



# Blessed Trinity

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## This powerful Rosary novena solves interpersonal problems, gloriously

*Got someone driving you crazy? This is the solution you need ...*

By: Tom Hoopes

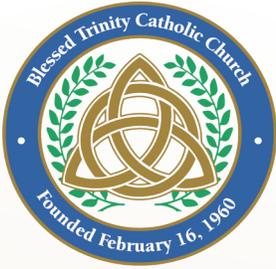
Prayer isn't ultimately about changing God's will — it's about changing ours. And that's what I really like about the Glorious Mysteries Novena I did. It very well might be the first novena I have ever finished with 100% fidelity, saying the prayer on each of the nine days (if one middle-of-the-night Rosary counts), and it reset my priorities.

The novena is simple: Pray the Five Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary nine days in a row for that interpersonal issue that is so painful in your life. **The Glorious Mysteries are like an instruction manual on how to handle personal problems.**

That could mean starting a daily Rosary if you don't pray it already, or adding an extra Rosary if you do. The interpersonal issue could be any of the thorny problems we face: The family issues life inevitably brings, pitting "father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against her mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law."

Workplace issues from unemployment to overemployment to poison workplace politics. It could be an issue with your luckless love life or your pathetic parish life, your sabotaged social life or your ruinous run-ins with your next door neighbor.

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 4:00 PM Vigil

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 am

**HOLY DAYS**

8, 9:30 am &amp; 7 pm

Weekdays: 8:00 am

Saturday: 8:00 am

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturdays

3:00 -3:45 pm

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**Pray the first mystery, the Resurrection, for faith that nothing is impossible for God.** The problems we face can look insolubly difficult. But so can the problem of Jesus Christ being rejected by his followers, sentenced to death before a cheering crowd, and buried for three days.

“Faith” is often listed as the fruit of the first glorious mystery, and faith is the first thing you need to face your problem: Faith that Jesus Christ, whose Resurrection changed all of human history, is powerful enough to create a change in your life, too.

**Pray the Ascension for the fortitude to do what is necessary to solve your problem.** “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me,” Jesus said before he ascended to heaven. But he didn’t follow that with “therefore, leave everything to me.” Instead, he said: “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them ... [and] teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”

God usually doesn’t solve problems without our involvement. He wants us to act: to confront who needs to be confronted, explain what needs to be explained, and risk what needs to be risked. But he also adds: “And lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age.”

**Pray in the third mystery that the Holy Spirit will be your partner as you face your problem.** The Holy Spirit is the solver par excellence of interpersonal issues, discouragement, and miscommunication. At Pentecost, he united the fractured Apostles, turned them from cowards into heroes, and allowed them to communicate with a vast array of people from different circumstances who “didn’t speak the same language,” both literally and figuratively.

I have been surprised over the years how true it is that the Holy Spirit will “teach you what to say.” This happens in obvious ways, when I pray for words and get them; and in less obvious ways, when I am muddled and tongue-tied but he helps others hear me anyway. It’s no wonder that the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit are all about judging situations rightly and reacting appropriately — and are exactly what you need.

**Pray that the Assumption will reset your priorities.** I was going through the Glorious Mysteries this way, focusing in on how its lessons directly apply to my intention — when along came the Assumption, which isn’t about life on earth, but about life in heaven. Our Lady goes to heaven, body and soul, in what the Catechism calls “a sign of certain hope” for us.

Then it dawned on me: We pray to improve our lives with others here and now. What God wants is a better life for all involved hereafter. We start out praying that certain crosses in our lives will disappear; God responds by inspiring us to carry whatever crosses will lead ourselves and others to a life with him.

**Fifth, leave it all in the hands of Mary with the coronation.** Imagine your mother was given the power to direct the operations of every area of your life: Family and workplace, social life and love life. She would definitely look out for you and strive to make problems that irk you disappear. But she would also probably direct things in the way that she thinks best, even if you disagree.

