

# Blessed Trinity Parish

## Roman Catholic Church

Greenfield, Massachusetts

Third Sunday of Advent — December 14, 2025



### Schedule of Holy Mass

Lord's Day Vigil— Saturday 4 pm  
Lord's Day—Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am, & 11 am

#### Weekday Daily Mass Schedule

M - T - Th - F 8:30 am  
Wed. 12:05 pm & 6 pm

First Saturday - 8 am  
Holy Day Vigil - 6 pm  
Holy Day - 8:30 am, 12:05 pm, & 6 pm

*"Just as the living Father sent Me  
and I have life because of the Father,  
so also the one who feeds on Me  
will have life because of Me."*

Jn 6:57

### Our Churches & Sacred Spaces

#### Blessed Sacrament Church

221 Federal Street

Mass: Saturday - 4 pm | Sunday -11 am  
Monday & Tuesday 8:30 am | Wed - 6 pm  
Holy Day Vigil: 6 pm | Holy Day: 8:30 am

#### Holy Trinity Church

135 Main Street

Mass: Sunday - 8 am & 9:30 am  
Wed—12:05 pm | Thursday & Friday 8:30 am  
Holy Day: 12:05 pm & 6 pm

#### Calvary Cemetery

Wisdom Way  
First Burial recorded 1792

#### Beacon of Light Preschool

14 Beacon Street  
Founded 2025

#### Adoration Chapel

221 Federal Street  
Daily 6:00am - 10:00pm

[www.blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](http://www.blessedtrinitygreenfield.org)

*All are Invited & Welcome to Join Us!*

We are a diverse Catholic Community of Greenfield which shares a faith in Jesus Christ, is nourished at the table of the Eucharist, celebrates life-giving and healing Sacraments, tries to live the Beatitudes, and reaches out in service, together. Please join us on this journey of life and faith!

### **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

Grant Your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet Your Christ with righteous deeds at His coming, so that, gathered at His right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly kingdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. — Amen



### **PASTORAL CENTER & PARISH OFFICES.**

14 Beacon Street. Greenfield, MA 01301

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##### **PASTORAL CENTER HALL** (14 Beacon St)

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Deacon John Leary, Coordinator  
Hours available and Coverage Requested

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Arrangements for burial can be made through the Parish Office.

For More Information and to Reserve our Spaces:  
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**Welcome!** *New Parishioners & Guests.*

**Thank you for joining us today! We are so glad you are here! We are eager to meet you & invite you to learn more about our parish and register at the Parish Office.**

## Thoughts from the Pastor's Desk ...



Dear friends of Blessed Trinity,  
Happy Gaudete Sunday!

*Gaudete* means “to rejoice” in the language of the Church and its liturgy, so today we raise our voices in joy! Marking this weekend the Third Sunday of Advent, the joy of our hope becomes palpable, yes in our words and our ornamentation at Holy Mass, but most especially in the readings of Sacred Scripture.

We hear of glad tidings, everlasting joy, and good news proclaimed. The desert and the parched land will exult. The coming of the Lord is at hand. Yes, dear friends, we are invited to experience the deep and abiding joy of our hope fulfilled in the birth of the Christchild.

This joy can be all the more palpable as we practice the good counsel of the readings.



“Do not complain, brothers and sisters, about one another, that you may not be judged” (Jm 5:9) and “Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, He comes with vindication; with divine recompense He comes to save you”. As we receive these instructions and open our hearts and minds to God’s will, we will experience all the more the depth and richness of true joy.

Let us put aside the false temptations that clang for our attention and rather listen well to the words of Sacred Scripture: “*Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord*”!

*Most Holy Trinity, I adore You!*

*My God, I love you in the Most Blessed Sacrament!*

**Fr. Pierz**



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(Vacant)

OCIA | Bible Studies | Adult Confirmation  
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*Food Pantry*: Sat. 9a– 12p | Tue. 12p-3 p | Thur. 3p-6p  
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Pregnancy Tests | Counseling | Post Abortion Support

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# OUR FAITH.

