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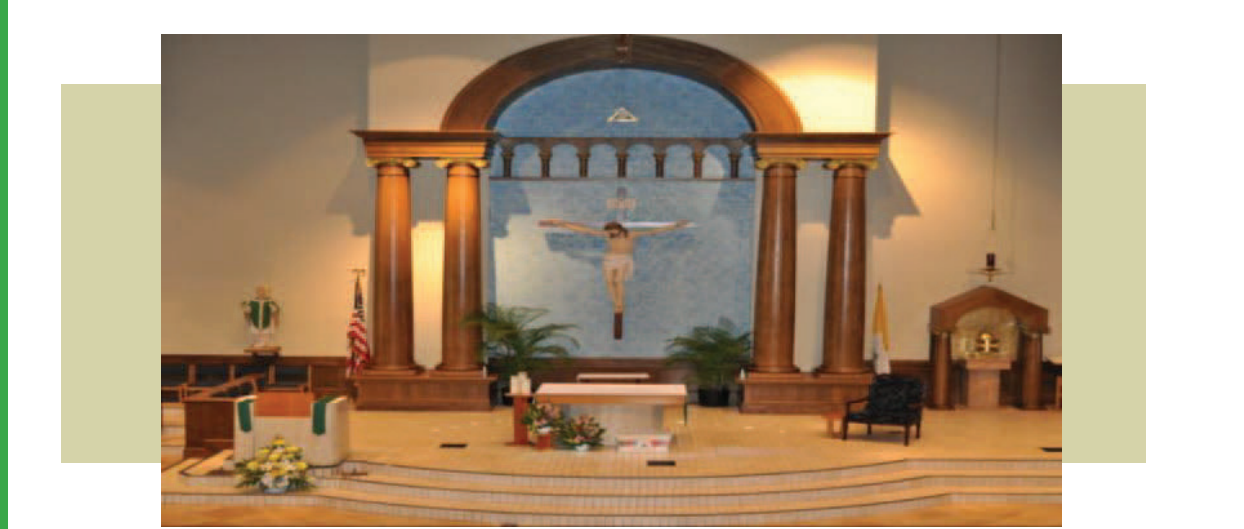
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**MASS SCHEDULE AT BLESSED TRINITY**

|                       |   |
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| <b>WEEKEND</b>        |   |
| Saturday              | 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm   |
| Sunday                | 7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am<br>1:00pm Spanish, 5:00 pm Life Teen |
| <b>DAILY</b>          |   |
| Mon-Fri               | 7:10 am and 5:30 pm   |
| Wednesday             | 8:15 am (follows school schedule)                               |
| Thursday              | 6:30 pm (Spanish)   |
| Saturday              | 8:00am  |
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| <b>WEEKEND</b> |   |
| Saturday       | 7:00 pm at Christ the King (Spanish)                              |
| Sunday         | 10:15 am at Christ the King<br>7:00pm at La Guadalupana (Spanish) |
| <b>DAILY</b>   |   |
| Tuesday        | 7:00pm at La Guadalupana (Spanish)                                |
| Wednesday      | 4:00 pm at Christ the King<br>4:00 pm at Holy Days of Obligation  |

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**MARRIAGES:** If you are planning to be married at Blessed Trinity, your preparation process should begin at least four (4) months prior to desired date. We look forward to helping you during your time of engagement and preparation for the vocation of Christian marriage. Call the Church Office for an appointment with one of our priests.

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"Let all Your works give You thanks, Oh Lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You," says the psalmist. Stewardship is this "attitude of gratitude" for the many gifts God has given us.

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## A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

One of the most well-known and beloved passages in scripture is the gentle invitation of our Lord in today's Gospel reading: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." When we need physical rest, we sleep or take a nap. When we need emotional rest, we take a break, go for a walk, or when the opportunity presents itself, take a few days off. But how do we find spiritual rest? How do we discover Christ's peace as we grapple with this time of uncertainty and its complex issues deep in our hearts? Good stewards find their rest in the Lord. Reflect this week on what you do to welcome the peace of Christ into your heart.

