

Blessed Trinity Parish Council Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2026 6 pm – Guadalupana

In Attendance: Fr. Pat Sheedy, Fr. Bill Burns, Bill Kennedy, Gisela Salas, Emily Vey, Paul Miller, Heather Smith, Judith Cespedes, Aracelis Collado, Angie Yeates, Liz Eagan, Angie Shelton

Reflection - Liz Eagan, 352-875-6132 e64egan@gmail.com

Approval of minutes from 3/10/26 – Angie approved, Gisela second

Stewardship Representative – Angie Shelton – Report: Name tag weekend is coming up, Ministry Heads are being asked to have a 1 minute informational video sent in to Sue Lanier or Colleen, in the event they cannot be at their assigned ministry weekend. Action needed: Ministry heads please contact Melinda with the names of people who have been in their ministry 10 years or more. We would like them to be recognized for their commitment to the church. The 5 Year plan for the Parish Council will be revisited. More info to come. The Novena 9 week sessions are almost ready to start. The first one planned for May- it will be one night a week for 30 minutes. Each 9 weeks will be a different Novena focus.

April Commission Reports – Heather Smith – Social: Stitching Sisters has 15 members. Items are distributed to the homebound of our parish, assisted living facilities and nursing homes in Marion County. At Christmas we distributed over 300 items. Sister Juliet helps with the distribution. We rely on donations of yarn and material.

Peace and Social Justice: The coffee cart is going well. B.T. was recently recognized as being in the top 100 churches in the US for sales. We received the attached certificate.

A lot of people are also requesting to pay with debit/credit cards. We have always accepted only cash and checks, but if there is a way to allow for cards, I'm sure sales would increase. This will be looked into.

Annual Stewardship Dinner: My committee has been on break! Our next big event will be the welcome lunch in August for new parishioners!

Young Adults: Met December: 20, February: 10, March: 15

Recent Events: Theology on Tap in December was on the Catholic Land Movement, in February was with Father Pat on Reconciliation, and in March it was on Mental Prayer. These events are generally well attended, and we have moved from meeting in a restaurant to meeting at different churches in the area.

Upcoming Events: Looking ahead we are interested in fundraising to attend the SEEK conference this Winter and looking for local opportunities over the summer to grow in faith.

Council of Catholic Women: 69 members. We recently had a litter clean up day here at BT. We attended a Habitat for Humanity house blessing where we presented the new homeowner with a large basket filled with items for their home. We collected 28 packages of cookies for Focus 11. We are currently preparing for an election of new officers

Rosary Makers: St Juliet would like for Parish Council to move this ministry to Worship – Fr. Pat will talk with her.

Judith Cespedes Hispanic Liaison report:

CURSILLISTAS/ULTREYA

Do not report any changes

MOVEMENT JUAN XXIII

New president: Daniel Ruiz 352-233-0263

They worked on the same weekly agenda every Wednesday from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

- On January 14, they celebrate Mass and invite the whole community. 70 people attended.
- This group was a great help at the Church Picnic.
- They are involved in all the activities of our church, including mass, retreats, and special activities.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

- New coordinator: Ana Arlequin 407-346-9991, Active members: 23 people.
- Last reflection was on the encyclical Dilexit No. Sister Magali is planning a future workshop for all the ministers.

STEWARDSHIP

- We continue announcing registration after mass that have been announced in the bulletin a week before the event and at the Hispanic Office. So far, we have a total of 8 families registered this year.



WOMEN'S EMMMAUS MENISTRY

- Coordinator: Ana Osvath, March 20-22 was our last retreat with 34 participants and 50 servers
- The group has 40-50 active members, and many of them are part of different ministries in our parish.

MEN'S EMMAUS MINISTRY

- Coordinator: Henry Osvath, Next retreat will be on April 17-19

Our mission is to foster a personal encounter with Jesus Christ, allowing individuals to begin the healing process of the wound in their lives

GUADALUPANA ALTAR SERVERS/SACRISTANS

- There are 27 members ranging from post-first-communion age to high school.
- We restarted our bimonthly meetings with the assistance of sister Ofelia.

GUADALUPANA YOUTH GROUP

- Ana and the coordinator of this group, Carol Lopez, are working towards starting the group again in August and following the same schedule as the school year.
- Hoping to expand our leadership group for the ministry and be able to do more activities in the church and outside of the church

GUADALUPANA MUSIC MINISTRY

- Nothing to report

GUADALUPANA GENERAL REPORT

- Attendance at the Easter Vigil was around **300** people.

GUADALUPANA READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD

- Nothing new to report.
- **BT MINISTRIES** -Prison, Altar Servers, Music, Sacristans, Readers of the Word, Ushers, Youth Mass

GUADALUPANA

Extraordinary Ministries of the Holy Eucharist, Ushers

Old Business

- a. Catholic Appeal
- b. Finalize nominations for At-Large Election
- c. Parish wide election of Parish Council and BT School Board Members Set for next month
- d. Easter Lawn Signs – 225 English, 75 Spanish. Generated \$1,110 in donations.

New Business

- a. FORMED.org – Catholic “Netflix” FREE for every parishioner, it was in the bulletin
- b. Guadalupana 25th Anniversary- Set for Nov. 22nd 3p.m. Groups will be forming to prepare for this event possible mtg on May 3rd 5:30
- c. Relic of St Carlo Acutis – BT is getting a first class relic – Ideas of where to house it, contact Ana Vargus before April 29
- d. Parish wide Volunteer Clean-Up Day – Gisela motioned for it to happen – will be an annual event starting possibly May 13 of 2027. Parish Council -committee will work with maintenance on what is needed. More info to come.

Upcoming April Events

April 25 - Pre-Cana, King of Kings Building

April 25th – Annual Red & White Dinner Auction

May 9th First Communion

May 23-24 Sidewalk Sale

May 27th - BT Graduation

May 28th – Angels in Arms

May 29th - TC Graduation

Closing Prayers

Next Meeting: May 12, 2026 @ 6 pm Adoration Chapel then Fr. Pat's Office

- Reflection/Vespars: Judith Cespedes
- Commission Reports – Administration
- Staff Representative: – Administration
- Next Agenda Mtg: May 7th @ 8:15 in Father Pat's Office