



BLESSED TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 26, 2026

ADDRESS:

5 SE 17th Street
Ocala, FL 34471

PHONE:

352.629.8092

FAX:

352.351.8872

EMAIL:

mail@blessedtrinity.org

WEBSITE:

www.blessedtrinity.org

SICK CALLS:

352.629.8092

352.207.5835

(Emergency pager)

MISSION:

CHRIST THE KING

14045 N US Hwy 301
Citra, FL 32113

352.595.5605

LA GUADALUPANA

11153 West Hwy 40
Ocala, FL 34482

352.291.2695

FOLLOW
US ON



PARISH OFFICE - 352.629.8092

Pastor	Father Patrick J. Sheedy	x 3209
Associate Pastors	Father Zbigniew Stradomski	x 3227
In Residence	Father Michael O'Keeffe	x3221
	Father Joseph Maniangat	397-4919
Deacons	Heriberto Berrios, James Maubach, Stephen Floyd, Rodulfo Reverol, Jose A. (Chepe) Perez	
Sisters	Immaculate Heart of Mary Reparatrix	867.9860
	Misioneras Catequistas	622.4500

MASS SCHEDULE AT BLESSED TRINITY

WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm
Sunday 7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am,
1:00 pm Spanish, 5:00 pm Life Teen

DAILY

Mon—Fri 7:10 am and 5:30 pm
Wednesday 8:15 am (follows school schedule)
Thursday 6:30 pm (Spanish)
Saturday 8:00 am

Reconciliation Thursday 7:00pm (Spanish)
Saturday 2:45—3:30pm (English)
5:00—5:30pm (English)
Sunday 12:15—12:45pm (Spanish)

MASS SCHEDULE AT OUR MISSION CHURCHES

WEEKEND

Saturday 7:00pm (Spanish) at CTK
Sunday 10:15 am at Christ the King
7:00 pm at La Guadalupana
(Spanish)

DAILY

Tuesday 7:00 pm at La Guadalupana
(Spanish)
Wednesday 4:00 pm at Christ the King
7:00pm (Spanish) at CTK

PARISH LIFE

JULY 26, 2026 ~ SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MISSION STATEMENT: Blessed Trinity Catholic Church Stewardship Community recognizes Jesus is Lord. We believe that our Time, Talent and Treasure are gifts from God to be used for the spiritual, educational and social needs of our community, the Diocese and the world at large, especially the poor.

Parish Staff		629.8092
Sr. Juliet Ateenyi	Ministry to Sick JNakalema@blessedtrinity.org	x3211
Katherine Baker	Business Manager kbaker@blessedtrinity.org	x3218
Megan Losito	Blessed Trinity School mlosito@btschool.org	622.5808
Lori Berndt	Elder Care lberndt@blessedtrinity.org	671.2823
Jason Halstead	Brother's Keeper jason@bkocala.org	622.3846
Lori Moenter	Parish Bookkeeper lmoenter@blessedtrinity.org	x3228
Sue Lanier	Stewardship slanier@blessedtrinity.org	x3208
Paul Miranda	Plant Manager pdminv@yahoo.com	804.2415
Sr. Concepta Najjemba	Soup Kitchen cnajjemba@yahoo.com	789.8139
Melinda Gunn	Parish Secretary mgunn@blessedtrinity.org	x3201
Colleen Rabe	Director of Music & Liturgy crabe@blessedtrinity.org	x3202
Scott Bolton	Angels in Arms sbolton@btaia.org	622.6167
Lydia Ross	Youth Ministry lross@blessedtrinity.org	x 3222
Ana Vanegas	Faith Formation avanegas@blessedtrinity.org	x3221

Trinity Catholic High School		622.9025
Lou Pereira	President	
Tammie Vassou	Principal	

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME to stop by the Church Office to register Monday through Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm or online at www.blessedtrinity.org, click on join us.

