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<u>MASS SCHEDULE AT BLESSED TRINITY</u>		
<u>WEEKEND</u>		
Saturday	4:00 pm and 6:00 pm	
Sunday	7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am 1:00pm Spanish, 5:00 pm Life Teen	
<u>DAILY</u>		
Mon-Fri	7:10 am and 5:30 pm	
Wednesday	8:15 am (follows school schedule)	
Thursday	6:30 pm (Spanish)	
Saturday	8:00am	
Reconciliation	Saturday	2:45-3:30 pm 5:00-5:30pm

<u>MASS SCHEDULE AT OUR MISSION CHURCHES</u>	
<u>WEEKEND</u>	
Saturday	7:00 pm at Christ the King (Spanish)
Sunday	10:15 am at Christ the King 7:00pm at La Guadalupe (Spanish)
<u>DAILY</u>	
Tuesday	7:00pm at La Guadalupe (Spanish)
Wednesday	4:00 pm at Christ the King 4:00 pm at Holy Days of Obligation

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PARISH LIFE

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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.

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STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

Elijah recognized the voice of God not in the strong and heavy wind, not in the earthquake, and not in the fire, but in a tiny whispering sound. May we find enough quiet in our clamorous world to hear His voice and discern what He is calling us to do and be.

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A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Today's Gospel reveals what miraculous things can happen when one embraces a single-minded faith in Jesus Christ. Peter gets out of a wind-tossed boat when the Lord calls him. His faith is tested by his obedience to Jesus who is calling him out onto the water. In the midst of the waves and the wind, Peter gets out of the boat and walks toward Jesus. Good stewards heed Christ's call to them. Sometimes that call directs them to take on seemingly impossible challenges. This week, reflect on how the Lord could be calling you out of the safety of your own "boat" to take on the impossible.

STEWARD OF THE WEEK

Janet Bick

Brother's Keeper would like to sincerely thank Janet for sharing her time and talents with our ministry. God bless you!

Thank you for being a faithful steward!

New Parishioners:

Jack, Makenzie & Hayden Tompkins
Hector, Leticia & Sebastian Benitez

Baptisms:

Nolan Thomas Miller

Stewardship spirituality invites us to surrender control of our lives to God in grateful recognition that everything we have is a gift from Him.

Today's readings remind us that God is always in control of His creation and His people. They also reveal what can happen when we fully entrust our lives to Him — in other words, when we embrace the stewardship way of life.

When we take our eyes off God, we lose sight of the fact that all is gift. We begin to rely on ourselves instead of trusting in Him, and we fail to make our lives a grateful response to His generosity.

Peter experiences this in today's Gospel from Matthew. Jesus sends the disciples ahead of Him by boat. Later that evening, Jesus comes to them, walking on the water, and invites Peter to join Him. Peter steps out of the boat and begins walking toward the Lord. But when he notices the strong wind around him, instead of keeping his eyes on Christ, he begins to sink.

Imagine if Peter had never looked away from Jesus. What an extraordinary adventure he would have experienced walking on the water with his Lord. The same is true for us. When we take our eyes off Christ, His countless blessings, and His faithful love for us, we begin to sink as well.

But when we embrace the stewardship way of life, loosening our grip on our time, talents, and treasure and placing our trust in God, life becomes a great adventure rooted firmly in the One who never fails us.



WORSHIP

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BACK TO SCHOOL MASS

Start the school year off right and join us for our back to school Mass!

Sunday, August 16 at the 5:00pm Mass.

We hope to see all our parents, students and teachers at Mass!



WELCOME LUNCHEON

Have you joined Blessed Trinity Church within the past year?

We invite you to come learn more about our parish and the Stewardship Way of Life

at our annual Welcome Luncheon:
Sunday, August 23, 2026, in English,
immediately following 11am Mass,
in the King of Kings Building.

So please, mark your calendars and plan to join us! We hope that by giving everyone ample notice, more families will be able to attend.

RSVP is required!

To RSVP, email slanier@blessedtrinity.org or call 352-629- 8092 and ask for Sue.

(Note that a **Spanish-** language brunch is scheduled for September – watch for details in a couple of weeks!)



