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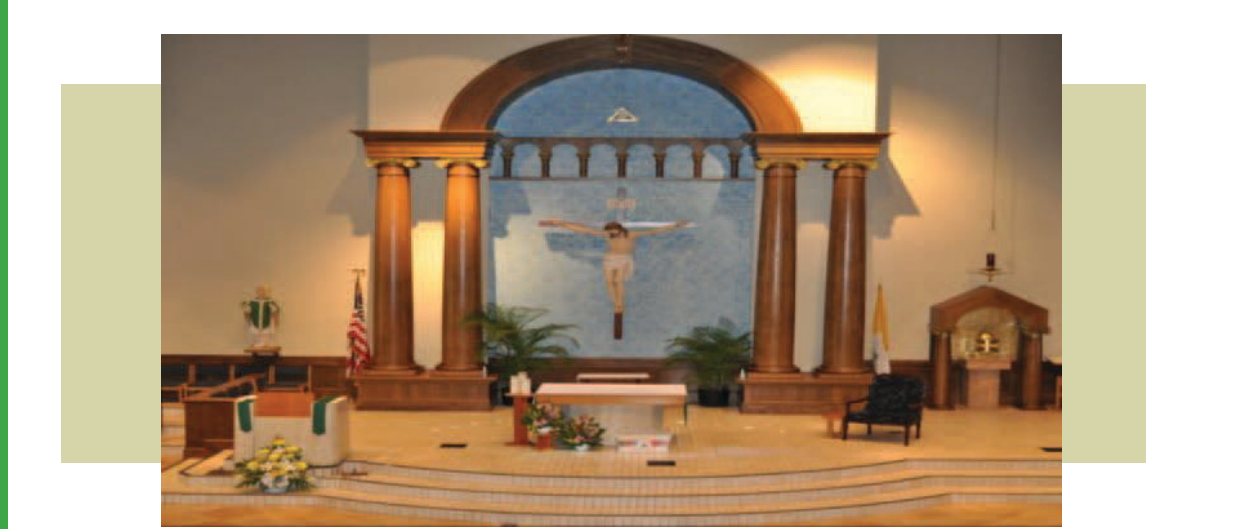
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WEEKEND	
Saturday	4:00 pm and 6:00 pm
Sunday	7:10 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am 1:00pm Spanish, 5:00 pm Life Teen
DAILY	
Mon-Fri	7:10 am and 5:30 pm
Wednesday	8:15 am (follows school schedule)
Thursday	6:30 pm (Spanish)
Saturday	8:00am
Reconciliation	Saturday 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 Guadalupana (Spanish)
DAILY	
Tuesday	7:00pm at La Guadalupana (Spanish)
Wednesday	4:00 pm at Christ the King 4:00 pm at Holy Days of Obligation

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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

In today's Gospel, Jesus prays, "I have given You glory on earth by finishing the work You gave Me to do." Good stewards follow His example by using their time and talents for the glory of God.

LIVESTREAMING

Please be advised that the Mass is being filmed, broadcast, and/or videotaped, including audio recording. Your attendance at Mass constitutes your consent to these recordings, and to the use of the recordings by the church for public communications, social media, evangelization, and other business or religious purposes. God bless and thank you for attending Mass at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church.

Ministry of the Week

Adopt A Parking Lot Island

Opportunity for good stewards to share their gardening talents and provide the care for a parking lot island or one of many garden areas located around the church and school grounds so that we are greeted with beauty when we come to Mass!

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STEWARDSHIP

POSTSCRIPT

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel Jesus charges his followers to "make disciples of all nations." What exactly is going on here? What is this Great Commission anyway? Good stewards know they are directed to share what they exercise stewardship over: their life of faith in Christ Jesus. They know Jesus didn't direct them to go to church and to keep quiet about it; or to go out into the neighborhood, workplace or marketplace and just be nice. Christ's Good News is meant to be shared. Many people in our communities don't know about Jesus Christ. Does that bother us? Do we care? Do we realize we are supposed to do something about it?

STEWARDS OF THE WEEK

Matt Ivers & Jonah Westgate

The parish would like to thank Matt and Jonah for using their time and talent to assist with Altar Server training.

Thank you for being faithful stewards!

New Parishioners:

Baptisms:

Today we celebrate the great feast of the Ascension of our Lord — that moment when Jesus, 40 days after His Resurrection, was lifted up into heaven as the apostles looked on.

