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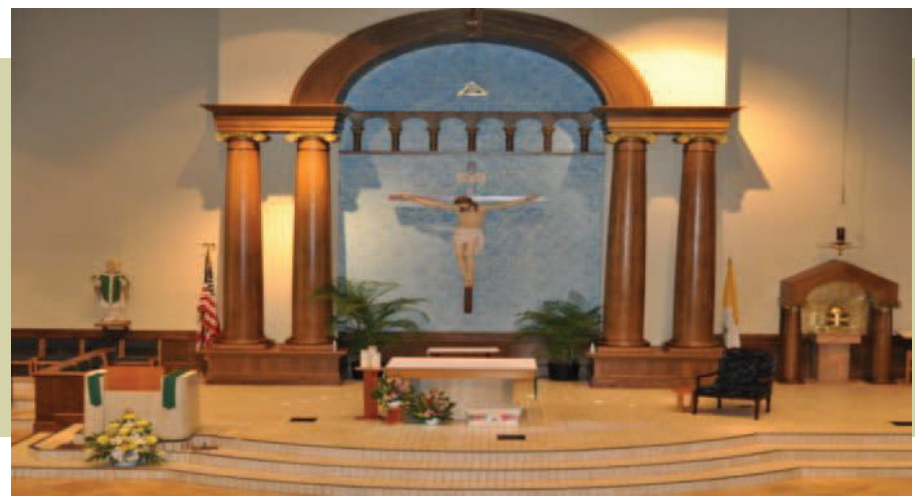
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<b>WEEKEND</b>	
Saturday	4:00 pm and 6:00 pm
Sunday	7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am 1:00pm Spanish, 5:00 pm Life Teen
<b>DAILY</b>	
Mon-Fri	7:10 am and 5:30 pm
Wednesday	8:15 am (follows school schedule)
Thursday	6:30 pm (Spanish)
Saturday	8:00am
<b>Reconciliation</b>	<b>Saturday 2:45-3:30 pm 5:00-5:30pm</b>

**MASS SCHEDULE AT OUR MISSION CHURCHES**

<b>WEEKEND</b>	
Saturday	7:00 pm at Christ the King (Spanish)
Sunday	10:15 am at Christ the King 7:00pm at La Guadalupe (Spanish)
<b>DAILY</b>	
Tuesday	7:00pm at La Guadalupe (Spanish)
Wednesday	4:00 pm at Christ the King 4:00 pm at Holy Days of Obligation

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**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.

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## STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

Jesus, whom God called "my beloved Son," is also the "servant" of whom Isaiah speaks in the first reading. We who are baptized in Christ must follow His example and use our time and resources in the service of God and neighbor.

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# STEWARDSHIP

# POSTSCRIPT

## A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's reading from the Gospel of Luke we hear the proclamation of the baptism of Jesus with "all the people." Indeed, "heaven was opened," and the Father announced his special favor. Whenever we partake of the body and blood of Christ, heed his call in our daily lives, share his Good News, become instruments of his transforming justice and peace, heaven is opened to us, and through the Holy Spirit, the Lord announces his special favor on us as well. A good stewardship reflection this week might be this: How, or in what ways, have we personally experienced God's special favor in our lives?

## STEWARDS OF THE WEEK

### Carla & James Sochaki

The Adopt A Parking Lot Island ministry would like to thank Carla & James for using their time and talent to keep Blessed Trinity looking beautiful!

**Thank you for being faithful stewards!**

## New Parishioners:

Yesenia Villanueva

James Kliner

Dominic, Sara, Jackson & Nora Garitta

## Baptisms:

Keira Darling

Kensington Marie Sherman

Mary Charlotte Costello

Camila Grace Maxey

Lucas Elias Leon

As we celebrate this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we can study His actions at the Jordan River as a powerful example of servant leadership. We see in Jesus a type of leadership that is characterized by humility and leading by example.

Certainly, the sinless Savior did not need a baptism of repentance! But Jesus humbly made Himself one with his people to draw us to Him and create a relationship with us so that we would be open to His teachings and influence.

