



# BLESSED TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

October 13, 2024

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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,  
1:00 pm 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 8:00 am

**Reconciliation** Thursday 7:00pm (Spanish)  
Saturday 2:45—3:30pm (English)  
5:00—5:30pm (English)  
Sunday 12:15—12:45pm (Spanish)

**MASS SCHEDULE AT OUR MISSION CHURCHES**

**WEEKEND**

Saturday 7:00pm (Spanish) at CTK  
Sunday 10:15 am at Christ the King  
7:00 pm at La Guadalupana  
(Spanish)

**DAILY**

Tuesday 7:00 pm at La Guadalupana  
(Spanish)  
Wednesday 4:00 pm at Christ the King  
7:00pm (Spanish) at CTK

# PARISH LIFE

OCTOBER 13, 2024 ~ TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**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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Lou Pereira	President	
Tammie Vassou	Principal	

**NEW PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME** to stop by the Church Office to register Monday through Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm or online at [www.blessedtrinity.org](http://www.blessedtrinity.org), click on join us.

**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 Guadalupe. 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.

**PARISH APP:** Download at [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com) or search your phone's app store for myParish

## STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the rich young man to give away all that he has in order to have treasure in heaven. But he is unable to free himself from his possessions, and so he goes sadly away. Does what / own keep *me* from following Jesus?

### 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

#### Covenant Mission Team

The Covenant Mission Team is comprised of team members ranging from high school age (14 and older) to adult. The group does community service projects and fundraising prior to its trip to a chosen South American, Central American, or Caribbean location each summer.

Phil & Veronica Brescia 352.346.0847  
[vbrescia@btschool.org](mailto:vbrescia@btschool.org) (Attn:CMT)

# STEWARDSHIP

## POTENTIAL

### A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Jesus offers a hard lesson regarding wealth and possessions in today's Gospel. The rich man whom he encountered could not part with his possessions as a condition to becoming a disciple of Jesus. Would our response be the same as the rich man? Do we place our trust in our money and possessions instead of trusting in God's generosity? Do we seek security in our possessions? Good stewards realize that their possessions must not possess them, lest those possessions block their relationship with the Lord.

### STEWARDS OF THE WEEK

#### 50th Anniversary Planners

The parish would like to thank everyone that spent so much of their time and talent putting everything together for our 50th Anniversary celebration!

**Thank you for being faithful stewards!**

#### New Parishioners:

Adam, Maria, Tulie, Nacho & Addie Oliver  
Patricia Pounds

#### Baptisms:

Tucker Wayne Bednarik

In our Gospel today we hear the story of a man who ran up to Jesus and asked Him what he must do to reach eternal life.

Jesus said, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me."

It says the man went away sad because he had much.

We might cringe when we hear this story because it is sad — this man was so close to becoming an active disciple of Jesus, but instead turned away. We also might cringe because it could be deeply applicable to our lives.

Jesus states that, "It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

One of the metaphors for the "eye of a needle" was a tight passageway into Jerusalem that people had to enter to get into the city. In order for their camels to pass through, they had to remove whatever the camel was carrying, only then, could they enter.

If we look at our own lives, we can most likely think of something that we tightly carry with us. Maybe it is possessions — material goods or money — like Jesus references in our Gospel. Or maybe it is something less material — like status, pride or control.

Jesus doesn't want our stuff — our job promotions, our designer house or our bank account. He just wants us. So, we need to be willing to strip those things from our lives in order to reach Him. It might seem difficult, but the outcome will be more than we could have ever imagined — peace on earth and treasure in heaven.



### 50th Anniversary

We thank God. We thank Bishop John Noonan, Bishop of our Diocese of Orlando for celebrating our 4pm Mass on October 5th and for his blessing of our church of 50 years and our parish prayer garden.

The prayer garden is not yet completed. A walk-way will be constructed leading from station to station. Seating benches will be placed in front of each station. Landscaping will round it all off.

But Jesus has arrived! Just in time for the Bishop's blessing.

We suggest that you do not start praying the parish prayer garden until all the construction is completed. Then it will be much safer and a better environment for prayer.

We want to thank the members of the Knights of Columbus who cooked and served all the free hamburgers and hot dogs.

We thank the parish 50th Anniversary Committee for all their work in preparing for all the preparations and activities for this celebration. They are:

Scott Bolton	Megan Losito
Heather Smith	Jason Halstead
Jim Maguire	Evelio Bosque
Katherine Baker	Joyce Lemek
Colleen Rabe	Michelle Hernandez

Thanks also to all that attended and joined in on all the activities!