BAPTISM: We are pleased to help your family prepare for the special event of your child’s entrance into our faith community. To help parents and godparents prepare, a class (English) is held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm in the Community Center and in Spanish the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9:00am at Guadalupana. Parents and Godparents must attend this class prior to scheduling baptism.

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.

SICK CALLS AND HOSPITAL VISITS: If you or a family member are in a local hospital or homebound and would like to receive Communion or Sacrament of the Sick, please call the Church Office at 629.8092 or Sister Juliet at x3211. When registering at the hospital, put your name on the Catholic List.

PARISH APP: Download at myparishapp.com or search your phone’s app store for myParish

STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

“The law of your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces,” says the psalmist today. Does the amount of my offering suggest that I could honestly say the same?

LIVESTREAMING

Please be advised that the Mass is being filmed, broadcast, and/or videotaped, including audio recording. Your attendance at Mass constitutes your consent to these recordings, and to the use of the recordings by the church for public communications, social media, evangelization, and other business or religious purposes. God bless and thank you for attending Mass at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church.



POSTLUCE

STEWARDSHIP

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

A profound stewardship prayer is offered by the young King Solomon in today's first reading. He asks the Lord to give him an understanding heart, compassion towards God's people and the insight to distinguish right from wrong. An understanding heart, or wisdom, is a gift from God. It is a gift that enables us to make good decisions and prudent choices. Cultivating and sharing this gift is essential, especially when poor decisions and lack of compassion have consequences that affect the lives of others. During these disquieting times, are we asking God for an understanding heart? Are we exercising good stewardship over the gift of wisdom? Are we sharing our compassionate hearts with others?

STEWARDS OF THE WEEK

Leslie & Eduardo Roque

The Adopt A Parking Lot Island Ministry would like to thank Leslie and Eduardo and their family 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:

David & Maria Paliotta

Cyndi Litterine

Robert Hollenbeck

Melissa & Lauryn Duell

Baptisms:

The stewardship way of life could be described as a daily pursuit of the Kingdom of Heaven. In today's Gospel from Matthew, Jesus uses a series of parables to help us understand the incomparable value of that Kingdom.

First, He reminds us that living for Him and for His Kingdom will require sacrifice. Yet the joy that comes from following Christ makes any sacrifice worthwhile. Jesus says, "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." He then compares the Kingdom to "a merchant searching for fine pearls." When the merchant finds a pearl of great price, he gladly sells everything he has to obtain it.

In both parables, the Kingdom is something precious that must be sought and recognized. We must intentionally look for it amid the distractions and noise of the world.

Yet Jesus also reminds us that the Kingdom is meant for everyone. He compares it to a net cast into the sea that gathers fish of every kind.

At the same time, He reminds us that each of us will one day be judged. The angels "will separate the wicked from the righteous." It is a powerful reminder that our choices matter.

Let us pray for the wisdom to recognize the Kingdom of Heaven in our



WORSHIP

JULY 26, 2026 ~ SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

New Youth Director Needed!

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.

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

"Let the little children come to me" - Matthew 19:14

Our **Religious Education Program** begins **Sunday, August 16**, and we invite children, youth and adults to grow in their love of Jesus Christ and His church.

We offer classes for **kindergarten through 8th grade**, as well as Sacramental Preparation for children and adults.

Registration may be completed at the parish office, Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm. The **last day to register is Wednesday, August 12**.

Faith is the greatest gift we can share with our children and one of the greatest treasures we can continue to discover as adults. Come be part of a joyful faith-filled journey where hearts grow closer to Christ as our parish family grows together. We can't wait to welcome you!

If you have any questions, please contact Ana Vanegas at 352.629.8095, ex 3221 or email at avanegas@blessedtrinity.org

Thank You To Our Summer Seminararians

Every year, Blessed Trinity parish hosts diocesan seminararians for their summer pastoral assignment.

We would like to thank Dakota Milburn and Wheeler Wilson for their ministry in our community these past several weeks.

