

# Blessed Trinity Catholic Church

## Parish Office

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**Fr. José N. Alfaro,**  
Pastor

**Fr. Yamil Miranda,**  
Parochial Vicar

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

*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.*

## Office Hours

Monday – Friday:	8:30 am – 5 pm
Saturday:	9 am - 1 pm
Sunday:	9 am - 2 pm

**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)

**Sr. María Andrea Oliver, SCTJM**  
Superior

## School Office

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

**Mrs. María Teresa Pérez,**  
Principal

*Our mission is to witness and nurture the transforming power of the teachings of Christ through the education of our children.*

God is not God  
of the dead,  
but of the living,  
for to him all are

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**alive.**

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~ Luke 20:38



November 6, 2016  
Thirty-second Sunday  
Ordinary Time

# BLESSED TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Thirty-second Sunday Ordinary Time - November 6, 2016

## 2016 ELECTIONS: DISCERNING YOUR VOTE

*Primary Election, August 30 – General Election, November 8*

**The right to vote carries with it a responsibility to study and know the candidates.** As citizens of faith, we are led to question how each candidate if elected will address issues that protect or threaten the dignity of every human life. There are moral and ethical dimensions to every public policy. However, issues carry different moral weight and urgency. Some involve intrinsically evil acts that can never be approved, such as the intentional destruction of innocent human life. Others involve an obligation to seek the common good. The following questions are offered to assist in discerning where the candidates stand on important issues in light of our foundational beliefs.

### How will each candidate:

- Address the preeminent requirement to protect the weakest in our midst - innocent unborn children - by restricting and bringing to an end the destruction of unborn children through abortion?
- Keep our nation from turning to violence to address fundamental problems, such as euthanasia and assisted suicide to deal with the burdens of illness and disability, the destruction of human embryos in the name of research, and the use of the death penalty to combat crime?
- Protect the fundamental understanding of marriage as the life-long and faithful union of one man and one woman and as the central institution of society; promote the complementarity of the sexes and reject false "gender" ideologies?
- Achieve comprehensive immigration reform that offers a path to citizenship, treats immigrant workers fairly, prevents the separation of families, maintains the integrity of our borders, respects the rule of law, and addresses the factors that compel people to leave their own countries?
- Ensure full respect for individuals and groups and their right to address social needs in accord with their basic moral and religious convictions?
- Help families and children overcome poverty: ensuring access to and choice in education, as well as decent work at fair, living wages and adequate assistance for the vulnerable in our nation, while also helping to overcome widespread hunger and poverty around the world?
- Provide health care while respecting human life, human dignity, and religious freedom in our health care system?
- Establish and comply with moral limits on the use of military force - examining for what purposes it may be used, under what authority, and at what human cost?
- Join with others around the world to pursue peace, protect human rights and religious liberty, and advance economic justice and care for creation?

This information based on the document *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility from the Catholic Bishops of the United States with Introductory Note*, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2015 is provided for educational purposes only and does not endorse or oppose any candidate or political party.

8/9/16

To help parishioners become informed on where candidates stand on key issues, the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops has polled those running for U.S. Congress and the Florida Legislature. To see how candidates appearing on the November 8 General Election ballots responded to the questionnaire, visit [www.flaccb.org](http://www.flaccb.org)

# Plenary Indulgence

Jubilee Year of Mercy ends November 20

On this Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy we may obtain plenary indulgences, every time we walk through the Holy Doors and enter into one of the designated Churches, Cathedrals or Basilicas. A plenary indulgence is the remission of the temporal punishment due to sin whose guilt has already been forgiven.

So how do you get an indulgence?

- 1) Make a sacramental confession
- 2) Receive the Eucharist
- 3) Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father
- 4) Have the interior disposition to detach completely from sin

Indulgences can always be applied either to oneself or to the souls of the deceased, but they cannot be applied to other persons living on earth. Plenary indulgences can be gained only once a day.

