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PARISH LIFE

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Paul and Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message that they preached. We, too, may meet with mixed reactions when we use our gifts in the service of God. But, the Gospel assures us, the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal life.

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# STEWARDSHIP

## POTLIGHT

### A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Jesus, the “Good Shepherd,” makes a promise in today’s Gospel to those who hear his voice and follow him. He promises them eternal life. Amidst all the other voices that clamor for attention in their daily lives, the voices that make demands, give advice, seek to persuade or like to gossip, good stewards listen for the Good Shepherd’s voice. The other voices are legion and we do not always recognize how contrary they are to the voice of the Good Shephard. Good stewards know that it takes a compassionate heart, a habit of prayer, a hunger for the Eucharist and a love of neighbor for them to truly hear the voice of the Good Shephard. What might we do in our daily lives to prepare us to more authentically hear the voice of the Good Shepherd?

### STEWARDS OF THE WEEK

#### Parish Bakers

Thanks to everyone that baked goodies for the Uganda bake sale. We appreciate you using your time and treasure to help support the Uganda Mission.

**Thank you for being faithful stewards!**

#### New Parishioners:

Frank Romero, Patricia Martinez & Erah  
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Angel, Anastacia, Ericson, Nolverto, Yeyson &  
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#### Baptisms:

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Throughout the Easter season, our readings have given us glimpses into the life of the newborn Church and the bold witness of the early disciples in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to all who would listen.

The disciples were the first to live a stewardship way of life, and their example is as relevant today as it was 2,000 years ago.

In the First Reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, we catch up with Paul and Barnabas in Antioch. While they certainly have some success in reaching many people there with the message of salvation, others are downright infuriated by their words and send them packing. Yet, we read that “the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.” Overall, it seems as if Paul and Barnabas had failed in Antioch. But seeing failure has not robbed them of their joy. What’s more, they are filled to the brim with the abundant gifts of the Holy Spirit. How is this possible?

It is only possible because Paul and Barnabas saw themselves as nothing more and nothing less than stewards of Christ and His Good News. This realization brought them freedom — to offer themselves and their lives to others for the sake of the Gospel. The “results” of their efforts were up to God.

This Spirit-filled, joy-filled life is available to us all today. It can be achieved when we recognize, as did Paul and Barnabas, that all we have and all we are is a gift from God, meant to be shared with others for His glory. Of course, living as God’s stewards does not guarantee a life of ease or a life free of sacrifice. Sometimes the steward’s life involves challenges, requiring all the strength and love one has to give. In the end, there is simply no more satisfying way to live.



### First Communion

We had 144 children make their 1st Communion yesterday, Saturday May 10th during three Masses. It was a really big day for them and their families and friends. We congratulate them. They received Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion. They no longer have to come forward with hands crossed for a blessing. They, like us, receive the Lord Himself. May they always cherish this blessing. May they all come to Mass with their families and always be ready to receive Jesus.

We thank their parents. Your big job is to keep the full meaning of Holy Communion alive in your child, while they are under your care, at least until they are 18 years old.

We thank all the Catechists. They are: Barbara, Butler, Andrea Camisa, Anne Marie Engelgau, Ally Ehlers, Kenia Garcia, Kristin Gutierrez, Idette Herrera, Carmen Maisonete, Maria Ordonez, Ana Osvath, Carmen Prieto, Rachel Ravenhill, Maria Restrepo, Lucy VanScooten, Oscar Vergara, Ana Milena Weber. Your mission was and is a most important one. What you do and did for these little ones should have blessings for eternity. Thank you.



### WORSHIP

MAY 11, 2025 ~ FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Mother’s Day: A Stewardship Reflection

May 11 is Mother’s Day and what theme is more universal than motherhood? We Catholics prize that nurturing relationship so highly that we call our Church, “Holy Mother,” and we venerate Mary, the mother of Jesus, for her pivotal role in the life of our Lord and savior.

Yet, Mother’s Day can bring with it a plethora of emotion and memories. Any mother can attest to the difficulty and challenge of the task of parenting. And mothers come in all shapes and sizes. Some mothers are birth mothers, some are adoptive. Some mothers are the grandmas or aunts who raised us. Some mothers left us far too soon. Some mothers are the people we rebelled against; some mothers are the women we idolized. Most often, our mothers were probably both. It’s a complex relationship, this parenting.

During the month of May, we honor and remember not just our own moms, but Mary, the Mother of God. We see her as the great symbol of motherhood and as our role model. Let us ask Mary’s intercession, so that in our endeavors to be good stewards and to raise good stewards, to nurture in the faith those entrusted to us, she might come to our assistance and guide us with her motherly understanding. And on Mother’s Day, we ask Mary to bless all mothers, especially our own.



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VBS will also be held in Spanish at La Guadalupana on Friday afternoons in June from 6:30pm-8:00pm and at Christ the King, June 16-19 from 5:00pm-7:00pm.

Adult volunteers as well as teenagers are invited to help at all three locations.

For more information and to register as a volunteer, please contact Ms. Ana Vanegas at 352.629.8092 or [avanegas@blessedtrinity.org](mailto:avanegas@blessedtrinity.org). Registration forms will be available in church and the church office.



