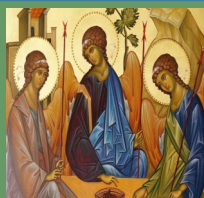


# SAINT ANNE PARISH

20 Boston Road Southborough, MA 01772

## ST. ANNE PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of St. Anne Parish, Southborough, in the Diocese of Worcester are called through Baptism to become one faith family. We commit ourselves to embody the presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament; by using our ministries to welcome all who are seeking Jesus and to share in the life and work of our Catholic faith. In the spirit and truth of the Holy Trinity, we will use our time, talents and treasure to answer God's command to love one another as He has loved us, in holy worship, prayer, Catechetical formation for all, evangelization and service to others.



**Most Holy Trinity Sunday, Year A**  
**June 4, 2023**

### Lord's Day Mass Schedule:

Saturday ~ 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday ~ 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.  
(5:30 p.m. resumes in the fall.)

### Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m.  
First Fridays: 9:00 a.m.

### Healing Mass:

First Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

### Confessions:

Saturday ~ 4:15 p.m.,  
between Sunday morning Masses, weekdays at 9:30 a.m., First Wednesday of each month ~ 6:30 - 7:00 p.m., or anytime on request

### Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesdays: 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Call the Parish Office to schedule a Baptism. Baptisms are celebrated during a scheduled Mass.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements with a priest required at least one year prior to the wedding date.

### Visitation of the Sick

Fr. Albert is pleased to bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are unable to join us for weekly worship. Call the Parish Office to arrange a time.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son..."  
(John 3:16)

Is your love conditional? Is there a price others have to pay to receive your love and forgiveness? Are you generous with your time, skills, money and possessions? If you give someone something, do you expect something in return? Do you give your time freely or do you "fit it in" when it's convenient for you? God desires a personal relationship with us so much that He gave us His Son, unconditionally! Pray for a grateful and generous heart.

### Office Hours:

Monday ~ Thursday  
9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Friday ~ 9:30 a.m. to noon  
Telephone 508-485-0141  
Fax 508-460-0181

E-mail: [stanne403@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:stanne403@stannesouthborough.org)  
Web: [www.stannesouthborough.org](http://www.stannesouthborough.org)

Pastor: Fr. Albert Irudayasamy  
[fralbert@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:fralbert@stannesouthborough.org)

Parish Council: Nancy Denardo ~ Chair

Finance Committee: Rich Flathers ~ Chair

Director of Religious Education: Rachelle Carmony  
[rachelle@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:rachelle@stannesouthborough.org)

Parish Office Manager: George Stagno  
[stanne403@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:stanne403@stannesouthborough.org)

Bookkeeper: Nancy Denardo  
[nancy@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:nancy@stannesouthborough.org)

### Music Ministry

Choir Director: Paul Crivello 508-366-0821  
[pcrivello04@gmail.com](mailto:pcrivello04@gmail.com)

- Saturday 5:00: John Arnold
- Sunday 8:30 and 10:30: Paul Crivello
- Sunday 5:30: Kathy & Matt Bernier

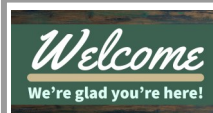
Maintenance: Matt Bernier  
[mbern@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:mbern@stannesouthborough.org)

Webmaster: Amy Buttiglieri  
[webmaster@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:webmaster@stannesouthborough.org)

PARISH  
CONTACT  
INFORMATION

*Would you like to receive a copy of the bulletin via email every week?*

*Please send an email to: [stanne403@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:stanne403@stannesouthborough.org) with "St. Anne Bulletin List" in the subject line.*



We welcome all visitors to St. Anne Parish. If you would like to join our faith community, please call the Parish Office to register: 508-485-0141

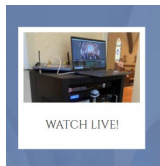
# PARISH MASS INFORMATION AND MINISTRIES

## St. Anne Parish Livestreamed Daily and Weekend Masses

### Livestreamed St. Anne Masses

**ALL St. Anne Mass offerings will now be livestreamed:  
5:00 p.m. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday, and  
9:00 a.m. daily Masses through website!**

- Go to parish webpage:  
[www.stannesouthborough.org](http://www.stannesouthborough.org).
- Scroll down and click on "Watch Live!" box.
- Scroll down to "eCatholic Live" box.
- Click on the arrow in the middle of the logo at 5:00 p.m. for Saturday evening Mass, 8:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. for Sunday Mass, and 9:00 a.m. for daily Masses Monday through Thursday and first Fridays.



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### WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

with **MASS INTENTIONS** (June 3, through June 11)

<b>SATURDAY 3</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	For John and Joan Misener by Donna and Melissa
<b>SUNDAY 4</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	For all the recent graduates
	<b>10:30 am</b>	For parishioners of St. Anne
<b>MONDAY 5</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	For Kathleen White by her sister
<b>TUESDAY 6</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	For parishioners of St. Anne
<b>WEDNESDAY 7</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	St. Joseph by Garden Family
<b>THURSDAY 8</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Sylvia Quenstedt by Lyda
<b>SATURDAY 10</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Marilou Legaspi Alvarado by Claudia Alvarado and family
<b>SUNDAY 11</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	For parishioners of St. Anne
	<b>10:30 am</b>	Paul Brodeur by Family



### Codex of the Sacred Tilma Presentation

Will Goodman, a former member of the Servants of Our Lady of Guadalupe, will be presenting on the Codex of the Sacred Tilma in the Parish Hall after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, June 4.**

**Everyone is invited to attend.**



The Three Hearts Apostolate will be **offering coffee, refreshments, and treats immediately following the 10:30 Mass on June 4**, before the Codex of the Sacred Tilma Presentation sponsored by the Franciscans.

## Liturgical Minister Schedule

*To be trained, please call the Parish Office*

### **June 3 & 4 - Trinity Sunday, A**

<b>Sat 5:00 pm</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Deborah Sanford</b>
	<b>Communion Minister</b>	<b>Laura Schroeder Debbie Simon (cup) MaryBeth P-H (cup)</b>
<b>Sun 8:30 am</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Elaine Yetman</b>
	<b>Communion Minister</b>	<b>Nancy Denardo Doris Campero (cup) Elaine Yetman (cup)</b>
<b>Sun 10:30 am</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Joe Cruciani</b>
	<b>Communion Minister</b>	<b>Pat Draper Joe Cruciani (cup) Seminarian (cup)</b>
	<b>Collection Counting</b>	<b>Raymond/Draper/ Garden</b>

### **June 10 & 11 - Corpus Christ, A**

<b>Sat 5:00 pm</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>MaryBeth P-H</b>
	<b>Communion Minister</b>	<b>MaryBeth P-H Debbie Simon (cup) Laura Schroeder</b>
<b>Sun 8:30 am</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Ellen Kluge</b>
	<b>Communion Minister</b>	<b>Doris Campero Nancy Denardo (cup) Seminarian (cup)</b>
<b>Sun 10:30 am</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Jim Garden</b>
	<b>Communion Minister</b>	<b>Joe Cruciani Seminarian (cup) TBD (cup)</b>
	<b>Collection Counting</b>	<b>Raymond/Draper/ Garden</b>

### May 27 & 28, 2023

<b>Saturday - 7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Sunday - 8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Sunday - 10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Sunday - 5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Saturday - 7:30 p.m. Streamed</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Sunday - 8:30 a.m. Streamed</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Streamed</b>	<b>14</b>

**Mass Attendance**



### Building Committee Update

The paving of Walker St. has begun as of June 1. Paving should be complete by Monday, June 5.

### Sunday Evening Mass Schedule Change

The 5:30 p.m. Sunday Mass and Sunday evening Adoration will be suspended for the summer. Both will resume on **Sunday, September 10.**



# PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND STEWARDSHIP

## Our Father's Table - Thank You



Dear Ryan, Amelia, Tommy, and Libby,  
Thank you for your help distributing meals to the patrons of Our Father's Table!