*The following churches in the Archdiocese of Miami will have a designated Holy Door: St. Mary Cathedral, Basilica of St. Mary Star of the Sea, Our Lady of Charity National Shrine, Gesu Catholic Church, St. Anthony Catholic Church, and Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church.*

## Indulgencias Plenarias

El Año de Jubileo concluye el 20 de noviembre

En este Jubileo Extraordinario de la Misericordia tenemos la oportunidad de obtener indulgencias plenarias, cada vez que entramos por las Puertas Santas en una de las iglesias, catedral o Basílica señaladas.

¿Cómo conseguimos estas indulgencias?

- 1) Haciendo una confesión sacramental,
- 2) Recibiendo la Eucaristía
- 3) Rezando por las intenciones del Papa
- 4) Tener la disposición interna de despegarnos completamente del pecado

Las indulgencias se pueden aplicar siempre a uno mismo o a las almas de los difuntos, pero nunca pueden ser aplicadas a otras personas que viven en la tierra. Las indulgencias plenarias se pueden ganar solamente una vez al día.

*Las siguientes iglesias de la Arquidiócesis de Miami tendrán una Puerta Santa designada: St. Mary Cathedral, Basilica of St. Mary Star of the Sea, Santuario de Nuestra Señora de la Caridad, Gesu Catholic Church, St. Anthony Catholic Church, y Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church.*



November  
2016

The Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated on the following dates:

ENGLISH: Sunday, November 6th, 2016  
SPANISH: Sunday, November 13th, 2016

Baptismal Preparation classes will be offered:

SPANISH: Thursday, November 10th, 2016  
Please, call the parish office for more information or to sign up.

## BTCC Teens High School Group

Weekly gatherings  
on Wednesdays  
**1:30 TO 9:00 PM**

Meetings are held  
in the 8th grade classroom

Follow us on Instagram  
@btcc teens

## ATENCIÓN

Lectores, Ujieres y  
Ministros Extraordinarios de la Eucaristía de la  
Misa en español:

Habrá una reunión con el Diácono Alemán el  
sábado 12 de noviembre, a las 11:00 am en el  
Carney Center .



**Lectores**  
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## Sanctuary Lamp Intentions:

Week of November 6th:  
 † In Gratitude for Jason Benítez  
 Requested by Aiden Díaz

Week of October 13th  
 Available

CELEBRANT	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY		
Saturday, November 5	5:00 PM	Fr. Yamil, Dc. Alemán	† Concepción Barquín	Her Children
<i>MIA Airport Chapel</i>	7:00 PM	Fr. Alfaro, Dc. Alemán	For All Travelers	Parish Priests and Deacons
Sunday, November 6	8:30 AM	Fr. Yamil, Ernie	Deceased members of the Legion of Mary	Legion of Mary
	10:30 AM	Fr. Alfaro, Dc. Inda	For the People of the Parish	Parish Priests and Deacons
	12:30 PM	Fr. Yamil, Dc. Inda	† John McWhorter †† Jaime y Gloria Pérez † Andrés Quintero † Gilberto Arteta En Acción de Gracias a Nuestra Señora Desatadora de Nudos	Su Familia Su Familia Su Familia Su Hermana, Elizabeth
	5:30 PM	Fr. Alfaro	† Thomas J. Virgin	The Knigge Family
Monday, November 7	7:30 AM	Fr. Alfaro	For Enoris Jiménez's Birthday † Marta Hermocilla † Fidel Morales	Her Family Her Granddaughter His Niece
Tuesday, November 8	7:30 AM	Fr. Thundathil	† Gilberto Bonet † Julio Más For the deceased members of the Ghalloub Family	The Blain Family Lázaro and Lucy Díaz The Ghalloub Family
Wednesday, November 9	7:30 AM	Fr. Alfaro	For Elio & Marta De Martini's 48th Anniversary For the deceased members of the Wehbe Family	Their Family The Ghalloub Family
Thursday, November 10	7:30 AM	Fr. Alfaro	For the deceased members of the Villalobos-Coto Family † Robert J. Cambert	Their Family His Family
Friday, November 11	7:30AM	Fr. Alfaro	† Jay Ranchel † Raúl Corrales The deceased members of the Rosary Group	Linda and Bill Randolph Josefina González The Ghalloub Family
Saturday, November 12	8:30 AM	Fr. Alfaro	† Luis Antonio De Araujo † María Marta Stinson † Raúl Corrales † Flora For the Guardiola Family For the newly baptized: Charlotte Rodríguez, Thomas Conley, and Luke Esquivel	His Family Her Children The Sandri Family The Dorrego Family Rose Bechamps  Parish Priests and Deacons
<i>Vigil</i>	5:00 PM	Fr. Alfaro	† José E. Bestard	José and Conchita Bestard
<i>MIA Airport Chapel</i>	7:00 PM	Dc. Inda	For All Travelers	Parish Priests and Deacons
Sunday, November 13	8:30 AM	Fr. Alfaro	† Ann Gormley	Carmen Tapp
	10:30 AM	Fr. Reeves	For the People of the Parish	Parish Priests and Deacons
<i>Español</i>	12:30 PM	Fr. Alfaro	† Alberto Otero † Debra Núñez †† Porfirio y Lesbia Por las recién bautizadas: Isabela Melton and Madeline de la Ossa	Su Familia Samantha Fajardo Ariana Fajardo  Sacerdotes y Diácono de BT
	5:30 PM	Fr. Alfaro	† Sara Howard	The De Armas-Howard Family

