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<u>DAILY</u>		
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STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

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Ministry of the Week

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STEWARDSHIP

POTENTIAL

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel, part of his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus does not speak of replacing the law of the Old Testament. He goes beyond it. He obliges his followers to work at being holier than even the strictest of Pharisees. But the work is not accomplished by following a religious "law," it requires growing in love for other human beings. Followers of Jesus know they are required to be good stewards of others. In what way will you exercise good stewardship over other people this week?

STEWARD OF THE WEEK

Maggie Fraher

Religious Education would like to thank Maggie for her time, love, and dedication in helping build our children's choir. Through her joyful service for our children, she has enriched our parish and helped our young voices praise God. May God bless her for her generous stewardship.

Thank you for being a faithful steward!

New Parishioners:

Josiah Meone

Edgar Correa, Liliana Jacobo, Alexander Correa

Baptisms:

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Lane Scott Curtis Landry

Today's readings challenge us to reflect on the true state of our hearts as it relates to stewardship. Do we think of stewardship as something we take care of once a year, simply a matter of ticking off boxes on a commitment card — or do we choose to embrace it as a spirituality and a way of life that allows us to grow in conformity to Christ every day?

Our first reading, from the Book of Sirach, teaches that our good God has given us the freedom to make this choice — "Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him."

The concept of stewardship helps us live out this fundamental choice to put God first. Stewardship is not meant to be a mere external exercise that we participate in on an occasional basis. It is meant to be embraced as a way of life — a life that involves a continuous conversion of heart.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus illustrates the difference between an external observance of the law and a true conversion of heart, saying, "You have heard that it was said ... you shall not kill ... But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment." Our Lord is asking us not only for exterior acts, but for a true change of heart. In stewardship terms, that means seeing everything as a gift from Him, to be used for His glory and the good of others.

In the week ahead, let us examine the state of our hearts and ask whether we have allowed stewardship to shape the way we live each day. When we do, we open ourselves to its deeper meaning and its power to change our hearts. The choice is ours.



WORSHIP

FEBRUARY 15, 2026 ~ SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

MASS SCHEDULE

7:10am, 8:15am, 10:00 am, 12:10pm,

5:30pm, 7:00 pm

(English in the hall),

7:00 pm (Spanish in the church)

Ashes distributed during all Masses after the homily.



CMT Lenten Fish Fry is back!

Friday, February 20th is the first Fish Fry of the season. It is a great opportunity for family and parish fellowship. We serve fried and baked fish, clams, shrimp, ziti and fish Tacos with your choice of 2 sides. There is something for everyone at a great value of only \$11. If you are a "Frequent Fryer" and joining us almost every week, you can purchase a fryer card you pay for 6 meals and get the 7th FREE.

During the Fish Fry this year we will have a special 50/50 raffle to find the queen of hearts. Tickets are \$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5. We will choose a new winner each week at the Fish Fry until we find the "Queen of Hearts" You do not need to be present to win.

Please join us in the Parish Hall every Friday during Lent from 3:45—7:30pm.



Attention: School Stewardship Families

It is time to re-verify for the 2026-27 school year!

This year's meeting days will be in the Community Center on Tuesday, February 17th (8am until noon), Thursday, February 19th (6pm until 9pm) and Saturday, February 21st (9am until noon). Letters have gone out to each family indicating the day and time for their meeting, but if you are unable to make that appointment, you can drop in at any of the given dates/times and you will be worked into the schedule. **Each family must attend one of the three meeting days in order to continue as a school stewardship family for the 2026-27 school year.**

All necessary information, including available times, will be in your letter. If you have any questions **after** receiving your letter, or if you did not receive your letter, contact Sue Lanier at slanier@blessedtrinity.org

Holy Day of Reflection for all ministries involved in the Mass

On March 8th we will have a half day of reflection and prayer for all ministries involved in the celebration of the weekend Masses:

That includes all ushers, all sacristans, all readers, all ministers of the eucharist and all choirs.

We will begin with the regular 8:00am Mass, followed by light food in the parish hall.

Fr. Bill will address the group at 9:00am with special emphasis showing that each minister plays a big part in the over all celebration of each Mass.

Then each of the five ministries involved will break up into their own group for an hour of dialogue, questions, input etc. for that ministry.

After coming back together for a brief recap, we will end with a short time of adoration before the exposed Blessed Sacrament and benediction.



Sunday, February 15th— No Life Night (President’s Day)

Sunday, February 22nd— Join us for Life Teen Mass at 5pm, and then Life Night from 6:00-8:00pm in the King of Kings building. Free dinner, games, a bible message, and small groups.

Coming Soon!