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

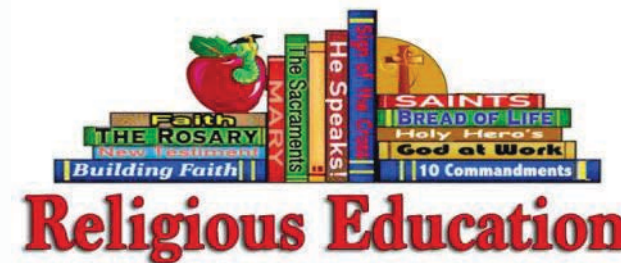
Our **Religious Education Program** begins **Sunday, August 16**, and we invite children, youth and adults to grow in their love of Jesus Christ and His church.

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



Father Pat's 1st Sacrament Meeting

Fr. Pat's 1st Sacrament meeting will be on **Sunday, September 13th at 9:55am in the gym.**

This is a mandatory meeting for all parents and children that are making their First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

Please try to make it to this first meeting but if you can't, there will be a make-up meeting on Saturday, September 19th at 9:00am in the chapel.

ESSAY CONTEST

Marion Council 5960 Knights of Columbus invites all high school aged members of Blessed Trinity Parish and 8th grade students of Blessed Trinity School to participate in our 2026 Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest.

In 500-750 words, explain what this quote from former U.S. President and Knights of Columbus member John F. Kennedy's 1961 inaugural address means and its importance for the flourishing of a nation.

"The rights of man come not from the generosity of the state but from the hand of God."

Cash prizes will be awarded to the top essay at each grade level, and the winning essays will be submitted to the state level competition for consideration. Entry forms with directions will be available at the parish office. Blessed Trinity School students can get the entry forms from their 8th grade teacher. Essays are due September 30th and strict adherence to the directions is required.

Questions can be directed to contest chairman Paul Soucy at 352.425.6170.



AUGUST: MAKE-A-WILL MONTH

As Catholics, we are called to be faithful stewards of God's blessings. August is National Make-A-Will Month, dedicated to helping people protect their families by putting estate plans in place. We invite you to prepare for the future, helping ensure your values and legacy continue to care for those you love and the ministries you cherish.

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- Provide for and support those you love.
- Continue supporting the ministries you cherish for generations to come.

If you need an estate planning attorney, The Catholic Foundation is blessed to have Catholic estate planning attorneys on our **Planned Giving Advisory Council**. Many of our PGAC attorneys will offer a free one-hour consultation if you mention The Catholic Foundation. We also understand creating a will might be overwhelming or everyone might not have the same estate planning needs. You can **create or update your legal will by using our free, easy-to-use tool in about 20 minutes, powered by FreeWill**. This is a complimentary service available to parishioners of the Diocese of Orlando. If you are interested please email Katherine Baker at kbaker@blessedtrinity.org for the FreeWill link.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Is 56:1, 6-7

Rom 11:13-15, 29-32

Mt 15:21-28



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus invites you to attend the breakfast after the 7:10am and 8:45 am Masses on the second Sunday of each month.

The next one will be this Sunday, August 9.

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

All you can eat for only \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 10.

Please come have breakfast with us.



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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. 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.





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Tuesday, Aug 11	7:10am 5:30pm	Souls in Purgatory Arnando Perez Serrano †
Wed, Aug 12	7:10am 8:15am 5:30pm	O'Brien & Rothfusz Families L/D Catherine Duncan † Karel Dupre †
Thursday, Aug 13	7:10am 5:30pm	Steve Reynolds † Johanne Everard †
Friday, Aug 14	7:10am 5:30pm	Ralph, Gladys, Phillip, Terry, Kevin & Kaz Goodwin † Ssemudo Family †
Saturday, Aug 15	8:00am 4:00pm 6:00pm	Thomas A. Burns † Karl & Allison Altenburger † Carlos & Elvira Vargas †
Sunday, Aug 16	7:10am 8:45am 11:00am 1:00pm 5:00pm	Maryellen Baez (L) Darrell Young † Carmen Tovar Diaz † Spanish Community Francis McAllister †

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Stewardship Saint for August
Saint Lydia of Philippi

Lydia is the first recorded person in Europe to become a follower of Jesus Christ. She was Saint Paul's first baptized convert at Philippi.

