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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 Guadalupana (Spanish)
<u>DAILY</u>	
Tuesday	7:00pm at La Guadalupana (Spanish)
Wednesday	4:00 pm at Christ the King 4:00 pm at Holy Days of Obligation

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PARISH LIFE

MARCH 17, 2024 ~ FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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.

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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.

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.

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STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

"If anyone would serve me," says Jesus in today's Gospel, "let him follow me; where I am, there will my servant be." In what way is Jesus inviting me to follow Him? What service is He asking of me?

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.

Ministry of the Week
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STEWARDSHIP

POTENTIAL

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

You will hear the Gospel story of Jesus inviting his disciples into a great mystery with curious pronouncements: Those who love their lives just as they are will lose them. If a grain of wheat dies, it will bear much fruit...What does Jesus mean? The climactic event of Jesus' passion and death is drawing closer; a time when the great confrontation between Jesus and the powers of darkness take place. When Jesus is lifted up, he will draw all to himself. The Christian steward knows life can't be lived in complacency. We are called to die to self, bear more fruit, be raised up with Jesus. Jesus brings discomfort to those who are comfortable. Jesus urges us to give witness in his name. How will we respond?

STEWARD OF THE WEEK

Charles Salvagio

Ministry to the Sick would like to thank Charles for spending so much of his time taking communion to many homebound people.

Thank you for being a faithful steward!

New Parishioners:

Jhon, Yudi, Sara & Salome Salinas

Fernando & Mirian Martinez

Kevin, Justine, Nola & Nixon Terneus

Anthony, Rosalina Ramos

Stella Faulstick

Shane, Kaela, Kingston, Jagger & Paisley Barner

Marcos, Areli, Adaline & Alonzo Ontiveros Ortega

Maikel, Ivon, Annabelle, Gabriel & Cecilia Guevara

Baptisms:

Nora Jane Gorman

As we are nearing the end of our Lenten journey, our readings today remind us of the goodness that our God has to offer us.

In today's Gospel, Jesus announces that the "hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." All that He came to do on this earth was soon to be fulfilled. When we reflect on what Jesus says in this passage, He tells us a great deal about how we should be living as disciples of Christ. He clearly states, "unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit."

We are called to detach from our own desires and entrust our lives to all that God has in store for us. Without self-denial, we might miss occasions God has given us to produce good fruit. We have been practicing this throughout our Lenten season through fasting. One way to continue this effort after Lent is by taking advantage of the countless opportunities God presents to us to sacrifice our desires for something much greater — whether waking earlier to spend time in prayer, fasting from a favorite comfort on a weekly basis or taking the time to check in on a friend or family member instead of turning on the TV, just to name a few. It is important that we continue to make room for God and the good things He wants to produce in us all year long.

As our Lenten journey soon concludes, may we consider the ways in which we might continue the practice of self-denial by offering small, daily sacrifices to the Lord.



Presentation of The Last Supper

All Things New Production returns to Blessed Trinity with a presentation of the Last Supper in the Parish Hall on Palm **Sunday, March 24th after the 7:10am, 8:45am, 11:00am, and 1:00pm (Spanish) Masses.** Come and sit at a Passover table just like the one Christ sat at with His friends, and then come up to the "upper room" to witness a live tableau of the Last Supper. This will be an immersive and meditative experience to prepare your hearts and minds for the Holy Week.

For questions, please email kiarafeliciano@allthingsnewproductions.com

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6:00am Mass: Outside portico with Keyboard & Cantor

7:10am Mass: with the Traditional Choir, Timpani, Organ & Piano

8:45am Mass: with the Traditional Choir, Timpani, Organ & Piano

11:00am Mass: with the Handbells, Violin, Organ & Piano in church

11:00am Mass: with PSALT (Guitar, Flute, Cajon) in Parish Hall

1:00pm Mass: Spanish

5:00pm: Mass with Lifeteen



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WORSHIP

MARCH 17, 2024 ~ FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Our Catholic Appeal



We are doing so well, even though only a fraction of our parishioners have so far responded.

Just remember, if we receive more than our assessed amount, we keep 2/3 of that excess and 1/3 goes to help retired and sick priests.

I believe most people accept the fact that if we follow through on our Catholic baptism we have a moral responsibility to make some contribution to OCA.

If, this year, you are not in a position to make a contribution, that's fine. Send in a response just saying that you are not able to respond this year. You do not need to explain anything. It encourages us to know that you support the mission of the Catholic church. Also, we do not have to mail a letter to you.

