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In today's Gospel, we find the Apostles dejected and discouraged following the death of our Lord. Poor Peter decides to throw in the towel on the whole disciple thing and go back to his old way of life, declaring, "I'm going fishing." Upon hearing this, the other disciples follow him.

How easy it is for all of us to backslide on changes we have made in our lives, especially when it comes to our spiritual lives. But look how Jesus treats the disciples during their "backslide." He is right there with them in the midst of it, already waiting for them on the shore when they come back from their unsuccessful return to the fishing business (after abandoning their mission as disciples). Our Lord greets them tenderly, gives them some fishing pointers, and then prepares their breakfast. How gracious He is to them!

He is just as gracious today. When we find ourselves "out at sea" — discouraged by our failures or for squandering the gifts God has given us, or simply by a lack of progress in our faith life, Jesus is with us! He is calling to us from the shore to come back to Him without shame or embarrassment, but with hope-filled trust in His steadfast love. He never tires of offering "do-overs" if we just keep returning to Him.

This constant process of turning back to the Lord, of reevaluating our goals and priorities as we aim for Heaven, is the essence of a stewardship way of life. Let us take heart as we continue our journey today, secure in the knowledge that Jesus is beside us every step of the way.



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CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

May 4, 2025



| MASS SCHEDULE AT CHRIST THE KING | |
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| 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 | |
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| 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

MAY 4, 2025 — THIRD 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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| | Legion of Mary | |
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| | Brothers Keeper | 817.7447 |
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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.

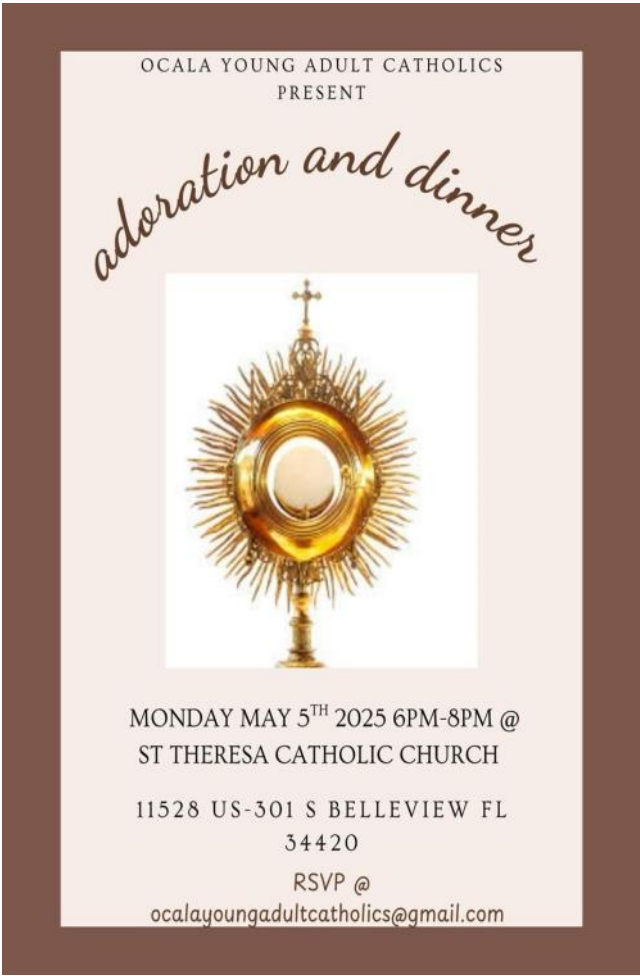
HALL RENTALS: Having a Baby Shower, Birthday Party or Anniversary Party? The hall is available for rental. Please call 352.484.5619 for more information.

STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells Peter again and again, “If you love Me, feed my sheep.” He says the same to each of us, “If you love Me, use the gifts I have given you to serve your brothers and sisters.”

Weekly Offering
April 27, 2025
\$1,180.00


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



A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

This weekend’s Gospel reading from John enjoys a number of themes not least of which has to do with hearing Christ’s call to live differently but returning to our “comfort zones.” Even after seeing the risen Lord and receiving his blessing and missionary charge, his disciples go back to what they were doing before Jesus first called them. Instead of continuing Jesus’ ministry, they return to the life they knew. When faced with the choice between embarking on a new way of life or staying where life is familiar and comfortable, they chose the latter. Good stewards know that Christ has called them to open their hearts and live in a different way. How often do we retreat from the Lord’s call so that we may remain with what is comfortable and familiar?

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK



Acts 13:14, 43-52
Rv 7:9, 14b-17
Jn 10:27-30

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, May 7 Maguire & Lavan Family L/D
Sunday, May 12 Leroy 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– Ed Maguire

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

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.

A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER for May

Christ Our Lord,
risen Lord,
light of the world,
to you be all praise and glory!

Shine your light on us
this Easter season
so that we may reflect brilliantly
the glory of your resurrection.

Make us a blessing
for those who suffer,
live in fear or
who are overwhelmed by life.

