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WEEKEND

Tuesday 7:00pm at La Guadalupana (Spanish)

Wednesday 4:00 pm at Christ the King

4:00 pm at Holy Days of Obligation



Philippians 4:13



PARISH LIFE

OCTOBER 19, 2025 ~ TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MARRIAGES: If you are planning to be married at Blessed Trinity, 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 Church Office 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 the Church Office at 629.8092 or Sister Juliet at x3211. When registering at the hospital, put your name on the Catholic List.

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STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

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Today's theme is perseverance—Moses keeping his hands upraised throughout the battle, Paul urging Timothy to stay with the task of preaching and teaching, and the widow appealing to the corrupt judge. To be faithful stewards of God's gifts, we, too, must persevere in the roles to which we are called.

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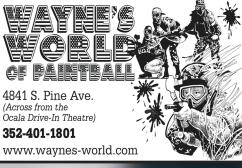


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A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

If we want to know what Jesus' parable is about in today's Gospel, it seems that we don't need to work too hard because Saint Luke tells us right at the beginning: "Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart." This parable has often been used to bring comfort to us about our prayer life. But could there be a more challenging message for those who take stewardship seriously? Widows were the poorest and most vulnerable of people in Jesus' time. Oppressive legal and economic structures were the norm. Jesus embraced with great compassion the poor and the marginalized. Could it be that we are also encouraged to pray persistently for the poor, the weak and the vulnerable as we hear their cry for justice? And that we must not lose heart that we can effect change in their lives?

STEWARD OF THE WEEK

Chris Bondie

Life Teen would like to thank Chris for spending so much of his time helping with Life Teen. The youth appreciate you!

Thank you for being a faithful steward!

New Parishioners:

Luiz Santos

Daniel & Cecilia Craggs

Jaime, Kimberly & Emma Vazquez

Jose Velasquez & Aura Esteban

Antonio Torres

Baptisms:

Ethan Guillermo Fernandez Ackley Emiliano Gael Fernandez Medina Florence Emma Joyce Olvera

The four pillars of parish stewardship are hospitality, prayer, formation, and service. Today's readings show us the immense value of prayer and the privileged place it must have in our individual lives and in our parish community.

Our Lord Himself calls us to prayer — and persistence in prayer — in the Gospel passage from Luke. Jesus tells the parable of the nagging widow who finally wears down the judge with her unrelenting persistence in her pursuit of a just ruling from him on her behalf. Jesus goes to great lengths to describe this judge, saying he "neither feared God nor respected any human." Yet even this corrupt judge responds with a just judgment because of the widow's persistence.

Jesus uses this outlandish example to draw a vivid contrast between a reluctant, dishonest judge and our loving, all-merciful Father. If even a bad judge will give a good result in response to a persistent request, how much more (infinitely more) eagerly and perfectly will our good Father respond to our persistent prayers to Him.

If he delays in responding, if he provides a different response from the one we were expecting, we can remain confident and trusting in His goodness, knowing that His response, whenever it comes and in whatever form, will be the very best one for us.

Our job then, as Christian stewards, is simply to remain faithful to our relationship with God through prayer. We must lean on each other in our communities — family and parish — as we support each other in prayer. A strong pillar of prayer will make all our other stewardship efforts fruitful.



WORSHIP

OCTOBER 19, 2025 ~ TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

STEWARDSHIP APPRECIATION DINNER

Our annual Stewardship Appreciation Dinner will be at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16 in the Parish Hall. This is a FREE dinner to say thanks for all you do for Blessed Trinity. We only have one rule: You need to sign up in advance and get a free ticket. This allows us to have an accurate count and avoid wasting food --- or not having enough! If you plan to attend, please get a ticket --- and if you get a ticket, please plan to attend!

You can sign up and get a free ticket after the Masses the weekends of Oct. 25/26 and Nov. 1/2. If you have questions, please call Jim Ross at 352-208-1960. See you at the dinner!



Tour of the Church

Take a tour of Blessed Trinity Church on Saturday, Nov. 8th, beginning at 9am. This informative and educational tour will take you through 28 points of interest, relating details and history of the building, its furnishings, and our Faith.