### PEACE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

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### Support Lexi & Jonah’s Mission to Uganda!

Hi! We are Lexi and Jonah Westgate and we are preparing to join the BT Uganda Mission Trip and are seeking support to help cover the cost of airfare and lodging. We are both deeply involved in our church community—Lexi is a TC alumna and has been playing soccer at Ave Maria University for the past 2 years and Jonah is currently a sophomore at TC. We have both served as altar servers, Life Teen members, and are on the EDGE Youth Group Core Team.

Please consider supporting our journey as we share God’s love and serve others across the world with Father Pat. Every contribution brings us one step closer to Uganda!

We will both be at all the Masses this weekend, May 10/11 hoping for your support.

### A Mother’s Lessons on Stewardship

I can honestly say that I have never found giving a tithe to be a struggle. It is truly a virtue in the real sense of the word—a good having (something I can do without even thinking). But in all humility, I can say this virtue isn’t mine. It was beat...I mean taught...into me from my earliest years.

Some of the best lessons in life don’t come from books or conferences or YouTube videos—they come from moms. My mom isn’t a theologian or a financial advisor. But she has a deep faith, a generous heart, and a firm grip on what it means to live stewardship.

She used to tell me, **“Stewardship is 10% - no matter how big or small the job is.”** Mowing money? 10%. First paycheck from your first real job? 10%. It wasn’t about the size of the gift; it was about the habit of giving. She taught me early that everything we have is a gift from God and stewardship is just giving Him back a portion of what’s already His.

Then came her second lesson, which I’ll admit took me a while to fully embrace: **“10% before taxes.”** I remember getting my first real paycheck from a W-2 job and looking with shock at the taxes taken out. Trying to reason with her as a teenager, saying, “Shouldn’t it be 10% of what I actually take home?” She didn’t flinch. **“Then you’re giving your first fruits to the government, not to the Lord.”** Touche, Mom. The truth stung a little, but it stuck. God deserves the first and the best—not the leftovers.

The third lesson was about trust. **“God will always bless your generosity,”** she’d say. **“Maybe not in money, but in other ways.”** She’d point out examples from our own life: as a single mom raising two boys on her own, she could not afford to miss work. She had over 25 years of perfect attendance. The blessings could be health, opportunities, or overcoming obstacles. But her giving was never transactional: it was relational. It wasn’t about getting rich—it was about trusting God’s provision.

But maybe the most powerful thing she ever taught me was this: after several years of retirement, my mother told me one day, **“This was the first year I did not increase my giving.”** I never knew she did this, but stewardship should always grow. Even if she didn’t get a raise that year, she’d increase her giving—sometimes just a little, but always more than the year before. **“Because God has always been more generous to me,”** she’d say.

And that’s the heart of it, isn’t it? Stewardship isn’t about numbers on a spreadsheet. It’s about gratitude. It’s about discipline. And ultimately, it’s about trust in a God who never gets outgiven.

**Thanks, Mom.**





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Tuesday, May 13	7:10am 5:30pm	Semudo Family L/D Fr. Duane Raftis †
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Saturday, May 17	8:00am 4:00pm 6:00pm	Donna Casale † LuAnn Casale † Helen, Lathan & Larry Rushing †
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Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus invites you to attend the breakfast after the 7:10am and 8:45am Masses on the second Sunday of each month, the next one will be this Sunday, May 11th.

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 have breakfast with us!



Pope Quote

Pope Francis’ words during the Catholic Charismatic Renewal’s Jubilee, Pentecost 2017: *“Catholic Charismatic Renewal, you are a current of graces in which multiple expressions have been born... inspired by the Spirit, with various charisms, and all in the service of the Church... This current of grace is for all the Church, not just for some... Share with all in the Church baptism in the Spirit.”*

What is this “baptism in the Spirit”? It’s a release of our sacramental graces which brings us into a spousal relationship with the Holy Spirit –it’s Pentecost made Personal!

Let us be encouraged by our holy father to be immersed in the graces of the Holy Spirit that we may find the wholeness and power to be joyful witnesses of his Love.

Come visit BT’s charismatic prayer group on Thursdays in the Adult Day Care, 7-8:30pm. Call Richard for details, 352-342-2982 or email i2bxtn@gmail.com.

Fountains of Living Water Prayer Group



Sunday, May 11th—No Life Night but join us for Life Teen Mass with your families!

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READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Acts 14:21-27  
Rv 21:1-5a  
Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35



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Weekly Offering		May 4, 2025	
Weekend Total:	429	\$ 23,999.57	Year to date collection: \$ 3,526,941.37
Electronic Offering Total:	439	\$ 40,937.27	
Loose Cash / Votives Total:		\$ 2,170.50	Year to date budget: \$ 3,618,063.00
School Mass Offering:		\$ 313.00	Year to date deficit: (\$91,121.63)
Non Sunday:	57	\$ 15,074.00	
Grand Total for Week:		\$ 82,494.34	
Amount needed for Operating Expenses:		\$ 84,141.00	
Difference		(\$1,646.66)	

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