## STEWARDS OF THE WEEK

**Teresa Perry, Everly Sanchez, Juliana & Jocelyn Tumi**

The Adopt A Parking Lot Island Ministry would like to thank Teresa, Everly, Julian and Jocelyn for spending so much of their time and talent helping to keep Blessed Trinity looking so beautiful!

**Thank you for being faithful stewards!**

## New Parishioners:

Cassandra Hall, Adrian Hall & Malachi Faulk

## Baptisms:

Jesse Allen James Miller

Lucca Adonis Howard

Leon Ethan Akari Orr

The theme of humility is central to our readings today. God Himself is a humble God, so if we wish to follow Him as Christian stewards, we too, must be humble. In fact, humility is key to the stewardship way of life, and to a peaceful and fulfilling life.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus Himself speaks to the Father about the privileged role that humble souls play in God's plan of salvation. "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to little ones."

What does it mean to be a "little one"? It means that we acknowledge we don't have it all figured out, but that we are very much in need of a savior. It means we recognize that all we are and all we have been given is a gift from God. It means we embrace the stewardship way of life.

It is not easy, but deep peace and consolation come with this way of life. Jesus offers these warm and encouraging words to entice us to embrace them. "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

Let us resolve to follow in the footsteps of our Savior, embracing the humble path of stewardship. It is the path that leads to peace here and now, and ultimately leads us to heaven.



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## A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER for July

Good and Gracious God,

We thank You for this gift of summer;  
of being able to pause, relax  
and enjoy the abundant gifts  
You have given us.

At this time of year,  
our thoughts may turn to vacations  
and outings. We may experience  
seashores, mountains or lakesides.  
We may enjoy fishing, swimming and  
barbecues.

But whatever our summer opportunities,  
we realize they are ultimately gifts from You  
and these gifts, Lord,  
are ultimately meant to be shared.

Show us the joys of generosity,  
keep us mindful of others and open our hearts  
to our parish, neighborhood and world.  
They need the generous spirit of good stewards.

As we enjoy the leisure that summer brings,  
we thank You for Your many gifts,  
and ask that You make us a gift to others as well.

In Jesus name we pray.

Amen



## Rosary Rally For America

Please join Knights of Columbus at a public rosary rally taking place at 12 noon, Saturday July 11 at the Ocala Police Department on Pine Ave.

On this country's 250th birthday, we will pray for the repentance and conversion of our great nation, asking God to save America through the rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

For God and country, come and pray with us.



## New Youth Director Needed!

Our very own youth director, Lydia Ross, has to move in mid-July to Colorado.

Her husband got a decent job there. She also got a job in the new parish the family will be attending.

Lydia has done an excellent job as parish youth director. She has been very open and helpful on all aspects of our Catholic teens lives. Under her leadership the parish teen activities have grown. Not only with teens, she also worked well with the parents, the parish staff, the schools and the diocese. She also was a positive part of Edge. She taught two teen confirmation classes and one adult OCIA class. Our parish will truly miss her.

The Youth Ministry Director is responsible for fostering the spiritual growth of our parish youth by developing, organizing, and leading programs, events, and activities that encourage young people to deepen their relationship with Christ and actively participate in the life of the Church.

Now we are open to accepting applications for parish youth director. If anyone needs a job description, please call Kathryn or Melinda at the church office.

**Fr. Emmanuel Akalue will be our visiting missionary priest this weekend, speaking at all the Masses.**

**Missionary Cooperation Case for the Diocese of Issele-Uku, Nigeria.**

**2026 UPDATED DIRECTORY INFO:**

The Diocese of Issele-Uku was created on the 5<sup>th</sup> of July, 1973. Located in Delta State, Nigeria, it covers a total area of about 3011 square kilometers (1871 square miles). Currently, the diocese has a total population of 2,805,300 people, of which Catholic population is 950,000. We have 115 parishes, 251 diocesan priests, 127 women religious from different congregations and 103 Major Seminarians. Our present Bishop is Most Reverend Dr. Michael Odogwu Elue.