# JOB OPENING

Blessed Trinity Church and School have an immediate opening for a **Business Manager**. If interested, please go to [www.miamiarth.org](http://www.miamiarth.org), and click on job openings. No phone calls, please.

## GRIEF SHARE

Weekly grief support group meets on Sunday afternoons 2-4 PM at Blessed Trinity. Register at 305-871-5780. Cost for Workshop and supplies is \$18.

Sunday, November 20, 2016  
4-6PM Blessed Trinity  
School Library

### GRIEFSHARE SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

Special presentation

Grieving? Know someone who is? When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. Our *Surviving the Holidays* seminar helps participants prepare for the holidays and even discover hope for the future.

## Rediscover Catholicism

**ESPAÑOL:** Lunes 7 de noviembre en el Carney Center , 7-9PM

**ENGLISH:** Monday, November 14 in the Carney Center, 7-9PM.



ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES  
National Collection - November 5-6, 2016

This week we will support our parishioners and their families who serve or have served this Nation with distinction as members of the U.S. military. The collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA will provide the Gospel, the Sacraments, and other forms of spiritual support to the men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces wherever they serve and to veterans who are in VA Medical Centers. Please, prayerfully consider a generous contribution to this special triennial collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in 2012 and last taken in 2013.

Esta semana vamos a apoyar a nuestros parroquianos y a sus familias que están sirviendo o han servido a esta nación con distinción como miembros de las fuerzas armadas de los Estados Unidos. La colecta para la Arquidiócesis Castrense de los Estados Unidos proporcionará el Evangelio, los Sacramentos y otras formas de apoyo espiritual a los hombres y mujeres en las Fuerzas Armadas de los Estados Unidos dondequiera que ellos sirven y a los veteranos en los centros médicos del Departamento de los Veteranos. Por favor considere, en oración, hacer una contribución generosa a esta colecta especial trienal aprobada por la Conferencia de los Obispos de los Estados Unidos en el 2012 y que se llevó a cabo por primera vez en el 2013.



Thursdays - 6:00-7:30AM  
Blessed Trinity Parish Hall



Stewardship Offering for the week of 10/30/16 was \$9,555.91.  
Thank you for your generosity.