### Father Pat's 2nd Sacrament Meeting

Fr. Pat's 2nd Sacrament meeting will be THIS Sunday, October 13th at 9:55am in the gym.

This is a mandatory meeting for all parents and children that are making their First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

Please try to make it to this meeting but if you can't, there will be a make-up meeting on Saturday, October 19th at 9am in the chapel.

### FLU SHOT CLINIC

The parish nursing ministry in conjunction with Walgreens Pharmacy will be administering flu shots here at Blessed Trinity in the parish hall.



**Sunday, October 20th from 8:00am-1:00pm.**

Medicare and most insurance accepted.

Free blood pressure screenings will also be available at that time.

Flu shots at La Guadalupana on **Sunday, October 20th from 6:00pm-8:30pm.**

### Hispanic Heritage Festival

Come and join us on the BT Soccer Field **this Sunday, October 13th from 2:00-6:00pm.**



Latin American Folk Dances

Foods from many Latin American countries

We would love to see you there!

# LIFE TEEN

**Sunday, October 13th**—Join us for Mass and then Life Night where we will dive into Scripture 101.

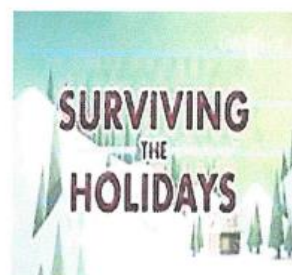
**Sunday, October 20th**— Join us for Mass and then Life Night where we will continue to explore Scripture 101.

**The Grief Support and Recovery Program Presents:**

## Surviving the Holidays Seminar

**Sat. October 26th, 2024**

Anyone dealing with grief is encouraged to attend.



**For Information Call:**

**Casey Ball**

**352-216-3278**

**Pre-Registration Required**

**Seats are Limited**

### Is God Calling You To Mission Work??

The Covenant Mission Team (CMT) is forming a new team for the 2024-25 season. If you are a high school aged teen (or older) and are interested



in finding out more about mission work, please join us **Tuesday, October 15 @ 7:00pm** in the King of Kings building to discover how rewarding and fulfilling this work can be.

2ND ANNUAL

## Golf Tournament to Benefit Saving Mercy

NOVEMBER 18, 2024

GOLDEN OCALA GOLF & EQUESTRIAN CLUB  
8300 NW 31ST LANE RD, OCALA, FL 34482

### Sponsorship Levels

<p><b>Ace \$10,000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Golf Foursomes</li> <li>• 4' by 6' Banner to be displayed at event and Saving Mercy on Hwy 40</li> <li>• Welcome sign</li> <li>• Logo displayed on website</li> </ul>	<p><b>Eagle \$5,000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Golf Foursome</li> <li>• 2' by 3' Banner to be displayed at event and Saving Mercy on Hwy 40</li> <li>• Welcome Sign</li> <li>• Logo displayed on website</li> </ul>	<p><b>Birdie \$3,000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Golf Foursome</li> <li>• Welcome Sign</li> <li>• Logo displayed on website</li> </ul>
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**HOLE SPONSORS**

**\$200**

**SCHEDULE**

11:00 am: Registration - Box Lunch  
12:00 pm: Shotgun Start  
4:00 pm: Awards - Drinks - Appetizers

Player \$500  
Team \$2,000

For more information please contact Sharon Selzer: 352-274-3028 or sharonseiler4@gmail.com

### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Is 53:10-11

Heb 4:14-16

Mk 10:35-45



### Saints and Sweets

Life Teen is proud to present our first ever "Saints & Sweets Luminary Walk" on November 2, from 6:30-8:00pm on the Blessed Trinity School Soccer Field.

Walk with your family or friends as you learn about the lives of the Saints. Youth dressed as Saints will share a Saint story as well as candy at each station. Kids are invited to dress up as Saints or use their Halloween costumes.

**DONATE CANDY:** Candy donations help make the night even sweeter! Please deliver candy to the church office, marked "Saints & Sweets."

**VOLUNTEERS:** Many hands will be needed to make this event a success! We are looking for ten enthusiastic students (grades 6-12) willing to dress up and share a saint story with the community as they walk through our candlelit walkway. A script will be provided as well as any costume materials the student might need. We are also looking for volunteers to help set up, take down, and welcome people into the walk in an orderly fashion. For more information on the specifics of how you can get involved, follow this link or contact Lydia Ross.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CAFAE2BA0FFC70-52008871-saints>



Oct 12 / 13:

Oct 19 / 20:

Oct 26 / 27:



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

### Looking For a Prayer Meeting?

Here at BT, we have been meeting on Thursday nights since 1978! Giving thanks to God in prayer & song; Listening to Him in the quiet of our hearts; Hearing shared stories of Faith; and Interceding for each other & the Church -It never gets old!