**MEETING THE CHALLENGE**

The situation of widespread poverty, hunger, and desolation in Nigeria and Africa is an open secret. Unemployment rate for youths alone is over 38 percent, but general unemployment is about 50 percent. If you advertise for one job position, you'll have thousands of people outside vying for the job. The present inflationary trends only made matters worse. Most of our people survive on petty trading and subsistence farming. Nevertheless, because of the current challenges of insecurity: kidnapping for ransom, Islamic terrorism and reckless ravaging of farms with their cattle by armed Fulani herders, people's lives have been adversely impacted. Yet our people remain very resilient in their faith and support to the church, especially in time and talent. Most of our churches are built through direct labor – no construction zones. Parishioners carry pans and buckets supplying water, gravel and sand to help reduce the cost of construction.

**2026 MISSIONARY CO-OP PRIORITY: Training of Major Seminarians**

Our needs are enormous: ongoing rehabilitation of the Catholic Schools returned to the Diocese by the State Government, after thirty years of structural neglects and moral decadence in schools. We need improvements in our non-profit Mission hospitals and mini-Health Facilities, Caring for the Orphanages and Homes of the aged. However, our priority for this year's Mission Appeal is the Training of Seminarians (future priests). We have 103 Major Seminarians, and the cost of training continues to rise. Presently, it costs about \$800/Year to train one seminarian, and they undergo studies in Philosophy and Theology for 8 years. Besides, the seminarians themselves engage in manual work such as farming, using cutlasses, shovels and hoes to subsidize their entire cost of training. Our priests are not just for local use but for wherever there is need in the Church; right now, some are on missions within and outside Nigeria: 22 in other dioceses of Nigeria, 20 priests in the USA, 2 in Germany, 4 in the UK, 2 in Burkina Faso, and 1 in Canada.

St. Paul encouraged support for mission churches, telling the Church in Corinth to emulate the churches of Macedonia, testifying: *"They gave according to their means... and beyond their means, of their own free will, begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints"* (2Cor 8:3-4). Kindly support the Missions of Issele-Uku Diocese generously in the **Second Collection**. Anything helps! Please, if you are writing a check, make it payable to your parish and on the memo, indicate: **"For Nigerian Mission"** On behalf of my home diocese, thank you in advance for your generosity and May God bless and replenish you. Amen.

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

Is 55:10-11

Rom 8:18-23

Mt 13:1-23



**We Need Slide Operators!**

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Saturday 4pm (critical need for slide operators)

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 7:10am

Sunday 8:45am

Sunday 11am (critical need for slide operators)

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**Funeral Announcements**

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You can click on the "read more" button and that will list any funerals that we have scheduled. Nothing listed? That means nothing is scheduled at the time.

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July 11 / 12: In memory of Librada Porciuncula from her family

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**Lord Jesus, You invite me to be near You. In the stillness of Adoration, You want to speak to my heart. Help me to respond with love and trust.**

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|                   | 5:30pm  | Richard & Patricia Bianculli †     |
| Tuesday, July 7   | 7:10am  | Brian, Scott, Gary & Craig Wicks † |
|                   | 5:30pm  | Bob Leger †                        |
| Wed, July 8       | 7:10am  | Ssemudo Family L/D                 |
|                   | 5:30pm  | Dr. Arturo & Leticia Stable †      |
| Thursday, July 9  | 7:10am  | O'Brien & Rothfusz Families L/D    |
|                   | 5:30pm  | Edward Mohr †                      |
| Friday, July 10   | 7:10am  | Allan B. Goodwin †                 |
|                   | 5:30pm  | Sisters of IHMR L/D                |
| Saturday, July 11 | 8:00am  | Helen & Fred Wisneski †            |
|                   | 4:00pm  | James Maloney †                    |
|                   | 6:00pm  | Silvia Nachamie †                  |
| Sunday, July 12   | 7:10am  | Alex Pfeiffer †                    |
|                   | 8:45am  | Daryl Robinson †                   |
|                   | 11:00am | Thomas A. Burns †                  |
|                   | 1:00pm  | Spanish Community                  |
|                   | 5:00pm  | Diego Arita †                      |

Please pray for Camila Salgado who has recently passed away.