## OUR SACRAMENTS.

### EUCARIST:

**LORD'S DAY MASS** Saturday 4:00 pm (BSC) | Sunday 8:00 am (HTC), 9:30 am (HTC), 11:00 am (BSC)

**WEEKDAY MASS** Mon & Tues 8:30 am (BSC) | Wed 12:05 pm (HTC) & 6 pm (PAC) | Thurs & Fri 8:30 am (HTC)

**ADORATION** Present in our **Adoration Chapel (PAC)** | Daily 6:00am - 10:00pm

**CONFESION:** Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm | Wednesday, 5-5:45pm | or by appointment.

**BAPTISM:** Please contact the Parish Office to schedule Baptism preparation, review sponsor eligibility, and plan celebration of the sacrament. Typically celebrated within 8 weeks of birth. Ceremony may be private or during our Sunday Masses.

**MARRIAGE:** Please contact the Parish Office at least 9 months in advance to enroll in marriage preparation classes and plan liturgy arrangements.

**CONFIRMATION:** Typically takes place through our Religious Education program. If you are an adult and have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact the Parish Office.

**HOLY ORDERS:** Have you ever been inspired of a vocation to the priesthood or religious life? Please speak with Fr. Pierz or call the Parish Office.

**ANointing of the Sick:** Available during pastoral visit, Sacrament of Confession, or by appointment.

**Order of Christian Initiation for Adults:** Seeking to receive all your sacraments and enter full communion with the Catholic Church? Please contact the Parish Office to learn how to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation.

## RESPECT LIFE

### Prayer & Action

#### PRAY

Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be

#### REFLECT

The Advent season is a time in which the Church invites us to prepare our hearts and minds for the second coming of Christ and the memorial of Jesus' birth at Christmas. During this season of preparation, we can ponder the preparations Mary and Joseph were making to welcome the Infant Jesus. The Holy Family found themselves on a journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem when they took refuge in a humble manger and welcomed the Son of God. The Newborn King did not arrive in a palace of riches, but in poverty and simplicity among the livestock.

Today, mothers in our communities find themselves in similar circumstances, unexpectedly pregnant and facing many challenges. Like the Holy Family, they are in great need and in search of a place of refuge to bring their child into the world. They may find themselves alone, scared, and overwhelmed, not knowing where to turn for help and dependent on the kindness and service of others.

The story of the first Christmas should remind us of our call to care for mothers and their children when they are in their hour of need. In assisting a mother to prepare for the birth of her child, we share in a profound way in preparing for the coming of Christ. In such an act of loving support and encouragement, we recall those who came to aid of the Holy Family and ultimately beheld the Son of God. In helping mothers to welcome their children we can help them to encounter the joy, hope, and peace offered through the advent of the Infant Jesus, seeing in their child, the face of God himself.

#### ACT (CHOOSE ONE)

- On December 8, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Offer Pope Francis' [Prayer for the Immaculate Conception](#) for this month's intention.
- Contact your local pregnancy resource center or diocesan/parish pregnancy support ministry. Ask about ways you can help, such as volunteering or donating baby items.
- Offer some other sacrifice or prayer that you feel called to do for this month's intention.

May the advent  
of the infant  
Jesus bring  
expectant  
mothers joy,  
hope, and peace.



# OUR FAITH.

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*“Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”* Matthew 11:11

Imagine having these words, spoken by our Lord, being spoken about you. But, in fact, they are! You are among the “least in the kingdom of heaven” when you share in the grace of Christ and remain a member of His glorious Kingdom. And for that reason, your true greatness must be understood and rejoiced in.



At the time that John lived, the gates of Heaven had not yet been opened to fallen humanity. Jesus had not yet died, risen and ascended into Heaven so as to then pour forth the Holy Spirit upon the Church, inviting us to share in His glorious Kingdom. But today, we are blessed to be invited not only to Heaven when we die in a state of grace, we are also invited to share in the glories of the Kingdom of Heaven here and now, as we journey through life.

One clear message that our Lord is speaking in the line above is that those who are now enjoying the fullness of Heaven, seeing God face-to-face, are great indeed. But another clear message from our Lord is that this greatness can begin to be lived now, as we journey through life.

Too often we take up our identity in many meaningless things. We seek “greatness” through our personal and selfish achievements, our abilities, looks, financial status, and the like. But none of these things makes us truly great. Greatness is found solely in being a member of the Body of Christ, the Church, and thus being a member of God’s Kingdom.

Today we are given the shining example of Saint John the Baptist. And as we ponder his life, we must also ponder his preaching. The central messages of his preaching were twofold. First, he called everyone to repentance for their sins. This message must ring true in our lives today just as it did in the days of John’s preaching. But his second primary message was to point us to Christ. Jesus was the exclusive purpose of St. John’s life, and his preaching concluded by pointing his followers to our Lord.