This is, of course, exactly the position we are in with Mary. She is the Queen of Heaven and Earth, a powerful intercessor with God himself, and she is our mother. If we invite her intercession into the circumstances of our life, she will look out for us just like our mom would. She will make life easier in many ways, more difficult in certain ways, and better for us in every way.

# THOUGHTS WORTH SHARING

By Rev. Wayne C. Genereux, Pastor

## Hurricane Dorian Relief Fund

In response to the devastation that has impacted the Bahamas and other areas that have yet to be impacted, the Diocese of St. Petersburg is asking for donations for their Disaster Relief Fund. One hundred percent of these disaster relief funds will benefit people affected by natural disasters including Hurricane Dorian. In 2018, the Diocese of St. Petersburg donated \$300,000 to the victims of Hurricane Michael in Pensacola-Tallahassee.

While Bishop Parkes has not requested a special collection, a page has been set up on our diocesan website, for those who wish to donate to this cause, either electronically or by mail. To donate online, please visit: <https://www.dosp.org/hurricane-dorian-relief/>

You may donate online or mail donations to:

Disaster Relief Fund  
Diocese of St. Petersburg  
P.O. Box 40200  
St. Petersburg, FL 33743-0200

Please join us in continuing to pray for those already impacted by the hurricane.

## Stay Tuned for 60<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Anniversary Updates

By October we will have the complete schedule of events for our 60<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Anniversary celebration. Stay tuned to the bulletin, our website, and announcements before and during Mass for more.



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## It's Not Too Late!

Did you know that registration for Family Faith Catechesis, Confirmation, and First Communion continues until September 29<sup>th</sup>? Classes begin on Catechetical Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> - but you can still register even after we've begun!

Family Faith Catechesis will meet Sundays in Courtyard Hall from 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Confirmation and RCIA will meet on Wednesdays beginning October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

You may register for any of these groups in the Parish Administration Office 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon / 1:00 P.M - 4:00 P.M. Monday - Friday. We hope to see you there!

# ARE YOU NEW?

## What to Expect at Blessed Trinity

### Welcoming

Our parishioners love meeting new people and sharing their lives with others. You'll also be greeted by some of the **most welcoming people you've ever met at a Church** - and we're not just talking about the Hospitality team.

### Family Focused

If you have children, they are ALWAYS welcome to celebrate Mass with the community! Our **Family Faith Formation** program invites the whole family to participate in learning about the faith.

### Dynamic Worship

Throughout the Mass, you'll be encouraged and invigorated by the community's full, conscious, and active participation in the Liturgy. **Our Community loves to SING!** From traditional hymns to contemporary worship music, the word of God is proclaimed in a dynamic fashion. The homilies are geared towards challenging our parishioners to become better Christians.

### A Church Unlike Any Other

There's so much more to talk about! Our Parish is a wonderful, dynamic community and we welcome you to celebrate liturgy with us this weekend!

It doesn't matter if this is your first time, 50<sup>th</sup> time, or first time in 50 years - know that you always have a place to worship, and a community to belong to at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church.

To learn more, visit  
**WWW.BTSP.ORG**

**Is God Calling You to a Deeper Prayer Life?**

Blessed Trinity Scripture Classes resumed on September 10<sup>th</sup>. It's not too late to join us! We meet Tuesday mornings from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the Faith Formation Room. Our study will begin with "Peacemaking and Non-Violence." We will start with the Introduction followed by 5 weeks of lessons. Books are \$12. For further information call Barbara Townsend at (727) 867-3605

**Pop Quiz - What is Happening October 19th and 26th?**

The 40 Days for Life Campaign begins September 25<sup>th</sup> and continues through November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Blessed

Trinity's sponsored days for the Campaign are **October 19<sup>th</sup> and October 26<sup>th</sup>**. You may have noticed early signup sheets for campaign volunteers located in the narthex of the Church on the windows of the gift shop. Please list your name and phone number and we will be in contact with you. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us. Until then, please continue to use the prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe located on the back page of the bulletin. God Bless you all!



