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Our readings today offer us a message of hope — God is with us and wants to heal us. May this message come ablaze in our hearts so that we might live with unwavering faith.

The Gospel presents us with the story of the profound physical healing of a deaf man with a speech impediment. People brought him to Jesus and begged for his healing. Jesus took the man off by himself, touched his ears and his tongue, then proclaimed, "Be opened!" Immediately he was healed.

This story in our Gospel overwhelms us with comfort and peace because we have a compassionate God who sees our physical needs. Yet if we reflect further on this reading, we see that God uses this moment of physical healing as an opportunity to restore something much deeper — our souls.

Oftentimes we are blind and deaf to God in our lives. We miss countless opportunities to see God working in our day-to-day moments — through our loved ones, our community, or even a stranger. We miss the quiet voice of Jesus in our hearts telling us to choose Him instead of sin, respond in love instead of anger, or care for someone else in a moment instead of ourselves.

These are how we need to be spiritually healed. And the scriptures remind us that God is with us and wants to heal us.

This week let us seek God to heal our souls and transform our hearts. Let us pray that our eyes and our ears might "be open" to His workings, words, and promptings in our lives.



CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

September 8, 2024

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MASS SCHEDULE AT CHRIST THE KING

WEEKLY

Saturday 7:00pm (Spanish)

Sunday 10:15 am Wednesday 4:00 pm

Wednesday 7:00pm (Spanish)

First Fridays

Holy Days of Obligation 4:00 pm

Reconciliation

Wednesday 5:15 pm

Sunday 9:45 am or by appointment

MASS SCHEDULE AT BLESSED TRINITY

WEEKEND

DAILY

Saturday 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm Sunday 7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00

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1:00 pm Spanish, 5:00pm LifeTeen

Monday—Friday 7:10 am and 5:30 pm

Wednesday 8:15 am (follows school schedule)

Thursday 6:30 pm Spanish

Saturday 8:00 am

MASS SCHEDULE AT LA GUADALUPANA

Tuesday 7:00 pm Spanish

Sunday 7:00 pm Spanish

PARISH LIFE

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024 — TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the community of Christ the King Catholic Church, are committed to following Christ's teachings of loving God and our neighbors, through faith, service and worship. Our mission is to seek the kingdom of God and to be an example to everyone, of God's unending love and mercy, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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NEW PARISHIONERS and **WINTER VISITORS** are

requested to register soon after arrival. Registration forms are available in the foyer of the Church. Completed registration forms should be placed in the collection basket.

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 at Blessed Trinity and in Spanish the 2nd Saturday of each month, at 9:00am at La Guadalupana Parents and Godparents must attend this class prior to scheduling baptism.

MARRIAGES: If you are planning to be married 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 Blessed Trinity Church Office at 352.629.8092 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 506.0282 and key in your number or contact Blessed Trinity office at 629.8092. When registering at the hospital, put your name on the Catholic List.

HALL RENTALS: Having a Baby Shower, Birthday Party or Anniversary Party? The hall is available for rental. Please call 352.484.5619 for more information.

STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

The good steward must not show favoritism. The rich may have many material gifts to share, but St. James reminds us in the second reading that God has chosen the world's poor to be rich in faith and inheritors of God's kingdom.

Weekly Offering September 1, 2024 \$1,989.00

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is actively seeking new members. Please contact Sandie Maguire at 352.466.3977 for more information.

Dear CTK Parishioners,

Our Catholic Appeal assessment for CTK this year is \$15,132.39. We already have received pledges or donations in the amount of \$11,227.39. Thanks to all of you who have replied so far. We are doing reasonably well

We still need \$3,905 to meet our obligations. Last year we fulfilled our commitment. We can do it again.

OCA pledge envelopes are available in the vestibule at the entrance. Any and all donations are welcome. Each donation shows a commitment to our Catholic faith. We, hopefully will not have to take money from CTK savings to meet our goal.

Thanks to all of you, Fr. Pat.

GIFT SHOP HELP WANTED

Our Gift Shop is closed because we have no one to run it!

