

**Blessed Trinity Catholic Church**  
**December 2, 2018**

**First Sunday  
of**

**Primer Domingo de Adviento**

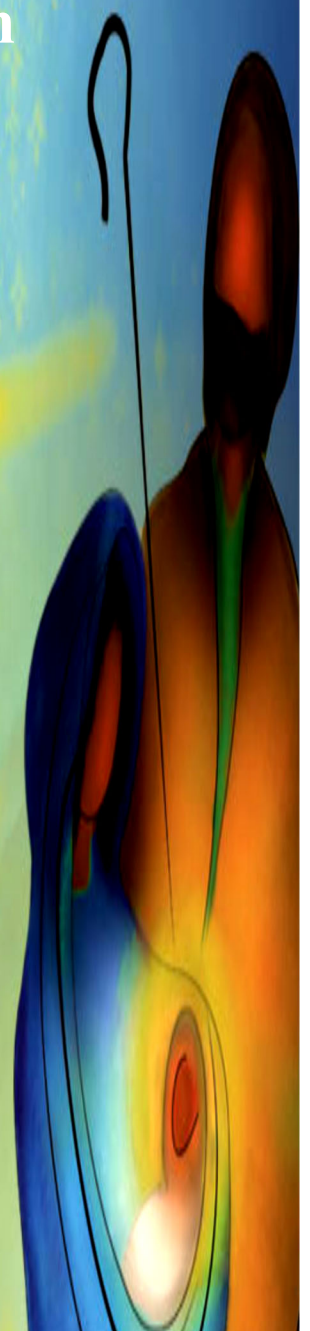
# ADVENT



2018

A season of preparation for  
the coming of our Savior.

Una temporada de  
preparación para la venida  
de nuestro Salvador.



**4020 Curtiss Parkway, Virginia Gardens, Florida 33166**

**Parish Office: Phone: 305-871-5780**

**School Office: Phone: 305-871-5766**

**Mass Times/ Horario de Misas**

**Monday- Friday/lunes a viernes: 7:30 AM (English)**

**Saturday/sabado: 8:30 AM (English) & 5:00 PM (English Vigil)**

**Sunday/domingo: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 5:30 PM (English)  
& 12:30 PM (Spanish)**

**Confessions/Confesiones**

**Saturday 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Sunday 9:45 AM – 10:30 AM**

**Websites: [www.blessed-trinity.org](http://www.blessed-trinity.org)**

## Parish

Pastoral Staff  
**Fr. José N. Alfaro,**  
Pastor

**Fr. Pawel Duda,**  
Parochial Vicar

**Dennis Jordan, José Alemán,**  
**and Javier Inda**  
Deacons

### Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am – 5 pm  
Saturday: CLOSED  
Sunday: 9 am – 2 pm  
[reception@blessed-trinity.org](mailto:reception@blessed-trinity.org)

### Parish Mission

*Our mission is to live the Gospel message and to bring God's Trinitarian love to others in order to be a beacon of light and hope for all.*

## School

Pre-K2 through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

### School Office Hours

7:30 am - 3:30 pm  
[btschool@blessed-trinity.org](mailto:btschool@blessed-trinity.org)  
[btsreligion@blessed-trinity.org](mailto:btsreligion@blessed-trinity.org)

**Mrs. María Teresa Pérez,**  
Principal

### School Mission

*"Blessed Trinity Catholic School's mission is to witness and nurture the transforming power of the teachings of Christ through academic excellence and servant discipleship"*

## St. Joseph's Convent

1040 Hunting Lodge Drive  
Miami Springs, FL 33166  
Phone: 305-871-3246

**Servants of the**  
**Pierced Hearts of Jesus & Mary**  
[PiercedHearts.org](http://PiercedHearts.org) [Corazones.org](http://Corazones.org)



## The Sacraments



### Baptisms / Bautizos

ENGLISH: First Sunday of every month @ 2PM

ESPAÑOL: Segundo domingo del mes @ 2PM

Baptismal Preparation classes:

ENGLISH: First Thursday of every month @ 7PM

ESPAÑOL: Segundo jueves de cada mes @ 7PM

Please, call the parish office for more information.

