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In today's Gospel passage, from Luke, we find our Lord appointing disciples to go out and prepare others to receive His invitation into the Kingdom of God. Every verse has something to say about the way a Christian steward should approach others. Let's consider at least one of the coaching tips Christ gives.

"The Lord appointed seventy-two others whom He sent out ahead of Him in pairs to every town and place He intended to visit." In His wisdom, Christ sent His disciples out not as individuals but in pairs, as teams. This approach to evangelization certainly provided practical advantages. The disciples could lean on each other for mutual support and encouragement, helping each other to stay on task and to put their heads together to pray and problem-solve. This teamwork approach is just as relevant to us modern-day Christian stewards. It takes courage and commitment to go out and invite others into the Christian life. We need to work together to do it well.

But there is also symbolic importance to working in teams. It points to the reality that when we invite others to embrace the Good News of the Gospel, we are not merely inviting them into a belief system, but into a relationship with Christ and through that relationship, into Christ's family — our fellow Christian disciples near and far.

Our parish is our immediate spiritual family in this extended worldwide fold. We are not meant to live as isolated individuals within the parish any more than we are meant to live in isolation within our families. We are meant to be a community. That is why it is so important for us to foster a vibrant, supportive, welcoming parish life. This is why we emphasize hospitality as one of the pillars of stewardship. It is not enough just to point others to Christ; we must invite them to join us in community with Him; we must offer a place and mission for them in the Church and within our parish family.





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#### MASS SCHEDULE AT CHRIST TH

<u>WEEKLY</u>	
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

9:45 am or by appointment Sunday

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	<u>WEEKEND</u>	
	Saturday	4:00 pm and 6:00 pm 7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am,
	Sunday	7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm Spanish, 5:00pm LifeTeen
	DAILY	
		7:10 am and 5:30 pm
	Wednesday	8:15 am (follows school schedule)
	Thursday	6:30 pm Spanish
	Saturday	8:00 am
	MASS SCHE	DULE AT LA GUADALUPANA
	Tuesday	7:00 pm Spanish

Sunday 7:00 pm Spanish

# PARISH LIFE

#### JULY 6, 2025 — FOURTEENTH 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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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

"The harvest is rich," Jesus tells the seventy-two in today's Gospel, "but the workers are few." The situation is the same today. How can I help with God's harvest? Am I called into the field? Am I one who could provide food or shelter or wages to those who toil in the fields of the Lord?

Weekly Offering

June 29, 2025

\$2,038.00

## LEGION OF MARY

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

# Foreign Exchange Student Program is Seeking Host Families for the Upcoming School Year

ASSE International Student Exchange Programs, a non-profit public benefit organization, is currently seeking warm and welcoming host families to open their homes to international exchange students for the upcoming school year.

Host families provide a safe and supportive home, meals, and encouragement, while students come with their own spending money and health insurance, ensuring that hosting is a rewarding and enriching experience without financial burden. Anyone with a warm and welcoming home can host an exchange student!

Families interested in hosting an exchange student or exploring study abroad opportunities are encouraged to learn more and apply by visiting www.host.asse.com or contacting Lori Wichael at 800.677.2773

## A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus inviting his disciples to be evangelizers. "The harvest is abundant," Jesus says. But those who are willing to invite others to a deeper relationship with the Lord are few. Good stewards who are willing to witness their Catholic faith to others know they are "like lambs among wolves." They are encouraged to be gentle, patient and loving, knowing they may face rejection and even fierce opposition. Jesus invites us to be better stewards of our faith, to give positive, courageous, joyful witness to others who have turned away from their relationship with him. Is there someone we should be reaching out to this week?

# READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK



Dt 30:10-14 Col 1:15-20 Lk 10:25-37

# MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, July 9 Joe Lancelot †

Sunday, July 13 Sara Hutchison (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 join us for the Bible study on the book of John. No materials required.

7/6/25	At the Well: Our Deepest Thirst
7/13/25	(31:57) Believe in Me: Trust and
7/27/25	Surrender (34:27) Encountering Mercy (33:00)
BI	BLE STUDY
	Come Join Us

# Christian Stewardship and the Need for Recreation

Is there such a thing as a stewardship of recreation? Some people might dismiss the thought. But they'd be wrong.

In his book, The Gift of the Jews, author Thomas Cahill observes that, in receiving the Ten Commandments, the ancient Hebrews did something no other ancient society had ever done: they established a day of rest. "The God who made the universe and rested bids us to do the same, calling us to a weekly restoration of prayer, study, and recreation (or re-creation)."

For those of us in the Northern Hemisphere at least, probably no other month bids us to relax as the month of July does. Backyard barbecues, days at the pool or the beach, a recreational outing or simply the lazy idleness of a mid-year Sunday afternoon invite us to slow down. And this invitation should be heeded. Sometimes, our society induces in us a sense of guilt if we're not "doing." But turning off the computer and the phone and spending quality time with those around us, or finding time for our own interior lives, is stewardship of our time which leads to the place where God dwells. It's a good example for our kids as well: July presents a wonderful time to "rest" from all the electronic screens and busyness that dominate their young lives.

July is also the month when U.S. citizens celebrate the proclamation of their freedom. When the Hebrew people first received the Ten Commandments, they too had just received their freedom from the Egyptians after a sojourn in the wilderness. Cahill thinks it's no coincidence that a people recently liberated were in need of a

directive to rest and reflect. "Leisure," he writes, "is the necessary ground of creativity, and a free people are free to imitate the creativity of God."

So, the next time you feel guilty about a quiet, reflective time of doing "nothing," remember that recreation also means "re-creation." To be a truly creative person, a steward of our interior resources, we must honor our need to rest, relax, be with others, read and play.





7/15 Turkey & Dressing 7/22 Surprise 7/29 Tuna Casserole

Assorted desserts, coffee and various soft drinks. Meals are free every Tuesday 12pm-2pm

## **Peter's Pence**

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our contributions join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help the Pope in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

#### A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER for July

Lord and Creator,

You are the source of wisdom and grace,

the author of human freedom and creativity.

We thank you for these gifts, and ask that you teach us

to be good stewards of our creative spirits.

Show us how to quiet ourselves, and to learn

the art of re-creation, reflection and relaxation

so that we might recharge and refill ourselves for the work you have planned for us.

Help us never to be too busy to pause and realize

your gracious presence all around us: in nature, in other people, in ourselves.

Slow us down, Lord, and teach us to be

stewards of our time of recreation. Amen.

