



# Blessed Trinity

## Weekend Magazine

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May 1, 2022 ▪ Third Sunday of Easter



## Morning prayer to be filled with God's joy

*By Philip Kosloski*

*If we want to experience God's joy in this life, we should pray for it every morning.*

Often what happens in the morning will set the tone for the rest of the day. For example, if we start in a grumpy mood, we will likely carry that approach into everything we do.

This is why it is important to begin each day asking for the help we need from God.

Here is a prayer from St. Anselm's *Proslogion*, asking for God's joy, but at the same time knowing that it won't be completely fulfilled until we encounter true joy in Heaven.

I pray, O God, that I may know You and love You,  
so that I may rejoice in You.

And if I cannot do so fully in this life may I progress  
gradually until it comes to fullness.

Let the knowledge of You grow in me here,  
and there [in heaven] be made complete;

let Your love grow in me here and there be made complete,

so that here my joy may be great in hope, and there be complete in reality. Amen.



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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](http://btsp.org).

Confessions will be held  
Saturdays 2:45-3:45

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Saturday, May 14, 2022

Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle

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## Receive Encouragement Each Day

You are invited to sign up to receive daily Scripture reflections on ***Courageously Living the Gospel*** that will provide suggestions and prayers for more boldly living your faith. Reflection writers include local Catholic leaders such as Bishop Gregory Parkes. You can choose to receive the reflections via email or text. Sign up to be courageous, visit [www.dosp.org/reflection](http://www.dosp.org/reflection)

## Prayer for Priests & Future Priests

Eternal Father, We lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them, heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

05/01 • Rev. Paul Pecchie

05/02 • Rev. Victor Amorose

05/03 • Rev. Jonathan Emery

05/04 • For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life

05/05 • Rev. Thomas Anastasia

05/06 • For All the Priests in the World

05/07 • Rev. Elixavier Castro

These are the names of the active priests and seminarians in our Diocese. Remember our Bishop has designated Wednesdays as Diocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please continue to pray that more young people will hear and answer God's call to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

May 1, 2022

## Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 | Rev 5:11-14 | Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

### **GROW** AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

The accounts of Jesus' appearances to the disciples after his resurrection often puzzle me, and today's reading is no exception. There stands Jesus, within sight, yet the Apostles "did not realize that it was Jesus." Hello?! I know we're in the midst of a daylight saving time debate, but I'm fairly sure "dawn" meant the sun was up. Yet as soon as Jesus speaks and they follow his instructions, they realize he is their Lord. Simon Peter wastes no time; he dives into the sea and makes for the shore. Peter and the disciples show us that while it is important to recognize Jesus, it's what we do next that matters. As we learn in Acts, they boldly say his name despite the Sanhedrin's warning, and most will go on to be martyred for the Church. Thanks to them, we recognize Jesus - in the Eucharist, in Scripture, and in Tradition, and on the crucifixes in our homes and churches. Peter challenges us to "dive in," moving from faith to action. The specifics will differ for each of us, but we can study the lives of the Apostles and the saints to find inspiration.

### **GO** EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Is it a Catholic thing or the fact that I'm a closet introvert? I sometimes struggle with talking about Jesus. Which is why today's reading from Acts challenges me. The Sanhedrin had warned the Apostles not to even speak Jesus' name. Yet they don't cower in fear or simply go back to the relatively quiet lives they led before they met Jesus. They rejoice to be found worthy "to suffer dishonor for the sake of [Jesus'] name." Their commitment challenges us to be bold - not only with our words but with our actions as well. In the same way that teaching another person math or spelling helps us learn, witnessing to our faith by sharing it with others helps us deepen our faith and answer God's call to be his disciple, striving to build his kingdom on earth.

**STUDY** This week, look up the feast days and read about the saint of the day. What can we learn from their example?





## Are You Hoping 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

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Closed for Lunch Noon to 1 pm

## Christ the Good Shepherd

“I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.”

