



# Blessed Trinity

## Weekend Magazine

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July 20, 2025 • The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## How to make the feast of St. Anne and St. Joachim a special occasion for your family

*Why not take this opportunity to celebrate your own parents and grandparents? On July 26, the Church celebrates the parents of Virgin Mary and the grandparents of Jesus. It's a perfect day to do something special for your own parents and/or grandparents and those who have played those roles in your life. If you lack the inspiration on how to do this, here are a few ideas!*

### 1 Gather the family

It may not be possible to gather in person right now, but you can overcome most of the obstacles: **plan everything online if need be and notify everyone in advance to allow them time to put it in their schedule.** This may be exactly the kind of present your parents or grandparents have been dreaming of.

### 2 Stage a show

Again this may need to be virtual right now, but the possibilities are limitless. The show you stage will depend on the age and the talents of participants, but maybe there are musicians in the family, or consummate actors or poets. **Everyone has a talent they can surely share!**

### 3 Create a family album

This collaborative work can combine pictures, poems, stories and drawings. **Everyone can contribute, so the album reflects the talents and the personality of each.** You can also make a video or a slideshow based on family pictures. It's a great idea of a present for all those who live too far to attend the family celebration.

### 4 Send a long letter

There is nothing like letters, because they are a tangible testimony of our love. What's more, they allow us to tell things we would have never said otherwise. **Send a long letter,** it's a beautiful present, people don't always think of.

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### Pastor

Rev. Wayne C. Genereux

### Deacon

Deacon Bill Lovelace

### Clergy Assistance

Fr. Jack McDowell, OFM, Fr. Randall Roberts, OFM  
Fr. Anthony Fortunato, OdeM, Fr. Ken Breen, 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 and 11:30 am

Follow the Sunday Mass on our website, [btsp.org](http://btsp.org)

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

### Parish Office

Monday—Friday 9:00 am-12:00 pm and 1-4 pm

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### 5 Pray

Whenever it's possible, include prayer in your family celebration: a Mass, a family prayer or a pilgrimage. **When it's impossible for everyone to pray together, nothing prevents those who wish it to recite a prayer for their parents and grandparents.** No one like the Lord can fill their hearts with joy and peace and repay them hundredfold for what they have given us.

One day, our parents and grandparents will leave us to attend the great banquet in the Heavenly Kingdom. Then, perhaps we may regret having never shown them how much we loved them. So, before we are all reunited again, let's celebrate them here and now!

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## Prayer for Protection from Hurricanes

*God, Our Father, Creator and Lord of the universe,  
you have set the earth on its foundation  
and all the elements of nature obey your command.*

*We humbly beseech you to keep us safe  
from all dangers and calm the storm  
that threatens us.*


*May we be secure in Your loving protection  
and serve you always with grateful hearts.*

*We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, forever and ever.*

*Amen.*

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**Begin the day with:**

8:00 AM - Mass

8:30 AM - Beginning Adoration

5:30 PM - Rosary Recitation

6:00 PM - Exposition and Adoration

7:00 PM - Adoration Ends for the Day

## Natural Family Planning Awareness Week July 20-26, 2025

Pursue a lasting love ...MARRIAGE! Create hope for the future! Natural Family Planning (NFP) Awareness Week highlights the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Humanae Vitae*, July 25, which articulates Catholic beliefs about human sexuality, conjugal love, and responsible parenthood. The dates also mark the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, July 26, the parents of the Blessed Mother.

Find a plethora of NFP resources at <https://www.dosp.org/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning/>.



July 20, 2025

## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 18:1-10a | Col 1:24-28 | Lk 10:38-42

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

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

Are you a Martha or a Mary? How many times have we been presented with that question when we hear today's Gospel reading? At first ask, similar to many people, I would answer that I'm easily a Martha. I'm a perfectionist in many areas of my life, especially when it comes to my work or when I host dinner for friends and family. In those moments, I put a lot of pressure on myself to be the best I can be, to do the job well, and demonstrate the utmost hospitality. But as with Martha, too much focus on being "perfect" can cause worry and anxiety. But this year, hearing the story again, I realized something: There *are* times when I'm able to put those worries and anxieties aside and sit at the feet of Jesus just like Mary did, and I want to make that happen more often.