Your gift of time and service means so much and is such a visible sign of God's love shared.

## Help Spread the Word

Please help spread the word about Religious Education - especially if you know of families who may have lapsed due to Covid, sports or other distractions. Our program is very flexible for families.

Please also consider joining this ministry as a teacher or assistant, it is a wonderful way to practice the works of mercy. Our DRE Rachelle will be in the hall after Mass to answer any questions you may have.



## Capital Campaign Update

Phase One



Total Goal: \$2,000,000.00  
Total Pledges to Date: \$2,045,601.95  
Payments Received to Date: \$1,006,982.81  
Number of Families Pledging: 162 families (35%)

*Thank you again for your ongoing support!*

## St. Anne Parish Pre-K through Grade 10+ Religious Education Class Registration



Online registration for next year's Religious Education (RE) classes is now open!

To register for 2023-24 RE classes/sacramental preparation classes, or to learn more about the Faith Formation program at St. Anne's, please click [here](#), go to the parish website, or contact [rachelle@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:rachelle@stannesouthborough.org).

2023-24 RE dates will be posted by June 1.

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORTS FOR

Through May 28, 2023

Regular Weekly Offering: ..... \$2,545.00  
Capital Improvement: ..... \$ 45.00  
Ascension of the Lord: ..... \$ 30.00  
Blue Pay: Regular thru 5/28: ..... \$520.00  
WeShare: Regular thru 5/28: ..... \$ 75.00

**Online Giving:** WeShare allows both onetime gifts, as well as regular, scheduled donations. Please visit our Parish website [www.stannesouthborough.org](http://www.stannesouthborough.org) for the link to WeShare.com or call 1-800-950-9952 and use option 1 to answer any questions.

**St. Anne's Website:** We have an **additional resource for online giving and online CE registration.** St. Anne Parish partners with **eCatholic and BluePay** for easy on-line giving. Our one-step on-line form allows both one-time gifts, as well as regular, scheduled donations. Please visit our Parish website [www.stannesouthborough.org](http://www.stannesouthborough.org) and select the Quick Link to the BluePay On-Line Giving page.

Thank you for your generous support!



Like a properly fitted sail, the gifts make us attuned to the wind of the **HOLY SPIRIT.**

## Join the Paraclete Sailing Club

July 3-7 & 10-14

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

*Open to youth ages 10 and up who can swim 50 yards.*

Club members will meet at St. Anne Church and go as a group to practice sailing in Boston.

Learn the basics of sailing, and how the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, infused in our soul at Baptism, are like sails, blown by the wind of the Holy Spirit.

**SPOTS ARE LIMITED, PLEASE SIGN UP SOON**

To sign up or for more information, please contact:  
[rachelle@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:rachelle@stannesouthborough.org)

## Partners in Charity Appeal 2023-2024

2023-24 Parish Goal: \$76,000.00

Amount Raised As of 5/19/23: \$64,290.00  
(84.59% of amount goal - 65 donors)

Can we reach the goal of 100 donors?  
No gift too big or too small...



## Happy Birthday Fr. Albert!



We wish you a wonderful birthday. May God give you the power, courage, knowledge, and wisdom to continue propagating His words to mankind.  
St. Anne Community

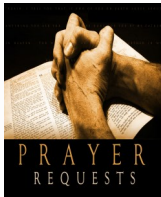


# PARISH RELIGIOUS NEWS AND EVENTS

## Scholarship Award for 2023

The Parish would like to congratulate Caroline Hodi and Lauren Plank for receiving the inaugural Scholarship Award for 2023. There will be a celebratory coffee hour after the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday June 11th where the scholarships will be awarded.

All parishioners are invited to attend to offer their congratulations. We will also be drawing the winning raffle tickets at the coffee hour.