And let the Spirit fill our hearts
with your loving presence
so that we may become
good stewards of your Gospel
out of love for you
who, for our sakes,
lived, died and rose from the dead;
you who live and reign
with your Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

---What's In a Name?

Charismatic: a divinely conferred gift or power.
Renewal: to make like new: restore to freshness, vigor, or perfection. The Charismatic Renewal is a gift from God to today's Church, to bring Restoration & Freshness. It is not a movement started by men to initiate change or enlightenment. It is simply God's invitation to rediscover our true identity as Children Of The Father, Witnesses Of Christ & Vessels Of The Holy Spirit. We are branches that bear fruit of the Blessed Trinity! By embracing His gift of *Baptism in the Holy Spirit*, we harness ourselves to His Holy Spirit, & we find our lives being lived out with *His Power & Love*. Our natural talents & efforts produce supernatural results; our ordinary limits when yoked to the Holy Spirit can yield extra-ordinary fruit! This isn't just for the death bed of saints, this our Father's vision for His ordinary-everyday Catholics committed to His Extraordinary Path!

...May we grow in faith together!

Blessed Trinity's *Fountains Of Living Water* charismatic prayer group meets every Thursday, 7 -8:30pm, in the Adult Day Care center. Call Richard or Katy Swiderski, 307-9009, for info.

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

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.

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.



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

📢 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

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, **today, 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!



Stewards of the Easter Season

Christ is risen! Indeed, He is risen!

If you're thinking this greeting comes a little late, since Easter Sunday was April 20, think again. As Catholic Christians, we celebrate the Easter season for seven weeks, until the fires of Pentecost once again inflame our hearts on June 8.

Indeed, how could we not continue to celebrate this event that has changed everything for us?

It's easy to slip into a cultural way of thinking about our great feasts. Many people have the Christmas tree taken down at the end of New Year's Day, rather than waiting for Epiphany. Likewise, most of us have long ago put the Easter decorations away.



But the Christian steward is aware of the beauty and meaning of the seasons in the liturgical calendar.

The Easter season remains a special time for recommitment to the Lord. One word for this period is "mystagogia," and those who were newly baptized at the Great Easter Vigil are especially familiar with this term. It literally means that we delve more deeply into the mystery of our faith. But exploring this mystery is not just an endeavor for new Christians. As we prepare for Pentecost, we prayerfully examine what the Resurrection means in our own lives.

For Christian stewards, it's a time to reevaluate how faith in the Risen Lord informs every aspect of our lives—how we labor, how we play, the way we pray, how we allocate our resources, where we spend our time, how we love, how we extend our compassion to others. If Christ is truly risen—an astounding and life-altering belief—then this Easter time brings immense joy and a continuing desire to know the Risen Lord.

The Scripture readings of the season are especially helpful. We hear once again the stories of the appearances of Jesus to his friends; how often they failed, initially, to recognize him in his glory. The Acts of the Apostles tell us of the struggles and the excitement of the new community of believers.

We spent forty days in the penitential season of Lent. Now, we are embarked on fifty days of joyous celebration. Let us experience this joy throughout the Easter season, so that when we celebrate Pentecost, we may truly find our hearts on fire with the Holy Spirit.

STEWARDSHIP SAINT FOR MAY

Saint Bernardine of Siena, commonly referred to as the "Apostle of Italy," was heralded as an eloquent preacher, missionary, reformer, and economist. He was born in 1380 to a noble family in Tuscany but was orphaned early in his life. In 1400, at the height of the great plague in Italy, he volunteered to care for the sick in the city of Siena, stopping only when he himself became ill.

In 1402 he entered the Franciscan order in Siena and was ordained to the priesthood in 1404. For several years, he studied and lived the life of a quiet contemplative. In 1417, he was sent to Milan to help out at one of the parish churches. Here, Bernardine discovered his gift of preaching. News of his exciting sermons spread rapidly, and soon he had invitations to travel and preach all over the peninsula. He brought his enthusiasm for preaching the Good News to crowds of thousands. During his ministry he was asked to be a bishop on three occasions. Each time he refused because he believed his gifts were best used as a missionary.

Bernardine left a lasting symbol to the church when he created the symbol, "IHS," the first three letters of the name of Jesus in Greek. The letters were placed within an image of a blazing sun. It was a compelling visual aid to his listeners and the symbol began to appear in churches, homes and public buildings.

Bernardine was a scholar as well. He wrote a book on economics. On Contracts and Usury dealt with the justification of private property, the ethics of trade, the determination of value and price, the usury question and it offered a well-reasoned defense of entrepreneurship.

In 1430, he was elected vicar general of the Franciscans of the Strict Observance. During his term of office, many Franciscan monasteries that enjoyed a looser rule, changed to the strict observance to benefit from Bernardine's charisma, wisdom and leadership. He added rigorous education programs to their daily routine and the community's numbers grew dramatically.

St. Bernardine's tireless commitment to spreading the Good News remained until the very end of his life. In 1444 he set out to preach in Naples. On the way he fell ill with fever. He died on the vigil of the Feast of the Ascension at age 64. His feast day is May 20.