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For too many of us, Lent is a season of doom and gloom, a time to feel bad about all the ways we are not "measuring up" in our spiritual lives. But this view could not be further from the truth. Lent is a season of refreshment and love, of awakening and rebirth. The Gospel Reading, the parable of the Prodigal Son, is filled with this theme of awakening and the extravagant, life-changing love that the Father has for each one of us.

We are all familiar with this amazing story — the bratty younger son who has the audacity to ask his dad for his inheritance early, only to squander it sinfully away. It makes us bristle instinctively at his nerve when we read it. But isn't that exactly what we do when we selfishly turn away from God (in big or small ways) in our own lives? We squander away the inheritance of grace He has given us.

In desperation from the mess he had made of his life, the son finally "comes to his senses" — awakening to the truth that he is a beloved son of a loving and merciful father — and decides to return home. His contrition is faltering and imperfect and seems motivated in large part by his growling stomach. But it is enough for the loving father.

In fact, as soon as the father catches sight of his son he is "filled with compassion for him" and immediately sets about preparing a feast and fine clothes for this son. What an extravagance of love! What a beautiful picture Jesus gives us of our Father's love and mercy. Oh, how this should fill us with gratitude for such a Father!

And how it should inspire us — with just the tiniest bit of spiritual "spring cleaning" we can be sure we will be swept up in our Father's loving embrace and find ourselves feasting in His presence. That is what lent is all about.



CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 30, 2025



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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	
Saturday	4:00 pm and 6:00 pm
Sunday	7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm Spanish, 5:00pm LifeTeen
DAILY	
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

MARCH 30, 2025 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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.

OFFICE - 352.595.5605

Father Patrick Sheedy	Blessed Trinity	629.8092
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Kathie Bellamy	Readers	875.6288
Jamie Compton	Altar Servers	274.3116
Viki Leigh	Music Ministry	937.309.5535
Sandie Maguire	Ministry to the Sick	466.3977
Sose Gaudet	Flowers, Decorations	622.3589
	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		800.411.0714

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 stewardship message in the parable of the prodigal son is that it is never too late to become a good steward. Blessed is the elder brother who had been a good steward all along, but blessed, too, is the prodigal, who had to lose all he had in order to understand the value of what he'd been given.

Weekly Offering

March 23, 2025

\$1,866.00

LEGION OF MARY

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

FRIDAY
14
MARCH
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APRIL

IT'S BACK!

CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH FISH FRY



DINNER:
YOUR CHOICE OF ONE SERVING OF
BAKED OR FRIED FISH, FRENCH FRIES,
COLESLAW, CHEESE GRITS, AND A DRINK

DESSERT AVAILABLE FOR A DONATION

FRIDAYS
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

14045 N. U.S. Hwy 301, CITRA

ADULTS: \$12

KIDS UNDER 10: \$5

TAKE OUT AVAILABLE

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Today we hear one of the most beloved stories in the Gospel of Luke, Jesus' parable of the Prodigal Son. Reconciliation is a prominent theme. Seeing the younger son returning to him, the son who left the family and squandered his inheritance, the compassionate father runs to embrace him. Jesus offers us a vision of a loving God who is merciful and forgiving when we, through our own sinfulness, leave his presence, and then through repentance, return to him. The remainder of the Lenten season offers us an opportunity to reflect on God's compassion and our need for reconciliation. Consider celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation and experience God's loving embrace and forgiveness.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK



Is 43:16-21

Phil 3:8-14

Jn 8:1-11

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, April 2 Maguire & Lavan Family L/D
 Sunday, April 6 Teddy Elliot (L)

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

PRAY THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET!

- Just 15 minutes can affect millions of lives
- The Divine Mercy Chaplet is a Spiritual Work of Mercy
- **Jesus told St. Faustina, "At the hour of their death I defend as my own glory every soul that will say this chaplet; or when others say it for a dying person, the pardon is the same."**

-St. Faustina Diary 811

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- When you offer your Divine Mercy Chaplet for whoever is dying, God is defending their souls as His own glory!

