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MASS SCHEDULE AT BLESSED TRINITY

WEEKEND	
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
DAILY	
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

MASS SCHEDULE AT OUR MISSION CHURCHES

WEEKEND	
Saturday	7:00 pm at Christ the King (Spanish)
Sunday	10:15 am at Christ the King 7:00pm at La Guadalupana (Spanish)
DAILY	
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 31, 2024 ~ EASTER SUNDAY

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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NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME to stop by the Church Office to register Monday through Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm or stop by the Parish Hall the first Sunday of each month following the 8:45am and 11:00am Masses.

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.

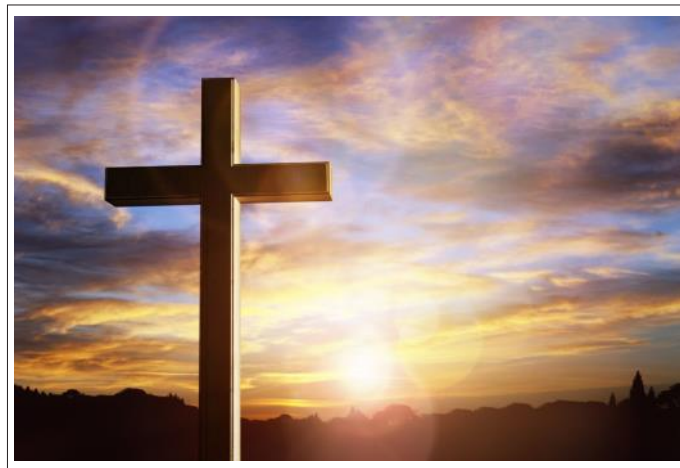
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STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

Alleluia! Christ is risen and is victorious over sin and death! We are good stewards of our faith if, like St. Paul, we share this good news whenever and wherever we can.

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A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Jesus Christ has risen today! For those good stewards of their faith who die with Jesus, they rise with Christ their savior every day. They are an Easter people. Our Savior is active, alive, and transforming us and our communities of faith, even the world, at this very moment. Easter is a time of joy, a time of celebration. To have faith in the risen Lord is also to believe that we are disciples who bear witness to Christ in a broken and troubled world. To be good stewards of this faith obliges us to be living witnesses to Christ's peace at home and in public. Jesus cannot be found buried in some long forgotten time, in some far away land. He is risen. He lives within each one of us. Alleluia!

STEWARDS OF THE WEEK

Stewardship Verification Team

Many thanks to all who gave generously of their time and talent to help with this years school stewardship re-verification: Marty Egan, Allan & Marianne Geddings, Michelle Hernandez, Matt Ivers, Paul Miranda, Mary Liz Ranieri, Caren Thompson, Migdalia Crespo, Veruska Ledezma, Angie Shelton and Heather Smith.

Thank you for being faithful stewards!

New Parishioners:

Jack & Nina Farris
Victor, Alfy & Hugo Ramirez
Cody Bachelder, Samantha Arquette & Ashten Bachelder
Jonathan, Bethany, Geovanni, Marcos, Juliana & Luca Figueroa
Urbicia Alvarez Riva Flecha
Jesus, Liz, Maria A, Maria B & Bayardo Sanchez

Baptisms:

Mabel Minon Zhang Juario

Today, we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ! Our readings today reveal how we can live out the joy of Easter all year long in our day-to-day lives.

Our Gospel portrays the third day after Jesus' death when Mary of Magdala visits Jesus' tomb. Once she saw the stone removed, she ran to tell Simon Peter and John. They ran to the tomb as well, and upon seeing, they believed. We can tell the relationship that these disciples had with Jesus because of the way they responded about Him — they "ran." Mary didn't see the empty tomb and think, "someone else will figure it out." Peter and John didn't hear the news and think, "I will check on it later." They each responded with conviction as they "ran" for Jesus.

We must ask ourselves, "Do I have a relationship with Christ to the point where I am running to Him each day?" The way these disciples responded is how we should respond to Christ. We must avoid complacency, and as intentional disciples, we must stop rationalizing our choices by telling ourselves we will someday get around to putting God first. Every moment throughout our day is an opportunity to respond to God in gratitude, compassion and eagerness. And although there will be moments when we do not "feel" like responding to Him, it is in those moments when we faithfully respond anyway that matters the most.

Let us celebrate this glorious day with prayer and feasting, for Christ is risen! And let us strive to carry this Easter joy with us all year long by how we respond to Christ each day. Happy Easter!



