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The Christian steward approaches life with an "Easter vision," rooted in gratitude for the salvation our Lord has won for us through His death and Resurrection. Today's readings on this Divine Mercy Sunday remind us that this vision is meant to shape our daily lives and that we can place complete trust in the mercy of God to lead us, step by step, toward heaven.

It can be difficult to keep our focus on heaven when earthly concerns — job stress, family struggles, health problems and political division — press in around us. At times, we can become like the Apostle Thomas in today's Gospel, struggling to believe amid disappointment and uncertainty. Absent when Jesus first appeared to the other Apostles after the Resurrection, Thomas refused to accept their testimony that they had "seen the Lord."

He insisted that he would not believe unless he placed his finger into the nail marks and his hand into Christ's side. Yet Thomas' doubts did not repel our Lord — they drew Him near in an extraordinary way. Jesus saw beyond the doubt to the pain beneath it. He did not condemn Thomas, but calmed his fears and invited him to touch His Sacred Wounds.

What amazing grace.

When we are tempted to doubt, we need only seek the Lord — in prayer, in the sacraments and through the encouragement of our Christian community. Just as He did for Thomas, our Lord will mercifully restore our Easter vision and fill us with His joy and peace.



CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

April 12, 2026

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MASS SCHEDULE AT CHRIST THE KING	
WEEKLY	
Saturday	7:00pm (Spanish)
Sunday	10:15 am
Wednesday	5:30 pm
Wednesday	7:00pm (Spanish)
First Fridays	
Holy Days of Obligation	4:00 pm
Reconciliation	
Wednesday	5:15 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

APRIL 12, 2026 — SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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	Legion of Mary	
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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 Guadalupe. 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.

Marriage Preparation

Preparing for the sacrament of marriage? Saturday, April 25 is the date for the next Blessed Trinity Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation program. The program runs from 8:00am to 5:00pm in the King of Kings building at Blessed Trinity and includes continental breakfast and lunch. Cost is \$50 per couple.

Register on the Blessed Trinity website, www.blessedtrinity.org under sacraments.

Please note: the next Pre-Cana program will be Saturday, October 3.

Divine Mercy Sunday celebration at Blessed Trinity Church

Divine Mercy Sunday April 12th celebration: The Holy Hour of Mercy will be after the Spanish Mass from 2:30-3:30pm in the church.



Our Catholic Appeal

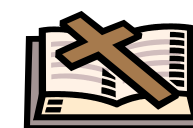
We continue to get pledges each week. We have had 23 families respond.

As mentioned already, we are getting ready to mail a letter to all our families who have not yet responded. We will wait one more week. Help us save the cost of a stamp!

Our assessment is \$14,734! If we exceed that number we get to keep two thirds of the excess and the other third goes to the care of sick and retired priests. It is all about making the fullness of the Gospel available here locally, in our diocese and worldwide.

God appreciates your active participation.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK



Acts 2:14, 22-33

Pt 1:17-21

Lk 24:13-35

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, April 15 Julio L Negron †

Sunday, April 19 Jim Pinder †

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

STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

Jesus meets the need of each disciple. To the fearful in the upper room, He speaks words of peace. To doubting Thomas, He provides the tangible proof of His resurrection. What do I need to become His disciple?

What do I have to share that might meet someone else's need?

Weekly Offering

April 5, 2026

\$3,590.05

LEGION OF MARY

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

19 Random Stewardship Ideas for the Month of April

- 1) Write a note of encouragement and prayer to someone entering the church
- 2) Make a blood donation
- 3) Join or start a bible study group
- 4) Keep the Sabbath holy. Make a pledge not to work on Sunday
- 5) Plan an outing with your family
- 6) Re-examine your commitment to the parish's offertory collection
- 7) Introduce yourself to a fellow parishioner with whom you are unfamiliar
- 8) Celebrate Earth Day 2026 by prayer and commitment to curb pollution
- 9) Help a neighbor who is physically unable to clean their yard
- 10) Invite someone to attend a weekend liturgy with you
- 11) Don't text when you drive
- 12) Reduce your stress by getting outside and getting some exercise
- 13) Make contact with a relative you haven't seen in a long time
- 14) Take time to pray each day
- 15) Treat your family or loved one to a day at the museum
- 16) Volunteer to participate in a community cleanup effort
- 17) Make a gift to your diocesan annual appeal
- 18) Plant flowers, shrubs or trees in a part or other location
- 19) Donate gently used clothing



**CHRIST THE KING
CATHOLIC CHURCH
SOUP KITCHEN**

April Menu

4/7 Easter Dinner
4/14 Quiche
4/21 Chicken and Pasta
4/28 Meatloaf

Assorted desserts, coffee
and various soft drinks.

Meals are free every Tuesday
12pm-2pm

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's first reading, the four activities of the earliest church are introduced to us as priorities of the church: devotion to the teachings of the apostles, communal fellowship, the Eucharist and prayer. The early members of the church saw themselves as devoted stewards of these activities. These were not options. They were the fruits of a genuine conversion to a life in Christ. Sharing in the Eucharist was the most intimate expression of fellowship, while the most common expression of fellowship in the New Testament was that of sharing financial resources—giving. It was not a perfect community, but one that gave evidence of God's active presence in its midst. This early community offers us an excellent example of how to better exercise stewardship in our own parish families.