## **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Sr. Yvette, Fr. Thirburs F. Millot, Thomas Chemmanur, Janet Mattioli, Tim and Diane Higgins, Dave Lemoine, Laval "Val" Provencher; Father Conrad Peceovich, Michael Philbin-Pelland, Jamie Farley, Jim Garden, Brookie Sullivan, Beth Stephens, Susane Crioppa, Peter Bradstreet, Rob Germeroth, Michael, George Stagno, Steve Buttiglieri, Kevin Sanford, Cecilia Lynch, Catherine, Joy, Walter McClain, Frances Robertson, Nick Paganella, Raphaela

To have a name placed on or removed from the prayer list, contact the Parish Office.

## First Saturday Devotion

This Saturday's 5:00 p.m. Mass (First Saturday in June) is dedicated to the Blessed Mother.

The rosary will be prayed at 4:30 p.m. before Mass, and again, immediately following Mass. A 15 minute meditation will follow each rosary.



## Seminarians visited St. Anne

On the Feast of the Visitation of Mary, 12 seminarians of our Diocese visited our community. They prayed Vespers in Latin and socialized in the Rectory afterwards.

Please, continue to pray for vocations!



## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CL) is canceled during the summer. It will resume in September at the Sunday 10:30 a.m. Masses.



## Baby Crib Quilts

Beautiful baby quilts blessed by Father Albert and sewn by Sandy Callinan are available in the Parish Office for sick infants and children in need of healing prayers.



## United Parishes of Southborough Food Pantry

c/o Pilgrim Church  
P.O. Box 281, 15 Common Street  
Southborough, MA 01772

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

508-485-4847



### Food Items

- Coffee (regular - unflavored)
- Cranberry juice
- Capri Sun juice pouches
- Pancake syrup (regular & sugar free)
- Chicken broth
- Cheez-Its
- Relish
- Cookies

### Health and Household Items

- Dish detergent
- Cleaning supplies
- Baby wipes

### Gift Cards for Diaper Buy

- Walmart
- Target
- Walgreens
- CVS

## A big THANK YOU for all Food Pantry donations.

As most food items are date sensitive, please be sure that your donation is not out of date. Donations may be left in the foyer of the parish hall. If you know of anyone who could benefit from the Food Pantry, please encourage them to come. Pantry hours (located at Pilgrim Church) are Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 p.m. and Fridays from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

## Weekly Adult Discussion Group

A weekly Discussion Group meets on Wednesdays from 6:05 to 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Discussion is on *The Catechism in a Year (with Father Mike Schmitz)* available on familiar podcast apps.

Attend any Wednesday you are available.

The discussion group will be facilitated by *Three Hearts Apostolate* members who are available to answer questions:

- \* Gerry Levins, [gerard@levinstaxlaw.com](mailto:gerard@levinstaxlaw.com)
- \* MaryBeth Philbin-Hannigan, [mbphilbin@gmail.com](mailto:mbphilbin@gmail.com)
- \* Debbie Simon, [dsimoninc@gmail.com](mailto:dsimoninc@gmail.com)

## Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

Prayer Shawl meets Mondays from 10:00 to noon to knit/crochet/weave for anyone who is ill or suffering who might welcome a blessed prayer shawl.

Do you or someone you know need a prayer shawl? Stop by the Parish Office during office hours to select a shawl. Free will donations collected for shawls are sent to our sister parish in Haiti to aid their rebuilding.



*The Rosary portion of the Prayer Shawl meetings is live streamed via the parish website starting at 10:30 a.m. Password: shawls*

## Preventing Child Abuse is Everyone's Responsibility

It is every adult's moral responsibility to protect possible victims (any age) by reporting suspected abuse or neglect to the responsible authorities. For help you may call: The Office for Healing and Prevention, Diocese of Worcester, at 508-929-4363. The Diocese of Worcester requires Safe Environment training for all staff and volunteers.

