



Blessed Trinity

Weekend Magazine

Over 60 YEARS COURAGEOUSLY *Living the Gospel*

February 6, 2022 ▪ The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Did you know the sad song from 'Platoon' is a Catholic hymn?

By JP Mauro

Samuel Barber composed the work in 1936 and turned it into a hymn in the 60s.

In 1986, Oliver Stone directed the star studded cast of *Platoon* to depict the horrors of the Vietnam war. One of the most gripping moments of the film is when the soldier Elias, played by Willem DaFoe, gets left behind as the troops are withdrawing. **The scene is made all the more poignant by a very sad orchestral tune that plays over the scene, but what many may not know is that the song is also a Catholic hymn.**

The piece "Adagio for Strings," was written by Samuel Barber in 1936. The tune was the second movement of a larger work, but it is the most recognizable section. It was one of Barber's most popular melodies and one he felt very close to. **In 1967, he revisited the orchestral composition and put to it the Latin text of the "Agnus Dei."**

Marked by cascading melodies and a round-like pattern throughout the voice parts, the orchestral composition was flawlessly transformed into a piece of sacred choral music. **One of the reasons the song is so emotive as a hymn is due to the strong and consistent use of dynamics, or the variation in volume of the singers.** There are few moments when the entire chorus sings together in full-voice. The melodic line is usually loudest while the others are singing softly around it in support.

The Angus Dei prayer comes from the liturgy, translating literally to "Lamb of God." The prayer comes at the essential moment of the Mass when the priest is consecrating the host. **In Barber's piece, the lyrics transform the melancholic melody into one of wonder and amazement over the transubstantiation.**





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Rev. Wayne C. Genereux

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Deacon Emeritus

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Fr. Anthony Fortunato, OdeM
Fr. Victor Bartolotta

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses

Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 PM
Sunday

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

Follow the Sunday Mass on our
website, btsp.org.

Confessions will be held
Saturdays 2:45-3:45

PARISH OFFICE

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More numerous than the stars in the sky are your blessings,
O Good and Gracious God.

You have called us to spread the Good News of your Son,
Jesus Christ, through our words and actions.

Strengthen our faith and open our hearts
to care for all our brothers and sisters,
especially those who need us the most.

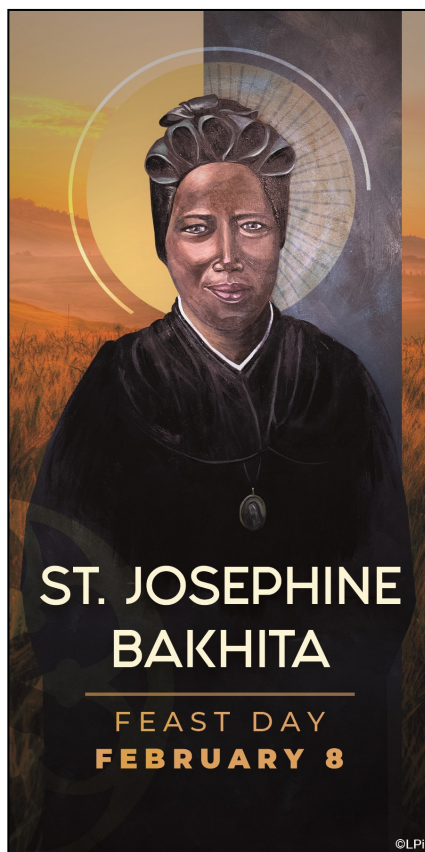
Help us to understand the difference we can make,
the love we can share and the lives we can bring to Christ
through our *Catholic Ministry Appeal*.

We pray that your grace, O Lord,
will lead us to be your loving heart and hands today.

Amen.



St. Josephine Bakhita | February 8



The story of St. Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947) is a story that many people taken into slavery have experienced. Born in the Darfur region of Sudan, she was kidnapped at the age of 8 and sold into slavery many times. As she passed from owner to owner, she experienced the moral and physical humiliations associated with slavery. It was only at the age of 13 that her suffering was alleviated after she was bought for the Italian Consul in Sudan. It was here that she was fortunate to receive kindness, respect, and peace from her new master.

