Those planning to attend are asked to bring a lawn chair and their own refreshments. A free-will offering will be taken during the evening.

The church is located at 2053 Lakeview Rd., Lake View. For more information, call 716-627-2910.

Singles Get-Together Planned

If you are single within the ages of 21 to 35, you are invited to a "Single's Mingle" Sunday, June 22 at 2:00 p.m. at Sad Boy's Brewing, 567 Exchange St, Buffalo.

Contact Rosalie Constable for more information and to RSVP by June 20 (rosaliecon15@gmail.com).

Trip to Pirates Game

The Holy Name Society of St. John Paul II Parish will sponsor a trip to Pittsburgh for a Pirates baseball game Saturday, June 22. The trip is open to members of parishes in the Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community.

The time of departure from the Hamburg church is 11:30 a.m. and the return trip directly follows the game. The cost of the trip and attending the game is \$100 per person. The Holy Name Society will provide snacks and refreshments for the journey. Because space is limited, reserve soon by contacting Jonathan Molik at 716-627-2910.

June 1 & 2	MPB Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors
4:00 p.m.	J. Sack, F. Dybdahl, N. Preischel	P. Pinto
8:00 a.m.	K. Wells, J. Barone, S. Vail	J. Sedor