

Most Holy Trinity Sunday

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Your Stewardship of Treasure
730 registered families

The week ending May 24 , 2009

Sunday Offering 130 envelopes 4,725.00

Children's Offering 3 envelopes 3.00

Sunday Offering loose cash 2,015.61

6,743.61

Missa Cantata 1,187.35

Ascension Collection 972.00

Change Jar: 24.20

YTD: 785.54

Sign-ups for Vacation Bible School will be after all Masses this weekend, June 6th-7th. In addition, forms are available on the table in the hallway. Unfortunately, due to space limitations, we will *not* be offering a preschool program this year. Rising Kindergarten through 5th grade children are invited to participate. ***Thank you for your patience and understanding! "Crocodile Dock, Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light"***, June 22nd-26th from 9:00am to 12noon. We are looking for teen helpers (raising 6th graders and up) as well as young-hearted adults to help as volunteers. Please contact Danielle Mathis 704-541-0858 for questions or more information.

Bulletin Deadlines are 12noon:

Sunday, June 14th is due Tuesday, June 9th.

Sunday, June 21st is due Tuesday, June 16th.

Atria Merrywood is inviting all seniors of our parish to a breakfast on Tuesday, June 9th at 9:00am call 704-523-4949 speak to Erin for details.

Fr. Reid's homilies are on the website:
www.stannsparish.org

June 7, 2009



Dear Parishioners,

During this time of the year when we make a transition from the Easter Season to Ordinary Time, our liturgical calendar is filled with many important feasts and solemnities that honor our Lord. This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, offering us the opportunity to reflect upon the triune reality of our God. Next weekend we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), in which we give thanks to our Lord for the magnificent gift of the Eucharist. And on Friday, 19 June, we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which is the very font of our Lord's love and mercy.

As we did last year, we will celebrate Corpus Christi next weekend with a bi-lingual Eucharistic procession after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. This procession will go around our parish property, stopping at three different outdoor altars for benediction. I would like to especially invite our first communicants to come dressed that day in their first communion outfits and lead our procession. Corpus Christi processions are an old and venerable tradition in our church, so please plan to attend this beautiful event!

Lastly, I want to thank all of you for your generosity with the memorial brick sale. At last count we had sold over 200 bricks! Not only do these bricks help to pay for the furnishings in the new church, but they will help to build a beautiful prayer garden for us!

In the love of Jesus and Mary,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Fr. Reid". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "R" and "D".

Fr. Reid

"Fr. HoLung & Friends" of Missionaries of the poor will be performing a musical of ISAIAH in Charlotte at the Halton Theatre. Father Henry will be here to speak to St. Ann's June 20th and 21st at the Masses. Tickets and CD's will be sold after Mass. Performances are August 1st at 2:00pm and 7:00pm. Also August 2nd at 3:00pm. All proceeds will benefit Holy Innocents Center for Pregnant women in Jamaica. Come and experience this award winning production. Adults \$30, Students/Seniors \$20. For more information and to also buy tickets call the Halton Theatre 704 330-6534 or the local MOP office 704-999-6354. Also order tickets at MOP website: www.missionariesofthepoor.org.

Please find the latest status of our Church Transformation below

Stained Glass Window: *We have only 3 windows left!* If you are interested, please contact Father Reid.

Building Update: We have made dramatic progress over the last four weeks! The roof is on and the steel framing is nearly complete. We are racing to “Dry-In” our new church so that the interior work can begin. When we have achieved that, we will schedule another tour. With all the rain, our schedule has been delayed somewhat. Once we have completed “Drying-In” the church the final schedule will be much clearer and our contractor can work to catch up for the days we’ve lost.

Building Update Capital Campaign Committee

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Through the intercession of St. Ann we humbly place our plans for the building of a new church before our Lord: seeking unity within our diversity, the increase of faith within our fears, the blessing of wisdom in our deliberations, and the mind of God in our decisions.

Immigrant Window Update. In memory of all of our immigrants that dedicated their lives serving and working in this country. For those who have pledged, thank you for your financial contribution! If you have not participated yet, please consider your financial support to honor our immigrants, ancestors, friends, and/or loved ones that have given their lives serving in this country, frequently working in the most life threatening of physically demanding jobs, helping to build this great country. Might the Lord open the gates of heaven for them! Mark your checks on the memo line “immigrant window” and send to the church office. Call Esteban Cardoso at 704-733-7532 for details. (Received: 14,951.86 – as of 05/17/09).

Please pray for: (in our parish): Don Millard, Maggie Bernard, John Nunes, Joan and Richard Knechtle, Ryan Nguyen, Mimi Gibson, Katie Sloan, Gerry Buening, Gladys Cavallone, Elizabeth and Danny DeHority, Gerald Dugan, Jane Grist, Richard P. Morency, Kate Mulkey, Helen Norton, Bill Prall, Jo Prall, Dolly Ballaro, Odette Ramsey, Alice Roth, Nellie Lopez, Catherine Silverthorne, Cecilia Gaffney, Louis Pagan, Mary Murphy, Geraldine Hossenlopp, Ana Troppoli, Bill Hall, Jeff Edmond, Mary Ann Conrad, Virginia Doman and Catherine (Kitty) McEnery.

