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Today's readings remind us of a chief virtue that characterizes the Christian steward: humility. This is a virtue that is widely thought of as a form of self-abasement. That understanding, however, is off the mark. Humility is simply the awareness of who (and Whose) we truly are.

On one hand, we are children of the Most High God who loved us into existence and who, by virtue of our Baptism, have the Holy Trinity dwelling within us. On the other hand, we are children who are completely dependent on God for our existence and for every breath we take.

Our Lord speaks of true humility in our Gospel passage from Luke, telling the parable of the guests invited to a wedding banquet and instructing us not to seek a place of honor at the banquet table, lest a more distinguished guest arrives and we are asked to move to a lower place.

Jesus has much more in mind here than an etiquette lesson. He is reminding us that all glory belongs to God. The visual image He offers in having to slink down to a lower seat at the table points out how silly we are when we forget to give God the credit for our blessings and talents.

On the other hand, when we live in humility — recognizing that all we have is a gift from God and using those gifts to serve Him and others — then God "exalts" us by filling us with even more of Himself and His grace.

Jesus goes on to encourage us to serve and share our blessings with people facing circumstances that would make it impossible for them to offer us any worldly advantage or prestige — "the poor, the crippled, the lame."

Our attitude and how we serve and share should be centered on true humility — recognizing that we are all "little" ones in the eyes of God. We are all His children; brothers and sisters invited to our Father's heavenly banquet.



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CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 31, 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 31, 2025 — TWENTY-SECOND 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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Sandie Maguire	Ministry to the Sick	466.3977
Sose Gaudet	Flowers, Decorations	622.3589

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Glen & Ethel Alder	Mobile Home Tenants	239.1299
	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

In the Gospel today, Jesus warns us not to give in to hopes of repayment, but to give openhandedly to the poor and needy. That sort of giving mirrors the bountiful giving of God, and Jesus assures us it is blessed indeed!

Weekly Offering
August 24, 2025
\$1,094.00

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.

Orphans in Uganda

St. Mary’s orphanage that our sister parish in Uganda owns, now has 87 orphans. We have built or are building an added dormitory. The orphans are well taken care of. They have good food and medical care. They all go to one of our local schools. Each orphan gets the same opportunity to get an education and a career. Actually a few have already graduated from college or university.

The cost for us for food and school fees for each orphan is still only \$250 per year.

But also we have close to 100 more orphans who are being cared for by relatives and attend one of our village schools. The families cannot afford the school fees. Each of those orphans cost the same amount—\$250—per year.

If you are in a position to sponsor an orphan for this year—make your check out to “Blessed Trinity” and mark it for “Uganda Orphans.”

Thanks

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK



Wis 9:13-18b
Phlm 9:10, 12-17
Lk 14:25-33

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, Sept 3 Maguire & Lavan Families L/D
Sunday, Sept 7 Migdalia Riche D. Lopp †

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

**Father Pat's 1st
Sacrament Meeting**



Fr. Pat's 1st Sacrament meeting will be on Sunday, September 7th at 9:55am in the gym at Blessed Trinity.

This is a mandatory meeting for all parents and children that are making their First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

Please try to make it to this first meeting but if you can't, there will be a make-up meeting on Saturday, September 13th at 9am in the chapel.

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON FALL
BIBLE STUDY EPIC: A JOURNEY
THROUGH CHURCH HISTORY**

Currently there is a lot of interest in personal and family history but how much do we really know about the history of the church family we belong to? As Catholics we are heirs of those who for 2000 years have built a great civilization and spread the Gospel throughout the world. EPIC is a 20-session story of adventure, intrigue, rebellion, reform, and devotion as well as popes, people, places, and the truth of events like the Crusades, Protestant Reformation, Inquisition, ongoing persecution of Christians, and the working of the Holy Spirit throughout..

Please join us. We meet from 3:15 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays at the Knights of Columbus Hall at Blessed Trinity. No materials are required. Newcomers are most welcome. For more information call or text Laurel Wilson 352-426-2328 or email laurelwilson40@aol.com...Or just show up on the first day, **September 10!**

YOU ARE INVITED!
Catholic Youth Event

***"The Tech-Savvy Saint:
The Life & Legacy of
Blessed Carlo Acutis"***



What if sainthood was just one click closer? Come meet the teenage web designer who's changing lives even after his own—**Blessed Carlo Acutis**, the 15-year-old who used **technology to spread the Gospel**, shared powerful **Eucharistic miracles**, and is now on the path to **sainthood!**

Date: Saturday, Sept 6th, 2025
Time: 8:30 am to 11:30 am
Location: King of Kings building
For: Middle school kids, Teens, and Young Adults curious about Faith In the Digital Age.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- A dynamic presentation on Carlo's life.*
- Dive into the **Eucharistic Miracles** that Carlo documented
 - Learn about the **real miracle** that led to his beatification
 - See how **one teen used the internet to evangelize the world**
 - Reflect on how **YOU** can live your faith boldly in today's digital culture
- "The Eucharist is my highway to heaven." – Blessed Carlo Acutis

The Marriage Group

For 16 years, The Marriage Group has been a leading provider of marriage preparation and we have heard from thousands of couples that they want more beyond Pre-Can.

So, we have created MORE!

Marriage Everyday is a online enrichment presented by The Marriage Group where couples can connect and grow with thousands of other couples around the world to strengthen their faith and joyfully live out their vocation.

And we are giving away the first month for free for couples.

