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Today, the Second Sunday of Easter, is Divine Mercy Sunday. Our Gospel reading from St. John is often called the story of "Doubting Thomas" but the passage involves so much more than the encounter with the skeptical apostle. It is rich with lessons of Christ's mercy to all, including an encouraging word from our Lord especially for us, His modern-day disciples.

While Thomas traditionally takes all the bad rap for his doubts, we see that none of the Apostles were at their best when Christ first appeared to them after His resurrection. They were actually in hiding, cowering behind a locked door, paralyzed by fear and doubt.

But Jesus appeared right in their midst in spite of the lock on the door. Was it to rebuke them for their lack of faith? Quite the contrary.

He comes on a mission of mercy. He comes to offer them peace and the restoration of their relationship with Him. And even more, He commissions them to become ministers of His mercy, by giving them authority to forgive sins. At that moment Christ gives to all of us the supreme gift of mercy — the sacrament of Reconciliation. What a precious and powerful gift!

This Sunday is a perfect time to reflect on how well we make use of this gift. Do we really appreciate its healing power? Could we become better stewards of this gift by going to Confession more often? We must also reflect on how well we extend mercy to others as Jesus did to Thomas that day.

Let's commit ourselves to becoming faithful disciples and stewards of Christ's mercy. We will be those very ones to whom Jesus gave a "shout out" during His encounter with Thomas: "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" — in His merciful love.



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# CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

April 27, 2025



MASS SCHEDULE AT CHRIST THE KING	
<b>WEEKLY</b>	
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
<b>Reconciliation</b>	
Wednesday	5:15 pm
Sunday	9:45 am or by appointment

MASS SCHEDULE AT BLESSED TRINITY	
<b>WEEKEND</b>	
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
<b>DAILY</b>	
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
<b>MASS SCHEDULE AT LA GUADALUPANA</b>	
Tuesday	7:00 pm Spanish
Sunday	7:00 pm Spanish



PARISH LIFE

APRIL 27, 2025 — DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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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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		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.

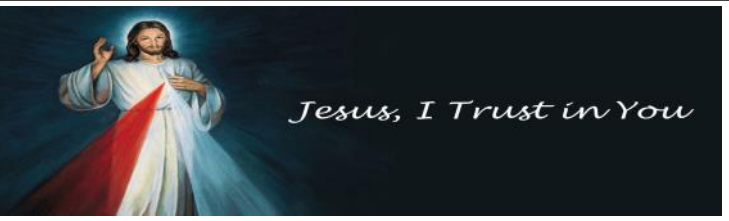
**MARRIAGES:** If you are planning to be married your preparation process should begin at least four (4) months prior to desired date. We look forward to helping you during your time of engagement and preparation for the vocation of Christian marriage. Call the Blessed Trinity Church Office at 352.629.8092 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

“Blessed are they who have not seen and yet believed,” Jesus says in today’s Gospel. For those who have not seen to believe, however, we must be good stewards of our faith, living it joyfully and sharing it generously. Then, in our time too, “men and women in great numbers” will be “added to the Lord.”



LEGION OF MARY

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


*Come Walk With Me*

MUSIC · MEDITATION · PRAYER

**Location:** Blessed Trinity Catholic Church  
5 SE 17<sup>th</sup> Street  
Ocala, FL 34471

**Date:** May 4, 2025 **Time:** 6:30 PM

**Contact:** Parish office at 352-629-8092



MARK FORREST  
IRISH TENOR

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today’s first reading from the Acts of the Apostles we hear it proclaimed that many “signs and wonders” were performed in public by Christ’s followers, a demonstration that produced two results. First, the people of Jerusalem outside the Christian community were awed by what the disciples were performing. And in the midst of all this amazement, many were being converted. Good stewards know of the evangelizing power emanating from their daily acts of love, compassion, kindness and generosity. They believe that if they stay focused on Christ each day, every act has the power to transform a broken world. What “signs and wonders” will we perform today?

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK



Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41  
Rv 5:11-14  
Jn 21:1-19

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, April 30 Martha Maldonado †  
Sunday, May 4 Jimmy Diederich †

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](http://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



### ALTAR LINEN HELP NEEDED

We would really appreciate someone (or multiple people) to wash towels and purifiers weekly, even every two weeks.

Because of the precious blood these should be rinsed alone, first, then can be washed in the machine without bleach.

Also, from time to time the altar server robes and priest Alb's as the necks tend to get dingy.

If you have the time, and feel called to this ministry, please speak with Sandra Hajal.