PLEASE MAKE THIS SPIRITUAL ACT OF MERCY PART OF YOUR PRAYER LIFE!

Jesus, I trust in You!

Blessed Trinity Holy Year Pilgrimage

The parish is inviting anyone who wants to join us on April 29th at St. James Cathedral in Orlando.

There we will have time for adoration, confessions and Mass plus a tour of the cathedral.

Adoration begins from early morning until 12:00 noon. Confessions at 11:30am and the Mass will be celebrated at 12:10pm. The tour will be at 1:30pm and lasts about an hour.

There will be a short break after Mass to eat your own bag lunch.

If you need a ride to Orlando, call the Blessed Trinity church office.



NOW HIRING: Soup Kitchen Cleaning Help

The Brother's Keeper Soup Kitchen is accepting applications for Soup Kitchen cleaning help. This is a part-time position, Monday through Friday from 10am to 1pm assisting with daily cleaning responsibilities. This is a paid position. If you are interested in learning more or applying for the position, please contact Jason Halstead at (352) 622-3846 or jason@bkocala.org.

JOIN US!

Experience Lent in a different way. Please join us for a 5-part video series entitled: No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion. Each video is 30 minutes long. We will view them and have a short discussion after each presentation after Mass. We meet in the classroom in the back of the parish hall.

Marriage Preparation

Preparing for the sacrament of marriage? Saturday, April 26 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 under "Sacraments".

Please note: the next Pre-Cana program will not be until October 4, 2025.



So far we have had replies from 22 families and have received \$7,063 in pledges.

Thanks to all of you who have responded.

There is still plenty of time to respond. You help your parish to meet its assessment of \$15,361 when you respond.

You also are true to your baptismal responsibility to spread the Catholic faith world wide.



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

Christ The King Catholic Church
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WE FEED YOUR HUNGRY HEART AND SOUL AT OUR SOUP KITCHEN !!!!!

APRIL Menu

4/1/25 Quiche
4/8/25 Egg Plant Parmesan
4/15/25 Potato Soup
4/22/25 Easter Dinner
4/29/25 Surprise

Assorted desserts, coffee and various soft drinks

Meals are Free Every Tuesday

From 12pm-2pm

BLESSED TRINITY LIFE TEEN PRESENTS

Brunch with the Bunny

SATURDAY APRIL 19 BEGINS AT 9:30 WITH BLESSING OF BASKETS


Ticket: \$8 per person
(CHILDREN UNDER 2 - FREE)


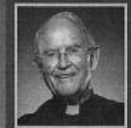





TICKET INCLUDES: BLESSING OF BASKETS, EASTER EGG HUNT, DELICIOUS BRUNCH, PHOTO OP WITH THE EASTER BUNNY, STORYTIME & MORE!

Purchase your tickets:
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TINYURL.COM/BRUNCHWITHTHEBUNNY

Early bird pricing ends April 16!


TRINITY CATHOLIC
ATHLETICS
HALL OF FAME



 AL & JUDY DUNLAP Booster	 REV PAT SINEEDY Booster	 BRITTANY BOWE Athlete	 KERWIN BELL Coach
 JOHN BRANTLEY IV Athlete	 RICHARD SPIKE FITZPATRICK Booster	 MARINO FAMILY Booster	


2025 INAUGURAL CLASS

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE FIRST-EVER
TRINITY CATHOLIC ATHLETICS
HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY
SAT. APRIL 26 | 5:30PM • MARINO GYMNASIUM



Bus Driver Needed

Do you have a CDL?
Would you be willing to drive a group down to the pilgrimage at St. James Cathedral on Tuesday, April 29th?



If you can help out with this one time event, please call the church office at 352.629.8092.

We are our
Brother's Keeper

"What ever you did for one of these least brothers or sisters of mine, you did for me." -



Mt 25:40

Please consider donating to our food pantry.

