

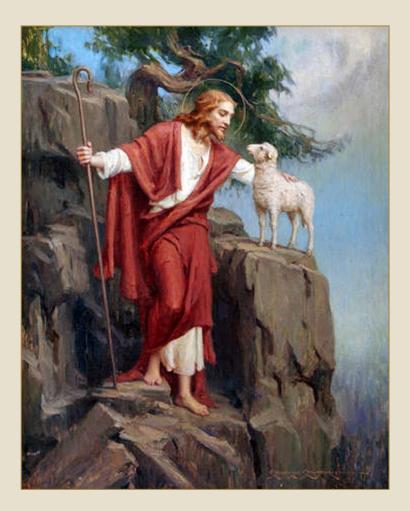
Blessed Trinity

Weekend Magazine

60 YEARS COURAGEOUSLY Living the Gospel

April 25, 2021 • Fourth Sunday of Easter

Good Shepherd Sunday



"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep" ~ John 10:11



PASTOR

Rev. Wayne C. Genereux

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 PM Sunday

8:00 AM, 9:30 Am & 11:30 AM

Follow the Sunday Mass on our website, **btsp.org**.

Confessions can be arranged with Fr. Wayne. Call his private number to make your appointment, 727-401-0487.

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General Dispensation is Currently in Place due to Health Concerns from COVID-19

Bishop Gregory Parkes announced that the obligation for Catholics to attend Mass on Sunday will resume on May 22, 2021, the vigil of Pentecost. This announcement was made at the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle in St. Petersburg during the annual Chrism Mass on March 30.

Bishop Parkes said, "It's my intention that the general dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass issued last March will be lifted effective on the vigil of Pentecost, which is the weekend of May 22 and 23. We will be updating and providing suggested protocols and guidelines to our parishes so that they remain among the safest places to be."

He also added: "On April 5, the vaccine will be made available to every adult in our diocese, and in the state of Florida. This is a reason for hope. In the same way that many are returning to shopping, to restaurants, social gatherings, and vacations. It's time to come back to Mass. It's time to come back to church, it's time to come home."

The bishop has written a letter about the general dispensation and a list of circumstances that would necessitate a particular dispensation from the Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation.

To view the video of the bishop's homily or read his letter please visit the Diocesan website at www.dosp.org.

Pray for someone new every day!



BLESSED TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Strength and Healing through the Anointing of the Sick

Compassion and kindness toward the sick, frail and elderly are essential elements of our Christian heritage. From the days of Christ, prayers, laying on of hands, and anointing have been offered as ways to comfort the ill, diminish anxiety, and visualize the concern of God and the community.

The scriptural roots of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick can be found in Mark 6:13 and James 5:14-15. In teaching on the sacrament, Saint Pope John Paul II explained:

"Anointing of the sick can promote spiritual and physical healing and therefore should not be saved for the last minute. Experience shows that this sacrament produces a spiritual strength that transforms the soul of the sick person and even relieves his or her physical condition."

The Sacrament is Intended for the Living

Waiting until the moment of death runs the risk of diminishing the positive potential that this important ritual can have. This sacrament, as with the sacred rituals, needs time and attention to be pastorally effective. Because the focus of this sacrament is healing and strength, it is not appropriate to anoint someone who is already deceased.

Strength and Healing

Once known as Extreme Unction or Last Rights, the sacrament was a deathbed ritual. The original intent of the sacrament has been revived, by the Second Vatican Council, with the focus on strength and healing. The sacrament can be both a liturgical and communal celebration, and includes the sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion, reading of scripture, laying on of hands, and anointing with the Oil of the Sick that the Bishop blesses during the Chrism Mass.

Catholics who are confronted with the challenge of a life-limiting illness can be comforted and strengthened when the sacrament is celebrated well. To ensure the best experience for patients and families, a parish priest should be contacted as soon as possible when a loved one is still able to communicate with the priest. Do not wait until the last minute. By planning early for this special event, there is an opportunity to establish a quality pastoral relationship with the priest who visits, and an opportunity to invite family and loved ones to be present.

When death nears, the anointed will have been prepared and comforted and supported with the assurance of Scripture, prayer and affirming visitors. It will not be necessary to call a parish priest at the exact moment of death. Prayers by the family and loved ones are most appropriate at this time.

If for some reason a priest was unable to meet with a person prior to death, in this instance, the family, or individual's caretaker should trust that God's mercy and unconditional love will provide for the spiritual wellbeing of their loved one. If desired, a priest can be contacted in order to pray with and provide comfort to the surviving family members.

Father Wayne C. Genereux, Pastor

Are You Looking to Receive One of the Seven Sacraments With Us?

Matrimony

Congratulations on your engagement! Every Diocese in Florida requires at least six months preparation before marriage. Please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for an appointment before setting a date.

Baptism

We are honored that you would like to choose Blessed Trinity Catholic Church for the Baptism of your child! We ask that you please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for information regarding the Pre-Baptism Class before scheduling a Baptism.

Office Hours

Monday—Friday 9-12 and 1-4 Closed for Lunch Noon to 1 pm

Website Mass

The church is open for our regular schedule of Masses. Recognizing that many will still be unable to attend Mass we will continue to record the Mass and upload it to the website. To view the Mass go to our website: <a href="https://doi.org/btsp.o

We are very grateful to Brent Beauchamp who has been volunteering his services to record the Mass each week. Thank you Brent for your continued support.

