



### MESSAGE FROM FR. JOE...

Long ago, Aristotle, an ancient Greek Philosopher (384 BC) defined a human being as a "rational animal". Definitely, we are not just rational, we are spiritual beings as well. Over the centuries, we are still in the

process of finding out our qualities and abilities (in some cases, extraordinary abilities), as well as our shortcomings and pitfalls.

As we entered the 21st Century, we are making extraordinary strides in every field that affects our lives. Sometimes we cannot even catch up with these advances. With all these advanced tools in modern life, we are supposed to be the happiest and self-assured people. Lots of us may fall in this category. A large number of our fellow human beings are pledged into mental disorders, anxiety and stress-related brokenness. Some of us are rendered sick with these aspects of modern fast lifestyles that are designed to enhance our lives.

But fortunately, there are many tools at our disposal to counter these destabilizing life situations. The first remedy is the "old-fashioned medicine" - PRAYER. Here prayer ought to be said not just using our lips alone. Prayer is actually a very involved process where mind and body are well-aligned and focused. Every word that is used should engage us. Whether it is a prayer of adoration or expressing gratitude or just raising our needs (Prayer of Petition), we need to be "alive" to our prayer. In other words, prayer should lead us to greater reflection and involvement.

Another tool that is used to combat stress and anxiety is MEDITATION. If done or practiced correctly, meditation can lessen the negative effects of stress. If practiced correctly, even 10 minutes of meditation can combat stress. We may not be able to change the world around us the way we want, but we can make amends to our lives so that greater sanity may prevail. Please remember Jesus' exhortation "watch and pray that you may not undergo the test" - Matthew 26:41; Mark 14:38a, and Luke 22:46.

*Fr. Joe*

### THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

#### Universal: Young People in Africa

That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries. For more information, visit <http://apostleshipofprayer.org>.

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Serving from 8:30 AM to Noon

Blessed Trinity Church Hall

All you can eat pancakes, apple sauce and 2 sausages for \$6. Additional sausages available for purchase. Kids 3 and under eat Free. Tickets available: after the Weekend Masses, at the Parish Office (8 AM-3:30 PM), and at the door the day of the breakfast. **Due to the breakfast, there will be Mass at 8:30 AM only.**



### PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES AVAILABLE

The *July 26, 2018* Blessed Trinity Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes are on the parish website at [www.btsje.org](http://www.btsje.org) under the Blessed Trinity section on the Councils page. If you do not have access to the Internet, the meeting minutes (printed on green paper) are located at all church entrances.

### RCIA...

is starting soon. If you would like to join the Catholic Church, or know someone else who is potentially interested, or if you simply want more information, please contact Julie at the Catholic Life Center, 467-4616, ext. 315.



**Blessed Trinity  
AUTUMN BLESSINGS  
Parish Fundraiser**

**Saturday, November 3, 2018  
Beginning at 5 PM in the  
Blessed Trinity Church Hall**

**Free Admission  
Appetizers \* Cash Bar  
Musical Entertainment by  
"The Honeygoats"  
Raffles \* Silent Auction**

**We hope to see YOU there!**

## CARING CONNECTION DINNER



Blessed Trinity's Caring Connection would like to offer a **dinner** to those in need due to an illness, death in the family, or a new baby. Call **Kathy Audino at 467-6696** to let us know of your need. We'd love to help.

## PRAYER/CARE NOTES

Helping you Grow Closer to God  
(Human Concerns Commission)



Prayer Notes bring prayer to people—and bring people to prayer. Care Notes address issues that are a part of your world. Each topic is presented in an open, easy-to-read format that will guide you through difficult choices. The Prayer/Care Notes are located in the Gathering Area (near the front of church, across from the bulletin board). Please take as many as you need.

## HELP SAVE LIVES IN SHEBOYGAN!!

Join 40 DAYS FOR LIFE a peaceful, prayerful vigil that takes place outside the Planned Parenthood location at 909 S. Taylor Drive (Sheboygan) beginning **September 26 thru November 4**. Blessed Trinity parishioners are invited to get involved on **October 11 and/or October 18**. More details coming soon or contact Mary Jo Widder at [mwidder@att.net](mailto:mwidder@att.net) for more information.

## WOMEN OF CHRIST CONFERENCE...

will be held on **Saturday, November 3**. Check flyers and registration forms at all church entrances or go to their website at [www.womenofchrist.net](http://www.womenofchrist.net). We are registering together to get the Early Bird rate of \$35 before **October 6th**. If you have any questions or want to register, please call Elly Weber at 920-565-3719.

## LOCAL DONATION OPPORTUNITY

St. Vincent de Paul will pick up your donations of clothing, furniture and miscellaneous items. To schedule a pick up, call 457-4844, Ext. 11. All money raised stays in Sheboygan County to help those in need.

## THIRD WORLD DONATION OPPORTUNITY

The Blessed Trinity Human Concerns Committee and the St. John Evangelist Social Justice Committee are continuing our support of third world countries by collecting unused regular size/hotel-motel size soaps, lotions and shampoos. You will find a "drop box" in the Blue Room for you to place these items. Thank you for your support of our sisters and brothers in third world countries.

## SCRIP IN-STOCK CARD OF THE WEEK

Marcus Theatres is available in \$25 cards.  
Marcus Theatres donates 9% to the parish for every card sold.



SCRIP is available:

- ➔ On-line at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com)  
(If you need the Enrollment Code, please email [lynn@btsje.org](mailto:lynn@btsje.org).)
- ➔ After the Weekend Masses
- ➔ At the Parish Office (Monday-Friday, 8-11:30 AM)

From July 1-31, 2018	SCRIP Sales: \$13,855.00	SCRIP Profit: \$492.94
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## BULLETIN BOARD NEWS

**Catholic Women's Charity Club (CWCC):** Memorial Prayer Service & Meeting on **Wednesday, September 5** at 7 PM at the Knights of Columbus Building (833 Center Avenue, Sheboygan). You are cordially invited to join us as a guest or new member. Membership in CWCC is extended to any woman who supports our mission to be Christ's servant to others by supporting Catholic Schools and Catholic religious education and by providing help to established social service organizations in Sheboygan County. For more info, please check out website: <http://catholicwomenscharityclub.weebly.com> or contact Kathie Haemer (452-7744) or Be Van Geffen (452-2293). Members in need of transportation to the meeting, call Mary Novak (467-9679).

**Trash N' Treasure Sale** on **Saturday, September 8** (NEW date) from 9 AM-3 PM at St. Paul Lutheran Church (730 Cty Rd PPP, Sheboygan Falls). Also features a Brat Fry, Bake Sale & Greeting Cards.

The **Traditional Latin Mass** will be celebrated on **Sunday, September 9**, at Holy Name (Sheboygan) at 3 PM, with Rosary and Confessions before Mass.

**St. Dominic 90th Anniversary Celebration and St. Dominic School Family Reunion:** A reunion of all St. Dominic graduating classes and their families – attendees must be 21 years or older! Mark your calendar for **Saturday, September 15th** as part of our Fall Fest weekend. Our schedule of events for that evening includes: The 5 PM Mass with special blessing of all alumna, 6-8 PM socializing: cash bar and pulled pork sandwiches and subs for purchase, and 8-10 PM music and socializing. We continue to need graduating class representatives to get the word out to your classmates. Contact Mary Sholten ([marysholten@charter.net](mailto:marysholten@charter.net)) for details.