By the time you get to the last stop, you will have reviewed your Catholic Faith almost in its entirety.

Allow approximately 1 ½ hours for your tour.

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A new group starts whenever 5 or 6 people are gathered. The last tour starts at 11:15, so don't miss this opportunity!

All Saints Day Schedule

Vigil, Friday October 31 at 5:30pm and 7pm (Sp) Saturday, November 1: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 7pm (Sp)

The Commemoration Of All The Faithful Departed (All Souls Day) Schedule

Vigil, Saturday November 1: 4pm and 6pm Sunday, November 2: 7:10am, 8:45am, 11am, 1pm (Sp), 5pm (Remembrance Mass)

Cemetery Masses

Sunday, November 2 at 2:30pm at our three local cemeteries (Highlands, Forest Lawn, Good Shepherd) there will be Masses celebrated in memory of our family and friends who have died.

New Parish Church in our Sister Parish

So far we have received donations or pledges in the amount of \$ 110,596.41

We have made a great start toward our goal of \$260,000.

Make checks out to "Blessed Trinity" for new parish church in our Sister Parish.

Mission Office Annual Collection

This weekend will be the annual Mission Office collection in support of our Sister Diocese in San Juan de La Maguana.

We are working diligently to raise the necessary funds to continue supporting our brothers and sisters in the mountains of San Juan de La Maguana.

Your past assistance has been invaluable, and we sincerely appreciate your ongoing support.



Sunday, October 19th—This Life Night focuses on one of the wildest topics within the Catholic faith: incorruptible saints. At this Life Night we hope to gather a better understanding of what the church teaches about these amazing men and women while also learning more about how our bodies and our souls are integral to who we are as people. Free dinner, games, and worship too!

Sunday, October 26th— Life Teen is hanging out on the soccer field this evening for dinner, smores, music, and lawn games. Students bring a lawn chair and a favorite lawn game if you have one you are willing to share with the group.

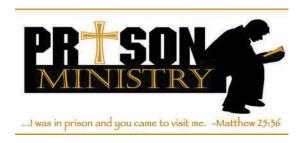
PRISON MINSTRY

Blessed Trinity's prison ministry brings the Catholic faith to inmates in local correctional facilities through Mass, communion services, retreats, bible studies, faith sharing, educational activities and one-on-one counseling.

We are sorely lacking people, particularity on the men's side.

If this is a ministry that the Lord may be calling you to help with, please reach out so I can give you more information!

For the men please contact Sam Rodriguez at 786.683.4800 and for the women contact Laurel Wilson at 352.426.2328 or laurelwilson40@aol.com



READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Sir 35:12-14 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 Lk 18:9-14



November remembrance of those who have died

With November being a month to remember those who have died, remembrance sheets are available for families to list their loved ones who have gone before them.

Blank sheets will be provided in the bulletin this weekend, and extra sheets will be available after that in the vestibule of the church.

A book of the filled out sheets will be placed in the sanctuary for the month of November to honor all those listed and prayers will be offered for them at all November Masses.

Please return your filled out sheets to the basket provided in the vestibule.

At the 5:00pm Mass on Sunday, November 2nd, Blessed Trinity will remember all those who have died in the past year. The names will be read and displayed before the altar and lit candles will be placed in front of the names. If your loved one's funeral was at Blessed Trinity, we already have their name. If the funeral took place elsewhere and you would like their name included in the list, please call their name into the church office by Wednesday, October 29.

Looking For a Prayer Meeting?

Here at BT, we have been meeting on Thursday nights since 1978! Giving thanks to God in prayer & song; Listening to Him in the quiet of our hearts; Hearing shared stories of Faith; and Interceding for each other & the Church -It never gets old!

We look forward to God blessing us with your presence. Please join us this Thursday in the Adult Day Care center, 7-8:30pm. Questions? Call Richard for details, 352-342 -2982 or email i2bxtn@gmail.com.

