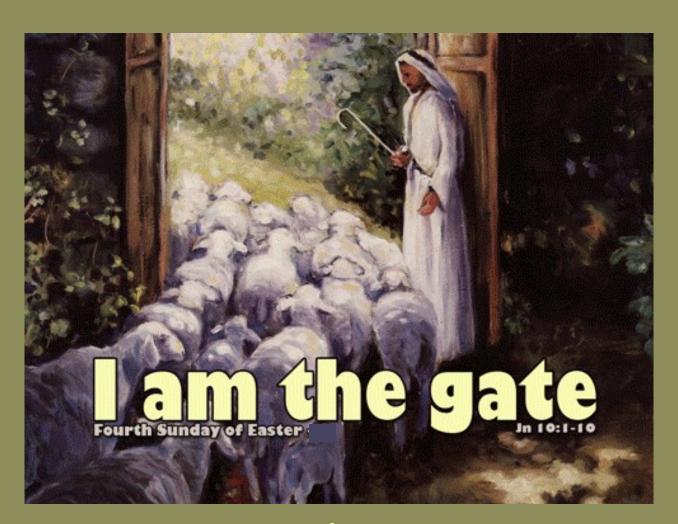
# Blessed Trinity Catholic Church May 3, 2020



# Yo soy la Puerta

During the Covid-19 Pandemic our Church is closed The following Masses will be Livestreamed

> Vigil Mass 5:00 PM (English) Sunday 10:30 AM (English) 12:30 PM (Spanish)

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# **Parish**

<u>Pastoral Staff</u> Fr. José N. Alfaro, Pastor

Fr. Pawel Duda, Parochial Vicar

Dennis Jordan, José Alemán, Javier Inda and Ernesto Sosa Deacons

> Olga Venegas Religious Education

Maria Teresa Perez
Director of Development and
Institutional Advancement

**Parish Office Hours** 

Monday – Friday: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Saturday: CLOSED Sunday: 9 am – 2 pm

reception@blessed-trinity.org Phone: 305-871-5780

Parish Mission
Bring Christ to All

# **School**

Pre-K2 through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

**School Office Hours** 

7:30 am - 3:30 pm

btschool@blessed-trinity.org Phone: 305-871-5766

> Mrs. Deborah Ayash Interim Principal

#### **School Mission**

"Blessed Trinity Catholic School's mission is to witness and nurture the transforming power of the teachings of Christ through academic excellence and servant discipleship"



- Bring Christ to All -



#### Baptisms / Bautizos

ENGLISH: First Sunday of every month @ 2PM ESPAÑOL: Segundo domingo del mes @ 2PM

Baptismal Preparation classes:

ENGLISH: First Thursday of every month @ 7PM ESPAÑOL: Segundo jueves de cada mes @ 7PM

<u>Communion and Confirmation</u> require 2 years of preparation in order to receive the Sacrament.

La Primera Comunión y Confirmación requieren 2 años de preparación para recibir el sacramento.

<u>Holy Matrimony</u> - A date cannot be set until all requirements are met. You should schedule to meet with our priest at least 8—10 months prior to expected wedding date.

No se puede establecer una fecha hasta que se cumplan todos los requisitos. Usted debe hacer cita con el sacerdote por lo menos 8–10 meses antes de su boda.

Annointing of the Sick / Unción de los enfermos Anyone who is ill, anticipating surgery, or undergoing medical testing is encouraged to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Cualquier persona que esté enferma, anticipando una cirugia, o sometiendose a pruebas médicas, puede recibir el Sacramento de la Unción de los enfermos.

Communion to the Sick / Comunion a los enfermos

If you are homebound for any reason and would like to receive communion, please call the parish office so we can arrange for a minister to come to you.

Si no puede asistir a Misa y necesita que le traigan la Comunion, por favor llame a la oficina para que le manden un ministro.

		INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
Saturday, May 2 -Vigil	5:00 PM	7th SAAM Anniversary	Candy Hertsch
Miami Airport Chapel	7:00 PM	For all travelers	Parish Priests & Deacons
Sunday, May 3	8:30 AM	†Jose Manuel Merediz	His Mother
	10:30 AM	People of the Parish	Parish Priests & Deacons
		†Vicente y Andres Balbás Delia Perez - Su salud †Maria Elvira Lopez †Maria G. Miranda	Familia Hoffmann Balbás Fr. Alfaro Veciana & Coton families Sandra Herrera
	5:30 PM	†Angela Riu	Diaz family
Monday, May 4	7:30 AM	†Gene Escanaverino †Evangelina Herrera Vidal †Carol Snoke	VanArman family Her daughter Scarcello family
Tuesday, May 5		†Ronald Hernandez Gilberto Florez & family - healing Jesus & Algeisa Vazquez 59th Wedding Anniversary	Maria Hernandez Fr. Alfaro Their family
Wednesday, May 6		Bill Blaha - health & healing Hermes Hernandez - health & healing	Emmaus Brothers Emmaus Brothers
Thursday, May 7	7:30 AM	The Bruener & Wolff families' intentions †Carol Snoke	BT 5th grade CCD Class BT 5th grade CCD Class
Friday, May 8	7:30 AM	†John McWhorter †Shirley Coleman	His family Her family
Saturday, May 9		Kamila J. Labrada - blessings on her birth All BT Altar Servers past & present Lumbreras family - safe delivery & peace & health	Her family The Parish Fr. Alfaro
Vigil	5:00 PM	For all the Mothers of the Parish	Parish Priests & Deacons
Miami Airport Chapel	7:00 PM	For all travelers	Parish Priests & Deacons
Sunday, May 10	8:30 AM	For all the Mothers of the Parish	Parish Priests & Deacons
	10:30 AM	People of the Parish	Parish Priests & Deacons
	12:30 PM	Por todas las Madres de la Parroquia	Sacerdotes y Diaconos
	5:30 PM	For all the Mothers of the Parish	Parish Priests & Deacons



#### PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

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Thank you! Gracias!



# Mother's Day Sunday, May 10th.

Honor your mother with this beautiful Mother's Day Card.

We invite you to join us in offering a spiritual bouquet to Our Blessed Mother, seeking her intercession and thanking her for her maternal, loving care. Share with us your prayer intentions to be entrusted to Our Lady.

Spiritual Bouquet Mass envelopes and Mother's Day cards are available in the parish office.

# A praying Community

# Please keep all of these intentions in your daily prayers:

#### For our Pastor's Intentions:

- \* For the sick and suffering of the parish; for those mourning the death of a loved one.
- \* For our young parish missionary disciples and for the formation of a young adult group at Blessed Trinity.
- \* For everyone affected by the Coronavirus and that we find a cure for it.

#### For our Parish Intentions:

- \* For a renewed sense of evangelization among our parishioners so that our mission, to Bring Christ to all, may be fulfilled.
- \* For the young adults to recognize the importance of receiving the sacrament of matrimony and having Christ as the center of their union.
- \* For couples preparing to receive the sacrament of matrimony, and for those recently married. May their union with Christ continue to bless their lives.

For the Pope's Intentions: We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

For the sick and elderly of the parish, Bill B., Joan A., Zach K., Anthony P., Hermes H., Angela G., Larry K., Gladys P., Xonia G. Jakey, Lola, Raphael N. and Gisela G, Deborah R.

For the eternal repose of the recently deceased members of our parish especially all the victims of the Coronavirus.

# Daily Mass Readings

#### FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER

4 Mon white Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:11-18 5 Tue Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30 6 Wed Acts 12:24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50 7 Thu Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20 8 Fri Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6 9 Sat Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14

Remember during this Covid-19 time we will be Livestreaming our Masses:

Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

Saturday Vigil—5 PM Sunday 10:30 AM and 12:30 PM

Join us on YouTube: www.youtube.com/channel/

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#### We Miss you!



#### Xtra! Xtra!

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It is important during this difficult time of "Social Distancing", that we stay in contact, we still need each other and need to keep our momentum and hope on our mission of Bringing Christ to All.

We encourage our Ministries to stay in contact with each other and hold your meetings via online presence, whether with Zoom, Skype, Facetime or telephone calls.

Keep your group members involved!

Es importante durante este momento difícil de "distanciamiento social", que nos mantegamos en contacto, todavía nos necesitamos los unos a los otros y debemos mantener nuestro impulso y esperanza en nuestra misión de llevar a Cristo a todos.

Animense a manterer nuestros Ministerios en contacto entre si y celebren sus reunions a traves de presencia en linea, ya sea con Zoom, Skype, Facetime o llamadas telefónicas.

Mantengan a sus grupos informados!





Compssionate and Loving Father, In the face of confusion and concern, impart to us the calm of your presence.

In You allow us to find hope and healing.

Be with those who serve the sick and give them your caring hands, Be with those who lead and give them your spirit of wisdom, Be with those who have fallen ill and give them your comforting heart.

Wrap your arms around our world and hold us in Your love. Allow us this time of trial to then serve as instruments of that love toall we meet. We ask this in Your Name. Amen

#### **Answers from the Archbishop**

Many questions have been asked regarding our church services and how they will be handled once we are open once again. Here are a few answers from our Archbishop.

Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties are the epicenter of the pandemic here in Florida. These three counties account for about 50% of infections and deaths due to COVID-19. The number of infections has not reached its "apex" yet but, perhaps it will soon. Apparently social distancing has helped to flatten the curve. However, flattening the curve does not mean the corona virus will disappear, It does mean, however, preventing our hospitals from being overwhelmed by a surge in infections.

