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Whether you are just beginning your stewardship journey or have been living a stewardship way of life for years, today's readings invite us to ask ourselves an important question.

The question is this: “What do you treasure?” Of course, we all know the “right” answer: we treasure our faith, our family, and our friendships. But Jesus tells us in the Gospel passage from Luke how we can discover the real answer to this question. He says, “For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.”

To discern what we really treasure, we need to do a check on our hearts. We can each ask ourselves, “Where do I spend the majority of my energy? Where do I find my thoughts dwelling? How do I choose to spend my time when I find myself with a few spare moments? What do my spending habits reveal about my what is important to me?

As Christian stewards, we are called to live our lives in grateful response to all that God has given us. Do I recognize and treasure these gifts?



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CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 10, 2025



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	
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

AUGUST 10, 2025 — NINETEENTH 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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	Brothers Keeper	817.7447
Salvador Tobar	Ushers	512-5800
Spanish Community		622.4500
Travelers’ Information		410.676.6000
Immigration Help		800.411.0714

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

Am I waiting for the “right” time to become a good steward? Do I plan to share my time and talents “later?” Today’s Gospel warns those who are procrastinating about stewardship to be prepared—”at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”

Weekly Offering
August 3, 2025
\$2,051.00

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



So far we have had replies from 34 families and have received \$10,838 in pledges.

Thanks to all of you who have responded.

We are still \$4,522.67 short of our \$15,360.67 assessment.

BT High School

SACRAMENTS CLASS

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 3

Wednesdays - 5:30-6:30PM

8th Grade Religion Classroom

This class is offered for all high school aged students looking to receive any of the sacraments of initiation (baptism, reconciliation, communion, and confirmation).

MORE INFORMATION:

Lydia Ross

Youth Ministry Coordinator

Blessed Trinity Catholic Church

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READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10
Heb 12:1-4
Lk 12:49-53



MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, Aug 13 Elaine Young (L)
Friday, Aug 15 Flo Brown †
Sunday, Aug 17 Betty Wallace †

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

Essay Contest

Marion Council 5960 Knights of Columbus invites all high school aged members of Blessed Trinity Parish / Christ the King to participate in our 2025 Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest. Students must submit an essay of between 500 and 750 words on the following theme:

Out of the 267 popes that have led the Catholic church, who are your three favorites and why?

Cash prizes will be awarded to the top essay at each grade level, and the winning essays will be submitted to the district level competition for consideration. Entry forms with directions will be available at Life Teen meetings or at the parish office during the week from Lydia Ross. Essays are due September 30th and strict adherence to the directions is required.

Questions can be directed to contest chairman Paul Soucy at 352.425.6170.

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



Help Us Grow Our Mission – We’re Hiring!



Are you passionate about serving others and skilled in fund-raising?

Brother’s Keeper is seeking a **Part-Time Head of Development & Fundraising** to lead our donor engagement, fundraising efforts, and mission advancement.

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If you have a heart for the Church’s mission and experience in development or fundraising, we’d love to hear from you! *Help us bring Christ’s love to those most in need!*

To apply or learn more, email Jason Halstead at jason@bkocala.org

Collection for the Church in Latin America

This weekend we take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America! Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean lack access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, rugged rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity enables our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous in the special collection!

Good Stewards Avoid “Compassion Fatigue”

One of the spiritual maladies Christians face today is “compassion fatigue.” The media inundates us with details of disasters, natural and made, far and wide. We can’t turn on the television without being assailed by news stores of another event that cries to us for help, and our mailboxes are full of pleas from worthy charities.

We try to give out of a sense of compassion, but the needs of the world overwhelm us. Generous givers become “fatigued” and grow weary. We can’t respond to all the problems and crises in the world, can we?

Of course we can’t respond to the cries of a suffering world with our comparatively meager resources. If we try to respond to every crisis, to say “yes” to very loud or consistent pleas for help, it is no surprise that we feel tired and discouraged.

Good stewards understand that, though Christ calls them to embrace a needy world with compassion, they cannot solve the world’s problems themselves and that a balance must be struck in their spiritual lives. Christian stewards prayerfully discern how they are able to respond to the needs of the world. They budget their time and resources so that their response can be generous but focused, sacrificial but not overwhelming. They begin with a prayerful commitment to their immediate family of faith.

