

**The Most Holy Trinity**

**May 26, 2024**

Go . . . and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

-- Matthew 28:19



**Daily Mass**

**Week of May 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>**

- Monday: 8:00 Andria Szy Kier+
- Tuesday: 8:00 Franisco Javier Pena Calero+
- Wednesday: 8:00 Intentions: Mike Fossan
- Thursday: 8:00 Special Intentions
- Friday: 8:00 Vicky Cotter+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Mike Abell, Tara Singh, Kerrie Roye, Mark Lutz, Michael Carter, Rufus Smith, Peggy Delson-Rini, Frank Rini, Pamela M., Julia and Cecilia Uyeda.

Pray also for the faithful departed, especially Don Pierre Hébert, brother of Joe Hébert. Rita Vares Jurin, mother of Gregory Jurin. Our condolences to their families.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity, which is probably the most mysterious of all the doctrines of our Faith.

I am reminded of a theology course I took in the major seminary. I spent a semester studying the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity. On the first day of class, our professor warned us that we would know as much about the Holy Trinity at the end of the course as we knew on that first day; we were not disappointed.

How can we comprehend the incomprehensible? It is difficult enough to try to understand how God works in our lives; it is almost impossible to grasp how God exists within itself.

What helps to give me some clarity in my appreciation of the Trinity is the definition I use to describe God, which comes from the First Letter of John: "God is love." Love is by definition relational. Therefore, there must be a way in which God can experience love within Itself.

Let me explain it this way: the love that exists between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit is so perfect that three distinct Beings exist as One. This is the definition that helps me to better understand the immanent relationship of the Holy Trinity.

Although I will never fully comprehend the mysteries of the Blessed Trinity, I am mindful of the words of St. Paul, "Love makes all things possible."

*Love, Fr. Leo*

**Memorial Day Holiday!**



The Parish Office will be closed tomorrow, May 27<sup>th</sup>, in honor of Memorial Day! We will re-open on Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. Have a wonderful and safe holiday weekend!

**MEMORIAL DAY**

**Today's Readings!**

**First Reading** -- The Lord is God in the heavens above and on earth below (Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40).

**Psalm** -- Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** -- You received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!" (Romans 8:14-17).

**Gospel** -- Baptize them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:16-20).



The Parish Family of Corpus Christi has been increased and enriched through the recent baptism of:

**Kendall Irene Starkey**, daughter of Teresa Diehl and Joseph Starkey.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!

Weekly Collection	Plate
May 12, 2024	\$7,537.00
Catholic Charities	\$1,885.00
May 19, 2024	\$8,412.00
Catholic Communications	\$1,124.00

**Impenetrable!**

The same fence that shuts others out shuts us in.

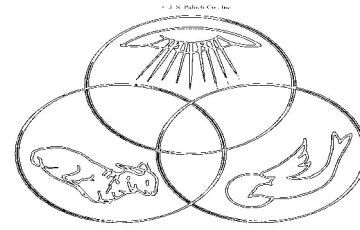
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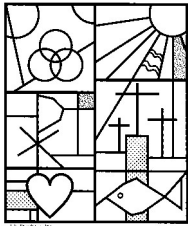
**The History of Memorial Day!**

Tomorrow, Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, is Memorial Day. The observance of Memorial Day began shortly after the American Civil War. Its purpose was to honor the war dead of both North and South. As time passed and the United States fought other wars, Memorial Day began commemorating lives lost in all military conflicts. Let us remember on Memorial Day those who have died for our Country!



**Readings For The Week  
May 27<sup>th</sup> -- June 1<sup>st</sup>**

- Monday: First Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9; Psalm 111; Gospel Mark 10:17-27
- Tuesday: First Reading 1 Peter 1:10-16; Psalm 98; Gospel Mark 10:28-31
- Wednesday: First Reading 1 Peter 1:18-25; Psalm 147; Gospel Mark 10:32-45
- Thursday: First Reading 1 Peter 2:2-5, 9-12; Psalm 100; Gospel Mark 10:46-52
- Friday: First Reading Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Responsorial Psalm Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Gospel Luke 1:39-56
- Saturday: First Reading Jude 17:20b-25; Psalm 63; Gospel Mark 11:27-33



**The Trinity is Love!**

Theologians throughout the Christian centuries have spilled much ink (and, on occasion, some blood) in describing and defining the mystery of the Holy Trinity. One of the earliest, most poetic and beautiful descriptions comes from St. Augustine in *De Trinitas*, wherein he describes the Trinity as One (the Father) who loves, One (the Son) who is loved and One (the Spirit) who is love. And these three Ones are also one Three.

It might be wisest for us to leave the technical wranglings to the academic theologians, and focus on the fact that the three Persons of the Trinity are indeed persons; they are best known and understood in their love for each other and for us. We are made in the image of those loving persons, and our best relationships are lived out in the context of love. Truly loving relationships are inexhaustible mysteries to be lived in joy. If this is true of our human relationships, how much more so is it true of our relationship with the Trinity. And, how much more does it call upon us to be joyful, loving witnesses of the holy mystery of the One-in-Three. This is the mystery to which we were called when we were chosen to be God's own, baptized with water in the name of the Holy Trinity.

**The Mystery of the Blessed Trinity!**



Today we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. The Church sets aside this Sunday to focus our attention on the mystery of the Blessed Trinity, God who is one, but three persons -- Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The first reading from Deuteronomy emphasizes both God's awesome greatness and amazing nearness. It might seem beyond belief, but the God of all creation speaks to us, protects us and guides us. The second reading from Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans describes how we are to relate to the three persons who are one God. We are led by the Spirit to meet God the Father as adopted children. Our adoption is such that we are even heirs with our brother, Christ, the second person of the Trinity, in whose sufferings we must also share. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks with his authority as God, and sends us to teach and baptize in the name of the Trinity.

**Treasures From Our Tradition!**

Even though the Easter season has drawn to a close, today's feast still basks in the glow of Easter's twilight. To believe that we are made in the image and likeness of God -- a God whose inner life is described in terms of community -- is to recognize that we are in relationship with one another. In the language of the liturgy, we do not each stand alone before God, but constantly affirm this truth in the very words of our prayers. "We believe, we offer, we ask you," we say, or "have mercy on us, hear us, listen to our prayer," and in preparation for Communion, we pray the perfect prayer to "Our Father." To be baptized is to enter into the life of a community of faith. Nowhere is this sense of community more focused than at Sunday Mass, when we respond to the love of the Father by being together in Christ, embraced by the Spirit, for the sake of the world. Today has been called an "idea feast," and impossible to grasp fully. Yet as the readings today explore, the Trinity is not a concept traced like a triangle on a blackboard. It is the air we breathe, the sign we trace on our bodies as a pledge and promise of God's love.

**Memorial Day!**

Your silent tents of green  
We deck with fragrant flowers;  
Yours has the suffering been,  
The memory shall be ours.

-- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow