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WEEKEND	
Saturday	4:00 pm and 6:00 pm
Sunday	7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am 1:00pm Spanish, 5:00 pm Life Teen
DAILY	
Mon-Fri	7:10 am and 5:30 pm
Wednesday	8:15 am (follows school schedule)
Thursday	6:30 pm (Spanish)
Saturday	8:00am
Reconciliation	Saturday 2:45-3:30 pm 5:00-5:30pm

MASS SCHEDULE AT OUR MISSION CHURCHES

WEEKEND	
Saturday	7:00 pm at Christ the King (Spanish)
Sunday	10:15 am at Christ the King 7:00pm at La Guadalupe (Spanish)
DAILY	
Tuesday	7:00pm at La Guadalupe (Spanish)
Wednesday	4:00 pm at Christ the King 4:00 pm at Holy Days of Obligation

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PARISH LIFE

MAY 10, 2026 ~ SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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 and in Spanish the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9:00am at Guadalupana. Parents and Godparents must attend this class prior to scheduling baptism.

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

Those who obey the commandments, Jesus says in today's Gospel, are the ones who really love Him. Does my stewardship reveal my love for Jesus?

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STEWARDSHIP

TOP TIGHT

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Philip understood very well Jesus' words: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." We learn of Philip's devotion to prayer, evangelizing and healing in the region of Samaria; made up of communities that would not be very receptive to the followers of Jesus. Philip is a model steward, living his discipleship day by day in the Lord without being obstructed by feelings of what cost his actions might entail. Good stewards summon the courage to proclaim the Lord and to serve Him by ministering to others. As an Easter people, eager to rejoice in the Lord, it is important to reflect on how we are living out our own commitment to discipleship.

STEWARD OF THE WEEK

Mary Behan

Brother's Keeper would like to sincerely thank Mary for sharing her time and talents with our ministry. God bless you!

Thank you for being a faithful steward!

New Parishioners:

Mike, Tricia, Michael & Nathaniel Starling
Maria, Vicente, Carlota, Maria & Alessia Campo Esis
Arturo, Jenny, Jose, Maura, Jose & Jaryell Rodriguez

Baptisms:

Gael Matias Palacios-Hernandez

On this sixth Sunday of Easter, our readings remind us that God must come first in our lives, and that love of God is shown through concrete actions — this is precisely why the stewardship way of life is so necessary.

Our second reading, from St. Peter, challenges us to "Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts." In other words, we are to put Christ above all else. His role is not only as Savior — as essential as that is — but as Lord of our lives. As His disciples, we are called to place Him at the center of everything — our time, our talent, and our treasure.

The beauty of the stewardship way of life is that it gives us a concrete way to live this out. It allows us to demonstrate that Christ truly is Lord of our lives, because love is not merely a feeling. "Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me," Jesus tells us in our Gospel from John.

True love is an act of the will. It requires obedience, humility, and deep trust in God. But the reward is extraordinary. Christ tells us, "Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

Could there be anything more fulfilling than living in such a way that the God of the universe reveals Himself more fully to us?



Our Catholic Appeal

The number of replies coming in have slowed down. We have done well with the 640 families who have responded. That is still only 25% of the registered families. Because you are a baptized member of God's family, you owe Him a response.

There are only six precepts (laws) in the Catholic faith. One of the six is you are morally bound to financially support the spread of the gospel world wide. The world is divided into dioceses with the pope as the chief shepherd. Many people (Catholics) do not support the diocese. Don't be fooled by them. Make up our own mind. It is all God's plan. Feel good to be part of His plan.

New Seminarian

Blessed Trinity is pleased to announce that Mr. Samuel Mascaro, a parishioner and Blessed Trinity Catholic School 8th Grade Religion Teacher / Campus Minister, has been formally accepted as a Seminarian for the Diocese of Orlando.

Sam has been discerning a call to the priesthood throughout his years of ministry and service here at our parish and school. He now begins a new chapter as he prepares to enter St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary this fall.

Please keep Sam in your prayers as he embarks on this journey of priestly formation and continuing discernment.

Congratulations

Mother's Day: A Stewardship Reflection

May 10 is Mother's Day and what theme is more universal than motherhood? We Catholics prize that nurturing relationship so highly that we call our church, "Holy Mother," and we venerate Mary, the mother of Jesus, for her pivotal role in the life of our Lord and savior.

Yet, Mother's Day can bring with it a plethora of emotion and memories. Any mother can attest to the difficulty and challenge of the task of parenting. And mothers come in all shapes and sizes. Some mothers are birth mothers, some are adoptive. Some mothers are the grandmas or aunts who raised us. Some mothers left us far too soon. Some mothers are the people we rebelled against; some mothers are the women we idolized. Most often, our mothers were probably both. It's a complex relationship, this parenting.