Would you like to help?!

Hours are after Mass on Sunday mornings. Must get/or be fingerprinted through the diocese. Please contact Melinda if interested, 352.629.8092.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

St. James teaches that those who are perceived to be poor in the eyes of society are the ones who have been chosen to inherit the Kingdom of God. Indeed, we are saved because of our poverty and redeemed out of our need, not because of our material wealth or achievements that the world finds praiseworthy. St. James also suggests that we are stewards of others, especially the poor and it is how we respond to the poor and needy that will define our relationship with the Lord. Can you identify the poverty, whether spiritual or material, that is in your own life? How can that "poverty" be redeemed? As stewards of others, how do we respond to the poverty that exists right in our own parish?

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK



Is 50:4c-9a

Jas 2:14-18

Mk 8:27-35

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, Sept 11 Georgina Casanova & Veronica

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Sunday, Sept 15 Ethel Alder—Happy Birthday

Please contact Sandra Hajal at 867.1810 or email nhajal@aol.com to request a Mass for a loved one.

PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK

We are asked to remember members of the Parish or a member's family/friends in our prayers that they may have a speedy and complete recovery. Please enter their names in the white book in the foyer and they will be presented at Mass.

Recently deceased-

CTK ONGOING EVENTS

Legion of Mary meets each Wednesday before Mass. Contact Sandie Maguire at 352.466.3977 Rosary is said Sunday mornings at 9:30am Online Rosary - Visit www.comepraytherosary.org Coffee/Donuts served after Sunday Mass in the hall.

Soup Kitchen is open on Tuesday from 12:00pm-2:00pm. Soup, sandwiches, drinks, stories, smiles, laughs and dessert.

Altar Flowers contact Sose Gaudet at 622.3589 to place flowers on the altar with (1) week notice. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Council 16413 meets the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7:00pm in Oschman Hall. For more information contact Grand Knight, Bruce Burleson 352.812.1313. Bulletin Advertising contact Melinda Gunn at 629.8092. Space is available. The semi-annual rate is \$80.00 for 6 months.

Parish App: myparishapp.com or the app store **Hall Rental:** Contact Steve Floyd at 352.484.5619



"Be Still, And Know That I Am God."

What's at BT's Charismatic Prayer Group?

- Friendly Smiles
- Songs That Lift Your Heart
- Worship To Express Your Love
- Scripture To Light Your Path
- A Deep Quiet To Feed Your Soul
- Time For Healing And Prayer
- A Touch Of God's Presence!

Richard, 352-342-2982 for info.

Fountains of Living Water Prayer Community

Be a Good Steward of Your Faith this Autumn

There's something wonderfully renewing about autumn, especially as it begins a new school year. It's all about new beginnings. Maybe it has something to do with new classrooms, new teachers, the great smell of brand new shoes and the smooth touch of that new backpack.

We remember those feelings of starting again even if it's been years since we walked through the school house door, and even if we don't have our own children heading off to the classroom this fall. We still get that heady felling of new possibilities in the crisp autumn air. This is the perfect time to bring a sense of spiritual renewal to your life and to your family—the domestic church.

Autumn can truly bring out a new resolve to improve our lives as summer's freedom gives way to the structure of fall. For adults, faith formation classes and prayer groups are just forming in parishes. Check out the opportunities. With summer ending, many organizations are gearing up for new volunteers. Contact your local Catholic Charities or Habitat for Humanity to see how you might help out.

Think of the autumn season as a way to discover a new rhythm for your prayer life. If new activities can be scheduled into your daily life, start scheduling in more quality time for prayer. Fall is the perfect time to begin a 34-week Ignatian retreat, because if you start in September, the retreat-in-real-life schedule will conform to the liturgical year.

For the children in your house, early to bed and early to rise means there may be more opportunities to be together for short prayer. Say a blessing at breakfast, or a brief morning offering as kids head out for the bus. Try to bring a more regular prayer schedule to your home. Pray with your children as you tuck them in, making the prayer personal and about the day's events. Make a resolve this fall to bring Christ more prominently into your family's daily routine. Make the stewardship of your faith and family a commitment as autumn brings a sense of renewal.