### Joyful Again, Orlando!

Retreat for Widows & Widowers

(6 months or more after loss of spouse)

May 24-25, 2025

San Pedro Spiritual Center, Winter Park

Please contact Sharon at 386-717-4452 to Register

### Prayer To The Blessed Virgin

(Never known to fail) Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, Fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star Of The Sea, help me and show me, here you are my Mother. Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. (Make request) There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish it and it will be granted to you, Grateful thanks.

### Looking for a Prayer Meeting?

Here at BT, we have been meeting on Thursday nights since 1978! Giving thanks to God in prayer and song; listening to Him in the quiet of our hearts; hearing shared stories of faith; and interceding for each other and 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



MAY THE SOULS of  
*the* FAITHFUL DEPARTED,  
THROUGH *the* MERCY  
of GOD, REST IN PEACE.



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**Prayer and Action** is a dynamic program for teens held here at Blessed Trinity twice a year. It is best described as "a mission trip in your own backyard". The dates this summer are July 20-25. We are currently looking for work projects. We do yard work, pressure washing, and painting. If you are low income or elderly and need some work done, please call me, Marianne Geddings (352-875-7456). We look forward to serving you! Thank you!

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Divine Mercy Sunday April 27th celebration:

The Holy Hour of Mercy will be after the Spanish Mass at Blessed Trinity from 2:30 -3:30pm in the church.



### Music Help Needed!

Are you musical?!

Do you want to get more involved with your church?!

If so, helping out with the choir is a great way to do that!

Please call Melinda at 352.629.8092 if you or someone you know is interested in helping out once or twice a month.

### THANK YOU!

Thanks to everyone that donated towards the Easter lilies and to the Spanish community for decorating—the altar looked beautiful!

Also to the lovey lady that has been cleaning up and planting flowers at the base of the church sign—thank you for being a faithful steward!



## Free Soup Kitchen

Every Tuesday From 12:00pm - 2:00pm

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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



## Announcement – La Guadalupana Clinic

La Guadalupana Clinic kindly asks for your prayers and support!

We are currently in urgent need of a **retired Doctor or Licensed Practical Nurse** who can volunteer **once a week during daytime hours**. Additionally, we are looking for a **retired Dentist** who is available to volunteer **once or twice a month during the day**.

If you or someone you know is interested in serving our clinic and supporting the community, please don't hesitate to reach out.

📞 Contact us at: **352-509-6996**

✉ Email: [bluquis@cflcc.org](mailto:bluquis@cflcc.org)

Thank you for keeping us in your prayers!

– La Guadalupana Clinic Management

## GIFT SHOP NEWS

Save the date!!

The gift shop will be open after Mass on May 4th, just in time to shop for Mother's Day and First Communion gifts.

Some new items are:

Children's Mass Sticker Books

Crock Charms

Inspirational Coffee Mugs

Come by and shop for your mom or yourself!



*"The eternal Son of God, in His utter transcendence,  
chose to love each of us with a human heart."  
Dilexit nos 60*

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today, on this Easter Monday, we arise from our rest at the announcement of the death of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. This holy man led us to the core of our faith, the heart of God. His legacy is always to lead us, as Christ does for us, as our Blessed Mother advocates, as all the saints offer, the treasure of God's love. His challenge to us was to seek things from above, not from this earth. Time and time again, he called us to listen to one another, to open our eyes to the dignity and sacredness of each person, to love one another as Jesus loves us. He asked us to be instruments of the Peace of the Lord, not from an earthly view; but from the extraordinary forgiveness which heals wounds and lays to rest sorrows.

Now, as we pray for the repose of his soul, we also ask God to guide us to extend His tender mercy to one another. We pray that we journey as pilgrims of hope in the Lord all our days. May we be transfigured, as Pope Francis prayed, into tireless cultivators of the seed of the Gospel that heaven and earth become one.

Many of you may ask, 'what is next?' I suggest that Pope Francis would say, 'Do not weep for me. Do not delay in the work of the Lord; rather go forth and be Christ to one another.' Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend John Noonan  
Bishop of Orlando


## St. Mark to Host Project Rachel Event May 17

Mrs. Leidy Rivas, Director of the Orlando Diocese's Culture of Life Office with Catholic Charities, will lead a talk with her husband, Deacon John Rivas, about Project Rachel, on Saturday, May 17, 5:30-7:30 PM, inside of the Social Hall here at St. Mark the Evangelist.



Deacon John &  
Leidy Rivas

Project Rachel is a diocesan based healing ministry which helps women suffering during the aftermath of an abortion. The talk's focus will be both informational and educational.



There will be ample time for question and answers and refreshments will be served. A love offering will be taken for Project Rachel to help fund their outreach to hurting women.

All are invited including parishioners and non-parishioners. For more information, contact Bob Larson at **(919) 452-2923** or [RKLarson85@yahoo.com](mailto:RKLarson85@yahoo.com)