During the month of May, we honor and remember not just our own moms, but Mary, the Mother of God. We see her as the great symbol of motherhood and as our role model. Let us ask Mary's intercession, so that in our endeavors to be good stewards and to raise good stewards, to nurture in the faith those entrusted to us, she might come to our assistance and guide us with her motherly understanding. And on Mother's Day, we ask Mary to bless all mothers, especially our own.



LIFE TEEN

Sunday, May 10th— No Life Night (Mother's Day)
No Life Night this week but join us for Life Teen Mass with your families!

Sunday, May 17th— Senior Night at Life Teen
If you are a Life Teen senior, please join us for this special night where we celebrate YOU and all the great memories we've had together over the years with dinner. We hope this is a time of fun and prayer that launches the senior class into their last summer with us at Life Teen as students.

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.



Bereavement Needs

We are calling on all bakers once again as our freezer is now low on desserts. We love bundt cakes, cookies, and brownies as they are easy to freeze and serve. Publix red velvet or carrot loaf cakes are appreciated as well.

If you would like to contribute an entrée like ziti or stroganoff, these would always be welcomed.

Just bring your well wrapped items to the church office and they will place them in our freezers.

Thanks again for your continued support.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Acts 1:1-11

Eph 1:17-23

Mt 28:16-20



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Lord Jesus, You invite me to be near You. In the stillness of Adoration, You want to speak to my heart. Help me to respond with love and trust.

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Our parish teens have been given a beautiful opportunity to serve in Uganda, sharing their faith and supporting communities in need. However, there is currently a financial shortfall that is preventing some of them from making this life-changing mission trip.

The good news: a generous donor has offered to match every dollar donated—doubling the impact of your gift!

Your support will help cover travel, lodging, and mission expenses, allowing these young people to answer God's call to serve beyond our borders.

Please consider making a donation to help send our teens on this mission. No amount is too small, especially with the matching gift.

Let's come together as a parish family to make this mission possible.

Donations can be made to Blessed Trinity Catholic Church with "Uganda match" on the memo line.

Thank you for your generosity and prayers!

Catholic Communication Campaign

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign represents a mission of love to share the gospel message of hope with people in the United States using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money we collect remains here in the Diocese of Orlando to fund local communications efforts. The other half supports the communication activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and other projects across the United States. Learn more at www.usccb.org/cc

May 9 / 10: In memory of Doreen Duris
From Colleen Duris

May 16 / 17: In memory of the Banner Family
From the Oliveros & Banner Families

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Ministry Help Needed

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Monday, May 11	7:10am 5:30pm	Sisters of IHMR L/D Rose Bilancio †
Tuesday, May 12	7:10am 5:30pm	O'Brien & Rothfusz Families L/D Alfred DiPietro †
Wed, May 13	7:10am 8:15am 5:30pm	Ssemudo Family L/D John Fish † Thomas A. Burns †
Thursday, May 14	7:10am 5:30pm	Steve Reynolds † Louis Sturchio †
Friday, May 15	7:10am 5:30pm	Scott, Brian, Gary & Craig Wicks † Allan Hisey †
Saturday, May 16	8:00am 4:00pm 6:00pm	Chris Lacey † Patricia Hite † Fran Harwas †
Sunday, May 17	7:10am 8:45am 11:00am 1:00pm 5:00pm	Chris Lacey † LuAnn, Dona & Joe Casale † Tom Hinds † Spanish Community Richard O'Connor †

Please pray for Miguel Ramos who has recently passed away.

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Eucharistic Minister Training

We have scheduled a training for new eucharistic ministers on Saturday, June 27 from 9am-1pm.

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Knights Of Columbus Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus invites you to attend the breakfast after the 7:10 and 8:45am Masses on the second Sunday of each month. The next one will be this Sunday, May 10.

The meal consists of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, biscuits and gravy, coffee and three different juices.

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Registration is OPEN and can be done in the parish office, by filling out the registration forms.

Can't wait to see your children there!

Questions? Email avanegas@blessedtrinity.org, or call Ana Vanegas at 352-629-8092 Ext. 3221

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE ~ WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering	May 3, 2026		
Weekend Total:	471	\$ 29,131.86	Year to date collection: \$ 3,388,171.45
Electronic Offering Total:	427	\$ 40,602.05	
Loose Cash / Votives Total:		\$ 2,416.00	Year to date budget: \$ 3,774,804.00
School Mass Offering:		\$ 104.00	Year to date deficit: (\$386,632.55)
Non Sunday:	46	\$ 8,892.00	
Grand Total for Week:		\$ 81,145.91	Brother's Keeper: \$4,766.00
Amount needed for Operating Expenses:		\$ 85,791.00	
Difference		(\$4,645.09)	

"Thank you for your donations."