While we wait for a vaccine, social distancing will be a part of our new normal. As we prepare for that day when our churches can reopen for worship with our parishioners in attendance, several things will have to be considered and weighed seriously.

Once church services are restored there are many questions that will need to be answered. Would we need to take each congregant's temperature before admitting them into the church? If we must keep social distancing, six feet apart, what do we do with the oveflow? Do we only admit a certain amount of parishioners who RSVP confirming attendance? Would everyone need to wear a ask? Would priest's and others distributing holy communion be required, for the protection of all, to wear a mask and gloves at distribution? Would the pews have to be sanitized after each mass?

As mentioned above, these are difficult hurdles for us to navigate as we emerge on the other side of this crisis. We will be seeking to answer them all in the safety and best interest of all. Here are a few answers to some questions we have received.

#### Why are the church doors locked?

Church doors were locked for safety reasons, even prior to the pandemic.

#### Can we have parking lot masses, like other places?

Other places are not the epicenter of the virus outbreak in Florida as Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach are. "Stay at home" mandates have discouraged any event that would gather large numbers of people. Since civil authorities have urged citizens to stay at home, it would be imprudent for us to encourage large gatherings, at least umtil we are on the other side of the curve and the mandates are relaxed or lifted.

#### Are funerals forbidden?

They are not. Parishes are having funerals during this time--with restrictions on number of attendees. The same is applicable to weddings.

#### UNITED AS ONE

Dear parishioners,

Know of my prayers for you and your families as we ask the Lord for an end to this pandemic.

As you know, our community masses were suspended in mid March in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. During this time, Blessed Trinity has worked diligently to stay connected to all of you.

Although the temples are temporarily closed, the church is open and alive. Our work and our mission of evangelization continues; it just looks a little different right now. By God's grace, we have been busy and fully immersed in our mission to bring Christ to all by live streaming, internet broadcasting, web conferencing, mailers and phone calls.

As pastor, it is my duty to let you know the state of our finances. Ever since our campus moved "online," our weekly offertory collection has been down by about 50%. In spite of the prudent use of our funds and a careful analysis of our expenses, we find ourselves like all of you; trusting in the Lord to help us get through this storm.

The reality is that we don't know how much longer we will have to continue being away from each other. Even when restrictions are lifted, it seems that they will be lifted slowly.

At this time, I am appealing to you to assist us in balancing our revised budget for the year as we also attempt to help others in need. I am aware that many of you have been affected financially due to this pandemic; however, I am asking those of you who find yourselves blessed with a more stable financial situation, to increase your donation.

We rely on your generosity in order to continue to operate the parish at this critical time when so many are hurting and in need of our spiritual sustenance. This is a hard time for everyone, but it is also a time for all of us to grow as givers. After all, we trust in our loving God who owns the world, and we can trust that He will provide for us.

In a time of increased anxiety and uncertainty, generosity takes us out of ourselves and gives us joy. Please know that no gift is too small. If you can't offer from your treasure at this time, we understand; we ask that you sustain us through your prayers and sacrifices. If you have not signed up for online giving, please consider doing so.

I thank you in advance for your generosity. Know that we miss you, we love you and we look forward to a day in the near future in which we can worship in person again.

May the Lord bless and protect each of you and your families.

Fr. José N. Alfaro

#### Thank You!

The Blessed Trinity Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society extends our gratitude to the Benefactors of the Society. Your nickels, dimes, and dollars equate to Food, FPL bills, and even Rent. We pray for you, our Benefactors, at our weekly meeting prayers.





### White/Blue Mass

Blessed Trinity Catholic Church would like to honor and thank all the true heroes of this pandemic.

Please join us for our first Blue and White Mass

#### Sunday May 3rd @ 10:30 am

when the liturgy will be offered for all first responders and medical personnel.

# WE HONOR and THANK YOU for your commitment and service.

James Ruggles Carlos Gonzalez Dr. Jesus Rivera Dra. Carmen Julia Guerra Karla Melo-Phelan Michelle Ebenhack Royal Jessica Drew Mulet Carlos R Diaz, MD Christina Cascante Díaz Hector Fernandez Jose Sanchez Dr Oscar Cascante Chervl Mulet Joel Lazara Jake Bray Ivan Bustamante Melissa Galindo Clarisa Suarez Amanda Ramos Carlos Manuel Aspuru Luis Antonio Aspuru

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Elaine Sebin Dr. Ana Helena Perea

Susan Cordell Works in Dialysis Licensed Clinical Social Worker (Not pictured)

Gina Orrben, RN
Providence Hospital
in WA .She
volunteered to be a
nurse in NYC
treating Covid-19
patients. She's been
in NYC since Easter
Sunday
(Not pictured)





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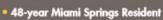
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