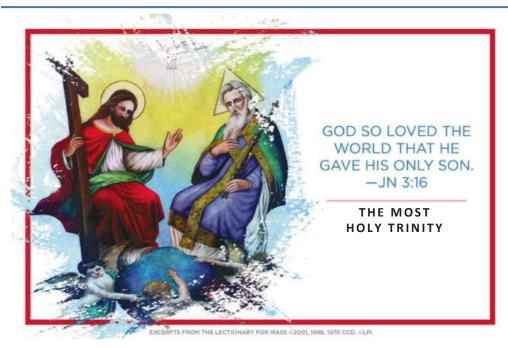
June 4, 2023 Early Publication Deadline THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



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In alphabetical order: Trevor Ankaitis, Henry Bakota, Zoe Charles, Michael Coffey, Connor Cormier, Michael de Castro, Mathijs Dirven, Mary Fanslaw, Lauren Fantino-Dyer, Mia Hanuska, Bryan Hearney, Luke Hinson, Kristofer Kusalo, Dean Lally, Christopher Malin, Molly Malin, Wade Marquez, Cole Mason, Angelina McCloskey, Alexander McCloskey, Declan McInerney, Maddox Mercado, Collin Murphy, Harper Sagall, Max Sroka

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

At Mount Sinai, the Lord revealed himself to Moses as merciful, gracious, kind, and faithful. *Do you see these positive traits in yourself?*

Second Reading:

In the closing remarks of his second letter to the Corinthians, Paul encouraged the believers in Corinth to live in peace and love with one another, modeled after the grace, love, and fellowship of our Triune God. Where do you think you most need to show peace and love with others this week?

TODAY'S READINGS

Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9; (Ps) Daniel 3; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18

Gospel:

Jesus taught his disciples that God loved the world and desired to save the world by offering believers eternal life. *How do you think believers having eternal life saves the world?*

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REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY LIFE, THE UNIVERSE, AND EVERYTHING

Why does God love us so much? And why are we able to love others? The answer to these questions is found in the meaning of today's feast. Trinity Sunday celebrates not so much an idea of three-in-one as the relationship of the Persons of the Trinity with each other and with us.

The idea is that the Father expressed himself as the Word. Since it was a perfect expression, the Word is his Son and equal to the Father. The love of Father and Son is expressed as the Holy Spirit. Being a perfect love, it too is equal to Father and Son. So even the idea of the Trinity is based on love. But God's love was so great, God went even further. God created us to be loved by God.

In the second reading Paul blesses the Corinthians with the "love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit." The book of Genesis (3:18) says that it was not good for man to be alone. So God created woman, and through man and woman all humanity, to be able to love each other. Though human love is not perfect, the love of man and woman can produce another person, a child. The three Persons of the Trinity share one life in God. But through baptism, we also share in God's life. Just as parents love to see how their children look like them, so God loves to see the divine in us.

The first reading reminds us of God's closeness to humanity. Moses can speak to God and God responds by granting his request. The Gospel tells how much God loves the world, that God's own Son was sent to die for us. But we sometimes forget that God's love comes first. We think that the more loving we are, the more God will love us. But love comes from God (1 John 4:7–11), so when we love someone it doesn't make God love us more; we love because God loves us first. Our decision to love is a response to God's love, and our ability to love is itself a gift from God. The meaning of life, the universe, and everything is Love, the love of the Trinity for each other and for us. The question now is, how well do we use that gift of God's love by loving each other?

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun	6/4	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; (Ps) Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18
Mon	6/5	St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 12:1-12
Tue	6/6	St. Norbert, Bishop Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-9; Mk 12:13-17
Wed	6/7	Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-5b, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mk 12:18-27
Thu	6/8	Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 12:28-34
Fri	6/9	St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10; Mk 12:35-37
Sat	6/10	Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; (Ps) Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7-8; Mk 12:38-44
Sun	6/11	THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	6/5	8:30 am	Eva Tomko †
Tue	6/6	8:30 am	Marisela De La Riva (healing)
Wed	6/7	8:30 am	Louis Bruno †
Thu	6/8	8:30 am	Ed Kelly †
Fri	6/9	8:30 am	Eli & Hannah (special intention)
Sat 6	6/10	8:30 am	Karla B. Shaw †
		5:00 pm	Leslie Richter †
Sun	6/11	9:00 am	Judy Aitken (birthday)
		11:00 am	Alice Akers †
		5:00 pm	Patrick King †

OUR FASCINATING FAITH DEPICTING THE HOLY TRINITY

The first Sunday after Pentecost, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This dogma concerning the reality of God is the key to understanding the truth of our Christian faith. The God of Israel is revealed to us as Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier in the life and mission of Jesus Christ. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Father sent his Son as Savior of the world. In a way that we can scarcely comprehend, these three Persons are only one God.