Reminder: Do your best to put your envelope number on the "memo" line of your check.

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Scouting News

This weekend, May 9/10, the Cub Scouts will be selling Camp Cards to help pay their way to Summer Day Camp! Camp Cards are only \$10 and provide discounts at local businesses and stores.

This Sunday May 10, the Boy Scouts will be having a car wash to help pay for their summer camp. What better way to celebrate Mother's Day then to get mom's car washed!

For more information about scouting, please contact Barbara Kwatkosky at 352.286.5263.

Save The Date May 30th (Saturday) and May 31st (Sunday)

SIDEWALK SALE 2026

Uganda Mission

Donations Needed - Household items, religious articles, jewelry, clothes, games, books, toys. We cannot accept major appliances (stoves, refrigerators, washers, dryers, air conditioners etc.), construction materials or upholstered furniture.

Items may be dropped off at the Parish Hall on Saturday May 30th between 10am and 2pm - Volunteers are welcome to help set up for the sale.

Sale Days - May 30th after the 4pm Vigil Mass and after all Masses on Sunday May 31st - Items may be purchased in the Parish Hall and on the sidewalk between the church and the hall.

100% of the proceeds will be used to purchase textbooks and school supplies for the Uganda students in the 33 Mission Schools.

Local Catholic Cemetery

On Tuesday, April 28, Bishop John Noonan blessed the newly opened Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Catholic cemetery in Oxford—5010 Holy Rosary Loop, Oxford, FL 34484. It is just south of Marion County in Sumter County. To get there stay on US Hwy 301 South past Belleview by about five miles, turn left on SR 102 and stay on it. It will be on the right side, right across from the Jewish Temple. The phone number is 352.233.6605. Over 125 people have already called in making arrangements by buying a grave plot. They have all kinds of options.

It is a really beautiful cemetery. If you are even half way interested, go there and look for yourself. Or you can pull up photos from the Florida Catholic if you can't go in person. It takes about 35 minutes to drive there from Blessed Trinity. There is no chapel yet but future plans will have detailed discussions on a chapel.

Gift Shop News

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Embracing Those Who Suffer from Mental Illness

May is Mental Health Awareness month, and what better way for us to reveal God's compassion during this Year of Mercy than to become more aware of and embrace the people we encounter who suffer from mental illness.

People with mental illness sometimes behave in ways we can't comprehend. Those with severe depression sometimes stay in bed all day, unable to manage the most basic motivation to move. People with anxiety disorders can be gripped by irrational or even unidentifiable fears that don't incapacitate others. Those affected by psychotic disorders may see things that aren't real, hear voices that don't exist, and sometimes lose the ability to discern reality at all. Sometimes people with mental illness mistreat or hurt the people they love—or themselves. Some who need medication stop taking it or won't start. Some who seem to be doing well suddenly start showing symptoms again. Whatever the mental health crisis, members of our family of faith are called to be good stewards and embrace these vulnerable brothers and sisters, as Jesus did.

When people see symptoms of mental illness in others there is a tendency to distance themselves, ignore them and hope someone else will help, even in our parish communities. One weary mom lamented: "When a family member suffers from cancer or other diseases, people send cards, visit and bring a casserole. If your family member suffers from a mental illness, there is little contact or support." This mother's feeling of abandonment is regrettable and suggests that our family of faith has no tolerance or empathy for this kind of suffering. But the parish community is the Body of Christ. It cannot leave the impression that Christ himself is ready to walk away from those who carry these burdens.

As stewards of Christ's love and mercy, we are called to follow his example, to reach out to those who suffer, even those who suffer mentally and emotionally; to embrace them rather than shrink away. No one is beyond hope, past the point where God's grace touches them. We are not called to have all the answers or understand all the mysteries of mental illness. But we are called to love. That is the disciple's response.

When we encounter mental illness among family members, friends, neighbors, fellow parishioners, what should we do?

- Seek understanding instead of passing judgment. Mental illness is a disease, one we may not initially understand.
- Get more information—read a book, do some research online, or perhaps even attend a workshop sponsored by the National Alliance on Mental Illness
- Offer positive support and be sensitive to those seeking medical intervention
- Be silent if you don't know what to say—but be there for and merciful to those with mental illness
- Offer the dignity of a handshake and a smile, companionship and perhaps even friendship
- Remember in your prayers those who suffer from mental illness, their families, caregivers and mental-health professionals.



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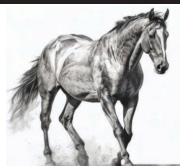
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