Thanks to all of you for your prayers and support.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Begins Good Friday March 29th, 6.00pm at the **Divine Mercy Shrine in the Church Chapel.**

Holy Saturday, March 30th, 3.00pm at the Divine Mercy Shrine in the Church Chapel.

Easter Sunday, March 31st, 6.00pm at the Divine Mercy Shrine in the Church Chapel

Monday -Friday April 1st -5th 6.00pm at the Divine Mercy Shrine in the Church Chapel

Saturday, April 6th 3.00pm at the Divine mercy Shrine in the Church Chapel

Divine Mercy Sunday April 7th celebration: (The Holy Hour of Mercy will be after the Spanish Mass from 2.30pm-3.30PM) in the **Church.**



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Daily Mass	Session 1: June 9th - June 21st
Archery	Session 2: June 23rd - June 29th
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Arts & Crafts	

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Coffee & Donuts

Life Teen will have coffee and donuts available in the parish hall every 4th Sunday of the month. It will be donation driven and runs from 7:30am-12:30pm. We want all of you, your family, and your friends to sit and enjoy each other’s company.

Did You Know...?

You can purchase items in the Blessed Trinity Gift and Religious Items Shop at about the same price as the retail price online? Better than that, you get to see and touch it before buying and you’re not paying tax or shipping!

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Visit the BT Gift Shop before Saturday evening masses, after Sunday morning masses and 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 3:30 to 5:30 pm.

Marriage Preparation

Preparing for the sacrament of marriage? Saturday, April 27 is the date for the next Blessed Trinity Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation program. The program runs from 8:00am-5:00pm in the King of Kings building at Blessed Trinity and includes continental breakfast and lunch. Cost is \$50 per couple.

Register on the Blessed Trinity website, <https://btchurch.blessedtrinity.org/ministries/pre-cana/>

Please note: the next Pre-Cana program will not be until October 5, 2024.



READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Is 50:4-7

Phil 2:6-11

Mk 14:1—15:47



Brother’s Keeper Lenten Soup Dinners

Get those taste buds ready! Brother’s Keeper Soup Kitchen will be serving its fabulous Wednesday night Lent Soup & Bread Dinner continuing on Wednesdays in Lent, come have the best tasting soup in town in the Parish Hall from 5:00pm to 6:30pm.

Consecration to Mary, the Acies

The Legion of Mary would like to invite you to a Consecration to Mary, the Acies.

There are two opportunities to attend:

- 1) Saturday, March 23 at 2:00pm at St. James Cathedral in Orlando.
- 2) Monday, April 8 at 2:00pm at St. Timothy’s in The Villages.



March 16 / 17:

March 23 / 24: NO FLOWERS—LENT

March 30 / 31:

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



Sunday, March 17th— Mass, No Life Night (we will be helping with the International Picnic most of the day)

Sunday, March 24th— Mass, dinner, full costume run-through of Living Stations (to be performed three days later, Wednesday Mar. 27)

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Tuesday, March 19	7:10am 5:30pm	Michael Whitaere † Maria Pedro Prieto †
Wed, March 20	7:10am 8:15am 5:30pm	Fr. Michael O’Keeffe † Deborah Bullard & Patrick Hoffman † Jerry Demeola †
Thursday, March 21	7:10am 5:30pm	Fr. Michael Sheedy † Marguerite Wieskamp †
Friday, March 22	7:10am 5:30pm	Adeline Dettmann † Clyde Thompson †
Saturday, March 23	8:00am 4:00pm 6:00pm	Stan Swiderski Jr. † William LaPlant † John Daleo †
Sunday, March 24	7:10am 8:45am 11:00am 1:00pm 5:00pm	Leonor Costo † Carrie Maker † Josie Brady † Spanish Community Diane Martino †

Please pray for all those who have recently passed away.

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Tuesdays: 1:00am - 2:00am

Wednesdays: 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Thursdays: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Our stewardship way of life here at BT encourages each family to commit one hour a week to the adoration chapel; please prayerfully consider this ministry’s needs and if you are unable to serve, please pray that God will send individuals to sustain this core ministry, here at Blessed Trinity.

The Lord looks forward to your visit!

Please see the list of hours, which is in the vestibule, on the counter near the staircase, that need one more adorer.