It must have been an extraordinary sight. But the first reading tells us they were not meant to stand there for long. "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?"

In other words — don't just stand there. Do something.

This is a message for us as Christian stewards. We have been given every grace and blessing — through the Mass and the sacraments, through the Word of God, and through the gifts of our time, talent, and treasure.

We are not meant to simply receive these gifts. We are meant to use them — in gratitude to the One who gave them.

Like the apostles, we are called "to be [His] witnesses... to the ends of the earth." And we do this not by our own strength, but through the power of the Holy Spirit at work within us.



Our Catholic Appeal

The number of replies coming in have slowed down. We have done well with the 647 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.

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.

First Communion

Congratulations to the 111 young children who made their First Holy Communion at three First Communion Masses on May 9th. We thank their parents for being their first teachers getting them spiritually ready for this major spiritual step in their life's journey back to God.

We thank our First Communion teachers: Andrea Camisa, Timothy Coffey, Alley Ehlers, Anne Marie Engalgau, Kristin Gutierrez, Carmen Maisonete, Ana Osvath and Rachel Ravenhill who lovingly made every effort to get them ready.

Our prayer is that as they go on to receive Jesus each and every weekend at Mass with their families, they will continue to deepen their personal love for Jesus every time they receive Him in Holy Communion.



LIFE TEEN

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.

Sunday, May 24th— No Life Night (Memorial Day Weekend) No Life Night but join us for Life Teen Mass with your families!

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 2:1-11
Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13
Jn 20:19-23



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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!

Ministry to the Sick Training

There will be a diocesan training for new Ministry to the Sick ministers of Blessed Trinity on Saturday, May 23rd at Christ the King Mission Church, 1405 N. US. Hwy 301, Citra, FL 32113.

We always need more ministers to pray with and bring communion to all those who cannot come to Mass.

For details, please call Sister Juliet at 352.629.8092 ex. 3211

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May 23 / 24: In memory of Marc Mercer
From Ann Mercer

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Ministry Help Needed

Adopt a Parking Lot Island Ministry has a few available garden areas located on the church grounds that need your help! This is a great stewardship opportunity to share your gardening talents and keep these gardens flourishing! Please join our ministry and together we can continue to keep Blessed Trinity beautiful!

Contact Dee Mazzurco for more information, call or text 352.266.5008 or email me at deemazzurco@gmail.com

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Monday, May 18	7:10am 5:30pm	Bobby Hardin † Dante & Linda Bacarossa †
Tuesday, May 19	7:10am 5:30pm	O'Brien & Rothfusz Families L/D Joseph DeMartino †
Wed, May 20	7:10am 8:15am 5:30pm	Steve Reynolds † Lois Johnson † Maria Pedro Prieto †
Thursday, May 21	7:10am 5:30pm	Bill DelZotto † Helen Moreland †
Friday, May 22	7:10am 5:30pm	Sisters of IHMR L/D Dominador Ellacer †
Saturday, May 23	8:00am 4:00pm 6:00pm	Annette O'Connor † Sr. Patricia McGreevy † Helen, Lathan & Larry Rushing †
Sunday, May 24	7:10am 8:45am 11:00am 1:00pm 5:00pm	Angela Munevar (L) Veda Sirek † Thomas Hinds † Spanish Community Florence & Ed Cleri †

Please pray for George Sullivan and Kay Roberts who have 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 in the King of Kings building.

If you are interested in becoming a eucharistic minister, please contact Dee McNeal at 352.390.0091 to register.



Gift Shop News

Many First Communion gifts and cards are still available

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Lots of wall crucifixes

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Through engaging activities, games, crafts, and storytelling, children will learn how they, too, are called to be saints in their everyday lives!

Space is limited – come be part of the adventure

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 10, 2026	
Weekend Total:	459	\$ 27,406.21
Electronic Offering Total:	439	\$ 41,551.55
Loose Cash / Votives Total:		\$ 2,617.00
School Mass Offering:		\$ 129.00
Non Sunday:	61	\$ 7,750.00
Grand Total for Week:		\$ 79,453.76
Amount needed for Operating Expenses:		\$ 85,791.00
Difference		(\$6,337.24)

“Thank you for your donations.”

