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The concept of hospitality is fundamental to a stewardship way of life. When we envision hospitality, we naturally think of offering a sincere and warm welcome — to those new to our parish, for instance. We picture inviting them in and making them feel at home and at ease in our presence, communicating to them that they are highly valued.

Today's Gospel reading from John invites us to think of hospitality in a slightly different way. In it, we hear Jesus speaking this to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him."

Jesus is asking that we permit the Blessed Trinity to come and dwell within us. This is a stunning request. It tells us that our first and most privileged form of hospitality should be directed towards God Himself.

How does one show hospitality to God? How do we make God "at home and at ease" within us? How can we communicate to God that He is "highly valued" by us? Jesus tells us how: we are to keep His word, to follow HIs teachings.

To keep His word, we must know His word. This takes discipline and effort on our part. We must make the study of Scripture and Church teaching a priority in our daily lives.

If we want our parish to be a place of genuine Christian hospitality, we must be sure that our own hearts are hospitable dwelling places for the Blessed Trinity. Then our smiles and words, our greetings and ministries will radiate with the warmth of God's love. And our parish family will become at least a little bit like Heaven on earth. This is the simplicity and glory of a stewardship way of life.



# CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH May 25, 2025

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### MASS SCHEDULE AT CHRIST TH

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

<u>'HE KING</u>	MASS SCH	EDULE AT BLESSED TRINITY
	WEEKEND Saturday Sunday	4:00 pm and 6:00 pm 7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am,
	<b>DAILY</b> Monday—Friday	1:00 pm Spanish, 5:00pm LifeTeen 7:10 am and 5:30 pm
		8:15 am (follows school schedule)
		6:30 pm Spanish
		8:00 am
		DULE AT LA GUADALUPANA

7:00 pm Spanish

7:00 pm Spanish

Tuesday

Sunday

## PARISH LIFE

### MAY 25, 2025 — SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### 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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Salvador Tobar	Ushers	512-5800
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Travelers' Information	410.676.6000	
Immigration Help	800.411.0714	

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

Today's reading from Revelation offers a vision of the City of God, the new Jerusalem. "But," the bishops' pastoral on stewardship reminds us, "that 'life to come' is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now."

Weekly Offering

May 18, 2025

\$2,131.00

### LEGION OF MARY

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

### Charismatic Prayer Group Who Are We?

We are a group of ordinary Catholics who celebrate our extraordinary God. We come together each week to Express our thanksgiving ...to Seek healing ...to Pray for each other and the needs of our Church ... to Grow in faith ...to Listen to Him speak through Scripture, the quiet & the testimony of what He is doing in each other's lives ...And to grow in the gifts of his Holy Spirit that we may become better equipped to serve Him.

We are an informal gathering, a group who has found a Wellspring of Hope in a faith-filled parish. Please come and join us!

We meet every Thur. 7-8:30pm in the Elder Center. Call Richard for details, 352-342-2982 or email i2bxtn@gmail.com.

Fountains of Living Water Prayer Group

### A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel we witness the last evening Jesus spends with his disciples before his death. He has already made it clear that his followers will show their love for him by serving others. To live that kind of love, they will need the active presence of God in their midst. Jesus tells his disciples that he and his Father will come and make their home with them. He also tells them that the Holy Spirit will be among them to teach them and remind them of all that Jesus had taught. Good stewards recognize that God is in their midst and that the Holy Spirit is guiding them. How often do we acknowledge God's presence in our lives? How often do we allow the Holy Spirit to guide us?

### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK Acts 7:55-60



Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

Jn 17:20-26

## MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, May 28 Annie Thomas (L)

Sunday, June 1 Bill & Beth Sobecki (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



## **SIDEWALK SALE 2025 UGANDA MISSION**

May 31st Saturday and June 1st, Sunday

# **DONATIONS NEEDED!**

Gently used, good condition household items, religious items, artwork, kitchen accessories, tools, jewelry, toys, books, etc. will be appreciated.

We CANNOT accept major appliances (stoves, refrigerators, washers, dryers, air conditioners, etc.)'and construction materials or upholstered furnitures.

DROP-OFFS will be at the Parish Hall: Saturday May 31st, 10am to 2pm

Sale day: In front of the Parish Hall on sidewalk leading to the church.

Saturday: May 31st after 4pm Mass Sunday: June 1st after the 7:10am, 8:45am, 11am, 1pm and 5pm Masses









## WE ARE ALSO REACHING OUT TO YOU FOR \$\$ DONATIONS.

Whatever you can contribute, we appreciate .....every dollar counts!!!

Volunteers are welcome during the pre-sale drop off and during the sale.

This is also an opportunity for students to earn service hours!

All proceeds from this fundraiser will fund school supplies and textbooks for the Blessed Trinity Uganda Mission.

For more information and volunteer opportunities, please contact GISELA SALAS, 352-433-5111 or SISTER JULIET, 352-629-8092.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

### Grades K-3, June 9-13

Registration is now OPEN for the 2025 Blessed Trinity Vacation Bible School. Our theme this year is "The Good Samaritan." It will be held at Blessed Trinity from 8:30am to Noon, June 9-13 in English and Spanish.