Reflect, today, upon the fact that Saint John the Baptist continues to send forth his message today to you. As we approach the glorious Christmas season, prepare yourself more fully by taking time to examine the sin with which you struggle. Acknowledge it with humility and honesty. From there, turn your eyes to Jesus, the source of mercy and forgiveness, and hear Him inviting you to the greatness to which you are called. As you put your eyes on Him, allow Him to draw you more fully into His Kingdom now, today, so that you, as a least one of the Kingdom of Heaven, will understand and live out the greatness of a son or daughter of God.

*My glorious King, You sent to us Saint John the Baptist to preach repentance and to call us to Yourself. Open my mind and heart, dear Lord, to the message John spoke and help me to more fully heed his words so as to share in the greatness of life to which I am called. Jesus, I trust in You.*

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# OUR FAITH.

## A HISTORY OF THE NATIVITY

“The nativity scene is like a living Gospel rising up from the pages of sacred Scripture.” – Pope Francis’ Apostolic Letter, *Admirabile Signum*, “On the meaning and importance of the Nativity scene”, 2019

As Catholics, nativity scenes, or creches, fill us with wonder and move us deeply. Why? Perhaps because, in the words of Pope Francis, “they show God’s tender love: the Creator of the universe lowered himself to take up our littleness.”

It is a time-honored tradition in our households to carefully unwrap all the figures each year and then thoughtfully arrange them. Many families wait to put the infant Jesus in the manger until Christmas, or at least until after the Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve. Although setting up the creche is something we do every year during Advent, we eagerly await the time when we can see the faces of the Holy Family and the Magi again on our figurines, and arrange the animals just right around the infant Jesus to pay him homage.

## THE ROLE OF ST. FRANCIS

Although this is a tradition that dates back centuries, you may not have realized that St. Francis of Assisi played a big role in helping to spread the popularity of nativity scenes throughout Europe. According to Tradition and the writings of St. Bonaventure, in the year 1223, St. Francis wanted to celebrate Christmas in a new way in the town of Greccio (near Assisi), such that people could picture themselves in that scene on the first Christmas night.

On Dec. 25 of that year, St. Bonaventure wrote: “St. Francis prepared a manger, and brought hay, and an ox and an ass to the place appointed. The brethren were summoned, the people ran together, the forest resounded with their voices, and that venerable night was made glorious by many and brilliant lights and sonorous psalms of praise.” At Greccio there were no statues; the nativity scene was enacted and experienced by all who were present.



## THE EARLIEST NATIVITY SCENES

Although living re-enactments became popular after that 13th-century Christmas night, carved or painted nativity scenes had been around since the early days of Christianity. The earliest nativity scene is a fresco in a catacomb of St. Valentine in Rome, dated from the fourth century, which included Jesus, Mary, Joseph, the Magi and a star. The first-known nativity scene with carved figurines dates from the 13th century and can be found in the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome.

## TRADITIONS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

**France:** French creche scenes often include *santons*, or “little saints,” which are hand-painted terracotta figurines that represent villagers.



**Poland:** Polish nativity scenes, called *Szopka*, are very colorful and focus on distinctive architecture such as baroque domes and Gothic spires.

**Korea:** A Korean nativity scene may include Jesus being welcomed by a magpie bird singing in a tree. Clothing for all the figures is traditional Korean.

**Germany/Austria:** Creche scenes in Germany/Austria are known for hand-cut rounded wooden figures.

**Czech Republic:** Traditional Czech creches are made of paper and yet are very detailed. ([gidiocese.org](http://gidiocese.org))