Fountains of Living Water Prayer Community

"God is Needed" Book

You may still purchase Fr. Pat's 2nd book, God is Needed, at our religious gift shop before or after any weekend Mass or on Wednesday during Fr. Pat's inquiry class or at the church office between 8:00am—5:00pm. The cost is \$15 and the proceeds go to our sister parish in Uganda.

BLESSED TRINITY COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

All ladies of the Parish are invited to the General Meeting

Tuesday, October 21st at 6:00 PM in the



Community Center

Speaker: Father Bill Burns



Refreshments will be served

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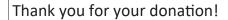


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| Tuesday, Oct 21 | 7:10am 5:30pm | Semudo Family L/D Steve Hoesterey † |
| Wed, Oct 22 | 7:10am 8:15am 5:30pm | Ed Hamilton † Sisters of IHMR L/D Bert & Rita Moeder † |
| Thursday, Oct 23 | 7:10am 5:30pm | Tony & Isabelle Lachermeier † Tom & Barbara Bombassei † |
| Friday, Oct 24 | 7:10am 5:30pm | Allan Goodwin † Jerry DeMeola † |
| Saturday, Oct 25 | 8:00am 4:00pm 6:00pm | Fr. Pat Sheedy (L) Mother Anne Mary McLaughlin † Steve Hoesterey † |
| Sunday, Oct 26 | 7:10am 8:45am 11:00am 1:00pm 5:00pm | John Rimes † Vincent Mazzurco † Jack Dellaperuta † Spanish Community David Chover † |

Please pray for Karen Taylor who has recently passed away.

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Our stewardship way of life here at BT encourages each family to commit one hour a week to the adoration chapel; please prayerfully consider this ministry's needs and if you are unable to serve, please pray that God will send individuals to sustain this core ministry, here at Blessed Trinity.

The Lord looks forward to your visit!

Please see the list of hours, which is in the Vestibule, on the counter near the staircase, that need one more adorer.

For your special hour of praise before the Blessed Sacrament call or email: Carol Blackstock 352-622-7348 or 352-425-8638, carolblackstock@gmail.com.

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His encyclical *Rerum Novarum*, which bears the English title, "On the Condition of Labor," was the first time a pope had written a comprehensive encyclical concerning social justice. At the time it was issued, on May 15, 1891, it was considered "progressive" and "ground-breaking."

The fact that Cardinal Robert Prevost of Chicago took the name Leo XIV invites us to revisit the great encyclical written by his predecessor. It also suggests that the new pope will be eager to apply at least some of the principles that guide *Rerum Novarum*, with a special focus on assisting the poor.

On Wednesday, October 22, Dr. Barry Meehan will lead a discussion on this landmark encyclical in the chapel in church at 7:00pm.

Help Wanted

Blessed Trinity After-Care is hiring!

Staff is needed, Mon-Tues-Thurs-Fri from 2:45pm—6:00pm and Wednesday from 1:45pm—6:00pm

If interested, please contact Kathy Watts at kwatts@btschool.org or 352.843.9268

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE ~ WEEKLY OFFERINGS

| Weekly Offering | | October 12, 2025 | | |
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| Weekend Total: | 459 | \$ 22,427.93 | Year to date collection | : \$ 1,133,370.46 |
| Electronic Offering Total: | 395 | \$ 33,631.27 | | |
| Loose Cash / Votives Total: | | \$ 2,563.00 | Year to date budget: | \$ 1,286,865.00 |
| School Mass Offering: | | \$ 105.23 | Year to date deficit: | (\$153,494.54) |
| Non Sunday: | 99 | \$ 8,102.00 | | |
| Grand Total for Week: | | \$ 66,829.43 | | |
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Stewards of a Missionary Church

The month of October is an ideal time to focus our prayerful reflections on the world and to see its people as a gift from God. The global community is a gift to be received with gratitude and held in stewardship. With the celebration of World Mission Sunday, October is a month that offers Catholics world-wide the opportunity to renew their commitment to proclaim the Gospel and to give a greater missionary focus to parish activities. It is time to reflect on the global context of our stewardship, and to express our gratitude to missionaries who bear witness to Christ in the most remote and challenging places of the world, often with their lives.