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. Registration forms will be available in church.



### Fr. Pat and Emails

Please, please do not respond to any emails that say they come from me looking for money, gift cards, etc.

If I want something from you, I will phone you—I will not email you. All those emails coming from me are a scam. Some people are not getting this message and have been caught out.

No emails come from me asking for donations.

Fr. Pat



## **CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH SOUP KITCHEN**

# May Menu



5/6 Turkey 5/13 Spaghetti & Meat sauce 5/20 Corn Chowder 5/27 Hotdogs & Mac and Cheese

> Assorted desserts, coffee and various soft drinks.

Meals are free every Tuesday 12pm-2pm

### Graduations

Our local three Catholic schools have had graduations already or are scheduled.

**Angels in Arms: 90** graduates on May 16th in Blessed Trinity church. Congratulations to all of you now qualified to enter the "big" school for kindergarten.

Blessed Trinity grade school: We have 85 8th graders ready to move on to the 9th grade at TCHS or one of the local public high schools. Their Baccalaureate Mass with the whole school is on May 22nd at 8:15am. Their graduation Mass is on May 27th at 6:30pm. You have been at "the top." Don't feel like you are now at "the bottom." Have the great courage to follow your faith, be a leader, don't blend in, stand out, be a big positive influence on your peers.

Trinity Catholic high school: We have 131 12th grade students ready to celebrate at least 13 years of success in the classroom. Their Baccalaureate Mass, with Bishop John Noonan as the principal celebrant, is at Blessed Trinity church on May 20th at 6:30pm. Their graduation ceremony is at the football stadium on May 23rd at 6:30pm. Most of you will go on to college or university. We include all of you in our prayers. Again—don't blend in. Stand out. Keep God first in all your plans and decisions. Have a strong vibrant daily prayer life. If you do, you will be 100% successful. The Lord goes with you.



### **Another Eagle**

The parish recognizes and congratulates, Patrick Shields, who was inducted into the ranks of Eagle Scout at a special ceremony on May 24th, 2025.



We congratulate his parents, his family members, his scout leaders, his fellow scouts especially all who helped him achieve this highest rank in Boy Scouts.

We are proud of you Patrick.

Please join us to celebrate our African Saints— "The 24 Martyrs of Uganda" St. Charles Lwanga and Companions



Friday, May 30th 2025 6:00pm Blessed Trinity Catholic Church 5 SE 17th St., Ocala, Fl. 34471

This is a special liturgical Mass celebrated to honor the 24 Martyrs of Uganda

The celebrant will be

Reb. Fr. Peter Okojie Chaplain for African and Black Catholic Community, Diocese of St. Petersburg, Fl.

The dinner will follow immediately after Mass in the King of Kings building. We will share food from different cultures. Come with family and friends. We look forward to your company on this day.

By Sisters Concepta, Theodozia, Juliet and the Uganda mission team





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### HOURS: WEDNESDAY SAM-12PM FRIDAY SAM-12PM

### **Saving Mercy Homeless Houses**

Construction has proceeded rapidly for Saving Mercy's 20 transition homes (10 duplexes) for chronic homeless.

These homes are now ready to be furnished and gotten ready for homeless people.

If you would like to help furnish one of these or part of one, here are the financial details:

1 bathroom—\$100

1 bedroom—\$700

Kitchen—\$300

Living Space—\$500

Full unit—\$1,600

The big news is—whatever donations we get to furnish these homeless duplexes, it <u>will be</u> <u>doubled</u> by one of our very interested donors. So every dollar you donate will be doubled.

## \*Quote from Pope Leo XIV\*

"Brothers, sisters...

I speak to you, especially to those who no longer believe, no longer hope, no longer pray, because they think God has left.

To those who are fed up with scandals, with misused power, with the silence of a church that sometimes seems more like a palace than a home.

I, too, was angry with God.

I, too, saw good people die, children suffer, grandparents cry without medicine.

And yes...there were days when I prayed and only felt an echo.

But then I discovered something:

God doesn't shout. God whispers.

And sometimes He whispers from the mud, from pain, from a grandmother who feeds you without having anything.

I don't come to offer you perfect faith.

I come to tell you that faith is a walk with stones, puddles, and unexpected hugs.

I'm not asking you to believe in everything. I'm asking you not to close the door. Give a chance to the God who waits for you without judgment.

I'm just a priest who saw God in the smile of a woman who lost her son...and yet she cooked for others.

That changed me.

So if you're broken, if you don't believe, if you're tired of the lies...come anyway. With your anger, your doubt, your dirty backpack. No one here will ask you for a VIP card.

Because this church, as long as I breathe, will be a home for the homeless, and a rest for the weary.

God doesn't need soldiers.

He needs brothers.

And you, yes, you...

are one of them."

Robert Prevost (Leo XIV)