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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.

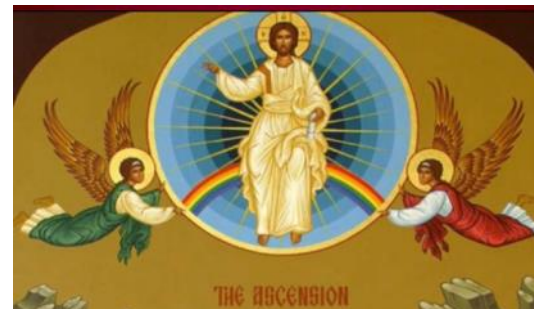
It must have been an extraordinary sight. But the first reading tells us they were not meant to stand there for long. "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?"

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.



CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

May 17, 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 17, 2026 — THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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.

OFFICE - 352.595.5605

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Sandie Maguire	Kitchen, Soup Kitchen	466.3977
	Legion of Mary	
Glen & Ethel Alder	Mobile Home Tenants	239.1299
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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

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.

Weekly Offering

May 10, 2026

\$1,821.85

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 this 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 2:1-11

Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

Jn 20:19-23

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, May 20 Jenna Hajal (L) —
Happy Birthday

Sunday, May 24 Tonya Hawk †

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

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?

ROOM for RENT

A senior male parishioner and homeowner has a rental which includes a furnished bedroom with a large walk-in closet and a handicapped shower. Home is located off SE 54th Ave. (Baseline Rd.) South of Silver Springs. Rental also includes a clubhouse with a free-swimming pool, a state-of-the-art exercise room and sauna. If renter has a problem with transportation, the owner may be able to provide transportation. Handicap or disabled are encouraged to apply. Candidates must consent to a full background check. Brothers Keeper is assisting with the applicant screening. If interested, please contact Jason at Brothers Keeper: 352-622-5544 or e-mail jason@bkocala.org.

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

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.

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

Perpetual Adoration

Be a "Buddy Adorer" for:

Sundays: Midnight-Monday 1:00am

Tuesdays: 4:00am - 5:00am

Thursdays: 11:00am - Noon

Fridays: 5:00am - 6:00am

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.



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 at Blessed Trinity 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 at BT.

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.