Mass Intentions

8:00 a. m. Marcia Holser (Liv) 4:00 p.m. David Wingdenfield (Dec)

Sunday, April 25, Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

For Parishioners

11:30 a.m.

William Isaac (Dec)

Monday, April 26

8:00 a.m. Timothy J. Kelly (Dec)

Tuesday, April 27

8:00 a.m. Jack O'Meara (Liv)

Wednesday, April 28

8:00 a.m. For Vocations

Thursday, April 29

8:00 a.m. Janet DreFahl (Liv)

Friday, April 30

8:00 a.m. Margarite Israelson (Dec)

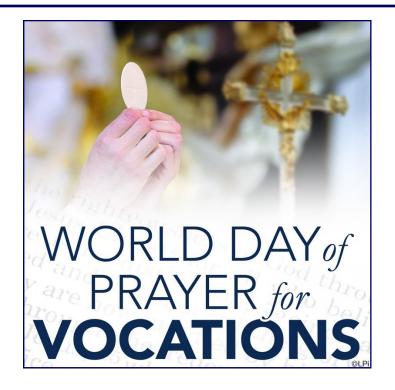
Saturday, May 1

8:00 a. m. Lillian Getgen (Liv)

4:00 p.m. Mary and Frank Ward (Dec)

Sunday, May 2, Fifth Sunday of Easter 8:00 a.m. Mary Lou Deuel (Dec)

9:30 a.m. For Parishioners 11:30 a.m. Agostino Menna (Dec)



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Confidence in Princes

Have you ever confided your problems to a friend, only to get the answer, "have you prayed about it as much as you've talked about it?"

Like all good advice, it can really irritate the recipient at first. Here I am, vulnerable and wounded, unloading my problems, and this joker tries to load them right back up and ship them off to Someone with a higher pay grade.

But again, like all good and irritating advice, it rings true if you sit and think about it.

Sure, venting is helpful. We all need that friend or family member who can listen to our problems. But if we ever start to think that person can solve them, it's a good sign that we're losing perspective.

Are you looking to the world for an answer? Are you looking in the mirror, expecting to find a solution to your problems? Are you expecting happiness, peace, contentment or justice to come from any place other than God?

"It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in princes," the Psalms tell us. Well, I've never put much confidence in princes. But when it comes to problems, I often find myself telling God to take a step back — "I've got this."

It's tough to pray about any problem as much as you talk about it. We want so badly to tackle the issue ourselves. But I'll let you in on a secret: it doesn't matter what the question is, we don't have the answer. Take it to the One who does.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

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Electronic Giving Information

During our recent Stewardship Campaign, a lot of people requested information on our Electronic Giving Program. Making contributions electronically is really easy, whether you would like to make a one-time gift or make it a recurring gift for a specific or indefinite period of time.

All you have to do is go to the parish website at www.btsp.or and click on the big green box on the home page that says:

Then, click on "sign in" and then, if you're new to online giving, "register for an account". If you

online giving, "register for an account". If you need help, our business manager, Alice Coston, will be happy to help in walking you through it. You can reach her at the parish office at 727-

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Weekly Giving

Online Giving April 12-18

Offertory	\$ 1055
Building Fund	\$ 70

April 18, 2021

Offertory	\$ 8558
Funeral	\$ 365
Gift Shop	\$ 103
Other Donations	\$ 3500
APA	\$ 100
Building Fund	\$ 132
SVDP	\$ 307

Thank you for your generosity!

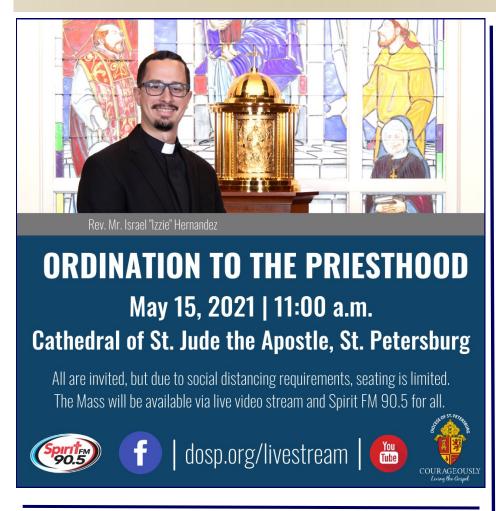
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Marian Congress



This year's Marian Congress will be a virtual gathering on Saturday, May 8. The theme is, "Mary Welcomes You With Open Arms." The key-

Registration for the 2021

Marian Congress on May 8

is now open!

With Open Arms." The keynote speaker is Father Chris Alar, MIC, National Shrine of The Divine Mercy.

There is no cost to participate. At 11:30am, Bishop Gregory Parkes will celebrate Mass and lead participants in a renewal of conse-

cration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

All Catholics are encouraged to participate virtually. To learn more, visit www.FloridaMarianCongress.org



Bishop Parkes will Consecrate the Diocese of St. Petersburg to St. Joseph on May 1

Bishop Gregory Parkes will consecrate parishes, schools, ministries and the people of the Diocese of St. Petersburg to St. Joseph on Saturday, May 1, the Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker, at the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle at 12:00pm. Catholics are encouraged to participate either in person or virtually. "When you consecrate yourself to St. Joseph, you entrust yourself to his fatherly care, and you ask him to help you live the holy virtues that strengthen families, churches and communities," said Bishop Parkes.

To learn more, visit www.dosp.org/joseph.

Magazine Articles

If you wish to put anything in the weekly parish magazine, please email any items to be published to Anne at: bulletinbt@gmail.com.



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