She was later handed over to the Canossian Sisters when she made the case that slavery had been outlawed in Italy for years. She was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church in 1890, where she took the name Josephine. She later entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1893 and made her profession three years later.

St. Josephine Bakhita's next 50 years were spent serving people through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and housekeeping. She was a source of encouragement and her constant smile won people's hearts, as did her humility and simplicity. Today she is known as the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking.

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“COME AFTER
ME AND I WILL
MAKE YOU
fishers of men.”

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February 6, 2022

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 | 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 1 Cor 15:3-8, 11
| Lk 5:1-11

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

We put off all kinds of things for all kinds of reasons. I'll take that trip with my family once my schedule clears up. Someday I'll read that book collecting dust on my shelf. I'll volunteer at church once I get my own act together. Today's readings remind us that God will take us as we are: We need only say "yes." In each of the readings, the protagonists – Isaiah, Paul, and Peter – initially resist God's call, fearing their sinfulness disqualifies them. We may feel that way, too. However, in each case, God forgives their sins and gives them the grace to say, like Isaiah, "Here I am. Send me!" Their assent can be a challenge to those of us who hold back from becoming more involved in our parish or sharing our faith with others, fearing we aren't good enough or aren't an expert in theology. Jesus reminds us that it is ultimately not about *us*, but him. We don't have to be perfect, just willing to push past our fears and trust him to make disciples of us.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In today's readings, we hear descriptions of Isaiah's lips touched by a burning ember, Paul being transformed from persecutor to preacher, and the fishermen dropping their nets to follow Jesus. In each case, that turning point led to a life of witness. We may not have such a dramatic story to share, but most of us can look back and see turning points: That influential teacher, the aunt who saw the best in us, a priest, sister, or retreat leader who spoke to our hearts. Today's readings can encourage us to be that person for others – the one who shows them the love of Christ and what a difference it can make. Buoyed by God's grace, we can share the Good News with others and accompany one another as we seek to follow Jesus in our day-to-day lives.

ACT Carve out time to do something spiritual you've been putting off – whether it's a retreat, morning prayer, or perhaps volunteering in a parish ministry or other organization.



Are You Hoping to Receive One of the Seven Sacraments With Us?

Matrimony

Congratulations on your engagement! Every Diocese in Florida requires at least six months preparation before marriage. Please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Geneureux, at the Parish Office for an appointment before setting a date.

Baptism

We are honored that you would like to choose Blessed Trinity Catholic Church for the baptism of your child! We ask that you please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Geneureux, at the Parish Office for information regarding the pre-baptism class before scheduling a baptism.

Office Hours

Monday—Friday 9-12 and 1-4
Closed for Lunch Noon to 1 pm

Website Mass

The church is open for our regular schedule of Masses. Recognizing that many will still be unable to attend Mass we will continue to record the Mass and upload it to the website. To view the Mass go to our website: btsp.org and click on the red words to start the video. The recorded Mass is from the Saturday vigil.

We are very grateful to Brent Beauchamp who has been volunteering his services to record the Mass each week. Thank you Brent for your continued support!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 5, Memorial of Saint Agatha

4:00 p.m. Jim Lawler (Dec) and
Pat Sullivan (Dec) and Paula Ulreich (Dec)

Sunday, February 6, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Patricia Antonelli (Dec)
9:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners
11:30 a.m. Oscar Jose Klein (Dec)

Monday, February 7, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Florian J. Liss (Dec)

Tuesday, February 8, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Harriet Antczak (Dec)

Wednesday, February 9, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. For Vocations

Thursday, February 10, Memorial of St. Scholastica, Virgin

8:00 a.m. Connie Beekman (Dec)

Friday, February 11, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Francisco Mosqueda (Dec)

Saturday, February 12, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Brian Schaub (Dec)
4:00 p.m. Peter Congiu (Dec) and Paula Ulreich (Dec)

Sunday, February 13, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Hector Luis Beltran (Dec)
9:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners
11:30 a.m. Jim Holser (Dec)

Prayer for Priests & Future Priests

Eternal Father, We lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them, heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

02/06 • Rev. Kazimierz Domek
02/07 • Rev. Chuck Dornquast
02/08 • Rev. Emery N. Longanga
02/09 • For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life
02/10 • Rev. Dayan Machado
02/11 • Rev. Kenneth Malley
02/12 • Rev. Craig Morley

These are the names of the active priests and seminarians in our Diocese. Remember our Bishop has designated Wednesdays as Diocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please continue to pray that more young people will hear and answer God's call to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The gift of the Mission

Early on in my work in parish ministry, I had to deal with a tough human resources situation, letting some staff members go and stepping into a role that demanded more of my time and energy.