### **GO EVANGELIZE**

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Although it has been several weeks since we celebrated the Sacred Triduum and we are back in Ordinary Time, the realization that I can be more like Mary than Martha has stayed with me. During the Triduum, we are asked by the Church to maintain a time of prayer, reverence, and, particularly on Holy Saturday, silence, as we reflect on Christ's death. This has always been the one time a year when I am able to find my "inner Mary" and sit at the feet of Christ. I thought the only way to do that was to completely shut myself off from everything, but that is not how God wants to be present in our lives. He wants to be with us always and seeks us where we are. With that realization, I learned that I can sit at his feet during my times of work or bustling as well. It can be as simple as listening to prayers on an app or praise and worship music while cooking dinner, or saying a prayer before I sit down to complete the next task at work and asking Jesus to be with me. This is a start to being more like Mary even during my busy periods. And by finding my inner "Mary," I find Jesus. So can you.

### **PRAY**

Read through the Gospel again. Don't assume you have to stay stuck in the rhythm of being "Martha" when you know you long for a closer relationship with Jesus. Life is full of busyness and seemingly endless tasks, but being perfect will not bring calm. But inviting Jesus into those busy moments will. And when you do, Jesus will calm any anxieties you may have because you have "chosen the better part and it will not be taken from [you]."



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## **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**

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



### **Grief Support**

At this time, individual/one-on-one *Grief Support* is available by calling Rachel at the church office.

Group support meetings will take place when a group is formed.

For more information call:  
867-3663

## **Mass Intentions**

### **Saturday, July 19, Weekday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. The Baker Family (liv)

### **Saturday, July 19, Vigil for Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 p.m. Grace Rideout (liv)

### **Sunday, July 20, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Paula Sue Dubinsky (dec)

9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Gerald Hayman (dec)

### **Monday, July 21, Weekday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Phil Roach (dec)

### **Tuesday, July 22, Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene**

8:00 a.m. Chris Bistany (liv)

### **Wednesday, July 23, Weekday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Mass for Vocations

### **Thursday, July 24, Weekday in Ordinary Time**

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

### **Friday, July 25, Feast of Saint James, Apostle**

8:00 a.m. Joseph Marchese, Sr. (dec)

### **Saturday, July 26, Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 a.m. Joseph and Dolores Ciminera (dec)

### **Saturday, July 26, Vigil for Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

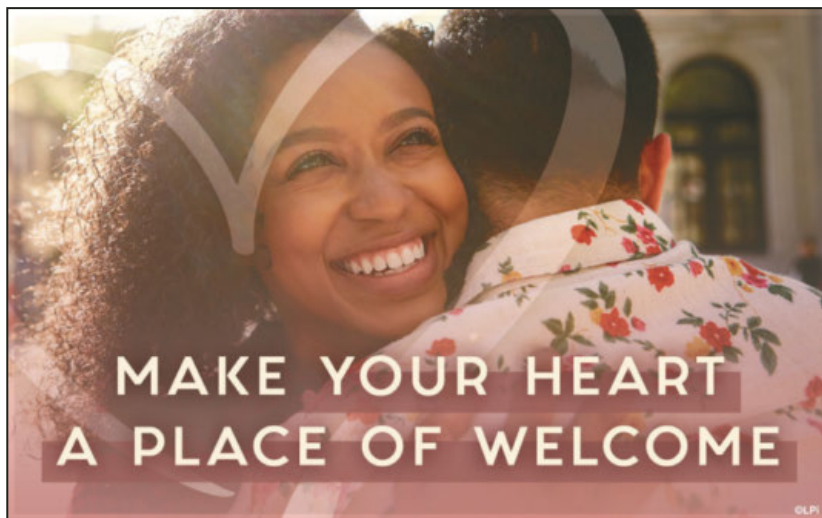
4:00 p.m. Joan Ayers (dec)

### **Sunday, July 27, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Roger Dutilly (liv)

9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Patricia Dubois (liv)





## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### Be Ready for God to “Stop By”

In my experience, most people can be divided into two groups: those who are old enough to remember when you kept food on hand for company, and those who aren't.