As a servant leader, we also see that Jesus leads by example. He doesn't just tell the people they need to be baptized. He shows them how and does it Himself to teach them. To lead like Jesus, we, too, must "walk the walk" and not just "talk the talk." If we want those who we lead to be generous and hard-working, then we must show them how to do this by demonstrating generosity and hard work ourselves.

Immediately after His baptism, we learn of the powerful affirmation of the Father who opens the heavens, sends the Holy Spirit upon Jesus in bodily form, and says audibly, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased." Let us be filled with gratitude for our amazing God and be reminded that when we are grateful followers of Jesus and servant-leaders in imitation of Him, the Father will be well-pleased with us, too.

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## Parish Prayer Garden

We now have a very special outdoor prayer garden ready for your prayerful visits.

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garden. The Stations of the Cross, modeled on the Stations at Medugorje, invite you to take a meditation walk or sit on the benches by each station. The pathway by the stations is designed to accommodate all wheelchairs.

We thank all the sponsors listed on the plaque at the eastside entrance.

We thank Mike Boyle, our contractor, and our parish building committee for all their dedicated hard work.

## Expansion of Blessed Trinity Sister Parish Church

So far we have heard from 73 donors.

We have \$153,275.00 donated/pledged.

Our goal to complete the expansion is \$244,000.

Let us know if we can count on you to help us expand our sister parish church to make room for the amazing growth of their parish.

## Father Pat's 3rd Sacrament Meeting

Fr. Pat's 3rd Sacrament meeting is **this Sunday, January 12th 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, January 18th at 9am in the chapel.

## Medugorje Pilgrimage

We now have the details for this pilgrimage.

We depart from Orlando Airport—Easter Sunday, April 21st at 7:00pm.

The cost of the flight is \$1,775; Room & Board (two meals daily) is \$350-includes a tip; bus to Orlando is \$20; bus from and to Split Airport is \$55; seven day/night total per person is \$2,200.

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**Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**— Join us at Life Night after the 5:00pm Mass as we start our new series, “Belong”. At some point in life, every person encounters the deep ache of loneliness and isolation. In this series, we will address the importance of moving from isolation to solitude.

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Our next program begins in Winter Park January 31-February 2, 2025. Not counseling or group therapy. For more information and registration, call 352.274.4614.

All calls and names held in strictest confidence. We invite you to visit our website at [Retrouvaille.org](http://Retrouvaille.org)

**Knights of Columbus Breakfast**

The Knights of Columbus invites you to attend the breakfast after the 7:10 and 8:45am Masses on the second Sunday of each month, the next one will this Sunday, January 12.

The meal consists of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, french toast, biscuits and gravy, three different juices and coffee. All you can eat for only \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 10.

Please come and have breakfast with us!



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Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm or  
Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>  
(following 8:15am Mass)

**Kindergarten**

Open House

Join us for a presentation  
and KG classroom tour!



Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>  
(following 8:15am Mass)

**1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>**

Open House

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and School tour!



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If you, or someone you know is considering Blessed Trinity School for their child, please invite them to attend.

For KG please RSVP by Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> by selecting a spot on  
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or email Mrs. Osvath at [AOSvath@btschool.org](mailto:AOSvath@btschool.org)

Due to space limitation, we would like to limit two people per family to attend.



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Wed, Jan 15	7:10am 8:15am 5:30pm	Semudo Family L/D Kathleen Conner † Souls In Purgatory
Thursday, Jan 16	7:10am 5:30pm	Anthony Kernan † Elizabeth Hurley †
Friday, Jan 17	7:10am 5:30pm	Marilyn Clayton † Recto Ballesteros †
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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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### DO YOU ENJOY DECORATING?

We are forming a church decorating committee and would like you to be a part of it!

Come find out how you can help!

Meeting in the King of Kings building at 6:30pm on Tuesday January 21<sup>st</sup>, in the St. John room.

Contact Colleen Rabe in the church office with any questions.