Please keep them in prayer as they prepare to return to seminary and continue their priestly formation for the Diocese of Orlando.

Thank
you!

Volunteers Needed: Retreat at Marion Correctional Facility

Our parish is helping organize a retreat for the men at Marion Correctional Facility, and we need your help to make it a success! We're looking for volunteers in the following areas:

- **Witness Talks** – Share your faith journey to encourage and inspire the men on retreat.
- **Choir & Musicians** – Lend your voice or musical talent (guitar, piano, drums, etc.) to lead worship and song during the retreat.
- **Logistics & Food** – Help coordinate, gather, and deliver food and supplies for the day.

No special experience is needed—just a willing heart! If you're interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact Mason Proco at (352)-777-5293 or at masonproco@proton.me.

Volunteers must be 18 or older. We are looking for both men and women volunteers. The dates of the retreat are September 26th and September 27th.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to bring Christ's light to those in prison. "*I was in prison and you visited me.*" (Matthew 25:36)

Stewardship Saint for July

Saint Paul's Friends and Fellow Missionaries: Saints Prisca and Aquila

Prisca and Aquila were a prominent married couple who were missionaries, established churches and played an active role in the evangelizing ministry of Saint Paul. They are mentioned six times in four different texts of the New Testament.

Prisca and Aquila were of Jewish heritage and two of the earliest known Christian converts who lived in Rome. They were forced to leave Italy for a short time because of Emperor Claudius' edict in the year 49 C.E., prohibiting Jews from living in Rome.

Paul visited Prisca and Aquila in Corinth and discovered they were tentmakers like himself, so he stayed with them and they worked together (Acts 18:1-3). When Paul left Corinth, Prisca and Aquila left with him but stopped at Ephesus while he traveled on to Syria.

In Ephesus the couple gave catechetical instruction to Apollos, a Jew from Alexandria (Acts 18:18-19, 24-26). They returned to Rome when the expulsion was eventually lifted and Paul sent them greetings there, referring to them with great affection: "My greetings to Prisca and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus, who risked their own necks to save my life; to them, thanks not only from me, but from all the churches among the gentiles..." (Rom. 16:3-4).

Paul then added: "...and my greeting to the church at their house" (Rom. 16:4), a reminder that Christians in the New Testament era gathered for the Eucharistic celebration in private homes and not in separate church buildings.

At some point, the couple left Rome again and moved to Ephesus. When Paul wrote from there to the church at Corinth in the year 57, he included "many greetings" from Prisca and Aquila and from the church that met at their house (1 Cor. 16:19). Paul's inclusion of them in his greetings implies that Prisca and Aquila were also involved in the establishment of that church along with Paul. And when Paul wrote to Timothy from prison, he sent Prisca and Aquila his greetings as well (2 Tim. 4:19).

The Roman Martyrology states that Prisca and Aquila died in Asia Minor, but some church historians believe the tradition that the couple were martyred in Rome, in part, because of the existence of the Church of St. Prisca on Aventine Hill, the southernmost of Rome's seven hills. The church is believed by many archeologists to be the site of the house of Prisca and Aquila.

Their feast day is July 8.



READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Is 55:1-3

Rom 8:35, 37-39

Mt 14:13-21



NEED YOUR HELP!

Adopt a Parking Lot Island Ministry still has a few garden areas that need to be adopted!

If you can help, please contact Dee Mazzurco for more information at 352.266.5008 or deemazzurco@gmail.com

First Saturday Devotion

All members of the parish are invited to attend the First Saturday Devotion in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The next devotion will be on August 1 following the 8:00am Mass.

Coffee & Donuts

Every Sunday in the Parish Hall after the 7:10am, 8:45am and 11:00am Masses. Please come and support the various ministries who provide the coffee and donuts!

Donations are welcome!



July 25 / 26:

Aug 1 / 2: In memory of James E. Van Pelt II from Daisy Van Pelt

Please call the Church Office at 629.8092 x3201 if you would like more information on placing flowers on the altar.



