



# Blessed Trinity

## Weekend Magazine

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May 2, 2021 • Fifth Sunday of Easter



The month of May is dedicated to our mother, Mary.  
Spend time with her in prayer.



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Rev. Wayne C. Genereux

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Deacon Emeritus

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Fr. Jack McDowell, OFM  
Fr. Anthony Fortunato, OdeM  
Fr. Victor Bartolotta

## 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 can be arranged with  
Fr. Wayne. Call his private  
number to make your  
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## Before communion, ask Jesus to come into your heart



By Phillip Kosloski

*As you prepare to receive holy communion, invite God to dwell in your heart.*

Receiving holy communion at Mass can be a beautiful experience, but often we don't prepare for it.

**Our preparation for communion should be an integral part of our spiritual exercises, especially as the moment for reception nears.**

Here is a brief prayer from *The Glories of the Catholic Church* to be said shortly before holy communion that invites Jesus into your heart.

*Come, dear Jesus, come and receive me; come and take possession of my soul and body; of my will, memory, and understanding; of my thoughts, words, and actions; of every look, step, breath and motion; in fine, of all that I am and have. Come and deliver me from all my spiritual enemies. Come, dear Jesus, and unite me strictly to you. I do now, my dearest Jesus, receive you in the best manner I can **into this my poor heart**: do you one day receive me into your heavenly habitation.*

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Our beautiful flowers this  
weekend have been donated in memory of  
John and Anna Strzeszynski.







Rev. Mr. Israel "Izzie" Hernandez

## ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

May 15, 2021 | 11:00 a.m.

Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle, St. Petersburg

All are invited, but due to social distancing requirements, seating is limited.

The Mass will be available via live video stream and Spirit FM 90.5 for all.



[dosp.org/livestream](https://dosp.org/livestream)



### Prayer for Priests & Future Priests

Eternal Father,  
we lift up 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	Rev. Thomas Anastasia
05/05	For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life
05/06	Rev. Elixavier Castro
05/07	Rev. C. Timothy Corcoran
05/08	Isaac Cruz, Seminarian



### Prayer to Saint Joseph

To you, O blessed Joseph,  
do we come in our tribulation,  
and having implored the help of  
your most holy Spouse,  
we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound  
you to the Immaculate Virgin  
Mother of God and through the  
paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the  
Holy Family, defend the chosen  
children of Jesus Christ;  
O most loving father, ward off  
from us every contagion of error  
and corrupting influence;  
O our most mighty protector, be  
kind to us and from heaven assist  
us in our struggle with the power  
of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven.

Amen.

## **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 Gene-reux, 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  
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### **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: [btsp.org](http://btsp.org) and click on the red words to start the video. The recorded Mass is from the Saturday vigil.

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**

### **Saturday, May 1**

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)

### **Monday, May 3, Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles**

8:00 a.m.

Jean Bird (Dec)

Marian Barry (Dec)

### **Tuesday, May 4**

8:00 a.m.

Bernard Azarewicz (Dec)

### **Wednesday, May 5**

8:00 a.m.

For Vocations

### **Thursday, May 6**

8:00 a.m.

Marian Barry (Dec)

### **Friday, May 7**

8:00 a.m.

Patrick McKenna (Dec)

### **Saturday, May 8**

8:00 a.m.

Maria Ferrari (Dec)

4:00 p.m.

Jean Doroski (Dec)

### **Sunday, May 9, Sixth Sunday of Easter**

8:00 a.m.

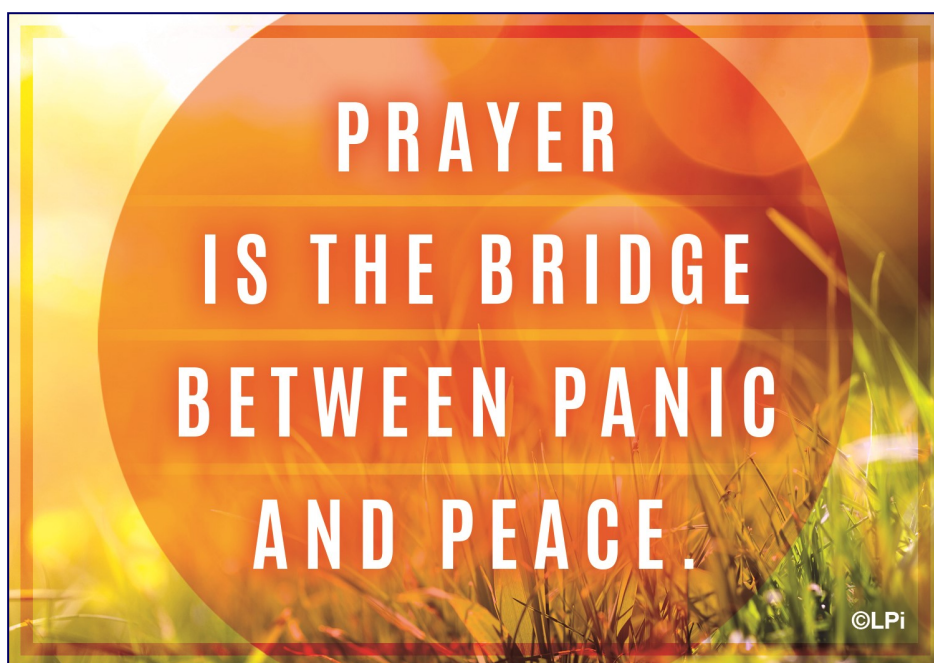
Dorothy Young and Jane King (Dec)

9:30 a.m.