# PARISH AND DIOCESAN NEWS AND EVENTS

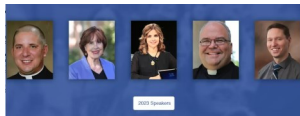
## Worcester Catholic Women's Conference

The next Women's Conference will be on **Saturday, October 7, 2023.**

All women are invited to the Worcester Catholic Women's Conference, "Male & Female He Created Them", to be held at St. Joseph School in Webster.

Hear dynamic talks from Catholic leaders, Dr. Deborah Savage, Dr. Christopher Klofft, Fr. Derek Mobilio, Fr. Colin Blatchford, and Patricia Sandoval. Diocesan priests will hear confessions and there will be many interesting exhibitors. Bishop McManus will celebrate Mass.

For more information and to register, visit our website at [www.wcwconference.com](http://www.wcwconference.com) or call Corinn Dahm at 508-277-3969. Seating is limited, register early!



## St. Thomas More Law School Scholarship

Each year the St. Thomas More Society of our Diocese awards a scholarship, around \$3,000, to a law student attending an accredited law school in the fall.



Applicants or parents must be registered and active members of a parish in the Diocese of Worcester.

Applicants may be in any year of law school studies.

Applications may be obtained by visiting the diocesan website, [www.worcesterdiocese.org/st-thomas-more-society](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/st-thomas-more-society), by mailing requests to: St. Thomas More Society, Chancery Office, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609 or by calling Joan DeMasi at 508-929-4345. **Applications are due June 15, 2023.**

Should anyone wish to contribute to the scholarship fund, donations will be greatly appreciated.

## Quo Vadis Retreat Registration

Registration is open online for the annual Quo Vadis Days retreat. Quo Vadis Retreat is a 4-day overnight camp for young Catholic men of high school age (13-18) to deepen their faith, grow in virtue, learn more about all vocations, and better discern God's calling in their lives.

For more information, contact Father Donato Infante at [dinfante@saintpaulknights.org](mailto:dinfante@saintpaulknights.org) or visit [vocationsboston.org/event/8th-annual-quo-vadis-retreat](http://vocationsboston.org/event/8th-annual-quo-vadis-retreat).

## Pope Francis Prayer Intentions

June 2023

### **For the abolition of torture**

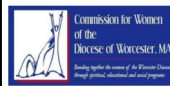
We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



## Save the Date for Mini-Retreat for Women

The Commission for Women of the Diocese of Worcester invites you to join us for a Mini-Retreat for Women on **Saturday, October 28, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at St. Anne Parish Hall, 130 Boston Turnpike, Shrewsbury, MA. This retreat will be led by Sarah Hart, a leading figure in contemporary Catholic music today.

Further information and a registration form may be found at [worcesterdiocese.org/2023-morning-retreat-invitation](http://worcesterdiocese.org/2023-morning-retreat-invitation) or



you can contact the Commission at [worcestercommissionforwomen@gmail.com](mailto:worcestercommissionforwomen@gmail.com) or Susan at [susanzybert@gmail.com](mailto:susanzybert@gmail.com)

## Diocesan Summer Youth Events

The Diocesan Youth Ministry Office will once again be offering a number of summer programs and activities for youth in middle school and high school!

This includes the Diocesan summer volleyball league (**registration deadline – May 26!**), trips to an aerial adventure park and whitewater rafting, a summer Bible study for high schoolers, and a series of middle school hangout nights.



For complete details or to sign up for any of these offerings, go to [www.neworchester.org/other-events](http://www.neworchester.org/other-events) or contact Tim Messenger, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry at [tmessenger@worcesterdiocese.org](mailto:tmessenger@worcesterdiocese.org) or at 508-929-4360.

## Volunteers Needed—Birthright of Hudson-Marlboro

Volunteer Opportunity! Birthright of Hudson Marlborough, serving pregnant women and babies in our community for almost 50 years, needs volunteer friendship councilors.

We especially need volunteers who speak Spanish and/or Portuguese in addition to English, to meet with our many non-English speaking mothers. The commitment is 2-4 hours per month and training is provided.