Perpetual Adoration

Be a "Buddy Adorer" for:

Mondays: 1:00am—2:00am

Tuesdays: 4:00am—5:00am

Wednesdays: 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Thursdays: 8:00am - 9:00am

Fridays: 10:00am - 11:00am

Fridays: 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Also in need of substitutes, especially between Midnight and 5:00am

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.

Show me the hour you are asking of me and give me the grace to offer it freely and faithfully. May this small gift of time draw me closer to Your Sacred Heart. Amen

For your special hour of praise before the Blessed Sacrament call or email: Carol Blackstock 352-622-7348 or 352-425-8638, carolblackstock@gmail.com.





Monday, July 27	7:10am	Ssemudo Family L/D
	5:30pm	Jasmine Brown †
Tuesday, July 28	7:10am	O'Brien & Rothfusz Families L/D
	5:30pm	Jane Kearns †
Wed, July 29	7:10am	Sisters of IHMR L/D
	5:30pm	Anthony Masters †
Thursday, July 30	7:10am	Mary Frances Joynes †
	5:30pm	Patricia Kliner †
Friday, July 31	7:10am	Rodriguez & Figueroa Families †
	5:30pm	Sebastian Muneuar Gonzalez †
Saturday, Aug 1	8:00am	Bill Wetmore †
	4:00pm	Agnes DeMeola †
	6:00pm	Dixie Marie Rushing †
Sunday, Aug 2	7:10am	Robert Vandal †
	8:45am	Fr. Duane Raftis †
	11:00am	Patricia Hoepfner †
	1:00pm	Spanish Community
	5:00pm	Diego Arita †

Please pray for all those who have recently passed away.

Mobile Device Giving

Scan the QR code to donate online.

Thank you for your donation!



The Brother's Keeper Van is Coming!

August 1-2

- Cereal
- Ramen Noodles
- Plain Ritz Crackers (boxes with small packages)
- Water (for the homeless bags)
- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Detergent
- Toothpaste
- Shaving Cream
- Deodorant

As always, thanks for your continued generosity!



ADS OF THE WEEK

ColTech

Reliable Cloud Based Business Phone Systems
352.509.5278

Chiropractic Associates of Alachua

dcalachua@yahoo.com
386.462.5886

Please see our Ads at the back for all our business supporters.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS RETREAT

Beloved

Heart to Heart

You are seen. You are known.
You are deeply loved.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 2026

\$30 PER PERSON / SPOTS ARE LIMITED

SAN PEDRO SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER

COME AWAY. CONNECT. BE REFRESHED.

CONNECTION
Build lasting friendships

ENCOURAGEMENT
Be uplifted in the Truth

GROWTH
Draw closer to the Lord

REST
Recharge your heart

scholarships available...email: srgiannagrace@orlandodiocese.org

Join us for a day of
WORSHIP • TEACHINGS • SMALL GROUPS
FUN • FELLOWSHIP • SACRAMENTS
AND MORE

COME AS YOU ARE. LEAVE FOREVER CHANGED.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

SERVANTS OF THE PIERCED HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY

REGISTER & MORE DETAILS

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE ~ WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering	July 19, 2026	
Weekend Total:	455	\$ 22,191.26
Electronic Offering Total:	398	\$ 35,900.66
Loose Cash / Votives Total:		\$ 4,927.00
School Mass Offering:		\$ 0.00
Non Sunday:	25	\$ 26,681.00
Grand Total for Week:		\$ 89,699.92
Amount needed for Operating Expenses:		\$ 85,791.00
Difference		\$ 3,908.92
		Year to date collection: \$242,765.01
		Year to date budget: \$257,373.00
		Year to date deficit: (\$14,607.99)
		Catholic University: \$1,970.00

“Thank you for your donations.”

Reminder: Do your best to put your envelope number on the “memo” line of your check.