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Today's readings exhort us Christian disciples to form ourselves — mind and heart — in imitation of Christ so we can better reflect His goodness in our daily lives.

The first reading from Sirach offers timeless counsel: "the fruit of a tree shows the care it has had: so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he speaks." Jesus uses the very same analogy in today's Gospel reading from Luke: "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit."

Everything we have is a gift from God to be used for His honor and glory. This includes the gift of speech and, even more broadly, all forms of modern-day communication — email, text, TikTok, Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, and the rest. What comes forth from our mouths, or keyboard, or phone, reflects what is in our minds and hearts. Our ability to communicate with each other is itself a gift which we must steward well.

In the same Gospel passage, Jesus reminds us, "No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher." The more time we spend with Jesus, our teacher, through regular prayer and a strong sacramental life, the more we will become like Him. Then all that we do and say (and tweet and post) will bring others to closer to Him. This is the life's work of the Christian steward. It is privileged work indeed.





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<u>WEEKLY</u>	
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

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	WEEKEND Saturday Sunday DAILY	4:00 pm and 6:00 pm 7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm Spanish, 5:00pm LifeTeen 7:10 am and 5:30 pm		
	Wednesday	8:15 am (follows school schedule)		
		6:30 pm Spanish		
		8:00 am		
		DULE AT LA GUADALUPANA		
	Tuesday	7:00 pm Spanish		
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Sunday

7:00 pm Spanish

PARISH LIFE

MARCH 2, 2025 — EIGHTH 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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Sandie Maguire	Ministry to the Sick	466.3977	
Sose Gaudet	Flowers, Decorations	622.3589	
Sandie Maguire	Kitchen, Soup Kitchen	466.3977	
	Legion of Mary		
Glen & Ethel Alder	Mobile Home Tenants	239.1299	
	Brothers Keeper	817.7447	
Salvador Tobar	Ushers	512-5800	
Spanish Community		622.4500	
Travelers' Information	410.676.6000		
Immigration Help	8	00.411.0714	

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.

NEW PARISHIONERS and **WINTER VISITORS** are

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

All of today's readings remind us that our works reflect what is in our hearts. Do my words and actions reveal a heart that is grateful for—and generous in sharing—the abundance God has poured into my life?

Weekly Offering

February 23, 2025

\$1,543.65

LEGION OF MARY

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



MARCH 5



English Mass at 4:00pm Spanish Mass at 7:00pm



Ashes distributed during the Mass after the homily.

BIBLE STUDY

We're almost finished with the study of Revelation. Here are the last 3 sessions starting this Sunday:

3/2/2025 Revelation 16–18: Seven Bowls of Judgment and the Fall of Babylon 3/9/2025 Revelation 19–20: The Marriage Supper and the Great Judgment 3/16/2025 Revelation 21–22: A New Heaven and a New Earth

Stay tuned for the next Bible Study!

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

"For every tree is known by its own fruit." Jesus states this principle in today's Gospel reading to illustrate a parallel stewardship principle in our spiritual lives. Just as a good tree bears good fruit and a bad tree bears bad fruit, so also the good steward produces good and an evil person evil. This is no coincidence. Our words and actions are outward expressions of what lies in our hearts. It is out of the "store of goodness in his heart" that the good person produces good and "out of the store of evil in his heart" that the evil person produces evil. A reflection for the week" How are our words and actions accurately reflecting what lies deep in our hearts?

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK



Dt 26:4-10 Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, March 5 Maguire & Lavan Family L/D

Sunday, March 9

Jeanette Marshall 🕇

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



Our Catholic Appeal

Our parish assessment from our diocese is \$15,361.

So far we have received donations or pledges in the amount of \$5,013.00

The gifts of the faithful across the nine counties of our diocese are used to serve God's people, to care for our properties and to make plans for future endeavors. By taking part we are reaffirming that we are active members of the One, Holy Catholic and Apostolic church.

Each of us is responsible not only for our own parish but also for the well being of the church throughout our diocese and the world.

When we join together we do so much more than one parish could accomplish alone. Each gift, regardless of size, has a divine purpose.

If you have never had the opportunity to give to our OCA appeal, hopefully this will be your chance.

Thanks to all of you.



Blessed Trinity Holy Year Pilgrimage

Pilgrimages have always been a big part of our Catholic faith. Millions of people go to pilgrim sites all over the world each year. They go not primarily as tourists, but as people who take time out and time apart at a recognized holy place. They do this to pray, to do penance, to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the eucharist in a pilgrim site that is set apart for this purpose.

Most people are not in a position to go a far distance to visit these holy pilgrim sites.