Rice Bowls

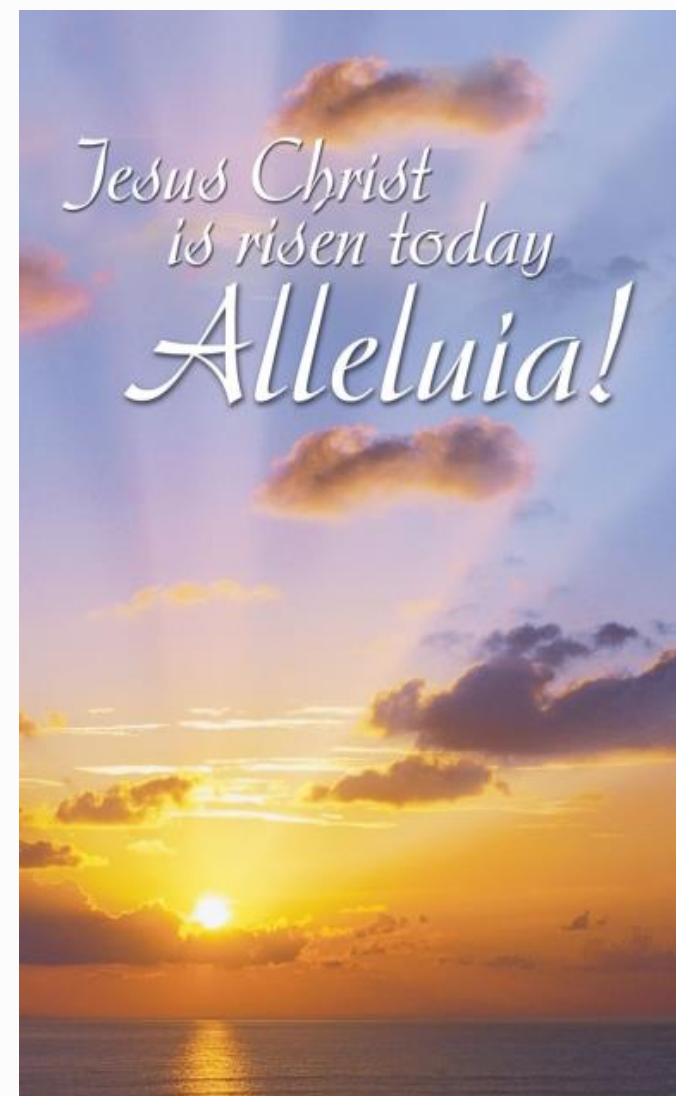
If not done already, please bring back your Rice Bowl with your donation for World Hunger—asap.

Eucharistic Ministers

Are you interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister ? We are starting a list of people that want to attend the next training.



If you are interested or have any questions, please call Dee McNeal at 352.390.0091 or 352.817.0837.



Our Catholic Appeal



The letters have gone out to all parishioners we have not received a response for "Our Catholic Appeal". It is most important that you are included. It does not have to be a major commitment on your part—just a response with some donation.

The % of people in our parish who do respond is much lower than most parishes in our diocese. Over all, the ones who have responded have been most generous. They are carrying the responsibility for the majority.

I believe I have a responsibility, as your priest, to inform you that the OCA appeal is not an option for Catholics who live their Catholic faith and truly want to share in the total mission of the Catholic church. I do not worry about it. I just want to make sure I have done my job of letting all our parishioners know that OCA is a vital part of our Catholic faith. Thanks.

Lent / Easter Thanks

Our parish is very thankful for all our parishioners who helped the parish celebrate Lent and Easter. Apart from all our volunteers who take part in one of the ministries at Mass—such as lectors; church decorators; readers; ministers of the eucharist; altar servers; musicians; choirs; video operators; etc.—we want to recognize our priest confessors, BT adorers, Friday fish fry workers, Wednesday soup meal workers, RCIA teachers and candidates and catechumens, religious education teachers and BT staff.

It takes a city, more than a village! Thank you all.

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We are in need of an individual or individuals to coordinate and continue this worthy program which gives small family farmers and their cooperatives, in Latin America, India, Asia, Africa, and Palestine, a fair profit for their products. The farmers use sustainable, regenerative, organic agricultural methods without the use of toxic pesticides. The farmers protect and improve forest cover and habitat for migratory birds and other wildlife through shade farming. This also preserves local river quality. Their knowledge and farming practices are helping restore and preserve our planet.

Could God possibly be calling you to coordinate this worthy program to improve people’s lives and protect our environment? I’m available to help in any way. Please call Joe Sowa at 352-615-7240.

UPCOMING BAKE SALE

Calling all our Uganda supporters. The weekend of April 6/7, we will be holding a Bake Sale after all Masses.

We would love to have contributions from all those bakers who have supported this fundraiser in previous years.

Please bring your contributions either to the church office on Friday, April 5th, or to our table on Saturday afternoon before the 4:00pm Mass, or before any of the Sunday morning Masses.

Thank you

BLESSED TRINITY COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

SAINTLY QUOTES ON THE EUCHARIST

"This bread is bread before the words of the Sacrament. But when the words of Christ come to it, it is the body of Christ ... Before the words of Christ, it is a cup full of wine and water. When the words of Christ become operative, the blood which has redeemed the people is caused to be there."
-St. Ambrose

Offertory / Gifts

Representatives of the community bring the bread/wine/prayers and collection from the community to God’s Altar at Mass. It is a great honor and privilege to represent the community in this fashion. If you have never done this, decide today to accept this invitation. All you have to do is let an usher know on your way into Mass or you can sign in on the book provided for this purpose in the vestibule. You can be a single person, a couple, a family or several single persons. When no one volunteers then and only then do the ushers do it.