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

Catholic Communication Campaign

Today we take up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps CCC fulfill its 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 the funds we collect remain here in the Diocese of Orlando to support local efforts. The other half support the communication activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and other projects across the United States and abroad. Learn more at www.usccb.org/cc

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.

20 Stewardship Ideas for the Month of May



- Join or start a summer bible study group
- Plan an outing with your family
- Introduce yourself to a fellow parishioner with whom you are unfamiliar
- Pray for peace on Memorial Day
- Help a neighbor who is physically unable to clean their yard
- Invite someone to attend a weekend liturgy with you
- Make a blood donation
- Show genuine hospitality to visitors at your church
- Don't text when you drive
- Reduce your stress by getting outside and getting some exercise
- Drive courteously
- Make contact with a relative you haven't seen in a long time
- Take time to pray each day
- Treat your family or loved one to a day at the museum
- Volunteer to participate in a community cleanup effort
- Make a gift to your diocesan annual appeal
- Plant flowers, shrubs or trees in a park or other location
- Don't drive while impaired
- Donate gently used clothing
- Collect stuffed animals from friends and neighbors to give to a local police department to comfort children

Stewardship Saint for May

Saint Philip Neri

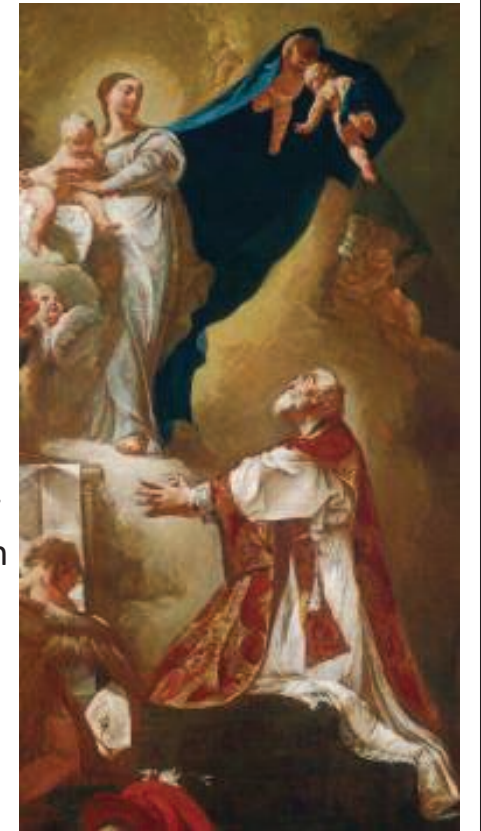
Philip Neri was born in 1515 in Florence, Italy, during a time of intensive reform and vigorous renewal in the church. The Council of Trent convened on three occasions during his lifetime. He went to Rome in 1532 where he lived in extreme poverty, but devoted himself to visiting the sick and helping poor children.

With his engaging style, he evangelized young Florentines of the banking and merchant class. He arranged informal prayer and discussion groups. In 1548 he established an organization to provide hospitality for pilgrims to Rome and to care for shut-ins.

At the urging of his confessor, Philip at age 36 was ordained a priest. He soon earned a reputation for being an outstanding confessor and spiritual director; gifted with being able to pierce the pretenses and illusions of others and to help them see the truth about themselves. He received penitents and visitors from all walks of life, from cardinals to the very poor. Many were attracted by the warmth of his personality, his wit, unpretentiousness and cheerfulness.

Some of Philip's followers became priests. Five of them lived together with him in community and began to share a common life under his direction. The group eventually grew and became the Congregation of the Oratory, which was approved in 1575. They are best known in England through their most famous member, Saint John Henry Newman. Philip and the Oratorians introduced a new style of personal spirituality for the laity, and encouraged them to give public testimony to their faith, put on theatrical productions and compose and play songs with religious themes.

Philip suffered a stroke on May 25, 1595 and died the next morning. He was canonized a saint in 1622, although many church leaders considered him a saint even in his lifetime. He was known as the "apostle of Rome" for evangelizing and reviving a spirit of faith among the city's populace. His many friends included St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. Francis Xavier, St. Charles Borromeo and St. Francis de Sales. He is the patron saint of the city of Rome. His feast day is May 26.



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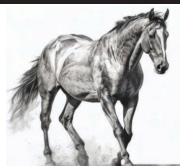
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