4020 Curtiss Parkway, Virginia Gardens

# Blessed Trinity FESTIVAL

COME ONE

COME ALL

November 17, 18, 19 & 20

LOTS &  
**LOTS OF**  
**FOOD!! RIDES**  
**AUCTION RAFFLES**  
**BINGO GAMES**

FOOD  
GAMES  
FUN

DJ



**50<sup>th</sup>**  
**Annual**



# November 17th, 18th, 19th, & 20th, 2016

October 3rd, 2016

My fellow Parishioners, Community Members, Alumni, and Friends,

For the past 50 years Blessed Trinity has hosted an incredible event that has brought family and friends together, created life-long memories, and helped build and maintain our very special church and school! I am honored to say that the annual parish festival would not be made possible without the generosity of our sponsors! Year after year our sponsors have stepped up and opened their hearts to support our parish and school. The funds raised help us serve the over 1200 parish families and students of our Catholic school.

Now it is your turn! Throughout this 4 day event, hundreds of people from Miami Springs, Virginia Gardens, and Medley as well as our neighboring cities of Doral and Hialeah will visit the festival. As an official sponsor this is an opportunity for you and/or your business to get the recognition you deserve. Everything you do for the school goes directly back to enhance the children's education and growth. Last year's earnings made it possible for Blessed Trinity to continue its mission to provide a high quality education through technological and other advances.

Your sponsorship will generate a positive image for you and/or your business within our community and it will go a long way in helping us build a better future for the kids.

I ask as a favor that you take a moment to look at the benefits of becoming an official sponsor. Once you have chosen the sponsorship level that is best for you, simply fill out the sponsorship form and make your check payable to: *Blessed Trinity Catholic Church* by November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016. We thank you in advance for your consideration and participation in all that you do for the community.

Grateful for your support!  
Cynthia Gonzalez & Jose "Beto" Mejia  
Blessed Trinity Festival Chairs

Any questions please contact Cynthia Gonzalez @ [Gonzalez.C@blessed-trinity.org](mailto:Gonzalez.C@blessed-trinity.org)



## Sponsorship Packages

	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Alumni	Individual
Minimum Monetary Donation	\$2,500	\$1,000	\$500	\$250	\$75	\$25
In-Kind Donations <small>(Value of items donated receipt or proof req.)</small>	\$2,500	\$1,000	\$500	\$250	\$75	\$25
\$1 Tickets <small>(Cash Value)</small>	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$15.00		
Unlimited Ride Wristbands	4 Wristbands	2 Wristbands				
Advertising in Church Bulletin and Blessed Trinity Social Media Connections	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Advertising in Food Court throughout the festival	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Multiple PA Announcements	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Listing on sponsorship sign located at festival entrance	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Reserved Parking	✓	✓				
Raffle Tickets	250 Free Raffle Tickets	200 Free Raffle Tickets	150 Free Raffle Tickets			
Legacy Lock for our Legacy Fence	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
50th Annual Festival T-shirt	✓	✓	✓			



# Blessed Trinity FESTIVAL

## Sponsorship Agreement

### November 17-20th, 2016

Name to appear on Advertising:

(Please write Legibly)

Contact Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email:

(Please write legibly)

#### Select Sponsorship Level

(Monetary)

- Platinum (\$2,500)
- Gold (\$1,000)
- Silver (\$500)
- Bronze (\$250)
- Alumni (\$75)
- Individual (\$25)

#### Select IN-KIND Sponsorship Level

(This is the value of items donated providing that a receipt/invoice is attached)

- Platinum (\$2,500)
- Gold (\$1,000)
- Silver (\$500)
- Bronze (\$250)
- Description of In-Kind Donation:

\*When complete please fax to 305-876-1755, email to [Gonzalezc@blessed-trinity.org](mailto:Gonzalezc@blessed-trinity.org), or mail to: Blessed Trinity Catholic School, Attn: Cynthia Gonzalez 4020 Curtiss Parkway, Miami Springs, Florida 33166 .

Please make checks payable to Blessed Trinity Catholic Church and write November 2016 Festival Sponsorship in the memo section.