Your 40 Days for Life contact:  
Rich & Linda Maloney  
727-258-7406  
Rmaloney67@gmail.com

**Encouraging our Seminarians**

You are invited to join Serra Club of St. Petersburg for our first activity of the year! At our meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the St. Jude Parish Center, we will be writing notes of encouragement to each of our seminarians to let them know of our prayers and support as they start their school year. The seminarians appreciate receiving these hand written notes and often tell us that they know it is our prayers that are helping them as they discern their call to the priesthood. Also, please join us on Wednesday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Cathedral for a Holy Hour for Vocations. For more information please contact Mary Ann Wilson at mawilsonfl@gmail.com. St. Junipero Serra, pray for us!

**MASS****24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sat., Sep. 14** - Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 a.m. Jake Schaefer (liv)

4:00 p.m. James Lawler (dec)

**Sun., Sep. 15** - 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Patricia Dubois (liv)

9:30 a.m. Blessed Trinity Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Bill Maslar (dec)

**Mon., Sep. 16** - Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

8:00 a.m. Tracy Lightburne (liv)

**Tues., Sep. 17**

8:00 a.m. Leonard Fron (dec)

**Wed., Sep. 18**

8:00 a.m. Vocations

**Thurs., Sep. 19**

8:00 a.m. Mark Ortelee (dec)

**Fri., Sep. 20** - Mem. of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Priest, and Paul Chōng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

8:00 a.m. Patricia Abruzzo (dec)

**Sat., Sep. 21** - Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

8:00 a.m. Carol Leininger (dec)

4:00 p.m. Karl Aselage (dec)

**Sun., Sep. 22** - 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mary Luszczynski (liv)

9:30 a.m. Blessed Trinity Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Alice Baker (dec)

**SACRAMENTS**

**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**

Mon. - Fri. 9 am - 4 pm  
Closed for Lunch Noon to 1 pm

## Money Matters

We have completed the first two months of our 2019-2020 Fiscal Year. I often get asked about how we are doing in comparison to last year. We are running pretty close to last year. In July and August of 2018, we had an average attendance at mass of 530 people. This July and August, we had an average of 510 people attending mass. Offertory comparison shows that for 2018 July and August we averaged \$6,100 per week, and for 2019 we had an average of \$6,260 per week.

Offertory is our main source of income. It makes up 85% of our budget but it is not the only source of income. The other 15% comes from donations to the Building & Maintenance Fund; Estates; memorial gifts, fundraising, and rent. We need an average weekly income of \$14,400; we are not reaching even half of the total needed. In two months' time the amount we needed to receive to make our targeted budget is \$115,324. The amount we received is \$82,058.

Take into consideration that our budget is a prediction of what we might receive. Also, Christmas and Easter normally bring in about \$45,000 in offertory. The winter residents greatly increase our offertory while they are here.

So how do we deal with the money gap during the warmer months? The Diocesan bills for insurance, benefits and other obligations go unpaid. We normally take some money out of our savings account. This summer we took \$10,000 out of savings. We took another \$44,820 from our savings to pay for the re-roofing of the buildings that make up the quadrangle. The Diocese paid the balance of the roofing project on our behalf creating a loan with the Diocese of \$35,900. The regular expenses of utilities, supplies, repairs, and operational costs get paid as money comes in.

