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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?



CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

May 10, 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

MAY 10, 2026 — SIXTH 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	
Glen & Ethel Alder	Mobile Home Tenants	239.1299
	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 Guadalupana. 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.

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?

Weekly Offering

May 3, 2026

\$3,042.00

LEGION OF MARY

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

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.



Free Books!

We have been given a large donation of well kept Dr. Seuss books. A total of 95 titles along with a few other children's books. Please plan on coming over to the Parish Hall on Sunday May 17th after mass to take as many as you'd like.

If you have any questions, please talk to Kathie Bellamy or call her at 352-875-6288.

Our Catholic Appeal

We continue to get pledges each week. We have had 31 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 1:1-11

Eph 1:17-23

Mt 28:16-20

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, May 13 Mae Votino †

Sunday, May 17 Betty Wallace †

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

**CHRIST THE KING
CATHOLIC CHURCH
SOUP KITCHEN**

May Menu

5/5 Tacos

5/12 Goulash

5/19 Spaghetti and Meat Sauce

5/26 Surprise

Assorted desserts, coffee
and various soft drinks.

Meals are free every Tuesday
12pm-2pm

Eucharistic Minister

Training

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

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



Propane Tanks Needed

Do you have empty propane tanks in the garage or shed that you no longer use?

Please donate them to Christ the King! We will take any portable size (like for gas grills) that you may not need any longer.

Deacon Steve can let you know where you can bring them.

Help Our Teens Serve in Uganda—Your Gift Will Be Doubled!

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!

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.

Free Medical Items

We have quite a bit of medical equipment that was donated and we need to move it out of our storage. Please look and see if you (or someone you know) is in need of any of the listed items. Contact Katie Bellamy at 352.875.6288 with any questions or to arrange pick up.

Please note that any left over items will be donated to Brother's Keeper after May 10th if not claimed.

Drive Brand Portable Commode, height adjustable

Drive Brand commode chair

MD Product 8000, portable bed rail with compartment holder and easily adjustable

Invacare Patriot wheelchair, 250 pound capacity with footrests

Drive brand steel transport chair

4 in 1 rolling shower/commode chair with footrests and detachable bucket, 300 pound capacity

MoniCare Red wheelchair with footrests, self-propel wheels, 500 pound capacity

Breg brand mid-calf walking boot, size Large insert (11-12 1/2 shoe size)

Ossur brand walking boot, size small

Guardian brand set of adjustable crutches (5'1"-5'9")

Wooden cane

Aluminum adjustable cane



Perpetual Adoration

Be a “Buddy Adorer” for:

Sundays: 1:00am - 2:00am

Tuesdays: 7:00am - 8:00am

Fridays: 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Saturdays: 10:00pm - 11:00pm

**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.



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.

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.



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.

