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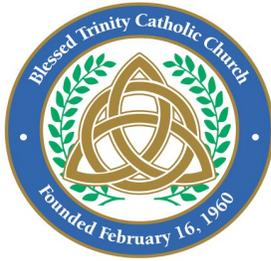
End your day with this prayer
asking forgiveness from God



It is important to recognize your faults each day and ask God for grace to rise above them.

By Philip Kosloski

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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
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The only way we can progress in the spiritual life is to recognize our faults and failings. If we think we are perfect, then we will never move forward in the progress of virtue. We will simply stay where we are and be content with our state in life.

This is an unhealthy position to be in, as God asks us to follow after him, but if we stay in one place, we will never go anywhere.

Below is a short prayer from the *Golden Manual* that can be prayed at the end of the day that asks God for forgiveness, recognizing our faults and desiring to do better tomorrow.

O Father of mercies who desires not the death of sinners; look upon me, a miserable sinner, according to the multitude of your mercies. I acknowledge and confess, and am heartily sorry for all the sins of my past life, and of this day in particular. I cast myself at your feet, and ask you to cover all my sins with that infinite love with which you have loved us from all eternity. Mercifully forgive me whatsoever sins I have this day, or heretofore, committed against you, my neighbor, or myself.

O Almighty God! I firmly resolve, here in thy presence, and before the whole company of heaven, to live more exactly in conformity to your will. I resolve to keep a more strict watch over myself; to correct my faults and evil habits; to attend more diligently to my duties; and to avoid more carefully all sin, and all temptations and occasions of sin.

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Diocesan Hispanic Mass

The Hispanic Commission announces the annual Diocesan Hispanic Mass in honor of *Our Lady of Charity of El Cobre*, patroness of Cuba. The Mass will be presided by *Bishop Gregory L. Parkes* on *Saturday, October 10, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle, 5815 5th Ave. North, St. Petersburg.* Due to spacing limitations resulting from the current COVID-19 pandemic, persons interested in attending the Mass will need to register at <https://www.dosp.org/misahispana2020> on a first-come-first-serve basis. All are invited to participate in the Mass via livestream on our diocesan website at <http://www.dosp.org/livestream>. For more information please contact Mercedes Cedeño at 727-344-1611 ext. 5471.

Father Wayne is sharing his column, *Thoughts Worth Sharing*, with Bishop Parkes this week.



Gospel Reflection from Bishop Parkes
Follow the Lord

“Jesus said to them, ‘Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the Kingdom of God before you.’”

– Matthew 21:31

When you were a child, do you remember your Mom or Dad asking you to do something, like take out the trash, clean up your room, or do your homework? You likely responded “ok” in a begrudging voice, but did you do what you were asked to do, or did you just blow it off? If you did what they wanted, was it on your terms or when you felt like it?

In our Gospel this weekend from St. Matthew, Jesus desires to teach the chief priests and elders something about doing God’s will. Now, these were highly regarded and respected officials in the community. He poses a question to them in the form of a story.

The story goes that a man had two sons. The man asked the first son to work in the vineyard. At first, he said “no,” but afterwards changed his mind and went to work. The man went to the second son and asked him to work as well. The son said “ok,” but never went to work. Jesus asked the elders, “which of these two did the father’s will?” and they answered, the first, and they were correct.

But, Jesus then refers to John the Baptist who preached on righteousness and the need for repentance, but yet the chief priests and elders ignored him. They dismissed John as a crazy man, a religious zealot, someone who had no standing in their society. Jesus tells them, “Amen I say to you, even the tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom before you.” He admonishes them by saying that at least tax collectors and prostitutes repented and opened their hearts to God’s message, but the leaders did not.

Sometimes even Christians will say one thing but do something else. We may mean well and have good intentions, but we often fall short of our promises. We say we’ll go to Mass every weekend. But do we? Do we miss a couple of Sundays out of inconvenience, other events, or just laziness? Do you go to church out of obligation, or do you go to truly worship God, give thanks to God, learn to be a better disciple, be there for your fellow parishioners, and give of your time back to the church through ministry?