*Por favor llamar a la oficina para mas información.*

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**Communion and Confirmation** require 2 years of preparation in order to receive the Sacrament.

*La Primera Comunión y Confirmación requieren 2 años de preparación para recibir el sacramento.*

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**Holy Matrimony** - A date cannot be set until all requirements are met. You should schedule to meet with our priest at least 8—10 months prior to expected wedding date.

*No se puede establecer una fecha hasta que se cumplan todos los requisitos. Usted debe hacer cita con el sacerdote por lo menos 8– 10 meses antes de su boda.*

### Anointing of the Sick / Unción de los enfermos

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Anyone who is ill, anticipating surgery, or undergoing medical testing is encouraged to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

*Cualquier persona que esté enferma, anticipando una cirugía, o sometiendo a pruebas médicas, puede recibir el Sacramento de la Unción de los enfermos.*

|                                               |          | INTENTION                                                                                                                                                         | REQUESTED BY                                                                                          |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Saturday, December 1<br>Vigil                 | 5:00 PM  | †Erviti family                                                                                                                                                    | Ambar & Manolo Vidal                                                                                  |
| Miami Airport Chapel                          | 7:00 PM  | For all travelers                                                                                                                                                 | Parish Priests & Deacons                                                                              |
| Sunday, December 2                            | 8:30 AM  | †Nancy Sobrino                                                                                                                                                    | Her parents                                                                                           |
|                                               | 10:30 AM | People of the Parish                                                                                                                                              | Parish Priests & Deacons                                                                              |
|                                               | 12:30 PM | Por los recién bautizados Penelope Seguro, Valeria Sanchez, Ian Martinez, Mila Martinez, Roman Pino-Yero<br>†Alejandro Rodriguez<br>†Lazaro Diaz<br>†Ramon Lazala | Los Sacerdotes y Diaconos<br><br>Su hermana y familia<br>Isabel Villa y familia<br>La familia Preston |
|                                               | 5:30 PM  | †Andres Quintero                                                                                                                                                  | His family                                                                                            |
| Monday, December 3                            | 7:30 AM  | † Rodolfo Garcia Miro                                                                                                                                             | Manolo & Ambar Vidal                                                                                  |
| Tuesday, December 4                           | 7:30 AM  | †Leona Kelley<br>†Delia Lopez<br>†Juana Sierra                                                                                                                    | Bill, Clarisa & Melissa Kelley<br>Lynda & Bill Randolph<br>Her family                                 |
| Wednesday, December 5                         | 7:30 AM  | †Lazaro Diaz<br>Rahil Ghalloub's health                                                                                                                           | Bruener family<br>Chuck & Maria Postel                                                                |
| Thursday, December 6                          | 7:30 AM  | †Eduardo Rene Hernandez                                                                                                                                           | The Perez family                                                                                      |
| Friday, December 7<br>Vigil                   | 7:30 AM  | † Monica Carneri                                                                                                                                                  | Her family                                                                                            |
|                                               | 7:00 PM  | People of the Parish                                                                                                                                              | Parish Priests & Deacons                                                                              |
| Saturday, December 8<br>Immaculate Conception | 8:30 AM  | People of the Parish                                                                                                                                              | Parish Priests & Deacons                                                                              |
|                                               | 12:00 PM | Miembros de la parroquia                                                                                                                                          | Sacerdotes y Diaconos                                                                                 |
| Vigil                                         | 5:00 PM  | Jacob & Nicolas Celebrating their First Holy Communion                                                                                                            | Parish Priests & Deacons                                                                              |
| Miami Airport Chapel                          | 7:00 PM  | For all travelers                                                                                                                                                 | Parish Priests & Deacons                                                                              |
| Sunday, December 9                            | 8:30 AM  | †Jose Mecseri                                                                                                                                                     | His family                                                                                            |
|                                               | 10:30 AM | People of the Parish                                                                                                                                              | Parish Priests & Deacons                                                                              |
|                                               | 12:30 PM | †Jaime y Gloria Perez<br>†Lillian McNaboe<br>Bendiciones por el matrimonio de Juan Carlos Arana y Mayra Alejandra Reyes<br>†Stephanie Balais<br>†Ernestina Perez  | Sus hijos y nietos<br>Familia Haas<br>Su familia<br><br>La familia Venegas<br>La familia Perez        |
|                                               | 5:30 PM  | †John McWhorter                                                                                                                                                   | His family                                                                                            |