### 18th Annual Chili Dinner

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Saturday, February 15th, 3pm-6pm  
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### Marriage Preparation

Preparing for the sacrament of marriage? Saturday, February 15 is the date for the next Blessed Trinity Pre-Cana



Marriage Preparation program. The program runs from 8:00am to 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 April 26, 2025.

### Pope Quote

Pope Paul VI addressed the 1st International Conference on the Charismatic Renewal in 1975. In closing, he said:

"Have we forgotten the Holy Spirit? Certainly not! We want him, we honor him, and we love him. And you with your devotion, your fervor, your wish to live in the Spirit: this should be. It ought to rejuvenate the world, give it back a spirituality, a soul, a religious thought; it ought to reopen the world's closed lips to prayer and open its mouth to song, to joy, to hymns, and to witnessing. It will be very fortunate for our time and for our brothers that there should be a whole generation - your generation of young people - who shout out to the world the glory and greatness of the God of Pentecost."

Visit BT's charismatic prayer group every Thursday, 7-8:30pm in the Adult Day Care. Find rejuvenation & joy! For info: Richard@352-342-2982 or Katy@352-342-2983 or email [i2bxtn@gmail.com](mailto:i2bxtn@gmail.com).

Fountains Of Living Water Prayer Group

### Charity: Simple Word, Powerful Outcome

Another year is upon us! Still in the context of our beautiful Christmas season, many of us will answer the questions: “What will be new in my growth as a follower of Jesus? What tangible changes of heart and habit will I strive for in 2025?” Perhaps we might even ask those questions as a parish community.

As Christian stewards, you and I could come up with some definite hopes and dreams for our personal and overall parish conversions, especially in light of the encouragement of Pope Francis in his Apostolic Exhortation: *The Joy of the Gospel*. In that document we are called over and over again to shine as the light and love of Jesus in the world.

Pope Paul VI also dealt with the demeanor of the faithful in his decree: On the Mission Activity of the Church. In this document, which also deals with evangelization, he writes:

The presence of the Christian faithful in these human groups should be inspired by that charity with which God had loved us, and with which He still wills that we should love one another. (cf. 1 John 4:11) Christian charity truly extends to all, without distinction of race, creed or social condition: it looks for neither gain nor gratitude. (#12)

The word charity seems like such a simple term, but it generates a powerful outcome. It addresses all areas of the life of a Christian steward including time for our relationship with God, each other the environment and human life. Charity asks us to consider our attitudes towards others, the use of our

talents and of course our treasure. Saint Teresa of Calcutta was someone who placed the word within her heart and let it drive her life as a disciple of Jesus.

Perhaps you will make a list of New Year’s resolutions for 2025. Perhaps you will set some simple goals as parish leadership this year. As you sit down to reflect, consider using the beautiful word charity as a guide and see how your resolutions might look different from prior years. Consider how it might help you imitate the life of Jesus more fully.

Have a happy and charitable 2025!



### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Is 62:1-5

Cor 12:4-11

Jn 2:1-11



### Space Available!!

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



### Funeral Mass

Mrs. Phyllis Weaver (RIP) was an active parishioner here at Blessed Trinity for many years. Some years ago she moved up north with family members. She passed on to the Lord a few weeks ago.



Her funeral Mass will be celebrated here on January 17th at 11:00am.

Since many of you who know her might want to come to her Mass, we place this announcement in the bulletin for your information.

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE ~ WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering	January 5, 2025		
Weekend Total:	466	\$ 33,408.83	Year to date collection: \$ 2,121,110.77
Electronic Offering Total:	401	\$ 53,734.66	
Loose Cash / Votives Total:		\$ 3,509.00	Year to date budget: \$ 2,187,666.00
School Mass Offering:		\$ 0.00	Year to date deficit: <b>(66,555.23)</b>
Non Sunday:	85	\$ 7,680.00	Solemnity of Mary: \$8,559.25
<b>Grand Total for Week:</b>		<b>\$ 98,332.49</b>	
Amount needed for Operating Expenses:		\$ 84,141.00	
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