



Time To Celebrate

Our Diocese of Orlando, starting next week, will begin a year-long celebration of its 50 years as a diocese.

We here at Blessed Trinity will gladly use the occasion to join in the celebrations by taking a deep look at the development of our own parish from the days when priests came on horseback from Palatka (1877?) to celebrate Mass with the few Catholics who were here, right up to our present day.

A number of committees have been working hard on this celebration since early August. We have an oversight group consisting of some longtime parishioners and staff, and a catholic schools committee consisting of the three principals and president, and a “writing” committee consisting of four well known secret writers!

The latter group is responsible for a special insert in the bulletin each week – beginning next week. About 60 topics have already been chosen and a schedule is in place. Different writers (depending on the topic) have been assigned. Our Bishop is mostly responsible for the lead off insert next week.

You might want to hold on to each weekly insert. Overall you will get a deep and rich understanding of your parish; its development over the years; its expanding involvement in Marion County life; its outreach to the needy far beyond our members, our county and to the big wide world; its strong

emphasis on a full Catholic Christian education; its missionary spirit and above all, its openness to God's Holy Spirit wherever He wants to lead us.

Besides the weekly inserts, you will eventually see:

- ✝ A "memory wall" on display in the portico
- ✝ A video on Catholic education instead of the homily
- ✝ Different banners displaying our history
- ✝ Lots of photos covering our 140 (approximately) year history
- ✝ A nine-day novena in Thanksgiving to God
- ✝ Another video, in May, striving to capture a good understanding of our mission as a parish



The year, 2018, is proclaimed as a Year of the Eucharist. So, as always, the Eucharist will be highlighted every step of the way. Our prayer is that each person and each family will come to a deeper understanding of and a deeper fervor for the Eucharist.

We know He stays with us. May each one of us, each family, parish ministry, each school and all its students be more one with Him because of this jubilee celebration.