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In today's Gospel from Matthew, Jesus shares the familiar Parable of the Sower. It is a powerful image for the stewardship way of life, demonstrating the gradual but transformative effect that a life centered on God can have on us over time.

In the parable, some seed falls on a path where birds quickly carry it away. Other seed falls on rocky ground, where it begins to grow but cannot develop deep roots. Still more seed falls among thorns that eventually choke the young plants.

Finally, some seed falls on rich, fertile soil and produces an abundant harvest. Jesus explains that the seed is the Word of God, generously scattered for all to receive. The question is whether our hearts are prepared to receive it and allow it to take root. This is where the stewardship way of life comes in. When we offer our time, talent, and treasure to God and place Him first in our lives, we help create the "good soil" needed for the Kingdom to flourish within us.

Stewardship removes the "rocks" of mistrust as we grow in confidence that God will provide for our needs. It clears away the "thorns" of worldly concerns that can distract us from what matters most. Through prayer, the sacraments, and generous service, the soil of our lives is continually nourished and renewed.

Let us deepen our commitment to this way of life, allowing the Divine Sower to do His work within us. In time, He will produce an abundant harvest through our lives.



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CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 12, 2026



MASS SCHEDULE AT CHRIST THE KING	
<u>WEEKLY</u>	
Saturday	7:00pm (Spanish)
Sunday	10:15 am
Wednesday	4:00 pm
Wednesday	7:00pm (Spanish)
First Fridays	
Holy Days of Obligation	4:00 pm
Reconciliation	
Wednesday	3:45 pm
Sunday	9:45 am or by appointment

MASS SCHEDULE AT BLESSED TRINITY	
<u>WEEKEND</u>	
Saturday	4:00 pm and 6:00 pm
Sunday	7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm Spanish, 5:00pm LifeTeen
<u>DAILY</u>	
Monday—Friday	7:10 am and 5:30 pm
Wednesday	8:15 am (follows school schedule)
Thursday	6:30 pm Spanish
Saturday	8:00 am
MASS SCHEDULE AT LA GUADALUPANA	
Tuesday	7:00 pm Spanish
Sunday	7:00 pm Spanish

PARISH LIFE

JULY 12, 2026 — FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the community of Christ the King Catholic Church, are committed to following Christ’s teachings of loving God and our neighbors, through faith, service and worship. Our mission is to seek the kingdom of God and to be an example to everyone, of God’s unending love and mercy, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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Travelers’ Information		410.676.6000
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NEW PARISHIONERS and **WINTER VISITORS** are requested to register soon after arrival. Registration forms are available in the foyer of the Church. Completed registration forms should be placed in the collection basket.

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 at Blessed Trinity and in Spanish the 2nd Saturday of each month, at 9:00am at La Guadalupana. Parents and Godparents must attend this class prior to scheduling baptism.

MARRIAGES: If you are planning to be married 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 Blessed Trinity Church Office at 352.629.8092 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 506.0282 and key in your number or contact Blessed Trinity office at 629.8092. When registering at the hospital, put your name on the Catholic List.

HALL RENTALS: Having a Baby Shower, Birthday Party or Anniversary Party? The hall is available for rental. Please call 352.484.5619 for more information.

Venezuela Disaster Relief

We are called to assist our brothers and sisters in Venezuela who are faced with the loss of their loved ones, their worldly possessions and economic livelihood due to the recent 7.2 and 7.5-magnitude twin earthquakes. The death toll has risen to over 1,400 people and there are still ongoing efforts to rescue those that are trapped in the rubble. We offer our prayers to all the families affected by these disasters and pray for the repose of the souls whose lives were taken.

In solidarity with our brothers and sisters, we ask you to participate this weekend, July 11/12, in this disaster relief. The funds collected in this special appeal will be used to support the efforts of the official relief agencies of the U.S. Catholic Church, Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services, as they and their local agencies respond to immediate emergency needs for such necessities as water, food, shelter, and medical care, and aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts; and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for pastoral and reconstruction needs of the church.

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.

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.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK



Wis 12:13, 16-19
Rom 8:26-27
Mt 13:24-43

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, July 15 Alice & Dave Hawk (L) —
Happy Anniversary
Sunday, July 19 The Cook Family L/D

Please contact Sandra Hajal at 867.1810 or email nhajal@aol.com to request a Mass for a loved one.

PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK
We are asked to remember members of the Parish or a member’s family/friends in our prayers that they may have a speedy and complete recovery. Please enter their names in the white book in the foyer and they will be presented at Mass.