**Offertory collection for**  
**November 25, 2018 and**  
**Thanksgiving: \$ 9,298**  
**Thank you for your generosity!**  
**Gracias por su generosidad!**

**The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week of**  
**December 2nd**



**In memory of :** Mercedes Del Castilho  
**Requested by:** Lourdes Del Castilho



## Daily Mass Readings

**Dec. 3rd— 9th**

Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

**MON.:** RD IS 2:1-5 RESP PS PS 122:1-2, 3-4B, 4CD-5, 6-7, 8-9 GOSPEL

**TUES.:** RD IS 11:1-10 RESP PS PS 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 GOSPEL LK 10:21-24

**WED.:** RD IS 25:6-10A RESP PS PS 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6 GOSPEL MT 15:29-37

**THURS.:** RD1 IS 26:1-6 RESP PS PS 118:1 AND 8-9, 19-21, 25-27A GOSPEL MT 7:21, 24-27

Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church-

**FRI.:** RD IS 29:17-24 RESP PS PS 27:1, 4, 13-14 GOSPEL MT 9:27-31

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**SAT.:** RD1 GN 3:9-15, 20 RESP PS PS 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4 GOSPEL RD 2EPH 1:3-6, 11-12

Second Sunday of Advent

**SUN.:** RD1 BAR 5:1-9 RESP PS PS 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 RD2 PHIL 1:4-6, 8-11 GOSPEL LK 3:1-6



**WeShare makes giving easy!**

The Offertory Collection is used for the day-to-day operation of the parish and its programs. You may set up a one-time or recurring donation to our parish. Go to website : <https://blessed-trinity.weshareonline.org/>

A **praying** Community

**Please keep all of these intentions in your daily prayers:**

### For our Pastor's Intentions:

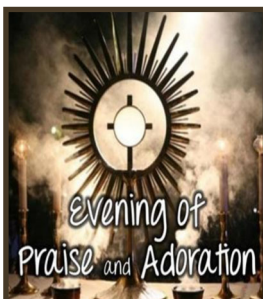
- \* Let us pray in reparation for the sins committed by Cardinals, Bishops, Priests and Deacons against the Lord's commandments, as well as for healing for the victims of sin.
- \* For the Holy Spirit to fall fresh upon our parishioners and for the constant renewal of our parish.
- \* That the Holy Spirit may give us the gift of worship and more people discover the gift of music and join our choirs.
- \* For all the young people travelling to WYD in Panama from around the world, especially the group that is going from Blessed Trinity.

### For our Parish Intentions:

- \* For our school families, faculty & staff
- \* For our BT family community

**For the Pope's Intentions: That people who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.**

**For the sick and elderly of the Parish, especially Rahil Ghalloub**



*Come join us, every Wednesday beginning with a rosary at 7 P.M. Followed by an hour of adoration with the Blessed Sacrament!*

### Weekly Meetings

|                               |           |        |             |
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| Adoration/Holy Hour.....      | Wednesday | 7PM    | Church      |
| Adult Choir Practice.....     | Thursday  | 7PM    | Church      |
| Children's Choir Practice...  | Wednesday | 3PM    | Church      |
| Emmaus—Women.....             | Monday    | 7PM    | Parish Hall |
| English Bible Study.....      | Thursday  | 10AM   | Parish Ofc  |
| Griefshare.....               | Sunday    | 2PM    | BT Library  |
| Legion of Mary.....           | Monday    | 7PM    | Parish Ofc  |
| Ministerio de Intercesión.... | Jueves    | 7PM    | Library     |
| RCIA                          | Sunday    | 10AM   | Parish Ofc  |
| Rosary Group.....             | Mon—Sat   | 8AM    | Church      |
| TMIY.....                     | Thursday  | 6AM    | Parish Hall |
| Youth Group                   |           |        |             |
| Lifeteen—High School          | Sunday    | 6:45PM | Carney Ctr  |
| Edge— Middle School           | Wednesday | 6:45PM | Carney Ctr  |