Today’s reading serves as a reminder for us to persevere in our efforts to follow the Lord. The timing may not always be convenient, the task may seem too big, or we may feel inadequate, but our Lord has called us to work in his vineyard. Will you courageously answer the call, and then follow through?

Bishop Gregory Parkes

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, 50th 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

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 Gene-reux, 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: 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, September 26, Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
4:00 p.m.

John Flanigan (Dec) and
Ivonne & Luis Gonzales
41st Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, September 27, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m. Van Ott (Liv)
11:30 a.m. For Parishioners
Honour “Dede” McKenzie (Dec)

Monday, September 28, Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence
Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs
8:00 a.m. Kim Deska and Family (Liv)

Tuesday, September 29, Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,
Archangels

8:00 a.m. Jim and Jean Bischoff (Liv)

Wednesday, September 30, Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and
Doctor of the Church
8:00 a.m. For Vocations

Thursday, October 1, Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus,
Virgin and Doctor of the Church
8:00 a.m. Russell Shaw and Family (Liv)

Friday, October 2, Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
8:00 a.m. Jessica Getgen and Family (Liv)

Saturday, October 3, Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. A. Frederick Susi (Dec)
4:00 p.m. James Lawler (Dec)

Sunday, October 4, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Daniel Bogdanick (Dec)
9:30 a.m. For Parishioners
11:30 a.m. Joe Bispo (Dec)

Mass of the Angels

The annual Diocesan *Mass of the Angels* for children (born or unborn) who have gone to be with the Lord will be celebrated by Fr. Lipscomb on Saturday, October 3, 2020, at 11:00am. Our location this year will be St. Timothy Parish, 17512 Lakeshore Rd, Lutz. Please wear a face mask. For more information or to have a child's name added to the program, please contact Diane at 727-344-1611 *5308; dcs@dosp.org.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

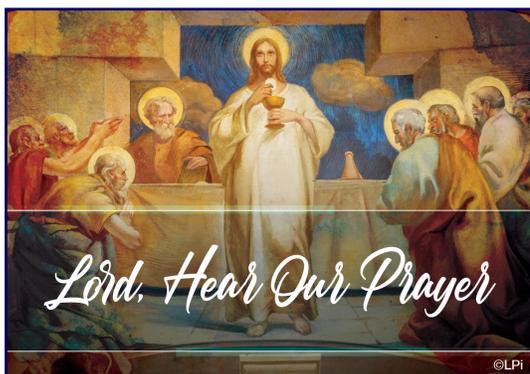
Is It the Thought That Counts?

I can remember times when I received a gift that I would not have chosen for myself. At those times I certainly thought to myself that “it was the thought that counts.” I was happy that the gift-giver thought of me at all. Then there have been times when my children have not given me a gift and then chose to tell me all about what they were going to give me. They would then follow it up by saying, “it was the thought that really counts.” Really!?! I don’t think so. I could think of sending my wife on a cruise, but that is not in any way the same as going on the cruise. I think there are times when all of us think we are more generous than we are, simply because we were thinking about being generous.

This way of thinking can be dangerous. Jesus teaches us to say what we mean and mean what we say. The intentionality of our actions is important, but intentionality without action is meaningless. How we act and what we give serves as evidence of our intentions and indicates where our heart truly lies. If we fool ourselves into thinking we are someone we are not, it can become difficult to see the truth. We need to look for the fruit in our lives. We need to make sure our desires and thoughts are moving us to act. You know that other saying about intentions, don’t you? Don’t pave the road to a place no one wants to end up with your intentions. Instead, let your intentions and actions lead others to another place where Jesus can be found.