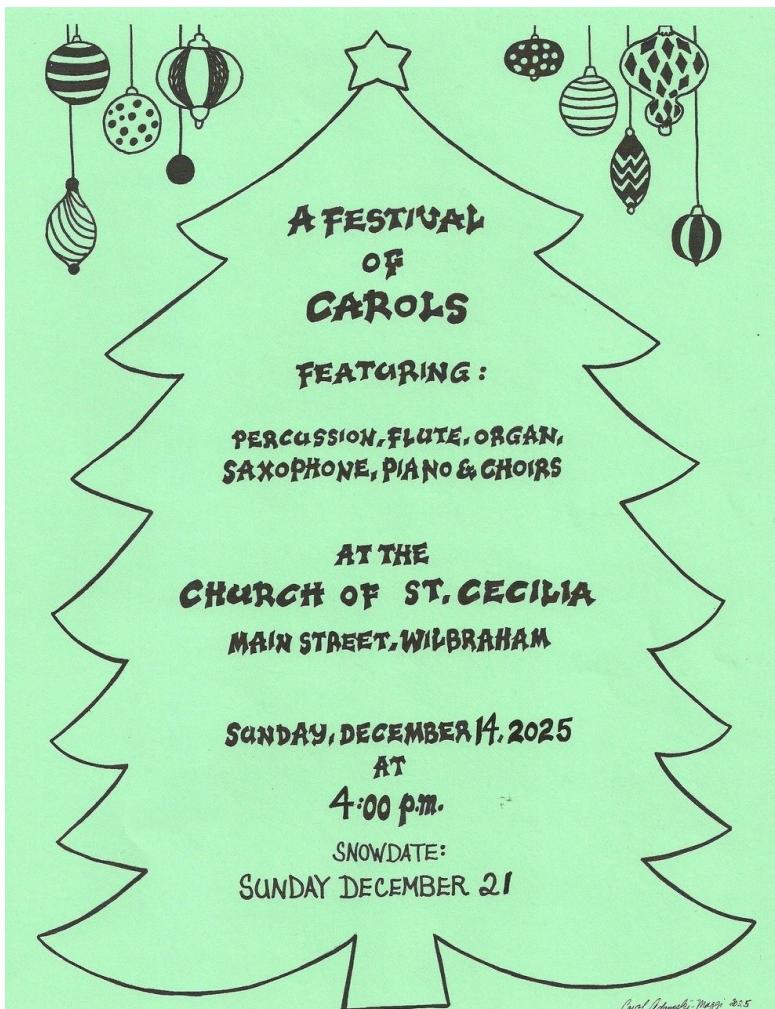


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# OUR DIOCESE.



## SONGS TO LIFT YOUR CHRISTMAS SPIRIT CONCERT



A concert of "Songs To Lift Your Christmas Spirit" will be performed on Sunday, December 14th, at 3:00pm at St Catherine of Siena Parish Center, 1023 Parker Street, Springfield.

Please come and sing along with choir members Loretta Gumlaw and Lou Scungio and Steve Moser (organist) on keyboard. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and are available at all weekend Masses or by contacting Judy Lloyd at 413-657-4756 or by emailing [judyraelloyd@gmail.com](mailto:judyraelloyd@gmail.com). Thank you and enjoy the show.

## PICTURES FROM THE CRECHE OPENING ON THE TOWN COMMON.



Thank you to all who joined together on the Greenfield Town Common for the Annual Creche opening this year. There was a Gospel reading, carols, and a short prayer offered.



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# OUR YOUTH.

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## RELIGIOUS ED. SCHEDULE: DECEMBER

### DEDICATED TO THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

December 14 — All Classes

December 21 — No Classes

December 28 — No Classes

Christmas Break Dec 21 & 28

Religious Education takes place Sundays,  
9:45-10:45am in our Pastoral Center.

**Parents**—Please join us each week while your students are enjoying their Religious Ed Class for coffee & pastries.

## GAUDETE SUNDAY.

Gaudete Sunday (pronounced gow-DET-eh) is a special day in the Christian calendar. It is the third Sunday of Advent, which is the time leading up to Christmas. Many Christian churches celebrate it, including the Roman Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion, and Lutheran Churches. This Sunday can happen between December 11th and December 17th.

### WHAT DOES "GAUDETE" MEAN?

The name "Gaudete" comes from a Latin word that means "Rejoice!" or "Be joyful!" This word is the very first word of a special song, called an Introit, sung during the church service on this day.

The song begins with these words: "Gaudete in Domino semper: iterum dico, gaudete." This means: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice!" These words come from the Bible, specifically from the Book of Philippians (Chapter 4, verses 4-6). They remind everyone to be happy because Christmas and the coming of Jesus are very near.

### WHY IS GAUDETE SUNDAY SPECIAL?

Advent used to be a time of fasting, similar to Lent, which is a period of serious reflection before Easter. It was a time for preparing for Christmas. Over time, Advent became shorter, lasting four weeks.

Gaudete Sunday is like a happy break in the middle of Advent. It's similar to Laetare Sunday during Lent. It reminds people that even though Advent is a time of preparation, there's also great joy because Jesus is coming. The church services on this day focus on happiness and gladness, showing that the promised good news is very close.