In moments like this, stewardship can feel burdensome. Things take a turn we didn't expect, perhaps in spite of our best efforts. Maybe more is asked of us than we want or feel prepared to give.

But that's when we need to remember that stewardship isn't a job that we apply for. It's a gift bestowed directly from God, the Creator of all, and that can be scary all on its own, if we are preoccupied with our own unworthiness. What we might want to do is fall on our knees like Simon Peter and announce, "Depart from me, Lord — I am sinful."

But what if we stop looking in the mirror and look instead to God?

All those years ago, when I was faced with that ministerial challenge, I asked my wife to join me. What started as a tough situation turned into a decade of shared ministry with her — an experience I wouldn't trade for anything. It was a burden that became a gift.

We must remember that God knows what He is about. In His mercy, He gives us what we need as everyday stewards. When God calls out, "Whom shall we send?" we — in all our sinfulness — are allowed to cry out "Send me, Lord!" And He sends us out and behold — our nets tear with the bounty we harvest in His name.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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I would like a Tax Statement for 2021

_____ For my Church donations
_____ For donations to St. Vincent de Paul

My Name is : _____

Address and Zip Code: _____

Phone # _____

*Please fill out and return to the parish office
or drop in the offertory basket.*

Weekly Giving

Online Giving January 24-30

Offertory	\$ 1,115
Building Fund	\$ 20
Memorials	\$ 320
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 165

January 29-30, 2022

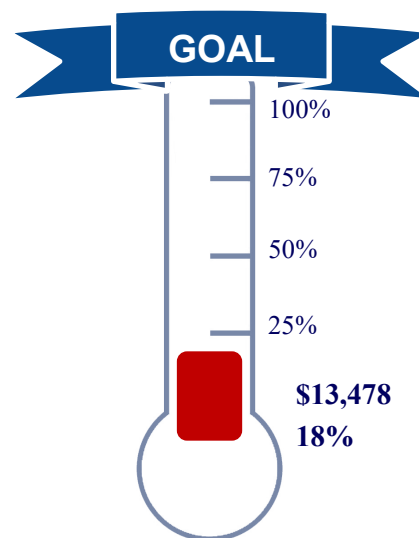
Offertory	\$ 7,788
Building Fund	\$ 25
Gift Shop	\$ 88
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 170
Catholic Ministry	
Appeal	\$ 15
Funeral	\$ 365
APA	\$ 1,000
Other	\$ 30

**Thank you for
your generosity!**

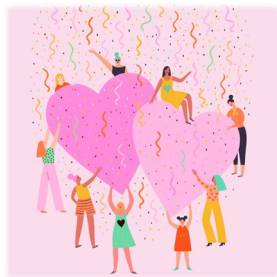


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Appeal

Our Goal \$74,741



**Thank you for your
prayerful giving!**



Palentine Day

Divorced Ministry at St. Raphael Church in St. Petersburg Presents: *Palentine Day*.

Palentine Day – a Light Social Event, February 12, 7:00-9:00pm, 3 Daughters Brewing, 222 22nd St. S. in St. Petersburg.

Food, drinks & board games available. BYOBG (bring your own board game too).

For more information contact: DABM@st-raphaels.com

Scripture Class

Blessed Trinity Scripture Classes have been canceled until further notice. We are hoping to resume in early February with the new series "Our Catholic Life". More details to come.