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**Weekend of July 4-5, and July 11-12**

No Life Night after Life Teen Mass July 5 and July 12. Pray for our 49 students and adult chaperones going to Camp Hidden Lake this week!

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### Be Good Stewards of Your Family This Summer

July is the heart of summer, and summer is an exciting and challenging time for stewardship of the family.

Everything turns a little upside down for the family in summer. Kids out of school, grandparents visiting, teens with a first job, road trips and those big family reunions: Sometimes it seems summer dashes by in a flurry of wet bathing suits and backyard barbecues. How does the Christian steward make summer a special time for “the domestic church” of family?



Relax!...No, really!...Relax!...Slow down! The world often spins around us and we are caught up in work, social media, activity. Gift yourself and your family with time this summer. Be truly present. On one occasion, when Pope Francis addressed a homily to families, one word he used often was “simplicity.”

Make time for family meals, but make them simple and nutritious. “We need simplicity to pray as a family,” the Holy Father said. Let each family member take a turn praying a simple grace at family meals. Linger over good food and good conversation. Make family your focus. Listen to your children. Take time for a night out with your spouse. Make a commitment to fun and presence.

The Holy Father also asked families, “How do we keep our faith as a family?” We don’t keep it for ourselves, he said, “as a personal treasure like a bank account.” No, we share it. We witness it. How can we witness faith during the summer months? “Christian families are missionary families,” Pope Francis said. Summer is a good time to plan a field trip to a shelter or a food bank. Call ahead and ask what you can bring and how your family can help. Many agencies plan summer picnics and presentations by refugees during the season. Let your kids experience this diversity. Attend a vacation bible school or help with one. Invite a priest from your parish, or perhaps a lonely neighbor, to dinner. Spread your family joy.

The summer readers in your family might benefit from finding Catholic periodicals or books on heroes of our faith. Visit new parishes during the summer. If you are on a road trip, never miss Sunday Mass and take advantage of a side trip to a shrine or an historic Catholic church. Most of all, relax and enjoy. Pope Francis said, “The family which experiences the joy of faith communicates it naturally.”



### Ten Random Stewardship Ideas for July

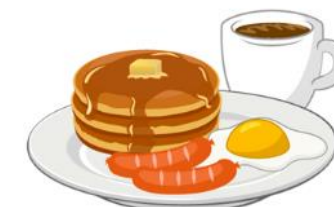
- 1) Invite a single friend over for a meal.
- 2) Turn off the tv, phone, and computer, and spend an hour devoted to someone you love.
- 3) Attend an extra Mass on a weekday this month.
- 4) Take your rosary with you for an early morning walk.
- 5) Think of a charity which is amply blessed at Christmas. Remember it with a gift mid-year.
- 6) Each day, say a prayer for one of the world’s trouble spots.
- 7) Buy or pick a flower for someone without a “reason.”
- 8) Take your family to a farmer’s market if in season.
- 9) Stop for a moment during your busy day and enjoy an ice cream cone or other favorite treat.
- 10) Splurge on some produce and buy enough to share with someone in need.

### Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus invites you to attend the breakfast after the 7:10 and 8:45 Masses on the second Sunday of each month. Our next one will be Sunday, July 12.

The meal consists of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, biscuits and gravy, three different juices and coffee.

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### GIFT SHOP NEWS

#### Happy 250th Birthday USA

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Be sure to stop by to pick up the latest devotional reading monthly magazine. This is an especially great time to get “The Word Among Us” because this edition is 2 months for the price of one!

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