You can share this link with newly married couples in your parish and they can sign up for free: <https://themarriagegroup.com/enrichment/>

Adult Catholic Inquiry Class

The weekly inquiry class begins at 6:30pm on Wednesday, September 3rd in the chapel (cry room) in church at Blessed Trinity.

Any adult (18 & over) can attend. It is for Catholics who need a fresh look at our Catholic faith; for adults who are baptized Catholics but never received confirmation (or 1st communion); for interested adults who are looking into becoming Catholic or who have spouses who are Catholic and they want to learn more about the Catholic faith.

The course is free. You will receive two readable books on the teachings of our faith. You do not need to register in advance. Just come and sign in and check your name off each week.

Christ and the Spirituality of Work

On the first Monday of September, the U.S. observes Labor Day, a celebration of the strength and contributions of the nation's work force. The holiday goes back many years. Congress passed an act establishing it in 1894, and it was promoted by labor unions as they grew in power. Labor unions have experienced a decline in recent years, but their ascendancy in late 19th century and early 20th century America contributed to a growing middle class and safer working conditions for all.

For many Americans, Labor Day weekend is a celebration of summer's finale, a last hurrah of cook-outs and recreation before vacation time ends and the reality of school, parish committees and snow shovel sales looms. But for the Christian steward, Labor Day should also be a time to pause and reflect on our own work, the work of others in our economy, and what it means for our spiritual growth and the growth of the Kingdom of God.

Work isn't separated from our spirituality, but should be a conscious part of it. The Lectionary even provides special readings for Labor Day, and one of them is from Colossians 1:24-2:3 in which St. Paul describes the source of his strength as Christ's "power working within me." Paul is able to achieve his tremendous effort by his reliance on Christ. And his endeavors were tied to his desire to serve Christ in all things. Does this ring true for our own working environment? Does Christ occupy a place in our workday, in the marketplace? Or do we sometimes feel a disconnect, as if our faith is compartmentalized into another realm of our life, not integral to our work life?

If our work feels lifeless and without purpose, do we consider our need to strengthen our relationship with Christ by our labor? As we enjoy summer's final fling, keep in mind that laborers should be partners in the work of God on this earth, and ask, how does my work fit into God's plan?

We are our
Brother's Keeper

“What ever you did for one of these least brothers or sisters of mine, you did for me.” -
Mt 25:40



Please consider donating to our
food pantry.

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| Spaghetti Sauce | Diapers (sizes 4,5,6) |
| Spaghetti Noodles | Baby Wipes |
| Tuna Helper | Toilet Paper |
| Hamburger Helper | Laundry Soap |
| Pork & Beans | Dish Soap |
| Beef Stew (canned) | Razors |
| Soups (canned) | Shampoo |
| Cereal | Toothpaste |
| Oatmeal | Bar Soap |
| Deodorant (men and women) | |
| Macaroni & Cheese | |
| Peanut Butter and Jelly | |
| Canned Fruit | |
| Tea-Coffee-Gatorade | |
| Powered or canned milk | |
| Broth (beef, chicken,veg) | |



Special need for drinks and feminine hygiene items

Thank you for always being so generous and we ask you to be please be mindful of expiration dates!

Good News!

La Guadalupana Clinic is pleased to announce that we are now accepting children from **newborns through age 16**. A **Pediatrician will be available once a month in the morning, by appointment only.**

Eligibility

1. Children must not have insurance or Medicaid benefits
2. Eligibility is based on family size and income
3. Residency requirements may also apply

Appointments

To schedule an appointment for your child, please call **352-509-6996**.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenged the social structure of the Pharisees and teaches his hosts and their guests some profound lessons in humility. Pharisees maintained deep social divisions between who they considered "holy" and "unholy," rich and poor, honored and despised. They didn't invite someone to a banquet or dinner who couldn't reciprocate. And the lowly, the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind had no capacity to reciprocate. Good stewards realize that if they embrace a humility that allows them to be generous to those who cannot repay them, they give evidence of having the kind of heart that will enjoy the Lord's intimate friendship. This week let's reflect on our attitude towards those who cannot repay our generosity. What is the extent of our hospitality toward others? Are we generous with those who cannot repay us?



**CHRIST THE KING
CATHOLIC CHURCH
SOUP KITCHEN**

September Menu

9/2 Pea Soup & Salad
9/9 Hot Dogs & Salad
9/16 Chicken Wrap
9/23 Shepard Pie
9/30 Surprise

Assorted desserts, coffee
and various soft drinks.

Meals are free every Tuesday
12pm-2pm



Angels in Arms ELC still has openings for its VPK program for the 2025 – 2026 school year. We are accepting children for both part time and full time.

Please contact the front office at 352-622-6167 or email Tracie Wilson at twilson@btaia.org. Children need to be age four (4) by September 1st 2025 to be eligible.

*ALLIANCE OF THE HOLY
FAMILY INTERNATIONAL*

First Friday

Communion of Reparation Prayer Vigil

September 5, 2025

Blessed Trinity Catholic Church

5 SE 17th St., Ocala FL 34471

Fr. Edward Murphy

Celebrant

7:00pm Holy Rosary

Ongoing Confession during this time

8pm Holy Mass

Rosary Makers General Meeting

The general meeting for all Rosary Makers will be on Saturday, September 6th, 2025, 9:00am-10:30am in the Teacher's Lounge at Blessed Trinity.



Instructions for learners will be available. Join us to spread the rosary of Our Blessed Mother.

For information call Sr. Juliet at 352.629.8092 Ex 3211.