The month of October can remind us that being witnesses to Jesus Christ is a stewardship responsibility of us all. In a world experiencing increasingly disturbing forms of alienation and indifference, our communion of faith can offer signs of hope and work to make the planet a home for all people.

We are "communion" because of the gift of the Eucharist. And this gift that we celebrate in the sacrament is not something we can keep to ourselves. By its very nature it demands to be shared with everyone. That is one reason the missionary impulse of our church has always been a sign of vitality in its unique witness of unity around the world.

There are a number of ways you can focus on the missionary activity of the church:

- Include petitions for the church's missionary work in your daily prayers.
- Increase your awareness of the wider global mission of the church.
- Discover ways to participate in specific missionary activities taking place in your parish or diocese especially our sister parish here at Blessed Trinity.

The church's work around the world is as important as the work in our own neighborhood. Let us be mindful this month that we are stewards of the Gospel, called to proclaim it to the ends of the earth, bringing hope to a world that hungers for Christ's peace.

Dear Father Patrick and Blessed Trinity Catholic Parish family,

My heart overflows with gratitude, and I can barely find words adequate to express how much you all mean to me.

It is with profound joy that I share with you that I graduated from medical school just last Monday, a dream that seemed so far away once, but became reality because of your love, kindness, and unceasing generosity.

Fr. Patrick and all the Parishioners of Blessed Trinity Catholic Parish, Ocala-Florida, I truly have no words that can capture the depth of my gratitude. Your generosity has sustained me through medical school and brought me to this joyous day. You have been the wind beneath my wings, and I am forever thankful. Because of you, my dream is a testimony of the goodness of God expressed through you. I remember it all began in June 2019, a moment that will forever be etched in my heart. My father, who was my only benefactor at the time, was battling gastric cancer, and later would pass on 2 years later on the second of March 2021. It was then that I first met Dr. Richard Weeder and Ms. Theresa Gross, two incredible souls who breathed hope into me when I had almost none left. Your kindness lit a path that has led me here. Dr. Lydia, our belief in me gave me strength when my own belief faltered.

I hold dearly the memory of Deacon Jim, whose life and family have been a source of immense blessing to me. His example of faith, love, and service continues to inspire me every day. Thank you for your unwavering support throughout my academic journey. There isn't no way my story would be the same today without you as a major part of it. You all changed my life.

I hope to one day become a great cardiothoracic surgeon, and I know that that day is not far ahead. But beyond the profession, I hope to live out a life that reflects all the love and support I've received from each one of you.

I pray for you, for your health, for your happiness, and for the work of your hands to be richly blessed. And God willing, I will spend my life extending the same kindness, support, and opportunity that you have given

me. I hope the seeds you planted in me will bear fruit, not just in my lifetime, but long after those I will serve and uplift.

Thank you for believing in me. Thank you for walking this journey with me. May God bless you all with greater days ahead.
With deepest love and gratitude,
Joseph K. Mukiibi.

Doctor of Medicine.



Saints and Sweets

Life Teen is proud to present "Saints & Sweets Luminary Walk" on October 25, from 6:30-8:00pm on the Blessed Trinity School Soccer Field.

Walk with your family or friends as you learn about the lives of the Saints. Youth dressed as Saints will share a Saint story as well as candy at each station. Kids are invited to dress up as Saints or use their Halloween costumes.

DONATE CANDY: Candy donations help make the night even sweeter! Please deliver candy to the church office, marked "Saints & Sweets."

VOLUNTEERS: Many hands will be needed to make this event a success! We are looking for ten enthusiastic students (grades 6-12) willing to dress up and share a saint story with the community as they walk through our candlelit walkway. A script will be provided as well as any costume materials the student might need. We are also looking for volunteers to help set up, take down, and welcome people into the walk in an orderly fashion. For more information on the specifics of how you can get involved, contact Lydia Ross at lross@blessedtrinity.org



Camino Walk Pilgrimage

There will be an information meeting for all those interested on Tuesday, October 21 at 7:00pm in the St. John meeting room in the King of Kings building.

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