This year, 2025, is a holy year.

Our parish, Blessed Trinity, is making plans for a one day pilgrimage to St. James Cathedral in Orlando on **April 29th**. Parishes and schools are encouraged to make this pilgrimage during this holy year.

We will have buses going from Blessed Trinity grade school and Trinity Catholic high school.

St. James Cathedral will be set aside for us most of April 29th.

If you go you can join adoration of the Blessed Sacrament early morning up to 11:30am. Confessions at 11:30am and then Mass at 12:10pm with our priests and deacons concelebrating. Mass will be followed by a guided tour of the Cathedral. Their social hall will be set aside for us if we bring our own lunch.

We will get a bus or two if enough people call in to make reservations. A voluntary donation is all that is required.

Pray about joining us.

Vocation Cup

Our hope is that everyone will bring this cup home and pray for vocations each day for that week and bring back the cup to



Mass the next week, or before that time—not after that time. When you get the cup see the sacristan on the way out. You will get a nice container to put the cup in and a prayer leaflet to help you with your prayers for vocations.

Please don't be timid about stepping up and taking the cup home for the week. Pray hard for vocations!

BINGO NIGHT FUNDRAISER

My name is Belicia Baker and my husband and I are one of these statistics. 1 in 4 women experience miscarriage. Meanwhile, 1 in 175 births are stillborn, or about 21,000 babies each year. Ever since the loss of my daughter, I have had the opportunity to get involved in an organization called the Star Legacy Foundation. This foundation's mission is to increase awareness, support research, promote education, and encourage advocacy and family support regarding pregnancy loss, and infant death. With that said, I will be hosting a Bingo night on March 21st, 2025 from 6-9 PM at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church. Dinner will be provided. I will be selling tickets for the price of \$30 per person. If you are interested in

attending feel free to contact the church office (ask for Katherine Baker) or give me, Belicia Baker, a call at 210-904-6863.





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FISH FRY DONATIONS!

The fish fry fry's will start on March 14th and donations are needed to help make it a success. Jan is requesting donations of drinks...bottled soda and gallon jugs of both sweet and unsweet tea. We also will need cases of INEXPENSIVE beer each week for the batter for the fish. A few bags of sugar for the coleslaw dressing is also needed. These are items that are not available for us to order from the supplier.

A monetary donation is ok if you don't want to actually buy the items. Once the fish fry's start we will need dessert donations.

Help is always appreciated! We have a "prep" day on the Thursday morning before each fish fry where we can use help setting up the hall, and help on the night of the fish fry is always needed.

Please let Jan or Paul know if you can help or donate needed items. Thanks!

FRIDAY 14 MARCH 21 MARCH 28 MARCH 4 APRIL 11 APRIL



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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. Beginning on Ash Wednesday (March 5) and continuing on Wednesdays in Lent, come have the best soup in town in the ParishHall at Blessed Trinity from 5:00pm to 6:30pm.

Volunteers Needed: If you'd like to assist and serve the Lenten Soup Dinners, please contact Jason at 622-5544 or jason@bkocala.org.



nto your hands I commit my spirit.' LUKE 23:46

180 is a Life Teen retreat that aims to shift our perspective and prepare our hearts for Lent. All high school aged students are invited to this unique and powerful experience on **March 8**, **2025.** There will be worship, adoration, reconciliation, mass, bible studies, games, and more! The cost of the retreat is **\$20** which covers the cost of two meals, a T-shirt, and retreat materials. Limited scholarships are available, contact Lydia Ross. Late registrations will be accepted, <u>but will not be guaranteed a t-shirt.</u>

WHERE: King of Kings Building

WHEN: March 8, 2025, 9:00AM – 9:00PM

WHAT TO BRING: Water bottle, snack to share, and <u>your own Bible</u>. It is crucial that each student have their own Bible, please contact Lydia Ross if you do not own a Bible (<u>lross@blessedtrinity.org</u>).

A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER for March

Merciful Lord,

As we prepare for our journey of renewal toward the great paschal feast of Easter, teach us to be good stewards of your mercy and forgiveness, so that we may extend these gifts to others.

Give us the strength to bear witness to you at all times, even in times of stress and adversity.

And fill our hearts with love that we may be faithful to the Gospel Jesus proclaimed and ready to celebrate his resurrection.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Collection for the church in Central and Eastern Europe—March 5

This week our special collection supports the church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation helps restore the church and build the future in more than 25 countries still struggling to recover from former communist rule and now grappling with the war in Ukraine. Funds from this collection support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. Thank you for your generosity to the collection.