They say "Money Speaks" but we don't always like what it is saying.  
**For we walk by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7**



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| <u>Donations 09/01/2019</u> |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Offertory Collection        | \$7,239      |
| Building Fund               | \$1,088      |
| Gift shop                   | <u>\$141</u> |

TOTAL: \$8,468

| <u>August Online Giving</u> |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Offertory                   | \$4,185 |

| <u>Donations 09/08/2019</u> |                 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Offertory Collection        | \$4,272         |
| Building Fund               | \$60            |
| Gift shop                   | <u>\$154.99</u> |

TOTAL: \$4,486.99

**Want to try Online Giving?  
 Go to our website at [btsp.org](http://btsp.org) and  
 click the online giving button.**



## 40 Days Kickoff Vigil

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting and a peaceful vigil in front of an abortion businesses. You are invited to attend a Kickoff Vigil for 40 Days for Life in St. Petersburg at 7 PM on Tuesday, September 24, 2019. The Vigil will take place in front of All Women's Health Center -4131 Central Ave. Local clergy will speak and lead prayer. All are welcome. Contact Sabrina at [sab@dosp.org](mailto:sab@dosp.org); 727-344-1611. Learn more and sign up to pray at [www.40daysforlife.com/stpetersburg](http://www.40daysforlife.com/stpetersburg).

## Is God Calling You to a Deeper Prayer Life?

Mary Queen of Carmel Community is seeking those whom God is calling to deepen their prayer life, while living in the secular world. We follow the traditions of Saints Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross and Therese of Lisieux. We are offering an introductory course in Discalced Carmelite Spirituality starting September 22, 2019 at Espiritu Santo Parish in Safety Harbor. For more information, please call Karen at 727-328-4632.

## This Week at Blessed Trinity

|                   |      |                   |                                                   |                                         |
|-------------------|------|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Sun.              | 9/15 | 10:45 a.m.        | Family Faith Catechesis                           | Courtyard Hall                          |
|                   |      | 7:00 p.m.         | Men's AA                                          | Room 4                                  |
| Mon.              | 9/16 | 7:00 p.m.         | Prayer Meeting                                    | FFR                                     |
| Tues.             | 9/17 | 9:30 a.m.         | Scripture Study                                   | FFR                                     |
| Wed.              | 9/18 | 6:30 p.m.         | Choir                                             | Choir Room                              |
| Thurs.            | 9/19 | 5:00 p.m.         | SVDP Meeting                                      | Room 4                                  |
| Sat.              | 9/21 | 7:00 p.m.         | Women's AA                                        | Room 4                                  |
| Ongoing Saturdays |      | 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. | Prayer to End Abortion<br>All Women's Health Care | 4131 Central Ave, St. Petersburg, 33713 |

## We Need You to Volunteer!

Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center needs you! **Volunteers help women and save lives.** Your skills can save lives by educating, supporting, and empowering women to make positive life affirming choices of responsible parenting or adoption. You can make a difference by being a positive influence for women facing unplanned pregnancies. Please consider serving God by serving women and families in need and by protecting our most precious preborn infants. Flexible hours available to meet your schedule. Your investment in their future will make a difference! Volunteer opportunities Monday thru Friday: Client Advocates & Mentors, Office Assistants, Fundraising, Ultrasound Nurses or Technicians and Baby Boutique Helpers. Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center is located at: 1213 16th Street North, St. Petersburg 33705  
For more information: Diane Pecchie, 727-550-4236, dpecchie@ccdosp.org

## Did you move? Change your phone number? Please let us know!

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727-867-3663

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## Healing for Our Suffering Church

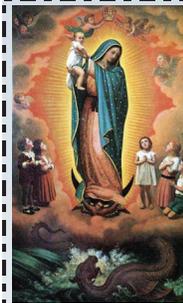


Please join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Every first Friday of the month for the near future, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass we will have Eucharistic exposition, homily, meditation, and benediction at 10:00 a.m. You might want to pray for healing and for the victims of the scandal. Invest one hour with God, one on one.

**Our next Adoration will be on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.**

## Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Please use this prayer card to pray on behalf of the unborn children. Be sure to cut it out and carry it with you to pray at all the Masses, and *especially* at the abortion clinic during Blessed Trinity's 40 Days For Life Sponsored days of Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.



Virgin of Guadalupe, patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. Help expectant parents to welcome from God the priceless gift of their child's life.