Recently deceased—

CTK ONGOING EVENTS
Legion of Mary meets each Wednesday before Mass. Contact Sandie Maguire at 352.466.3977
Rosary is said Sunday mornings at 9:30am
Online Rosary - Visit www.comepraytherosary.org
Coffee/Donuts served after Sunday Mass in the hall.
Soup Kitchen is open on Tuesday from 12:00pm-2:00pm. Soup, sandwiches, drinks, stories, smiles, laughs and dessert.
Altar Flowers contact Sose Gaudet at 622.3589 to place flowers on the altar with (1) week notice.
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Council 16413 meets the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7:00pm in Oschman Hall. For more information contact Grand Knight, Bruce Burleson 352.812.1313.
Bulletin Advertising contact Melinda Gunn at 629.8092. Space is available. The semi-annual rate is \$80.00 for 6 months.
Parish App: myparishapp.com or the app store
Hall Rental: Contact Steve Floyd at 352.484.5619

STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

May our stewardship of time, talent, and treasure show us to be among those who have heard the message of Christ and taken it in, yielding a hundred—or sixty—or thirty-fold!

Weekly Offering
July 5, 2026
\$2,142.00

LEGION OF MARY
The Legion of Mary is actively seeking new members. Please contact Sandie Maguire at 352.466.3977 for more information.

Perpetual Adoration

Be a "Buddy Adorer" for:

Sundays: Midnight-Monday 1:00am

Tuesdays: 4:00am - 5:00am

Wednesdays: 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Thursdays: 11:00am - Noon

Saturdays: 10:00am - 11:00am

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

Our stewardship way of life here at BT encourages each family to commit one hour a week to the adoration chapel.

The Lord looks forward to your visit!

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.



Fish Fry Leaders Needed!

Do you love the annual Fish Fry? Are you looking to get more involved at church? This is your time!

We are looking for a few people to head up our Lenten fish fry. You will have lots of volunteer help but we need someone to take the lead.



If you are interested, see Deacon Steve after Mass.

Knights of Columbus

We are looking for good, Catholic men over the age of 18 to join Council 16413 here at Christ the King.

See grand knight Bruce Burleson for additional information or call, 352.812.1313.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's second reading, Saint Paul gives us reason to hope for a wondrous future beyond our imagination. He preaches this hope amidst the suffering of the early Christian communities. "Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us" (Romans 8:18). Good stewards realize that by remaining faithful to the Gospel with persistence, fervor and endurance, our hope in the promises of Christ Jesus will be rewarded. Reflect this week on concrete ways you can remain faithful to the Gospel during these challenging times.

Steward of the Week

Alice Hawk

Thank you Alice for your perseverance and creative talents in sewing new altar cloths and matching ambo cloths. Along with a curtain inside the tabernacle in church.

Your efforts, time and talent are all greatly appreciated!

Thank you for being a faithful steward!

Marriage Rediscovery

Sometimes things can go very wrong in a marriage. Retrouvaille is a program to help heal and support married couples experiencing difficulties, couples broken, lonely and hurting. It's also for couples who have separated or divorced and want to try again. Our next program begins July 17-19th. For more information and registration call 352.274.4614. All calls and names held in the strictest confidence. We invite you to visit our website at marriagerediscovery.org



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The collection will be next weekend, July 18/19.

CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH SOUP KITCHEN

July Menu

7/7 Minestrone Soup

7/14 Roasted Chicken & Mac and Cheese

7/21 Pasta with Meat Sauce

7/28 Surprise

Assorted desserts, coffee
and various soft drinks.

Meals are free every Tuesday
12pm-2pm

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Leading Others to Christ With Our Steward's Response

In what ways does Christ's love touch others through your life of stewardship? How do you lead people in your community to discern how each is called to minister and serve? Do people in your community recognize that stewardship is about more than giving money to the parish or diocese? Our responses to questions such as these are at the heart of the way we approach stewardship leadership. We may say "stewardship is a way of life," yet the message we share with people in our community may sound more like, "stewardship is about giving money to the church." The reality is, the path of discipleship, lived through stewardship, leads each of us to grow in holiness. We may struggle to put this call into words, yet we know that living and growing as good stewards is a meaningful way to connect faith with daily life. This is a gift we must give one another. It is a gift that is sure to have lasting impact in the lives of individuals and the life of the faith community. The following excerpt from the U.S. bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship is worth your reflection:



Christians must be stewards of their personal vocations, for it is these that show how, according to the circumstances of their individual lives, God wants them to cherish and serve a broad range of interests and concerns: life and health, along with their own intellectual and spiritual well-being and that of others; material goods and resources; the natural environment; the cultural heritage of humankind—indeed, the whole rich panoply of human goods, both those already realized and those whose realization depends upon the present generation or upon generations yet to come. Catholics have a duty, too, to be stewards of their church: that community of disciples, that Body of Christ, of which they, individually and together, are the members, and in which "...if one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy" (1 Cor 12:26).

Stewardship includes sharing one's gifts and blessings with the church, and much more. The more we share this great call to live and grow as stewards in all aspects of our lives, the greater the likelihood that people of all ages and stages of life and faith will hear the call and enthusiastically respond to it.