On February 21/22, Blessed Trinity will host another Name Tag Weekend, a fun event to help all of us get to know each other a little bit better! Name tags and pens will be available in the portico before all the Masses for those who wish to participate. Join the fun, meet and learn the names of those who sit around you each week at Mass! Please arrive a few minutes early so that you can get your name tag and get to your set in time for Mass!



Important Livestream Notice

We regret the recent interruptions to our Mass livestream and apologize for any frustration this caused. To better serve our parishioners, we are introducing a new livestreaming platform that will improve reliability and quality.

Thank you for your patience, prayers, and understanding as we work through this transition.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7

Rom 5:12-19

Mt 4:1-11



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February 14 / 15:

February 21 / 22: No Flowers—Lent

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Tuesday, Feb 17	7:10am 5:30pm	Ben Drongosky † Louis Dolan †
Wed, Feb 18	7:10am 8:15am 10:00am 12:10pm 5:30pm	Fr. Duane Raftis † Toni Flores † Jim Hamme † Tom Towle † Louis Dolan †
Thursday, Feb 19	7:10am 5:30pm	Christine Baker † Donald Karney †
Friday, Feb 20	7:10am 5:30pm	Helen & Fred Wisneski † Ssemudo Family L/D
Saturday, Feb 21	8:00am 4:00pm 6:00pm	O'Brien-Rothfusz Families L/D Robert Fosler † Fran Harwas †
Sunday, Feb 22	7:10am 8:45am 11:00am 1:00pm 5:00pm	O'Brien-Rothfusz Families L/D Karel Dupre † Vincent & Catherine Cadigan † Spanish Community Art & Phyllis Cooper †

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February 8, 2026

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School Mass Offering:		\$ 126.00	Year to date deficit: (\$305,708.85)
Non Sunday:	54	\$ 15,266.00	
Grand Total for Week:		\$ 90,597.02	
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Difference		\$4,806.02	

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Metanoia: The Challenge of Lent

As we prepare ourselves for the beginning of Lent (Ash Wednesday, February 18), we might consider a Greek word that resonates during the season: metanoia. Just the sound of it is challenging and commands our attention. Literally, the word means “to change one’s mind.” In our Christian tradition it has come to be connected with repentance and more importantly, to conversion. But perhaps the online Merriam-Webster dictionary defines it most beautifully: metanoia—a transformative change of heart. To Catholic stewards, that phrase perfectly defines our yearning during Lent. We yearn to be transformed by a change of heart. Actually, that kind of change can be a scary proposition. It sounds risky. It’s certainly life-changing. If metanoia actually took place within us, if we allowed that kind of heart-based transformation into our lives, would our lives be different?

On the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (January 11) the Gospel reading revealed to us that Jesus walked down to the Jordan River and asked John the Baptist to baptize him. There were two men, utterly transformed. John would call others to repentance in preparation for the coming of the Messiah. Jesus would be led by the Holy Spirit into the desert before embarking on a ministry that proclaimed the Kingdom of God. John would be beheaded for his ministry; Jesus would be crucified.

Are we ready to be transformed during this Lenten season? Yes, we want to be good during Lent, attend extra Masses, lay off the chocolate, make sure the family attends Holy Week liturgies. But metanoia?

Transformation alters us, opens our hearts in radical ways. We witness it in the doctor who travels to Sierra Leone to take care of Ebola patients during his vacation time; in the couple who adopted, with very little time for discernment, three kids who had been orphaned and needed to be kept together; in the family that makes a decision to tithe despite their financial worries. Transformation requires courage. It is not a thing casually approached.

Perhaps our Lenten resolve shouldn’t be limited to the usual small sacrifices or token pieties, but to a deep commitment to a daily prayer that asks for the courage to be transformed by a change of heart. Let this simple prayer suffuse our Lent: “Even if it takes time, Lord, make me smaller in the world, bigger in the kingdom.” Metanoia—let us rise to the challenge of the Christ who beckons us to follow him this Lent into the desert.



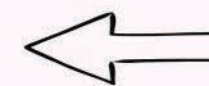
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Get all your questions about confession answered during this "Ask Me Anything" with Blessed Trinity's Father Patrick Sheedy. This is part of Theology on Tap, a monthly series for fellowship and contemplation. A gluten-free meal will be served. Children 10 and under can attend for free.



Space is limited.
Scan to learn more and RSVP.

Questions? Contact Shelby Kearns at 361-449-6896 or
shelbytkearns@gmail.com

Collection for The Church in Central and Eastern Europe

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that are still struggling to recover from former communist rule. It also aids communities throughout the region that are affected by the war in Ukraine. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations of church properties, and seminary formation. Your contribution restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. You can find more information at www.usccb.org/ccee.

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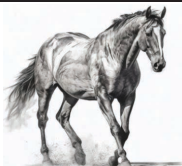


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