**Ministry**

### Monthly Meetings:

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Emmaus Men's                   | 2nd Thursday |
| Knights of Columbus            | 4th Monday   |
| Ladies Guild                   | 3rd Thursday |
| SAAM                           | 2nd Saturday |
| Grupo Enriquecimiento Conyugal | 1er Viernes  |

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



**December 2nd  
&  
December 9th**

The Ladies Guild will have their Annual Christmas Bazaar this Sunday and next Sunday from 8:30AM to 1PM in front of our Church. We will have a selection of gift items, Christmas decorations, wrapping paper and Christmas plants! Delicious baked goods will be available. This is your opportunity to Christmas shop and support your parish, too. As always, the money made will go to the Church for special items. The Ladies Guild purchased the Tabernacle you see on the altar, the Monstrance used to display the Consecrated Host at Adoration & Benediction, the Nativity set, the Hymnal Board, Albs for the Altar Servers and Improvements to the Church's Sound System! Please stop by and shop with the Guild!



### **Camillus House Casserole Ministry**

For the month of November, we collected 52 meals which feeds approximately 520 people. Thank you and keep up the good work! Our next casserole

meal is **Baked Ziti** and is scheduled to be delivered on **Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup>**. Cook early so that the date does not sneak up on you!

Are you interested in joining the **Camillus House Casserole Ministry**? Contact one of the following:

Ana Drew (786) 247-4859

William Drew (786) 325-5925

Ileana Rodriguez (786) 302-7808

[btcamillus@gmail.com](mailto:btcamillus@gmail.com)

## **St. Vincent de Paul Society**

### **S.O.S. 'Save Our Society'**

The Blessed Trinity St. Vincent de Paul Society is Your Society. It is your Dimes, and Dollars (sometimes more), that pays for the overdue FPL Bill, the Water Bill, sometimes the rent, and often pays for the groceries of people in our community who are in need. So when you see the 'Poor Box', or the ushers holding the SVDP Collection Baskets as you leave Church, please think of all you can do, by supporting Your Blessed Trinity SVDP.



It will definitely be looking  
"a lot like Christmas" at SAAM's  
potluck dinner on Saturday, December 8th,  
at 6:30 in the Parish Hall!

Our Social Active Adult Ministry invites  
you to join us for this festive occasion.

It's easy to do. Just contact Eileen at  
[emedonough@barry.edu](mailto:emedonough@barry.edu) and tell her that  
you will be coming and what you will be  
bringing. For more information you may  
call Candy or Maria at (305) 509-1155 or  
contact Mike and Vicky  
at [vsalinas@gate.net](mailto:vsalinas@gate.net).

So, let's don our red and green and then

"deck the hall" with the  
**Spirit of Christmas!**



Life Teen Youth Group  
invites all the parish high school youth  
to our end of semester and  
holiday celebration



- Starts with Mass at 5:30pm
- Followed by social gathering in the Parish Hall
- For more information and/or RSVP call the parish office at 305-871-5780 or email Mrs. Jenny De La Cruz at [jenny@blessed-trinity.org](mailto:jenny@blessed-trinity.org)



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**December 8 and 9**



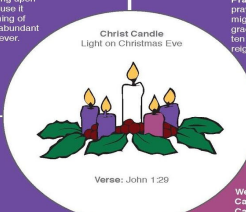
*Blessed Trinity Catholic Church  
is taking part in the  
60th Anniversary  
outreach effort.*

As part of its 60th anniversary celebration, the Archdiocese of Miami is asking parishioners to invite their relatives and friends who are non-practicing to come to Mass on the weekend of December 8 and 9 at their parish.