Being generous to one’s faith community can go a long way toward meeting the needs of others. The decision to give is made prudentially and without guilt. For others, a well thought-out approach to supporting other charitable causes can be part of their stewardship planning as well. But for Christian stewards the giving does not stop there. Good stewards realize that the greatest gift they can give is the gift of prayer. Compassion, in its Latin roots, means “suffering with,” and through prayer we can be drawn powerfully into solidarity with those who suffer.

The Parable of the Good Samaritan in the Gospel of St. Luke is often seen as Jesus’ example of compassionate giving. The Samaritan saw the man near death lying at the side off the road not just with his eyes, but with a compassionate heart. It is the kind of compassionate heart good stewards seek to cultivate within themselves through prayer, planning and focused generosity; ready to respond.

Here at Blessed Trinity, we have a major ministry to the local poor primarily through Brother’s Keeper but also some special requests that come in through our office. We have, as a parish, major outreach to poor countries—especially Haiti, Dominic Republic, Honduras, Bogue, Belize and our sister parish, Nalweyo, Uganda. In all of those we succeed in giving 100% of our donations to the poor we are serving—not 80% or 60% or down to 20% or 0%. Personally, I do not give to causes presented on TV because it has been proven over and over again that a very large % of the donations goes to advertising, salaries, office expenses, etc. The two that come out the best are CRS and Food for the Poor. About 80% of your donation goes to the poor. But, if you want the poor to get 100%, we as a parish, so far, have succeeded in giving your donations to the cause you have specified.

Oh—also—it is good to be back.

Fr. Pat



**CHRIST THE KING
CATHOLIC CHURCH
SOUP KITCHEN**

August Menu

- 8/5 Potato Soup
- 8/12 Closed
- 8/19 Closed
- 8/26 Surprise

Assorted desserts, coffee
and various soft drinks.

Meals are free every Tuesday
12pm-2pm

BIBLE STUDY

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

8/10/25 The New Commandment and Life in the Spirit

8/24/25 It is Finished: A Dying and Rising Love

Stayed tuned for the next bible study in the coming weeks!



A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus concludes his teaching about those who are "faithful and prudent stewards" with that classic stewardship teaching: "Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more." Christian stewards recognize that God is the ultimate source of their gifts, talents, resources and aptitudes, and that God wants them to use these varied gifts in his service. This week might be a good time to reflect on our God-given gifts. Are we using those gifts to serve the Lord? If Christ came back to us unexpectedly tomorrow, would we be able to give a full accounting of how we have exercised stewardship over these gifts?

Practicing Good Stewardship in Our Parishes

We're still in the grip of a hot and sunny summer, but August brings a wake-up call. By August's end, visiting relatives have gone home, schools will be open, swimming pools will be closed, and college kids have packed up and left for the halls of academia. What's all that mean for the Christian steward? As we journey through August, parishes begin to teem with plans and new vitality.



The parish is where the church lives, and stewards are the lifeblood of a successful parish. In the parish, we find community and support, liturgy and ritual, sacrament and healing. In the parish, we find a way to give and a way to receive. On a practical level, fall is the time when parish planning gears up for the seasons ahead. Now, for a Christian steward, is the time to prayerfully consider your own involvement in the life of the parish in the coming year. How might we serve—and be served? The Christian steward knows participation in the parish is a win-win situation, feeding us as we feed others.

Where to begin? Your parish website or office may provide a list of ministries. Consider your own unique gifts and respond in a way that nourishes your soul! Maybe you're the party planner who'd love to serve on a social committee. Or perhaps you have a heart for helping the bereaved. Are you called to lector, or perhaps to take the eucharist to the homebound? Maybe this is the year you need to soak in the fruits of adult education. Possibly you see a ministry missing and want to propose it. Perhaps, as a long time steward, you want to be part of revitalizing the stewardship efforts of your parish.

August is a perfect time to reflect on where—not "if" - you are called. August provides time to decompress from a busy, fun summer and pray about where your own road to discipleship leads you next.