COMING SOON: LENDING LIBRARY

Christ the King will be starting a lending library.
The lending will be on the



honor system (no library card) just a sign out sheet to note what book you're borrowing. The books will be located near the front door of the parish hall after Mass. We've got some wonderful faith based books to share with you!

If you have any questions about this new endeavor, please see Kathie Bellamy after Mass or call her at 352.875.6288.

Morning of Reflection

Our annual Morning of Reflection for all board members, ministry heads, and school and parish staff is scheduled for Saturday, September 21st.

We will begin at 8:00am with Mass in the church at Blessed Trinity, followed by a light breakfast in the King of Kings building.

After breakfast, Fr. Tony Anderson from Belize will be joining us to offer a reflection and to lead us in Adoration and Benediction.

We hope to see you all there for this very special morning!

Stitching Sisters

Stitching Sisters continue to meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Our next meeting will be on September 15th. We meet in the community center from 3:00pm to 4:30pm.

Please consider joining a wonderful group of supportive, creative and fun ladies.

We look forward to stitching and sharing with you!



Free Soup Kitchen Every Tuesday From 12:00pm - 2:00pm

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9/17 Eggplant Parmesan
9/24 Pot Pie
Assorted desserts coffee

Assorted desserts, coffee and various soft drinks

Meals are Free Every Tuesday

From 12pm-2pm

BIBLE STUDY

We continue our study of the Acts of the Apostles. There is always room for anyone interested in joining us!
Here is our schedule for September:



9/8/2024—Acts17: Converts and Conflicts, Turning the World Upside Down (58:51) 9/15/24—Acts 18: Ministry in Corinth, Third Missionary Journey (53:24) 9/22/24—Acts 19: Ministry in Ephesus (54:56) 9/29/24—Acts 20-21: Paul heads for Jerusalem (56:54)

We meet shortly after Sunday Mass in the Oshman Hall classroom. Always room, come join us!

Volunteer

Join our team on dental clinic

Please help us bring oral health to underserved communities in Marion County.

Become a Volunteer

We are looking for dentists, retired dentists, hygienists, dental assistants, and dental students to help us provide oral health, screenings, and treatment referrals through our La Guadalupana dental clinic.

We have a place for you to help us bring oral health education to underserved communities in Ocala and boarders' communities.

Do you want to help?

Please get in touch with La Guadalupana Clinic for more information on the requirements at:

bluquis@cflcc.org or 352-509-6996

Marriage Preparation

Preparing for the sacrament of marriage?



Saturday, October 12 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, www.blessedtrinity.org and click "Sacraments"





URGENT NEED FOR UGANDA COLLEGE STUDENTS WHO WILL NEED TO SUSPEND THEIR COLLEGE EDUCATION DUE TO LACK OF SUPPORT

Over the years, Blessed Trinity has supported many Uganda college students from charity donations. Unfortunately, this source of support will not have the financial means to continue their support of these students, at least for the coming year. There are many students who are in their last year or last semester who will have to drop out of college unless they can find alternative funding. The semester has already begun in Uganda; however, if funding can be obtained, they will still be able to attend this year. There are 29 college students and 11 seminarians who need assistance in order to continue their education. The average amount needed per student is \$600. (this is half the total amount; students are required to fund the other half).

If you are able to assist, payment can be made by check to Blessed Trinity (university support) or on -line. If you have any questions, please contact Sr. Juliet at (352) 629-8092.

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A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER For September

Loving and Gracious God,

We ask You to open our hearts to your Son's life and ministry and to answer the call to be his disciples.

May our response be rooted in the Gospel;

may we be ever mindful of the needs of our communities;

and may our stewardship flow from a profound sense of gratitude for Your many blessings.

By the gift of the Holy Spirit, empower and inspire us to respond in a way that brings hope to others and reveals the love that comes to us through Jesus Christ.

We ask this in His Name, who is Lord forever and ever.

Amen