We look forward to God blessing us with your presence. Please join us this Thursday in the Adult Day Care center, 7-8:30pm. Questions? Call Richard for details, 352-342-2982 or email i2bxtn@gmail.com.

Fountains of Living Water Prayer Community



If you still have an Alpha Center baby bottle, you may turn it in to an usher before or after Mass or at the church office during the week. Because of your generous giving, the ministry of Alpha Center will continue to help save unborn babies and provide emotional, spiritual and material support to moms and dads in need.

Thank you for partnering with us in this life-affirming ministry. May our Lord bless you for your generosity!



Monday, Oct 14	7:10am 5:30pm	Semudo Family L/D Homer Rothfusz †
Tuesday, Oct 15	7:10am 5:30pm	Virginia Phillips † Vincent Lomoriello †
Wed, Oct 16	7:10am 8:15am 5:30pm	Scott, Gary, Brian & Craig Wicks † Janette Simpson † Janette Simpson †
Thursday, Oct 17	7:10am 5:30pm	Adeline Dettmann † Charles LaPlant †
Friday, Oct 18	7:10am 5:30pm	Deceased members of the Goodwin & Blake Families Art & Phyllis Cooper †
Saturday, Oct 19	8:00am 4:00pm 6:00pm	Norman Magnan † Rudy Blanchette † Bram Dekker †
Sunday, Oct 20	7:10am 8:45am 11:00am 1:00pm 5:00pm	William R. Petty † Robert Ferrick † Jennifer (Hinds) Workman † Spanish Community Giuseppe Mignosa †

Please pray for Homer Rothfusz who has recently passed away.

### Mobile Device Giving

Scan the QR code to donate online.

Thank you for your donation!



### Perpetual Adoration

The following hours need to be filled:

**Sundays: 9:00am - 10:00am**

**Sundays: 2:00am - 3:00am**

**Sundays: 3:00am - 4:00am**

**Tuesdays: 1:00am - 2:00am**

**Thursdays: 3:00am - 4:00am**

**Saturdays: Midnight - 1:00am**

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



### ADS OF THE WEEK

#### Health Markets

Marianne Edwards  
954.850.1009

#### Pathway Pharmacy

Paul Franck, R.Ph.  
352.624.2779

Please see our Ads at the back for all our business supporters.

### STRIVE

STRIVE is a powerful 21-day porn detox that helps men/women understand why they go to porn and equips them with the knowledge, tools, and accountability needed to quit porn. Strive cards are available in the vestibule. This program is free and confidential.



www.strive21.com

- ✓ Free for a Limited Time
- ✓ Anonymous, begin today
- ✓ 21-day challenge (5 min/day)
- ✓ Proven results

Text **STRIVE** to 66866  
to Join Today!

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE ~ WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering	October 6, 2024		
Weekend Total:	457	\$ 30,673.74	Year to date collection: \$ 1,159,137.38
Electronic Offering Total:	461	\$ 51,225.95	
Loose Cash / Votives Total:		\$ 2,412.00	Year to date budget: \$ 1,177,974.00
School Mass Offering:		\$ 80.00	Year to date deficit: <b>(\$18,836.62)</b>
Non Sunday:	54	\$ 5,554.00	
<b>Grand Total for Week:</b>		<b>\$ 89,945.69</b>	
Amount needed for Operating Expenses:		\$ 84,141.00	
<b>Difference</b>		<b>\$5,804.69</b>	

"Thank you for your donations."

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

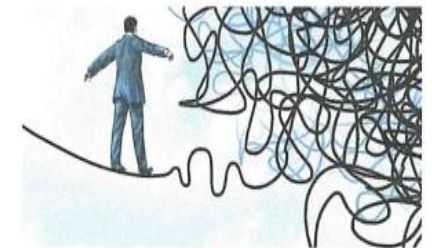


4<sup>th</sup> Edition Videos -The newly revised program:

### Fire & Ice

Participants have said:

- "Saved my life" ● "A blessing for my soul" ● "I am so grateful to the program" ● "Got me through the hardest time in my life" ● "Can't say enough- how great it is" ● "Best decision I ever made- 4 stars"



Is this how your grief experience looks?

**We can help. Next Session starts soon.**  
**For information on the Grief Support and Recovery Program:**

**Call Casey Ball - (352) 216-3278**

**The program is free but you must register**

### Live-In Person Needed

To apply one must:

- 1) Have a car to do light shopping and go to doctor's appointments.
- 2) Can live in a separate bedroom with bathroom or live in a free apartment at the back of the house.
- 3) Must be able to cook well.
- 4) Do some light housekeeping and light laundry.
- 5) Can take two days off each week but not Sundays.
- 6) Have no pets.
- 7) Must provide two or three references.
- 8) Salary approximately \$500 per week.
- 9) Free room and board.