To-date,  
Stewardship pledges total  
**\$293,527**

**To our 237 families**  
**Thank you for your Commitment!**

Hasta hoy,  
el total de las Promesas es  
**\$293,527**

Charles & Deborah Ayash  
JoAnn Bender  
Deyanira Cerón  
Pedro & Gisela Gutiérrez

Haydée Hill  
Patricia Kattan Smith  
Viola Zilio



**THANKSGIVING DRIVE DATES:**  
**November 5-6**  
**CAMPAÑA DE COLECTA PARA EL**  
**DÍA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS:**  
**Noviembre 5 y 6**

The Community Outreach Ministry at Blessed Trinity is collecting the items specified below to be donated to the Sisters of Charity, that every year prepare Thanksgiving dinner baskets for poor families. Let us help this congregation that, inspired by St. Teresa of Calcutta, helps so many in need of food and love.

Food items

Rice (small bags)  
Oil (small bottles)  
Boxed mashed potatoes  
Canned fruit  
Spaghetti sauce  
Salt, Coffee  
Canned vegetables (corn, green beans)

Other supplies

Clorox (gallon, any brand)  
Powder detergent (any brand)  
Mistolín or Fabuloso  
Paper towels  
Toilet tissue

El Ministerio de Ayuda Comunitaria esta recogiendo los artículos detallados abajo para ser donados a las Hermanas de la Caridad, que año tras año preparan canastas de Acción de Gracias para los más necesitados. Ayudemos a esta congregación que, inspiradas por Santa Teresa de Calcutta, ayuda a tantos con hambre de alimento y amor.

Comestibles

Arroz (bolsas pequeñas)  
Aceite (botellas pequeñas)  
Puré de papa en cajeta  
Frutas enlatadas  
Salsa de spaghetti  
Sal, café  
Vegetales enlatados (maíz, habichuelas verdes)

Otros artículos

Clorox (galón, cualquier marca)  
Detergente en polvo  
Mistolín o Fabuloso  
Papel higiénico  
Papel toalla

Almighty God,

As Catholic citizens of the United States, we ask for Your blessing. Impress upon us the importance of our voting privileges.

May we apply the moral teachings of our Catholic faith to the decisions we make.

We pray for ourselves and for our elected officials. May we help the unempowered and put those who are suffering before ourselves. May we be open to the promptings of Your Spirit, sensitive to Your will, and willing to seek Your grace.

Gracious Lord, have mercy on our country. Preserve us as a God-fearing nation, ever ready to profess, defend, and seek Your wisdom.

Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of our United States, pray for us!

Prayer Requests



Victoria González Baltar, Nicholas Schaffer,  
Milagros González, John Cavalier, Jr., Richard Vázquez,  
Hermes Hernández, Jimmy and Libia Restrepo,  
Antonia Esther González, Rose Bechamps,  
William and Joan Sachs, Elaine Floyd,  
Leo Alonso, Ovelinda Rodríguez, Ana María Tillit,  
Margarita Jordan, Evie Sholtis, Isabel González,  
Ruth Coward, Charles Perks, Carol Snode, Gina W.,  
Sebastián Ortíz, Prudence Highfield, Hunter Ciccarelli,  
Lydia Romero, Ron Helmke, Celeste Nápoles,  
Adrienne Nápoles Huizenga,

**Confessions:**  
Saturdays, 4-5 PM  
Sundays, 9:45-10:30 AM  
**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU**  
*Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation*

A group of our parishioners will be making home visits in our community to evangelize, invite friends and neighbors to our Parish Festival and our outdoor Mass during the Festival to celebrate the end of The Year of Mercy. This will take place during the two weeks prior to our festival.

If you can join us in this endeavor, please contact Tom Pupo at 786 271-0482 or via email at [tapupo@me.com](mailto:tapupo@me.com)



***Help us spread  
the word!***



Blessed Trinity Catholic Church will mark the End of the Year of Mercy with an outdoor bilingual Mass on Sunday, November 20, 2016.

We will be combining the 10:30AM and the 12:30PM Masses and celebrating Mass at

**11AM outside (on the Festival grounds)**

Blessed Trinity concluirá el Año de la Misericordia con una Misa bilingüe el domingo 20 de noviembre, 2016.

Combinaremos la Misa de las 10:30AM con la de las 12:30PM para celebrar una gran Misa bilingüe al aire libre a las

**11AM (en los terrenos del Festival)**