~ John 10:11

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, April 30,** Memorial of Saint Pius V, Pope, Religious  
4:00 p.m. Nick Calandra (Dec)

**Sunday, May 1,** Third Sunday of Easter  
8:00 a.m. Michelle Mahland (Dec)  
9:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners  
11:30 a.m. Albert Castillo (Dec)

**Monday, May 2,** Memorial of Saint Athanasius  
8:00 a.m. Mary Lou Deuel (Dec)

**Tuesday, May 3,** Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles  
8:00 a.m. Jean Bird (Dec)

**Wednesday, May 4,** Third Wednesday of Easter  
8:00 a.m. *Mass for Vocations*

**Thursday, May 5,** Third Thursday of Easter  
8:00 a.m. Ann Deakins (Dec)

**Friday, May 6,** Third Friday of Easter  
8:00 a.m. Wayne Cline (Dec)

**Saturday, May 7,** Third Saturday of Easter  
8:00 a.m. Patrick & Taya Nennan (Liv)  
4:00 p.m. Jim Lawler & Pat Sullivan (Dec)

**Sunday, May 8,** Fourth Sunday of Easter  
8:00 a.m. Barbara Doyle (Dec)  
9:30 a.m. *Mass for Parishioners*  
11:30 a.m. William Isaac (Dec)

# DISCIPLES



And none of the  
disciples dared to ask him,  
“Who are you?” because they  
realized it was the Lord.

JOHN 21:12



## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### Gifts in Disguise

Have you ever opened a gift and wondered what the giver was thinking?

I won't call out any of my family or friends here, but suffice to say, I think we have all been the confused recipient of a sweater that wasn't our size or a gift card to a store where we don't shop. But we smiled all the same and said how much it meant to us, because we know that when it comes to gifts, it's all about the gesture.

Suffering is a lot like that — the gift you never asked for, and don't really want to receive. Sometimes we look at suffering and, like the apostles who see Jesus as a stranger on the shore, we don't recognize it for what it can be. We don't appreciate the catalyst suffering can be for change, for growth, for grace.

What was the gift that you received in disguise? Was it a relationship that confounded and frustrated you? Was it a job that tested your spirit? An obstacle that stopped you dead in your tracks? A rejection that threatened to break your spirit?

If I go back and look at the worst gifts I've ever gotten, chances are that I didn't like them because I didn't know what to do with them — they were more fitted for someone else's interests, someone else's life. It's the same with suffering. We're tempted to cast suffering aside when it comes our way because it doesn't fit the person we are. Suffering is made to fit the person God knows we have the ability, with His grace, to become.

Hang onto that suffering. Unlike the misshapen sweater, it really will come in handy.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

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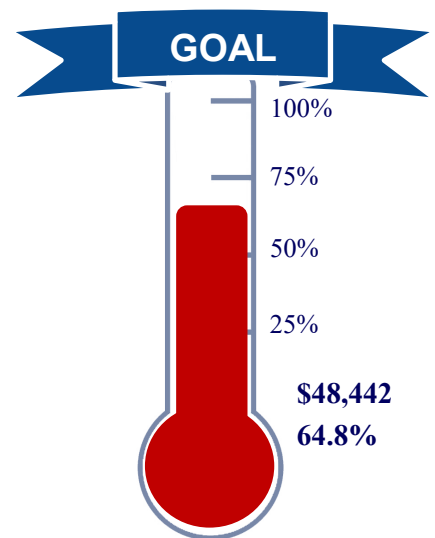
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# DID YOU KNOW?

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## Ushers – Help Urgently Needed



# Ushers

Since the beginning of the pandemic two years ago, our Knights of Columbus have served to usher all Masses. Many of them also serve in ministry as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers. For several of these men, this has meant serving as many as three to four Masses per weekend for the last two years. We can't thank them enough for their dedicated service.

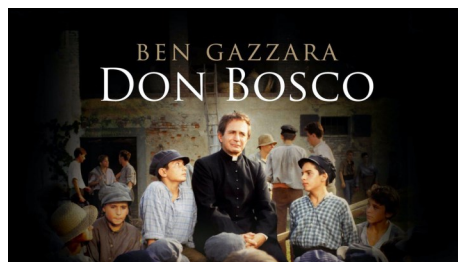
Particularly now, as we begin ramping up events and our Knights are hosting weekly Lenten fish fries, and coffee and donuts, monthly pancake breakfasts and other special events like last week's wonderful St. Patrick's/St. Joseph's Dinner, our small but mighty crew of Knights needs some relief.

We are in need of several ushers for all Masses. No experience necessary. Please leave your name and phone number with the sacristan at Mass, or call the office to volunteer.

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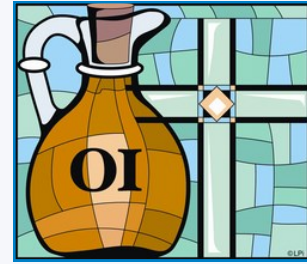
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To request the Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one, please contact the parish office, 727-867-3663.

If you or a close family member would like to be added or removed from our prayer list, please contact the parish office at 727-867-3663.