What we know of Lydia is found in the Acts of the Apostles. She was from Thyatira, an industrial center located in what is now western Turkey. She was a wealthy business woman; a manufacturer and seller of purple dyes and fabrics for which the city of Thyatira was noted. Lydia was part of a high value industry. Purple goods were luxury items, used by emperors, high government officials, and priests of the pagan religions.

At the time of the narrative in Acts, Lydia and her household had moved to the city of Philippi, a Roman colony on the Rome-to-Asia trade route. This is where she had her first encounter with Paul on his second missionary journey about the year 50.

While visiting Philippi for the first time, Paul and his party came upon Lydia and a group of women gathered by the river that ran through the city center. He sat down and shared the gospel with them. Lydia listened intently, took the gospel message to heart, and she and her family were then baptized in the river.

Lydia insisted on providing hospitality to Paul and his companions, so they made their home with her while in Philippi. She continued to help them even after they were jailed and released.

As a successful businesswoman, her home would have been spacious enough to welcome guests and to become a place for community gatherings and liturgies.

Paul cherished the members of the Christian community at Philippi and called them his "joy and crown." Undoubtedly, Lydia's generous hospitality and leadership in the founding of this early Christian community contributed to Paul's affection.

Saint Lydia's feast day is August 3.



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE ~ WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering	August 2, 2026	
Weekend Total:	471	\$ 25,477.26
Electronic Offering Total:	376	\$ 34,958.57
Loose Cash / Votives Total:		\$ 2,689.00
School Mass Offering:		\$ 0.00
Non Sunday:	46	\$ 5,399.00
Grand Total for Week:		\$ 68,523.83
Amount needed for Operating Expenses:		\$ 87,372.00
Difference		(\$18,848.17)

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A Stewardship Parish Is More Than Stewards in a Parish

A stewardship parish is marked by a culture that recognizes God's gifts in its people, receives them with gratitude, and actively encourages those gifts to be shared in love of God and neighbor.

This vision is not new. St. John Chrysostom, writing in the fourth century, speaks directly to this responsibility when he teaches:

"The most basic task of church leadership is to discern the spiritual gifts of those entrusted to its care and to encourage those gifts to be used for the good of all. Only a person who can discern the gifts of others and can humbly rejoice at the flourishing of those gifts is fit to lead the church" (Six Books on the Priesthood).

Without that discernment, and without that joy, authentic ecclesial leadership falters.

The structures of a stewardship parish exist precisely to serve this pastoral goal. Without intentionality, parish life can easily drift into patterns that are unhelpful and even harmful. Cliques of "haves" and "have-nots" form, informal "insiders" and "outsiders" emerge, and participation becomes limited to those who already know where they belong. Over time, unity is quietly sacrificed for convenience, and giftedness goes unnoticed, not because people are unwilling, but because no clear invitation has been extended.

The Stewardship Way of Life stands in contrast to this drift. It is meant to expand parish life, not narrow it; to call forth the giftedness of every individual, not merely a familiar few. Stewardship, rightly understood, is deeply inclusive. It presumes that every baptized person has something to offer and that the parish has a responsibility to help each person discover where and how that fit can be shared.

For this reason, stewardship cannot remain vague or merely implied. It must be clearly articulated, intentionally organized, and faithfully sustained. The Stewardship Way of Life begins by grounding all parish life in discipleship and gratitude, recognizing that stewardship is first a response to God's abundant gifts, not a strategy for meeting parish needs.

The goal throughout is simple and profoundly ecclesial: to help a parish become a true communion of disciples, a living body in which God's gifts are recognized, received, and shared in the love of God and neighbor.



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Next week we will take up the collection for the Church in Latin America. Many in Latin America and the Caribbean find that a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ.

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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.



We are in need of volunteers to assist us during our special events

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- Helping to ask businesses for auction items or providing leads.
- Picking up auction items and delivering items to our offices.
- Making baskets and/or gathering items to contribute to the baskets.
- Helping on the day of the event for setup or breakdown.
- Attending meetings online or in-person once a month for one hour.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Soup Bowl Supper
September 26, 2026
St. Mary Magdalen, Altamonte Springs

Taste of the Villages
February 9, 2027
The Brownwood Hotel, The Villages

65th Anniversary Gala
April 3, 2027
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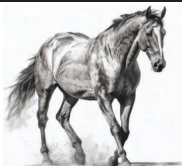
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