– Tracy Earl Welliver

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Last Week’s Giving September 20, 2020

In church:

Offertory	\$2,530
Building Fund	\$ 44
Gift Shop	\$ 223

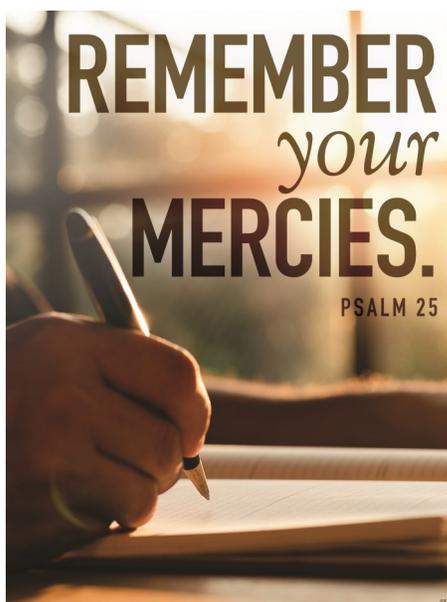
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Offertory	\$3,805
Building Fund	\$ 155
Other	\$ 595

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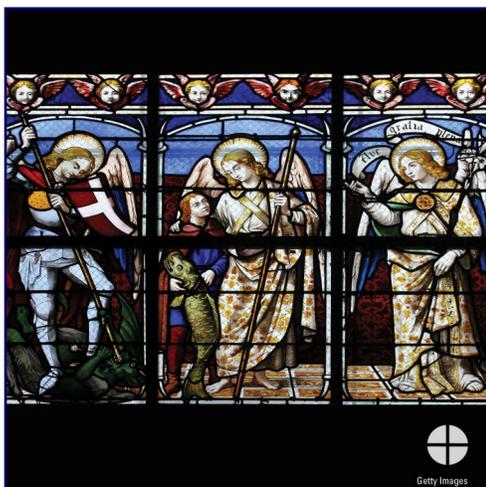


Magazine Articles

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

bulletinbt@gmail.com.

Thank you!



Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel and Saint Raphael

Feast Day – September 29

These archangels, messengers sent by God, are the only ones named in the Bible. In the Book of Daniel, Michael is called “the great prince”; in the Letter of Jude, he argues with the devil over Moses’ body; and in the Book of Revelation, he leads the battle against Satan. He is patron of the sick, radiologists and

mariners. Gabriel explains Daniel’s visions to him in the Book of Daniel, and in the Gospel of Luke announces to Zechariah and Mary the births of their respective sons. He is the patron of messengers and telecommunications and postal workers. Raphael guides Tobiah in the Book of Tobit; he is patron of the blind, physicians and travelers. The church created their joint feast after the Second Vatican Council.



LIFE SAVING OPPORTUNITY

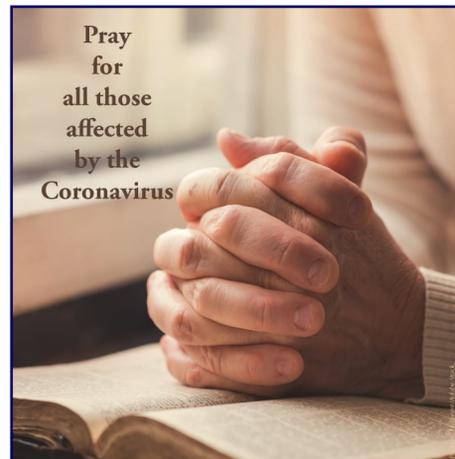
It is not too early, and really very easy, to take advantage of a true Parish Stewardship Program.

We can never have too many Blessed Trinity Parishioners praying in front of All Women’s Health Center in an effort to end the evil of Abortion. We do like to have a minimum of two at all times, but you should have plenty of company as many other churches will have people praying throughout the weekends, including during our Special Day of Saturday October 24th.

To choose those times that you would like to come out and pray, from 8:00 A M to 5:00 P M, or for answers to any questions contact any of those listed below. Remember you are welcome to bring a comfortable chair

Attached for your convenience is a copy of The Prayer To Our Lady Of Guadalupe-cut out and save!

Rich and Lynn-727-258-7406-rmaloney67@gmail.com
Cathy-646-552-8015, Cyndee and Larry-239-218-7798,
Marilyn-727-867-2390 or info@40daysforlife.com



Cut out and save

Virgin of Guadalupe,
Patroness of unborn children,
we implore your intercession for
every child at risk of abortion.
Help expectant parents to wel-
come 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 to never see others as bur-
dens.

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

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Please Pray for Our Sick and Homebound

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