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

Acts 4:32-35

Jn 5:1-6

Jn 20:19-31



First Saturday Devotion

All members of the parish are invited to attend the First Saturday Devotion in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This devotion was requested by God, for his Most Holy Mother, in 1917 of the three shepherd children at Fatima.



The next devotion will be on April 6, 2024 following the 8am Mass.

Ministry To The Sick General Meeting

There will be a general meeting for all ministers to the sick on Friday, April 12th at 6:00pm at the Elder Care center with a guest speaker.

For details call Sister Juliet at 352.629.8092 ex. 3211.

March 30 / 31:

April 6 / 7: In memory of Harold Duris by Colleen Duris

April 13 / 14: In memory of Father Mike

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



Sunday, March 31st— Mass, No Life Night— Happy Easter

Sunday, April 7th—

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Spring is here! You can get your car washed by the Life Teens on Sunday, April 7th from 8am until about 1pm. We will be down in front of Elder Care.



Donations accepted. Your donation will go toward helping several Life Teen and Edge members attend a week long retreat in July where they will grow closer to Christ.



Monday, April 1	7:10am 5:30pm	Scott Markl † Harold Duris †
Tuesday, April 2	7:10am 5:30pm	Deceased members of DeNaro Family Philip Pesola †
Wed, April 3	7:10am 8:15am 5:30pm	Sisters of IHMR L/D Tim Mitchell † Jim & Nancy Scanlon †
Thursday, April 4	7:10am 5:30pm	Frank Florimonte † Tony Moeder †
Friday, April 5	7:10am 5:30pm	Fr. Michael O'Keeffe † Andy Semesco †
Saturday, April 6	8:00am 4:00pm 6:00pm	Semudo Family L/D Reckamp & McClain Families † Donald Karney †
Sunday, April 7	7:10am 8:45am 11:00am 1:00pm 5:00pm	Pia Sviben † Jim Pinder † Michael A. Guarino (L) Spanish Community A.D. & Gwen Higgins †

Please pray for all those who have recently passed away.

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Thursdays: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Thursdays: 11:00pm - Midnight

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.

"People ask me: 'What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Hours of prayer."

~ Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta



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8 AM | Saturday, April 6

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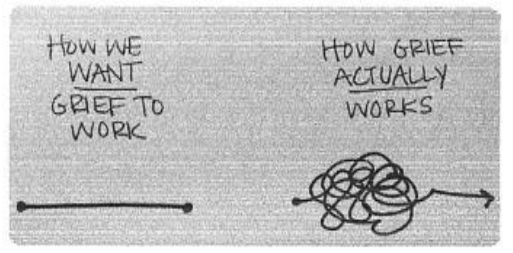
Weekly Offering	March 24, 2024		
Envelope Total:	496	\$ 28,389.74	Year to date collection: \$ 2,947,153.42
Electronic Offering Total:	429	\$ 36,654.18	Year to date budget: \$ 3,612,458.00
Total Children's Offering:		\$ 55.75	Year to date deficit: (\$665,304.58)
Non Sunday:	36	\$ 7,648.00	
Grand Total for Week:		\$ 72,747.67	
Amount needed for Operating Expenses:		\$ 97,634.00	
Difference		(\$24,886.33)	

"Thank you for your donations."

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Is this how your grief experience looks?

We can help. For information on the Grief Support and Recovery Program:

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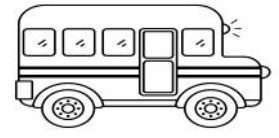
The program is free but you must register

Bus Help Needed

You may not know, but the Blessed Trinity bus makes various stops on Sunday mornings to pick up people and bring them to the 11:00am Mass.

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.



Retrouvaille

If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; if you have grown cold and distant; even if you are divorced or separated, or are thinking about it, Retrouvaille can help, as it has helped thousands of others. Our next program begins in Winter Park, San Pedro Center, April 4-6, 2024. For more information and registration call 352.274.4614. All calls and names held in strictest confidence. Not counseling or group therapy.

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 April 5, 2024

Blessed Trinity Catholic Church
 5 SE 17th St., Ocala, FL 34471
 Fr. Ed Murphy

7pm Holy Rosary

Ongoing Confession during this time

8pm Holy Mass

(in honor of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus)

and the recitation of the

Nine Offices of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary

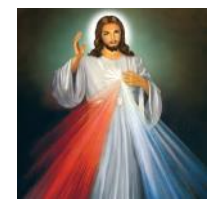
DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

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.**



St. Peregrine Mass

Please join us in praying for a cure for cancer. The monthly devotional Mass to St. Peregrine, the patron saint of cancer patients, will be Thursday, April 4, at the 5:30pm Mass.

Medals and holy cards are available before or after Mass. Please come and pray with us.

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Blessed Trinity Catholic Church Blood Drive

Saturday, April 6

3 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 7

8 a.m. – 3 p.m.



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