Archbishop Thomas Wenski states "Many told me that the reason why it took them so long to become Catholic or return to the faith was that no one had asked them".

*Let's become an invitational church  
beginning that weekend!*



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| <p><b>HOPE</b></p> <p><b>Week 1</b><br/>Candle Name: Prophet's Candle<br/>Candle Symbolizes: Hope<br/>Reminds us: Jesus is coming<br/>Verse: Romans 15:12-13<br/>Prayer: O God, by whose word all things are sanctified, pour forth Thy blessing upon this worthy and great that we who use it may prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ and may receive from Thee abundant graces. Who livest and reignest forever. Amen.</p> | <p><b>PEACE</b></p> <p><b>Week 4</b><br/>Candle Name: Angel's Candle<br/>Candle Symbolizes: Peace<br/>Reminds us: The message of the angels "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."<br/>Verse: John 3:16-17<br/>Prayer: O Lord, stir up Thy power, we pray Thee, and come, and with great might help us, that with the help of Thy grace, Thy merciful forgiveness may lessen what our sins impede. Who livest and reignest forever. Amen.</p> |
|  <p>Christ Candle<br/>Light on Christmas Eve<br/>Verse: John 1:29</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <p><b>FAITH</b></p> <p><b>Week 3</b><br/>Candle Name: Bethlehem Candle<br/>Candle Symbolizes: Faith<br/>Reminds us: Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem<br/>Verse: Luke 3:4-6<br/>Prayer: O Lord, stir up our hearts that we may prepare for Thy only begotten Son, that through His coming we may be made worthy to serve Thee with pure minds. Who livest and reignest forever. Amen.</p>                                       | <p><b>JOY</b></p> <p><b>Week 2</b><br/>Candle Name: Shepherd's Candle<br/>Candle Symbolizes: Joy<br/>Reminds us: The joy the world experienced at the coming birth of Jesus<br/>Verse: Luke 2:7-15<br/>Prayer: O Lord, we beg Thee, incline Thy ear to our prayers and enlighten the darkness of our minds by the grace of Thy visitation. Who livest and reignest forever. Amen.</p>                                                          |

### Blessing of an Advent Wreath

The use of the Advent Wreath is a traditional practice which has found its place in the Church as well as in the home. The blessing of an Advent Wreath takes place on the First Sunday of Advent or on the evening before the First Sunday of Advent.

When the blessing of the Advent Wreath is celebrated in the home, it is appropriate that it be blessed by a parent or another member of the family.

All make the sign of the cross as the leader says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Response (R/.) Who made heaven and earth.

Then the Scripture, Isaiah 9: (lines 1-2 and 5-6) or Isaiah 63 (lines 16-17 & 19) or Isaiah 64 (lines 2-7) is read:

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

With hands joined, the leader says:

Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Savior of every nation. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath.

May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen.

The blessing may conclude with a verse from

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel":

O come, desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of human-kind; bid ev'ry sad division cease and be thyself our Prince of peace. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

From Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers

## **THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** (Holy Day of Obligation)

Friday, December 7th 7:00 pm vigil (English)

Saturday, December 8th 8:30 am (English)



## BLESSED TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

INVITES YOU TO AN

# Advent

EVENING OF REFLECTION & PENANCE SERVICE



**WHEN**

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 19TH @ 7:00 P.M.

**WHERE**

BLESSED TRINITY CHURCH

*Extra confessors will be available.*

**SPEAKER**

FATHER ELVIS GONZALEZ  
VOCATIONS DIRECTOR, ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI



**Great celebration in honor of  
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Empress of the Americas  
Wednesday, December 12th**

**Holy Hour / Hora Santa  
from 7:00 - to 8:00 p.m. in the Church**

Holy Hour is offered for all of the parishioners going to World Youth Day, praying for the intercession of the Blessed Mother upon us.

Hora Santa ofrecida por todos los de la parroquia que van a la Jornada de Jovenes en Panama, para la intercesion de nuestra Madre

**Celebration following at the Parish Hall  
from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.**

*Mariachis, food for sale and blessing of religious items!*