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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BLESSED TRINITY COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

SAINTLY QUOTES ON THE EUCHARIST

"If we but paused for a moment to consider attentively what takes place in this Sacrament of the Eucharist, I am sure that the thought of Christ's love for us would transform the coldness of our hearts into a fire of love and gratitude."
-St. Teresa of Avila - Teresa of Jesus

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE ~ WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering

March 10, 2024

Envelope Total: 407 \$ 26,374.16

Electronic Offering Total: 455 \$ 52,905.32

Total Children’s Offering: \$ 91.60

Non Sunday: 65 \$ 10,204.00

Grand Total for Week: \$ 89,575.08

Amount needed for Operating Expenses:\$ 97,634.00

Difference (\$8,058.92)

Year to date collection: \$ 2,795,902.94

Year to date budget: \$ 3,417,190.00

Year to date deficit: (\$621,287.06)

CRS/World Mission Sunday: \$2,155.00

“Thank you for your donations.”

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

Brunch with the Bunny

Lent has already begun, and this means the resurrection of Jesus is coming!

... AND ... the story of the Easter Bunny!!



Life Teen would like for all families to bring their little (and not so little) ones to have ‘Brunch with the Bunny.’ Join us at 9:30amon Saturday, March 30 for the blessing of the baskets and food, the egg hunt, and then brunch. This event is first come, first served the day of. Tickets can be pre-ordered starting now. If you have NOT bought your ticket before March 26th, then tickets will still be for sale the morning of the event for \$6 per person. To guarantee a full plate of food, please reserve your spot before March 26th.

You can start purchasing your ticket (s) today for \$6 per person and \$25 for a family of 5. To reserve/get your ticket, please stop by the church office with cash, check, or money order.

Stewardship Saint for March
Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo

Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo is the patron saint of Peru. He was the archbishop of Lima from 1579 to 1606, and it is because of his missionary work and commitment to social justice as archbishop that he has been a popular saint in Latin America for over three centuries. He had a favorite stewardship message which he used often in his teaching and preaching: Time is not our own, and we must give a strict account of it.

St. Turibius was born in 1538 to an affluent family of the Spanish nobility. He was well-educated; a professor of law at the renowned University of Salamanca in Spain. He was ordained a priest in 1578 at age 40 and sent to Peru to become the archbishop of Lima in May 1579. Reportedly, St. Turibius baptized a half million people; among them were St. Rose of Lima and St. Martin de Porres. He is also responsible for building many roads, schools, churches and hospitals in Peru. In 1591, he established the first seminary in the Western hemisphere in Lima. He was responsible for a new catechism in Spanish and two local native dialects.

Promoting social justice was a major concern of St. Turibius. He devoted himself to serving the poor and championing the rights of indigenous peoples against the oppressive rule of civil authorities. The governors of Peru mounted continued opposition to the archbishop because of his challenges to their injustices.

The Archdiocese of Lima consisted of 180,000 square miles, (by comparison, the state of California is 164,000 square miles). He traveled the length and breadth of the archdiocese three times, mostly on foot and often alone, exposed to the tropical elements and without protection against hostile tribes and animals of prey. On one of his missionary journeys, he contracted a fever that would end his life. He died on March 23, 1606. He was canonized in 1726.

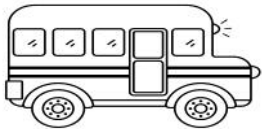


Bus Help Needed

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In order to keep up this ministry, we need some help! If you have a clean driving record (no special license needed) and are fingerprinted (or can be), and are available some Sundays for the 11:00am Mass, we would love to have you!

Please call Julie Cyrulinski at 352.875.9856 with any questions.



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Brother's Keeper serves thousands of men, women, and children in need in Ocala/Marion County. We are looking for dedicated volunteers to help us in the following areas:

Gardeners: We are investigating the possibility of hydroponic gardening at our thrift store location to grow fruits and vegetables that can be given to food pantry clients. We need willing volunteers (*experienced and/or inexperienced*) to help.
Times Needed: *To be determined*

Wawa Donated Food Pickups: Brother's Keeper receives donated food from two Wawa locations in the SE part of Ocala. We are looking for volunteers to pick-up 3-4 bags of food at these locations and bring them to the food pantry.
Times Needed: *Varies – estimated one hour daily - M/W/F.*

Thrift Store Volunteers: We receive many donations each week and need assistance unpacking, pricing, and displaying the items in the thrift store. We also need help in the store helping customers.
Times Needed: *Saturdays*

Marketing: Brother's Keeper will be expanding our marketing efforts for our various programs and are looking for experienced volunteers or businesses with marketing strategy and/or production expertise to help and advise us.

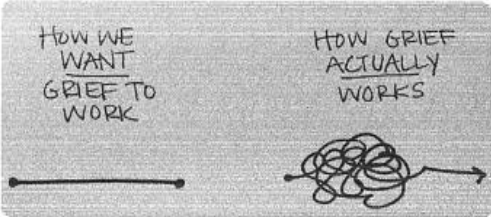
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