Please join us in this mission of love. Contact Birthright: 508-481-2055, or [birthrightofhm@gmail.com](mailto:birthrightofhm@gmail.com)

## Thank you to HB Printing

A huge thank you goes out to the Hostage family of HB Printing in Framingham and Northborough for their support in printing the parish bulletin for us every week at no cost.





# The Codex of the Sacred Tilma

The holy Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe tells the story of salvation. Contemporary research into the Tilma reveals many symbolic expressions of the Gospel offered in a way that both the Aztecs and Europeans could understand.

Learn about the “codex,” i.e., the *sacred story* hidden within the beloved miraculous image of the Virgin Mary!

**Will Goodman** has been a full-time pro-life missionary for 37 years, and a rescuer with Red Rose Rescue since 2017. He received his B.A. in Philosophy from the University of Illinois, with a minor in religious studies; his M.A. in Theology from Ave Maria University; and a Certification in Bioethics from the National Catholic Bioethics Center in Philadelphia. He was a member of the Servants of Our Lady of Guadalupe from 1998-2015.



**A presentation by  
Will Goodman**

**Time:**

**Sunday, June 4**

**After the 10:30 a.m. Mass**

**Place:**

**St. Anne Parish Hall**

**Everyone is invited!**

## READINGS FOR TRINITY SUNDAY, YEAR A

### READING I Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9

#### A reading from the Book of Exodus

Early in the morning Moses went up Mount Sinai as the LORD had commanded him, taking along the two stone tablets.

Having come down in a cloud, the LORD stood with Moses there and proclaimed his name, "LORD." Thus the LORD passed before him and cried out, "The LORD, the LORD, a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity." Moses at once bowed down to the ground in worship. Then he said, "If I find favor with you, O Lord, do come along in our company. This is indeed a stiff-necked people; yet pardon our wickedness and sins, and receive us as your own."

*The Word of the Lord.*

### READING II 2 Cor 13:11-13

#### A reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the holy ones greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

*The Word of the Lord.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56

#### R. Glory and praise for ever!

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers, praiseworthy and exalted above all forever; And blessed is your holy and glorious name, praiseworthy and exalted above all for all ages.

#### R. Glory and praise for ever!

Blessed are you in the temple of your holy glory, praiseworthy and glorious above all forever.

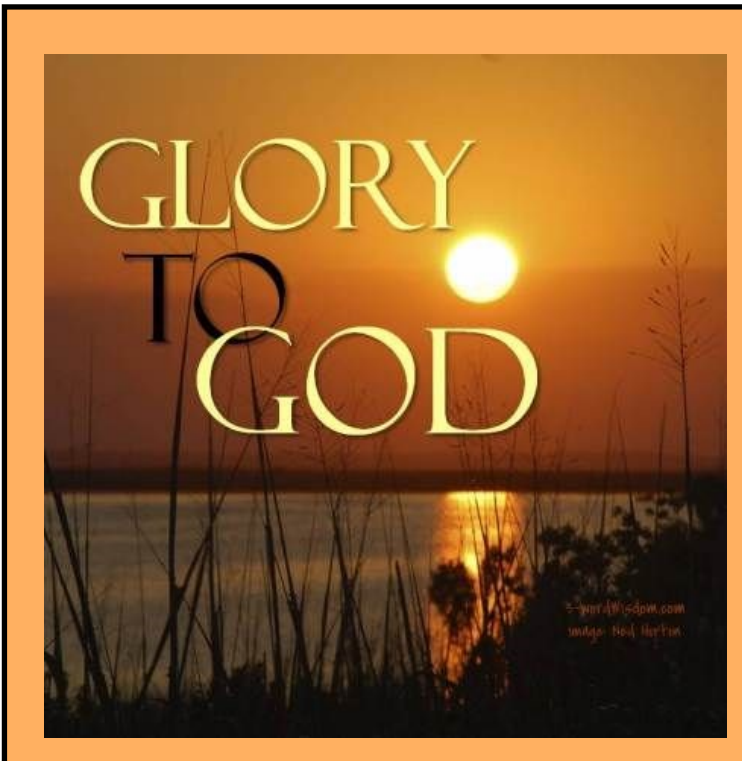
#### R. Glory and praise for ever!