SCRIP Gift Card Update

Scrip sales are slowly increasing. We thank each of you who has participated and ask everyone else to consider purchasing gift cards. You pay face value. BT purchases the cards at a discount thus generating a profit. It's a win-win. You purchase gift cards that can be used for everyday purchases or to use for gift giving. For example, one couple purchases \$500 in Publix every few weeks after the 8:45 Mass. Each year that couple generates over \$200 for our projects just for using Publix gift cards for groceries. For BT School families, half of credit earned will be applied to registration and the other half applied to our projects. Contact the Scrip office for details.

Scrip Gift Cards available Sundays after the 8:45 – 11:00 Masses in the Portico at Blessed Trinity

Ordering Scrip

Orders can be dropped off at the church office anytime during the week and we will fill them on the next scrip office day that we are open. (Order forms outside of Scrip Office)

You can email orders to us at btscrip@btschool.org or order online through Raise Right Scrip. (See link below)

2. Filled orders can be picked up anytime **Monday through Friday** from 8am to 5pm in the church office.

The scrip office does not have to be open for you to pick up or drop off orders.

Scrip Office Hours Monday and Friday 10:00 – 11:00

We rely on volunteers so days and times may vary.

Create an online account to order directly through Raise Right Scrip.

You can pay online or pay when you pick up from Scrip Office.

Scan link to sign up. Enrollment code is listed to join our program so funds will be credited to Blessed Trinity. Include name of BTS student if you would like family registration credit.



Your Gift Makes a Difference

Our Catholic Appeal helps promote, support and educate about the Church's pastoral needs and concerns for the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life within culturally diverse communities across Central Florida.

2024-2025 Statistics

182	148	47	20
Priests	Deacons	Religious Sisters	Seminarians



Not everyone can give the same size gift, but everyone can make the same size sacrifice.

Pray and Donate at ourcatholicappeal.org



Life Teen & The Living Stations

Our parish wants to recognize and thank the 20+ teenagers and their leaders for the very moving and very spiritually uplifting Living Stations of the Cross. It was very prayerful. The message of each station was dramatized effectively and easily moved and had the full attention of all present. It was obvious that everyone present got a much deeper appreciation for the love of Jesus on His journey to His death on Calvary. The role of Mary, His mother, easily gave us a deep appreciation of her love for her son and her desire to move all of us to keep on moving closer to her son.

The Living Stations are prayerfully acted out twice each year on Wednesday of Holy Week—once with the students at Blessed Trinity Grade School and once for the community at 6:30pm. I know it would be great if the Living Stations could take place on Good Friday but schools are all closed by then and the teens need to be with their families.

Could I respectfully suggest, plan ahead. Put the Living Stations on your calendar for Wednesday of Holy Week next year. All ages, youngest to oldest will be uplifted.

Bible Study

We are coming close to the end of our Bible Study of the Book of Matthew. Please note, there will not be a session on Easter Sunday.

The remaining sessions are:

- April 12—Matthew 26: The Trial of the Christ
- April 19—Matthew 27: The Passion of the King
- April 26—Matthew 28 and Conclusion: The Triumph of the King

Stay tuned for the next Bible Study coming to Christ the King!

Help Wanted!

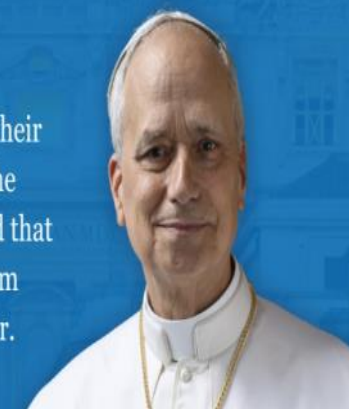
Elder Care is looking for a full-time LPN. Hours would be 8:30am—5:00pm M-F.

Please contact Lori Berndt at 352.671.2823 or lberndt@blessedtrinity.org for more information or with any questions.

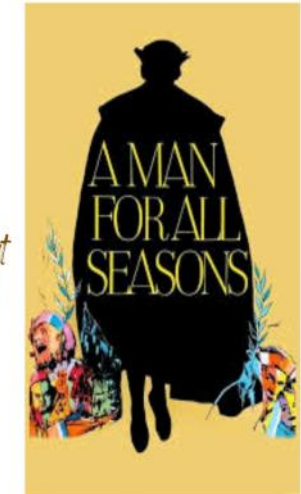
Pope Leo XIV's Intention *April*

For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



A Screening Of



Thursday, April 30th at 6:30 PM

The St. John Paul II room in Blessed Trinity's King of Kings Building

The Ocala Young Adult Catholics invite you to watch *A Man for All Seasons*, a film that dramatizes the martyrdom of St. Thomas More, who refused to legitimize the English Reformation in the 16th century.



Because a catered gluten-free meal is provided, please scan the QR code to learn more and RSVP.

Perpetual Adoration

The following hours need to be filled:

Tuesdays: 1:00am - 2:00am

Fridays: 1:00am - 2:00am

Also in need of substitutes, especially between Midnight and 5:00am

Our stewardship way of life here at BT encourages each family to commit one hour a week to the adoration chapel.

The Lord looks forward to your visit!

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.