### WHAT IS THE THEME OF GAUDETE SUNDAY?

Advent is about thinking of Jesus coming in three ways:

- ♦ His **first coming** as a baby at Christmas.
- ♦ His presence in our lives **today**.
- ♦ His **future coming** at the end of time.

On Gaudete Sunday, the main idea is to "rejoice in the Lord." It's about Christian joy. The readings often talk about John the Baptist, who prepared the way for Jesus.

Pope Francis, the leader of the Catholic Church, once said that Gaudete Sunday is about being thankful for all the good things in life. He encouraged people not to worry about what they haven't done for Christmas yet, but to focus on joy.

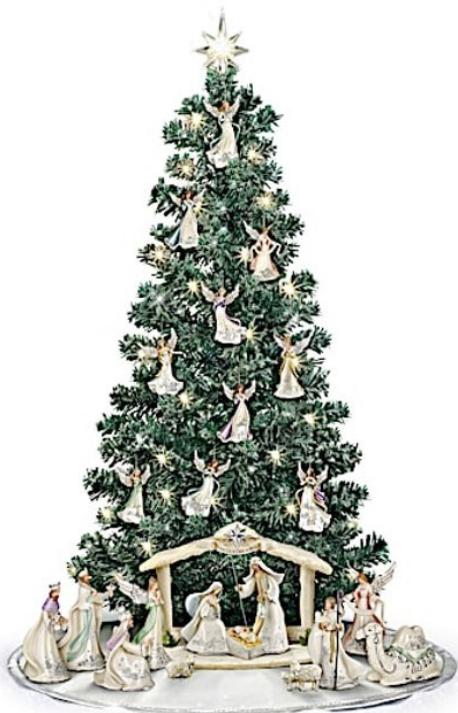


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# OUR PARISH.



## CHRISTMAS TREE BLESSINGS

**ON CHRISTMAS EVE**

10am-2pm

Email Father John to schedule:  
[j.williams@diospringfield.org](mailto:j.williams@diospringfield.org)

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### PRAYER CHAINS.

Please contact us with your petition. Our Parish Prayer Chains are available to all. Call or email the Parish Office.



### STEWARSHIP & ESTATE PLANNING.

*No more shall people call you "Forsaken", or your land "Desolate", but you shall be called "My Delight," and your land "Espoused."*

*For the **Lord** delights in you and makes your land his spouse.*  
(Is 62:4)

Please kindly remember *Blessed Trinity Parish Greenfield, MA* as a Beneficiary in your Estate Planning and Financial Decision-Making.

**The Light is ON  for You.**  
*Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Every Monday in Advent  
7:00-9:00pm

Blessed Sacrament Church  
221 Federal St

If you do nothing else before Advent, go to Confession. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is not a burden—it is the embrace of God Who runs to meet us. What better way to begin a season focused on Christ's arrival than by clearing out the noise, guilt, sin, and heaviness that keep us from Him?

**No matter how long it has been, this is the perfect moment.**



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# OUR PARISH.

**DECEMBER 14 – DECEMBER 27**

**BSC SANCTUARY CANDLE:** (Available)

**HTC SANCTUARY CANDLE:** is burning for Peace by Steve & Kathy Melnik.

**ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES**

1. is burning for Our Sick & Homebound, that they find Peace and Joy this Advent.

2. is burning for Health & Healing for John Whitney.

3. is burning for Renewed Faith in our community of Franklin County.

4. is burning for Clergy as we begin a new church year.

Sanctuary Candles: \$15 | Chapel Candles: \$25

*If you would like to burn a candle or donate flowers for a special occasion, in memory or honor of a loved one, or other intention, Call or visit the Parish Office at 773.3311*

**Please Consider Donating.**

December: Hats & Mittens  
for our Food Pantry



Containers available for donated items at the entrances of each church. **Thank You!**

**BLANKET & WARM CLOTHES DRIVE.**



To benefit local community members at our Community Meal, a blanket and warm clothing drive is being conducted by the **Knights of Columbus**

through March. If you would like to donate, please leave the blankets and clothing in the containers by the doors of either church. For more information contact Lou Grader or Jay Dillon at 413.773.3311

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**DECEMBER 14, 2025**

Give eternal life, O Lord, to all our beloved dead. May they rest in peace! We remember in our prayers:

**DIANE MUSZYNSKI | KATHLEEN HAMMOND**

**WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 7, 2025**

*“Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father”*

Envelopes      Online

Weekly Collection:      \$ 9063.50      \$1537

Fuel/Energy Collection:      \$ 425      \$106

Maintenance Collection:      \$20      \$61

Second Collection

Religious Retirement Fund:      \$1049      \$0

*“May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of His Holy Church.”*

**Those whose hearts are pure are temples of the Holy Spirit.**

Saint Lucy

**MITTEN TREES.**

These special trees will be placed at the entrances of both of our churches starting on December 1st. We will be collecting hats, scarves, mittens, gloves & socks to be donated through December 31st.

These items will be donated to those in need throughout our community of Franklin County.



Sponsored by our **Pastoral Ministry to the Homeless, Poor, & Hungry.**



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# OUR PARISH.



## Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, December 13 — FATHER ROUX  
*SAINT LUCY, VIRGIN & MARTYR*  
4:00 BSC DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE GROGAN FAMILY

SUNDAY, December 14 — BISHOP BYRNE  
*THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT*  
8:00 HTC THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
9:30 HTC ANTHONY PREGONY, JR. † — by his Wife & Sons  
11:00 BSC YVONNE JUBB † — by Cheryl Jubb

MONDAY, December 15 — FATHER O'MANNION  
8:30 BSC CLINTON HANSON † — by the Family

TUESDAY, December 16 — CLERGY IN PURGATORY  
8:30 BSC MARTIN LEO & FRANCES B. COYNE †

WEDNESDAY, December 17 — FATHER NORMAN  
12:05 HTC RUTH GEORGE & PAUL GRIGAT † — by the Family  
6:00 PAC JIM HANNIGAN † — by Donald & Betsy

THURSDAY, December 18 — MONSIGNOR YARGEAU  
8:30 HTC THE ROACH & MOST FAMILY — by Barbara Most

FRIDAY, December 19 — FATHER BOMBARDIER  
8:30 HTC HEALING & DELIVERANCE FOR MARK ST. PETER — by Suky Wong

SATURDAY, December 20 — FATHER WILLIAMS  
4:00 BSC THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUNDAY, December 21 — FATHER ROACH  
*FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT*  
8:00 HTC ALICE SEAMAN — by the Filiault Family  
9:30 HTC GEORGE F. NOLAN † — by the Nolan Family  
11:00 BSC ALICE WHITCOMB † — by the Family

## This Week at Blessed Trinity Parish

**SATURDAY December 13**

9-12:00pm Food Pantry Open—Pastoral Center  
2:30 pm—3:30 pm Confession (BSC)  
4:00 pm Mass (BSC)

**SUNDAY December 14**

8:00 am Mass (HTC)  
9:30 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-mins prior  
9:45 am CCD Classes—Pastoral Center  
10:20 am Rosary before Mass  
11:00 am Mass (BSC)

**MONDAY December 15**

8:30 am Mass (BSC)  
12:05 pm Mass (HTC)  
6:00 pm Mass (HTC)  
6:30 pm Pastoral Ministry to the Homeless, Poor, & Hungry—Conference Room  
6:30 pm Roses for Mary - (PAC)  
7-9:00 pm Confession (BSC)

**TUESDAY December 16**

8:30 am Mass (BSC)  
12-3:00 pm Food Pantry Open—Pastoral Center  
6:00 pm OCIA—Conference Room

**WEDNESDAY December 17**

11:30 am Most Holy Rosary (HTC)  
12:05 pm Mass (HTC)  
5:00-5:45 pm Confession (BSC)  
5:30-6 pm Liturgy of the Hours - (PAC)  
6:00 pm Mass (PAC)

**THURSDAY December 18**

8:30 am Mass (HTC)  
3-6:00 pm Food Pantry Open—Pastoral Center  
4:00 pm Faith Formation —Conference Room  
5-6:00 pm Community Meal—Father Casey Hall

**FRIDAY December 19**

8:30 am Mass (HTC)

**SATURDAY December 20**

9-12:00pm Food Pantry Open—Pastoral Center  
2:30 pm—3:30 pm Confession (BSC)  
4:00 pm Mass (BSC)

**SUNDAY December 21**

8:00 am Mass (HTC)  
9:30 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-mins prior  
10:20 am Rosary before Mass  
11:00 am Mass (BSC)



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