Blessed are you on the throne of your kingdom, praiseworthy and exalted above all forever.

#### R. Glory and praise for ever!

Blessed are you who look into the depths from your throne upon the cherubim, praiseworthy and exalted above all forever.

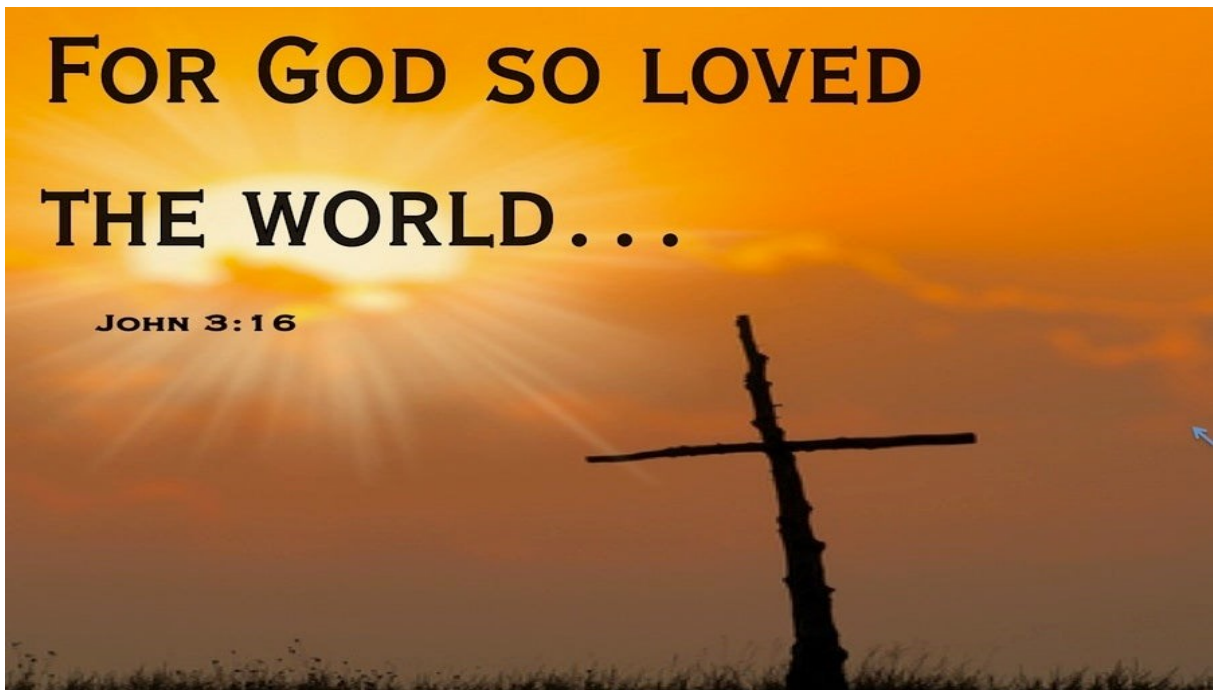
#### R. Glory and praise for ever!



#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.