Console parents who have lost that gift through abortion, and lead them to forgiveness and healing through the Divine Mercy of your Son.

Teach us to cherish and to care for family and friends until God calls them home. Help us never to see others as burdens.

Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice.

We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.

Adkins, Chantale  
Albertson, Michelle  
Antczak, Harriet  
Arasa, Nancy  
Arnold, Barbara  
Attard, Stephanie  
Banks, Cathy  
Barry, Marian  
Beekman, Connie  
Bennett, Elizabeth  
Blondheim, Carmen  
Bogensberger, Rosemary  
Brown, Bob & Beverly  
Brown, Dorothy  
Brown, Buck  
Brown, Shaquita  
Browning, Rea  
Buckwald, Diane  
Carfora, Palma  
Carr, Elaine  
Cavaliere, Lois  
Ceci, Shirley  
Chavez, John  
Chris, David  
Christ, Kathryn  
Cline, Wayne  
Congiu, Rita  
Dawson, Anthony Peter  
Deacon Lionel Roberts

DeLucca, Rosemary  
Detore, Alice  
Devyn & Donna  
Drougelis, Nijole  
Favero, Beverly  
Fazio, Mary  
Feehan, Joe  
Feltes, Chuck & Lauren  
Fererio, Antoinette  
Fiedler, Meghan  
Forbes, Monica & Tom  
Forbes, Rahim  
Forbes, Tina May  
Fr. Jim Klima  
Fraser, Sue Chapman  
Freda, Eileen  
Garcia, Jose M.  
Genereux, Carol  
Graeme, Mary  
Griffin, Lynda Butler  
Grimberg, Carol  
Hamilton, Tom  
Hawkins, Ashlyn  
Hawkins, Barbara  
Hepp, Loren  
Heylan, Edward H.  
Hildebrand, Bud  
Horne, Francesca  
Huff, Walt & Carole

Iglesias, Olivia  
Infant Ursa  
Irvin, Victoria  
Kantowicz, Jan  
Keithly, Claire  
Kincaid, Kevin &  
Tammie  
King, Ada  
Kleinberger, Donovan  
Kline, Irene  
Krieger, Mary  
Kwesell, Eugene  
Lanigan, John  
Lashley, Diana  
Lawrence, Sandy  
Leath, Bill  
Lee, Donald  
LeVan, George  
Lindsay, Jane  
Lucas, Laura  
Lyons, Laura  
Mack, Jackson  
Maharne, Cecile  
Mahoney, Colleen  
Maitland, Steve  
Mark, Jacqueline  
Marois, Mary  
McGarry, Jean  
McManus, Elly

Membreno, Mary & Gus  
Merchant, Geraldine  
Merchant, Rhoda  
Mesick, Phil & Nancy  
Mitchell, Stella  
Monahan, Sheila  
Morton, Donna Abby  
Murdock, Cheryl & Evan  
Neumann, Janet  
Nichols, Robert  
Noguez, Armida  
Nuñez, Marleny  
Pezzulo, Irene  
Pope, Stoney  
Post, Michael  
Privitera, Sandy  
Ramsey, Gerald  
Ray, Terry  
Reardon, Kevin  
Reardon, Kara  
Reed, Edward, Jr.  
Rivera, Joel  
Reyes, Nila  
Robinson, Agnes  
Romani, Angelo &  
Marlene  
Rosa, Joe & Nina  
Sanders, Kimberly  
Sanders, Marilyn

Sclafani, Francesco  
Sharp, Jennett  
Shelby, Ron & Montez  
Sheridan, Samantha  
Simpson, Rose  
Smith, Anita  
St. Pierre, Rick  
Stankiewicz, Cy  
Storey, Barbara  
Thompson, Bill  
Thompson, Sue  
Thore, Isabelle  
Tillema, Karen  
Timm, Carol & Linda  
Watson, Doug & Claire  
Whalen, Dorothy  
Wohlman, Fred  
Wood, Jena  
Zmuda, Ed