Call Fr. Pat if you believe you are qualified.

### STEWARDSHIP APPRECIATION DINNER

Our annual Stewardship Appreciation Dinner will be at 6pm Sunday, November 17 in the parish hall. This is a FREE dinner to say thanks for all you do for Blessed Trinity. We only have one rule: You need to sign up in advance and get a free ticket. This allows us to have an accurate count and avoid wasting food—or not having enough! You can sign up and get a free ticket after the Masses the weekends of October 26/27 and November 2/3.

If you have any questions, please call Jim Ross at 352.208.1960. See you at the dinner!

### Stitching Sisters



Stitching Sisters will be meeting on Sunday, October 20 in the Community Center from 3:00-4:30pm. Join us for fellowship and needlework as we get ready for the holidays.

If you have any questions contact Angie Fischetti at 352.368.9080 or Kathie Bellamy at 352.875.6288.

### PEACE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Your purchase of Fair Trade coffee, tea, cocoa & olive oil help small family farmers in Asia, Africa, India, South America and Palestine earn a fair compensation for their products, establish community cooperatives and help the environment since the farmers use non-chemical organic farming.

We sell Drip Coffee—Columbian, Ethiopian, Mind Body and Soul, Breakfast Blend, French Roast, and Decaf—Whole Bean Coffee—Columbian, French Roast and Breakfast Blend—Tea—Green, English Breakfast and Irish Breakfast—Dark Cocoa, Hot Cocoa and Olive Oil.

These products will be available for you to purchase after Mass this weekend.

### CELEBRATING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

From September 15 to October 15, Catholic parishes and dioceses across the country are participating in Hispanic Heritage Month, celebrating the rich tapestry of cultures, traditions, and faith that Hispanic communities are bringing to the Catholic Church. During this month, we not only celebrate the contributions of Hispanic Catholics, but also reflect on the challenges they face. Language barriers, economic disparities and cultural differences often create obstacles to full participation in the life of the Church.

According to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), Hispanic Catholics now represent nearly 50% of all Catholics in the United States, and their growth is accelerating. In June 2023 the U.S. bishops issued a nationwide pastoral plan for Hispanic ministry, declaring it a much-needed response to an urgent pastoral priority. The bishops characterize Hispanic Catholics “as a blessing from God, and a missionary and prophetic presence that will revitalize the Catholic Church in the United States” (*Missionary Disciples Going Forth with Joy: National Pastoral Plan for Hispanic/Latino Ministry, (Washington, D.C.: United States Catholic Conference, 2023)*). By establishing a new pastoral plan for Hispanic ministry, the bishops recognize that the ministerial infrastructure of the past 40 years is no longer adequate to address the ongoing pastoral needs of this fastest growing sector of the Catholic Church in the United States.

Studies reveal that vast numbers of Hispanic Catholics are leaving the Catholic Church, many turning to non-Catholic faith communities, because the Catholic ministerial infrastructure in the U.S. is contracting, not expanding, and failing to keep up with their pastoral needs (see “*Ministry with Young Hispanic Catholics: Towards a Recipe for Growth and Success: A Summary Report of Initial Findings from the National Study of Catholic Organizations Serving Hispanic Youth, Boston College, 2023*.”) The U.S. bishops also realize that they can no longer count on Hispanic Catholics to remain in the pews without pastoral leaders engaging them in a more meaningful way. The bishops have called on parishes and dioceses to respond immediately to this new reality.

In their pastoral plan, the bishops use terms like “strongly recommend” to urge parish leaders to be more proactive in implementing new and creative ways to reach out and minister to Hispanic Catholics. For example, the pastoral letter emphasizes that, however and wherever possible, the Eucharistic liturgy should be offered in the Spanish language.

The bishops also recommend that wherever there is Spanish language fluency, parishes should form and commission bilingual catechists and use bilingual catechetical materials, even when the instruction is given primarily in English, so that children can be equipped to review their religious education materials in Spanish with their non-English speaking parents who will be better able to reinforce at home what their children are learning.

Hispanic Heritage Month gives us an opportunity to prayerfully consider exploring new ways to enhance Hispanic ministries in our parishes. The bishops ask us to volunteer our time, share our resources, and advocate for more inclusive practices that support our Spanish-speaking brothers and sisters, as they in turn, contribute to the broader mission of evangelization and service within our Church.





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