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| Spaghetti Sauce | Diapers (sizes 4,5,6) |
| Spaghetti Noodles | Baby Wipes |
| Tuna Helper | Toilet Paper |
| Hamburger Helper | Laundry Soap |
| Pork & Beans | Dish Soap |
| Beef Stew (canned) | Razors |
| Soups (canned) | Shampoo |
| Cereal | Toothpaste |
| Oatmeal | Bar Soap |
| Deodorant (men and women) | |
| Macaroni & Cheese | |
| Peanut Butter and Jelly | |
| Canned Fruit | |
| Tea-Coffee-Gatorade | |
| Powered or canned milk | |
| Broth (beef, chicken,veg) | |



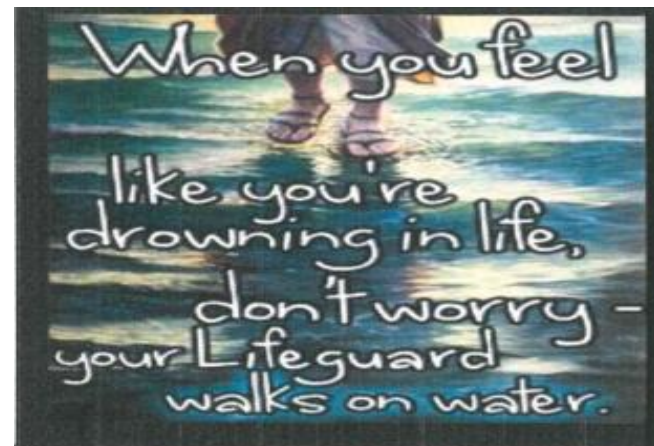
Thank you for always being so generous and we ask you to be please be mindful of expiration dates!



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 Parish Hall 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.



In times of loss, faith and community are essential. Our Grief Support Program provides 8 weeks of compassionate support through video teachings, group discussions, and prayer. Let us walk with you as you find healing and hope through the love of Christ. For more information call: Casey Ball @ 352-216-3278

Several years ago, while speaking in San Jose, CA, I posed the question: "Will everyone go to heaven?" A woman in the audience immediately responded, "Yes." I responded as delicately as I could, "While we certainly hope that all will go to heaven, it seems to me that according to scripture and tradition there is a real possibility that people can go to hell."

She clearly wasn't pleased with my response—before I could say more, she stood up and walked out.

In an age where people prefer comfort over confrontation, this question is often met with vague optimism or outright universalism: "God is love, so of course everyone will be saved!"

But is that what Jesus taught?

Throughout scripture, Christ is clear: salvation is a gift freely offered but not automatically received. He speaks of the narrow road that few find (Mt 7:14), the separation of sheep and goats (Mt 25:31-46), and the urgent call to repentance.

If universal salvation were a given, why would Jesus commission the apostles to preach, baptize, and make disciples of all nations? Why would He die on the cross if sin and its consequences were inconsequential?

This question isn't just theological; it has real consequences for evangelization. If everyone goes to heaven regardless of their response to Christ, why evangelize at all? Why sacrifice, suffer rejection, or risk discomfort to bring people into a deeper relationship with God? If the stakes are low, the urgency vanishes. And when urgency vanishes, evangelization isn't a mission—it's just a suggestion.

But if salvation requires a response— if rejecting God has real eternal consequences— then evangelization is an act of love. We can never impose the gospel but simply propose. It means telling the truth even when it's hard, calling people to conversion, and helping them experience the radical love of Christ. It means recognizing that God desires all to be saved (1 Tm 2:4) but does not override human freedom.

Our culture desperately wants heaven without holiness, mercy without repentance, and love without truth. But real evangelization means proclaiming the full gospel—not just the comforting parts. It means telling people that, yes, heaven is real, and so is hell. And our choices matter.

Let's continue to hope that everyone will go to heaven but also do all that we can for everyone to get there.