The doctrine of the Most Holy Trinity is a mystery of faith. It is not easy to understand, much less to imagine or portray the Trinity in sacred art. Nevertheless, many artists have tried to paint symbolically the truth of the Most Holy Trinity. In numerous images artists imagine the Father carrying Jesus on the cross and breathing the Holy Spirit over him in the form of a dove. In other representations, the Father and the Son are depicted as enthroned together above the clouds, breathing the Holy Spirit into existence. The wings of the dove are touching the lips of the Father and the Son, recalling the words of the Creed that it is the Holy Spirit "who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified." In some images the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are shown in heaven receiving humanity, represented by Mary. Whatever the image, they all seek to express the inexpressible, profound truth of the Most Holy Trinity.

-Friar Gilberto Cavazos-González, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc



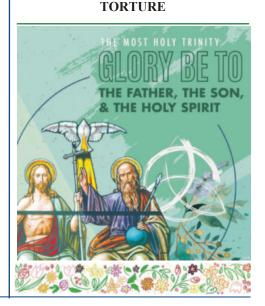
ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe you are really here in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love you more than anything in the world, and I hunger to receive you.
But since I cannot receive Communion at this time, Feed my soul spiritually. I unite myself to you now, as I do when I actually receive You in Holy Communion. Amen.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

On this Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are reminded to encourage one another, to show affection and support. Can we do it? Can we do it in our daily interactions, in our families? Can we even do it on social media?

> Pope Francis' Universal Prayer Intention: June FOR THE ABOLITION OF



FAITH IN ACTION

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"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son..."

John 3:16

Is your love conditional? Is there a price that 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 Stewardship with a grateful and generous heart.



Please pray with us for our parishioners, family and friends.

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers: Chuck Blalock; Valerie Bruno; Julio Emberto; Carol Rakich; Frances Corpuz; Sharon Lyndon; Ederlina Nacion For those who have recently died:

Ed Kelly; Anna Miceli; Delores Simone; Lorreene Giansiracusa; Terry Harper; Bishop PJ McGrath; Elizabeth "Betsy" Doyle; Donald McNeil; Sara Babarczy; Robert Hapgood Cowden

Members of our parish family who are in the military, hospitals, nursing homes, shut-ins and all who have no one to pray for them.



St. Vincent de Paul has a very active conference at St Mary's! We meet every 2nd Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass in the Parish Office Conference Room. Please see us on the parish website under at **stmaryslg.org/st-vincent-de-paul**

Anyone interested in our work helping the unhoused and working poor in our

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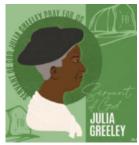
TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

The liturgy seems reluctant to return to Ordinary Time from the joys of Easter, and so the festivities extend to today's celebration of the mystery of God's relationship to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Gospel today centers the question of our relationship with God in the struggle of Nathaniel to believe that it is possible to experience "rebirth" in the Spirit. The answer of Jesus is that God's response to the messes of this world is the mystery of saving love in Jesus Christ and the outpouring of an empowering Spirit.

Western church architecture often tops a church building with a spire, indicating humanity's reach to a transcendent God. The Eastern Church responds with onion-shaped domes, indicating the Spirit's being poured down upon humanity precisely at this locale, the gathering of the faithful for the Divine Liturgy. This familiar design encodes a great mystery: here, at the Lord's table, we experience the outpouring of the Spirit for the life of the world. Nathaniel came to Jesus by night, since he was still working out the meaning of his life. A life attuned to the inner life of the Trinity must always be given to the light of day.

-Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

SAINT OF THE WEEK: SERVANT OF GOD JULIA GREELEY



Servant of God Julia Greeley was born into slavery in Hannibal, Missouri. Julia did not know her own birthday and exact age or the full names of her parents. It is thought she may have been born around the year 1840. She was freed from slavery in 1865 when the state of Missouri passed their own Emancipation Proclamation. This was 2 years after two years after Abraham Lincoln passed the Emancipation Proclamation of 1863. After being freed from slavery she eventually landed in Denver, Colorado working a variety of jobs and caring for the city's poorest residents.

Her particular devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus led her ministry all over Denver. She became an active member of the Secular Franciscan Order in 1901, committing her life to live simply, love God, and think of all people as her brothers and sisters. Of her many ministries in the city, one was to enlist countless Denver firefighters into a devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and what she coined as the

Firefighter's Prayer Union — an organization that still exists today.

Julia died on the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. After her death she was found to be severely arthritic. This surprised those who knew her because she had never complained of the pain that she was likely suffering while she walked miles and miles in service to those in need. She is now lovingly known as Denver's Angel of Charity and, due to her cause for canonization being opened in the Fall of 2016, her remains were transferred to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Denver, in 2017. She is the very first person to be interred in the Cathedral.

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FAITH FAMILY GROUP - A LOOK BACK ON THE YEAR

The 8th Graders led us in a review of this years FFG assemblies and a great overview of the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary. Each group then prayed a decade of the rosary for the 8th Grade class and their upcoming adventures!





SCIENCE WITH MRS. DEANE

TK continued with their Force Olympics this week in Science. The challenge for this week was to save Tiny Town from a rolling boulder by changing it's direction and force.





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