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In our Gospel reading from Luke, some disciples of Jesus ask our Lord to teach them how to pray. Jesus instantly offers them the beautiful prayer which we, of course, call the Our Father.

The Our Father is truly a steward's prayer. In it, we call upon God in an intimate way, as Father. We ask that His will be done (not ours!) and that His kingdom come (not ours!). In other words, we remember that He is our Creator, everything is His, and our focus in life should be on His priorities, not our own. Then we ask Him to supply our needs (to give our daily bread), forgive our sins, and protect us from evil. That is, we proclaim our complete trust in His provision for us and mercy towards us. We, too, commit to extending mercy ourselves (as we forgive those who sin against us).

As we pray the words of the Our Father, we recognize this basic truth about ourselves and God: God is our Father, and we are beloved and infinitely blessed to be His children. This is the basis of a stewardship way of life.

At the end of the Gospel passage, Jesus encourages us to pursue a relationship with the Father: Ask Him, seek Him, knock on His door!

He can hardly wait to bless us, HIs children. Remember that this week, then go, be a blessing to others! Stewardship is just that simple.



CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 27, 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 3:45 pm

Sunday 9:45 am or by appointment

MASS SCHEDULE AT BLESSED TRINITY

WEEKEND

DAILY

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

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

JULY 27, 2025 — SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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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

Jesus is describing God's immeasurable generosity when He says in today's Gospel, "Whoever asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds; whoever knocks, is admitted." But it should also be the description of us as Christian stewards—those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service to others.

Weekly Offering July 20, 2025

\$1,072.00

LEGION OF MARY

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

2025-2026 Classes

Registration is now open for the coming year which begins on August 17th.

Forms are available at the Blessed Trinity church office. They can also be requested by email from

avanegas@blessedtrinity.org

Registration ends August 12th, 2025



BROTHER'S KEEPER

Our Brother's Keeper pantry could really use the following:

- Tuna
- Canned meats / chicken
- Soups—all kinds
- Packets of dry Gatorade
- Coffee, Tea
- Powered milk

Thank you for your continued generosity!



READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23 Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Lk 12:13-21

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, July 30 Elaine Young (L)

Sunday, Aug 3 Cheryl & Gene DeMontrichard (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



BIBLE STUDY

Please come and participate in our current Bible study on the book of John:

7/27/25 Encountering Mercy 8/3/25 The Law of Self-Giving

8/10/25 The New Commandment and

Life in the Spirit



A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

A prominent theme in today's Gospel parable is generosity. Late at night, a sleepy friend responds to his neighbor's request for food for an unexpected guest. Jesus suggests that it would be unthinkable for a friend to deny a friend in need. A friend would most certainly give what is asked and more. Through this story, Jesus illustrates God's generosity. Good stewards realize the extraordinary love and graciousness with which God showers us. We need never convince God to be generous. God is already that generous friend. His abundant love bathes us in goodness. This week, prayerfully reflect on God's generosity to us. What should our response be to that generosity?

An Ancient Psalmist Calls Us to Gratitude

If you are looking for some Biblical wisdom during these summer months, you might try the Book of Psalms. Historically, the psalms are so closely linked to King David that many believe some of them were written by him. They provide prayers for every aspect of the life of the Israelites, and today they reveal a spiritual wisdom that can draw the Christian steward into a deeper intimacy with God, especially through the fundamental notion of gratitude.

Psalm 50 provides an insightful look at gratitude. The psalmist felt so strongly about the call to thankfulness to the Lord that he even chose to speak with the Lord's voice, assuring the people that God did not need their burnt offerings: "I shall take no young bull out of your house nor male goats out of your folds. For every beast of the forest is Mine. The cattle on a thousand hills. I know every bird of the mountains, and everything that moves in the field is Mine." No, God tells the people, everything is already God's, so your cattle and birds and young bulls need not be offered to their Creator.

So what does God want from us? The psalmist urges us to "offer to God a sacrifice of Thanksgiving."

Keeping in mind that all we have is from God, and remains God's, Christian stewards awake each morning to say with humility, "Thank you." The ancient psalmist's words make sense to a modern Christian, because the God who gave us free will does not possess our thankfulness until we freely give it. And we're asked for more than a perfunctory show of gratitude. The God who already possesses cattle on a thousand hills and every bird of the mountain is calling us to a deep sense of conversion, a sense that we stand before the God who has gifted us with everything we possess.

Go to your Bible this month. Take some quiet time to pray some of the psalms. And remember to be thankful for what he has done for us.