Summer Camp

Summer adventure await at **Our Lady of Good Counsel Camp** in Floral City, FL. This is a co-ed overnight camp which is owned and operated by the Catholic Diocese of St. Petersburg. All Children 7 to 15 year of age are invited to attend the camp's 75th summer! One and two week sessions are currently offered at affordable Prices. All information is available on the camp website at www.goodcounselcamp.org or by emailing the camp director at info@goodcounselcamp.org

Pray for the Unborn

Virgin of Guadalupe,
Patroness of unborn children,
we implore your intercession for
every child at risk of abortion.
Help expectant parents to welcome
from God the priceless gift of their
child's life.

Console parents who have lost that
gift through abortion,
and lead them to forgiveness and
healing through the Divine Mercy
of your Son.

Teach us to cherish
and to care for family and friends
until God calls them home.
Help us to never see others as bur-
dens.

Guide our public officials
to defend each and every human
life through just laws.
Inspire us all to bring our faith into
public life,
to speak for those who have no
voice.

We ask this in the name of your
Son, Jesus Christ,
who is Love and Mercy itself.

Amen

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Did You Know?

@TEOTD Are Your Kids AATK?

Do you understand the sentence above? Chances are your kids do. The Internet is a great resource for information and fun; but like nearly everything else these days, cyberspace brings with it its own set of challenges for parents. Parents should monitor their children's Internet use and become familiar with the multitude of abbreviations, acronyms, and other shorthand that their children may be receiving via Internet chat rooms, instant messaging systems, and text message devices. For a searchable database of this Internet lingo, please visit www.virtus.org/virtus.

For particular help you may call: **Michael Craig, Safe Environment Program Manager** at (727) 344-1611, ext. 5377.

Source: www.virtusonline.org/virtus.

The envelope boxes for seasonal residents have arrived! They will be available for pickup in the back of the church



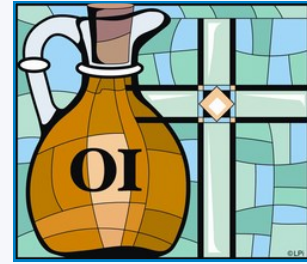
Please Pray for Our Sick and Homebound

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Arnold, Barbara
Bestow, Shawn
Boss, Kristin
Brown, Bob & Beverly
Brown, Buck
Brown III, George
Brown, Shaquita
Cary, Joan
Chavez, John
Christ, Kathryn
Cline, Wayne
Comeau, Teresa
Daniels, Joshua
Deacon Lionel Roberts
Detore, Alice
Deuel, Fred
Devyn & Donna
DeZarn, Vickie
Doiron, Gary
Feldes, Chuck & Lauren
Ferrara, Antoinette
Forbes, Monica & Tom
Fr. Jim Klima
Garcia, Jose M.
Gaskin, Douglas
Genereux, Carol
Gregg, Joan
Griffin, Lynda Butler
Grimberg, Carol

Grondin, Gaetane
Hawkins, Ashlyn
Hawkins, Barbara
Holley, Gerry
Huff, Walt & Carole
Irvin, John and Marsha
Kirkpatrick, Donna
Kirkpatrick, Susan
Lanigan, John
Lashley, Diana
Lawler, Matthew
LeVan, George
Lynd, John
Maharne, Cecile
Maitland, Steve
Manley, Jan
Manley, Paul
McAfee, Riley
McGarry, Jean
Membreno, Mary & Gus
Mesick, Phil & Nancy
Meyer, Patricia
Murdock, Cheryl
Murdock, Evan
Nicholson, Maria
Noguez, Armida
Oliphant, Brian
Parmigiani, Valerie
Phillips, James

Preeper, Helen
Privitera, Sandy
Privitera, Peter
Quinn, Timothy
Roberts, Amanda
Roberts, Deacon Lionel
Romani, Angelo
Schaefer, Jake
Schneider, Mary Jo
Scotlight, Kristin
Shelby, Ron & Montez
Smith, Anita
Stankiewicz, Cy
Storey, Barbara
Thompson, Susan E.
Thuline, James
Velez, Carmelita
Vishnisky, Wayne
Walsh, Thomas
Youngman, Kyle
Youngman, Ruthe



Anointing of the Sick

To request the Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one, please contact the parish office, 727-867-3663.

If you or a close family member would like to be added or removed from our prayer list, please contact the parish office at 727-867-3663.