For those of you in the latter group, let me explain. Before text messaging and social media made us all unconditionally, mercilessly reachable, people would do this thing called “stopping by.” They would be passing by a friend's house, maybe on the way home from work or shopping, and they would just ... stop. With no warning. No notice whatsoever. “I was just in the neighborhood,” they would say. I remember my mother and I would do this on many a Saturday. It wasn't an everyday occurrence, but it was common enough that you had to be ready.

“Crazy,” you might exclaim. “People just appeared on your doorstep? How did you cope with the uncertainty?” Well, most of us had moms who kept a little something on hand to eat or drink that was extra nice, just in case anyone stopped by. That way, we were always ready.

Today's readings are about a lot of things: prayer, hope, redemptive suffering. They're about what it means to *be* a Christian, and not just what it means to do Christian things.

Most of all, though, they're about readiness. If God showed up at your door, would you be ready for Him? Would you be ready for what He gives you, or what He takes away? Would you be ready for Him to interrupt the plans you have for yourself? To disrupt the idea you carry in your mind of what a servant or a steward is supposed to be?

Read your Bible. Say your rosary. Go to Mass. Get to Confession. Talk to God — every day, not just when you think you need Him. That way, you are always ready.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



## Weekly Offering

### Weekly Giving 07/13/25

Offertory	\$ 8,267
Other Donations	\$ 55
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 380
Restoring the Sacred	\$ 395*

\*Includes only cash collected in the church. See separate report.

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## Catholic Ministry Appeal



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## Sunday, July 20

Coffee and Donuts after the 8:00 am and 9:30 am Masses PC

## Monday, July 21

6:30 pm Life in the Spirit CYH

## Wednesday, July 23

## Adoration

8:30 am	Church open all day for prayer	CH
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5:30 pm      Rosary

6:00 pm Eucharistic Exposition and Meditation

7:00 pm Benediction

**Thursday, July 24**

4:00 pm SVDP Meeting CYH

## Sunday, July 27

Coffee and Donuts after the 8:00 am and 9:30 am Masses PC

## Monday, July 28

6:30 pm Life in the Spirit CYH

## Wednesday, July 30

## Adoration

8:30 am Church open all day for prayer CH

5:30 pm      Rosary

6:00 pm Eucharistic Exposition and Meditation

7:00 pm Benediction

## Sunday, August 3

Coffee and Donuts after the 8:00 am and 9:30 am Masses PC

## Monday, August 4

6:30 pm Life in the Spirit CYH

## Tuesday, August 5

7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus	PC
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## Wednesday, August 6

## Adoration

8:30 am	Church open all day for prayer	CH
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5:30 pm Rosary

6:00 pm Eucharistic Exposition and Meditation

7:00 pm Benediction

## Thursday, August 7

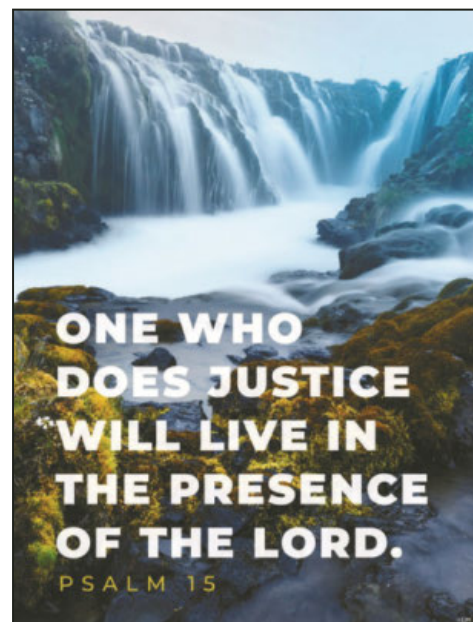
4:00 pm SVDP Meeting CYH

PC= Parish Center, MR=Music Room, CYH= Courtyard Hall, CH=Church, CYH-1= Courtyard Hall Classroom #1, CR=Choir Room, FF=Faith Formation Room, PL=Parking Lot



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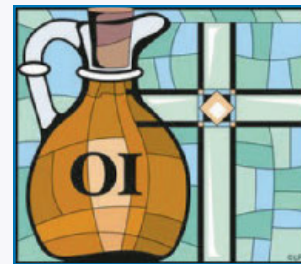
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