For Parishioners

11:30 a.m.

Agostino Menna (Dec)



## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### Branching Out Isn't Always What It's Cracked Up to Be

"That's a really beautiful tree branch. Man, would you look at the bark on that thing? The others are real duds, but that low-hanging branch has really got it all together."

I've never heard anyone say this. Maybe I just need to hang out with more arborists, but I can't recall ever hearing someone admire the particular beauty of a single branch. When someone comments on a tree, it's usually the whole tree — perhaps a visual element of it, like the color of the leaves or its height. But people don't usually zero in on one branch.

Maybe that's because usually, if one branch is looking a little weak, chances are every other branch is, too.

The Bible tells us that when we bear fruit as good everyday stewards, it is for the Father's glory. We are the branch on His magnificent tree. What we have is from Him, and what we do likewise points back to Him. We also tend to reflect how well the other branches around us are incorporating the nutrients coming their way. That's all fine and good in theory. In practice, it can be an arduous exercise in humility.

When I do something virtuous or charitable or kind, there is a part of me that wants to stand out for it. I think that's true for all of us. We've given of ourselves in some way or overcome some human temptation to accomplish a little bit of good in this world, and even though we know God sees us, we'd really love for everyone else to see it, too.

It's a struggle, for sure. But we need to remember that our fruit belongs to the whole tree.

— 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](http://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 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 727-867-3663.

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## Weekly Giving

### Online Giving April 19-25

Offertory	\$ 1,300
Building Fund	\$ 20
SVDP	\$ 90

### April 25, 2021

Offertory	\$ 6,054
Easter	\$ 10
Gift Shop	\$ 163
APA	\$ 5
Building Fund	\$ 5
SVDP	\$ 573

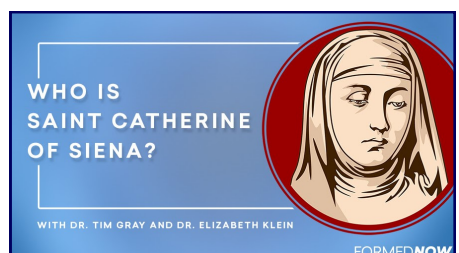
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## Marian Congress

Registration for the 2021 Marian Congress on May 8 is now open!

This year's Marian Congress will be a virtual gathering on Saturday, May 8. The theme is, "Mary Welcomes You 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 consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

All Catholics are encouraged to participate virtually. To learn more, visit [www.FloridaMarianCongress.org](http://www.FloridaMarianCongress.org)

## Springs in the Desert

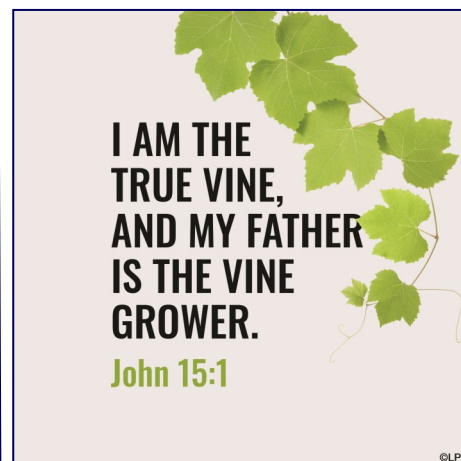
For women suffering with infertility, Mother's Day can be hard. There is hope and healing in community! *Springs in the Desert* is dedicated to spiritually and emotionally supporting women and couples navigating the frustration, pain and difficulty of infertility. For encouraging blog posts, resources, and a community of support, visit [www.springsinthedesert.org](http://www.springsinthedesert.org).



## Teach Children to Say, "Stop It"

Child safety tip: Teach children to say, "Stop it," to instructions that might encourage them to do things they really do not want to do. Reinforce the rule that children should say, "Stop it," to requests or demands that make them uncomfortable, even if they think they should obey. A discussion of these rules can teach a child that there are some times when it is okay to say, "Stop it," and other times when it is okay to go along with the instructions.

For particular help you may call: **Michael Craig, Safe Environment Program Manager at (727) 344-1611, ext. 5377.**



## 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](mailto:bulletinbt@gmail.com).



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