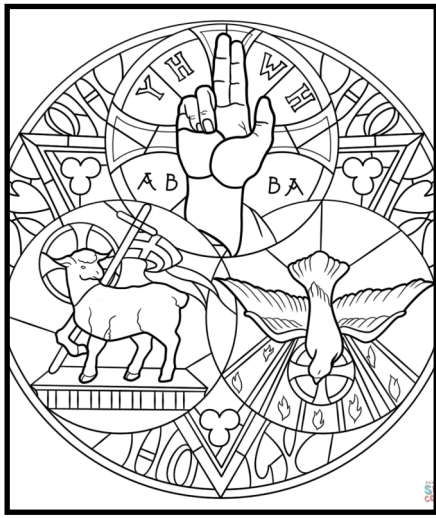
**GOSPEL Jn 3:16-18**

**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John,**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish  
but might have eternal life.  
For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,  
but that the world might be saved through him.  
Whoever believes in him will not be condemned,  
but whoever does not believe has already been condemned,  
because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

*The Gospel of the Lord.*





God Is For Everyone

Trinity Sunday, A

June 4, 2023

Reading I: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9

Responsorial Psalm: Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56

Reading II: 2 Cor 13:11-13

Gospel: Jn 3:16-18

On this feast of the Most Holy Trinity, otherwise known as Trinity Sunday, each reading points to different aspects of God's identity. The first reading recounts the glimpse of the creator God whom Moses encountered on Mount Sinai: a "merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness

and fidelity." Paul's Letter to the Corinthians reminds us of the gifts that each person of the Trinity has to offer us: "the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit." In the Gospel reading, John tells us of a God who loves us so much that he allowed his Son to leave his side and come into our world to experience human life. The Gospel passage begins with the famous verse referenced on placards in the crowds at popular sporting events: John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." Martin Luther, the force behind the Protestant Reformation, called this verse "the Gospel in miniature." Note that John's view of God's love and desire for salvation extends to the entire world. God so loved all of humanity that he sent his only Son, not "God so loved the Jews," or the "early Jewish-Christians," or the "Christians" who came after the Resurrection. This was a new way of thinking for many believers in Jesus' time who were locked into a mindset of an "in group" and an "out group." Even today, many religious traditions can be very exclusive. If you are in the "out group" there isn't much chance of working your way into the "in group" except through exacting work. This passage suggests differently. God wants all people to be saved, and God will welcome all who live in the light (as John goes on to explain a few verses later). God didn't send Jesus to condemn anyone, but some people choose against Jesus and God, thereby "condemning" themselves. God doesn't act as a judge; individuals choose for themselves to accept or reject God. .

Questions of the Week ?

- 1) What does verse 3:16 mean to you: "For God so loved the world..."?
- 2) Which way of thinking do you tend to lean toward—believing that God is our judge or that we choose our own eternal destiny by how we choose to live our lives? Please explain



Put the words in alphabetical order. Then transfer the letters in the boxes to the lines below.

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# God Sent His Son

Jesus was teaching Nicodemus about God. What did He say?

Use the chart below to figure out the missing letters. The number given is the total of the vertical and horizontal numbers, so you may have more than 1 choice.

Here is an example:  $\frac{5}{5} = O(3+2)$  or  $W(4+1)$



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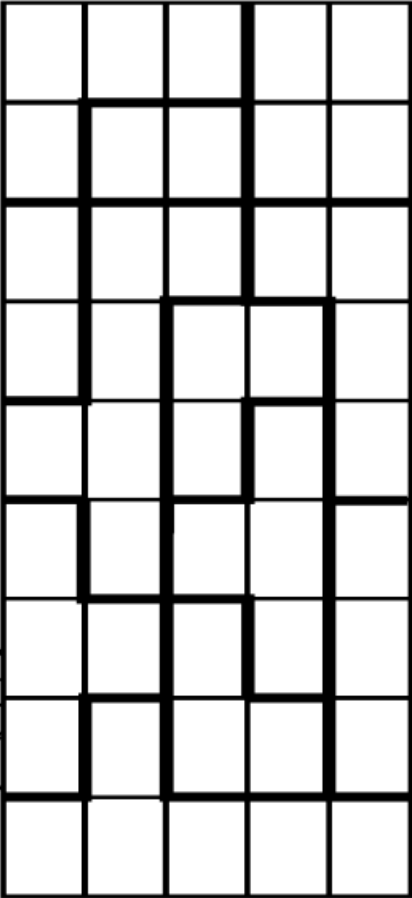
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