(and among our relatives and friends: Ernest Rains (Delrio family), Angela Moliere (friend of Deborah Robert), Jack Broxterman, Janet Foss (mother of Bonnie Wheeler), Shannon McNelis, Maryanne Dale, John J. Eichorn, and Phillip D. Scruggs (friends of Charles Williams), Ruth Faure (friend of Nancy Tota), Luke Wenzl (nephew of Pat and Jim Rebol), Deanna Case (mother of Brenda Eckmair), Patty Hunter, (daughter of Margaret Hunter and sister of Karen Ponischil), Pat Bryant (sister of Kathy Karr), William Grist (husband of Jane Grist), Jerry Eish and Roy Wheeler (father of Scott Wheeler).

Please pray for our friends who are incarcerated: Tony Abernathy, Kevin Wilbur, Kyle Aranjó, Aaron Estes, Kirk Silvia, and Aimee Porter.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John (Jack) O’Neill parishioner, who died May 28, 2009.

Masses

Sunday, June 7, 2009

2nd Collection Capital Needs and On Going Improvements
Food Collection
8:00am Mass Intentions of the Kurts family
10:30am Mass +Thomas Tomeny
by Kathy Reardon
12:30pm Mass Intentions of our parish family

Monday, June 8, 2009

7:00am Mass +Frederick Basil
by Derek Gray

Tuesday, June 9, 2009

7:00am Mass

Wednesday, June 10, 2009

5:00pm Holy Hour
6:00pm Latin Mass Intentions of Jennifer and Justin Schumacher
by the Liberto family

Thursday, June 11, 2009

7:00am Mass +Delores Minkin
by Derek Gray

Friday, June 12, 2009

8:30am Mass +Mrs. Regina Day
by Lorraine and John Pope

Saturday, June 13, 2009

3:00pm Confessions
4:30pm Mass +Michael (Mark) Forman
by William Heckmueller

Sunday, June 14, 2009

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Corpus Christi
8:00am +Helen Llewellyn
by Mike And Sherri O'Connor
10:30am +Leslie (Les) Kurts
by Tara and Richard Harris
Procession after 10:30am Mass
In celebration of Corpus Christi
12:30pm Intentions of our parish family

Monday, June 15, 2009

7:00am Intentions of Willie McDonnell
by the Trumm family

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

7:00am Mass
7:00pm Healing Service

Wednesday, June 17, 2009

5:00pm Holy Hour
6:00pm Mass Intentions of Margaret and Richard Kennedy
by the Rothe family

Thursday, June 18, 2009

7:00am Mass Intentions of Lori Ugram
by Mary Pat Anthony

Friday, June 19, 2009

8:30am Mass +Joseph and Frances Ferrall
by Annette Whaley

Saturday, June 20, 2009

3:00pm Confessions
4:30pm Mass Intentions of our parish family



Just a reminder! If you have not yet made your pledge to the Diocesan Support Appeal please consider doing it this week. As good stewards, we are all called to share our gifts. Please be generous in your sharing.

The next Baptismal Preparation class will be September 13th at 9:00am. Please call the church office to sign up for this class.

Please keep all of our servicemen and servicewomen in your daily prayers.

LT Michael P. Bernard, Jr., USN,
Louis Cragg, US Navy,
Todd MacDonald 1st class Petty Officer,
US Navy, Ted MacDonald Sgt. US Marines,
Richard Beard A.F. National Guard Master Sergeant,
Austin Timm Montana National Guard,
Corp. Justin David Schoonover

The 2nd Collection this weekend is for our Capital Needs and On Going Improvement Collection.

The Allen Center Schedule

Sunday, June 7th

9:00am Bible Study
2:00pm Choir
3:00pm Hmong
6:00pm Youth
6:30pm Men's Club

Monday, June 8th

6:00pm Dance Group
6:00pm AA/NA
7:30pm World Rosary

Tuesday, June 9th

9:00am Ceramics
6:00pm Dinner

Wednesday, June 10th

5:00pm Holy Hour
7:30pm St. Vincent de Paul Society meeting
7:30pm Boy Scouts

Thursday, June 11th

7:00pm Bingo

Friday, June 12th

8:30am Mass
7:30pm Spanish rosary

Saturday, June 13th

8:00am Carmelites
9:00am AA/NA
9:30am Ceramics
2:00pm Blue Knights
3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, June 14th

9:00am Bible Study
Corpus Christi Procession after the
10:30am Mass

Monday, June 15th

6:00pm Dance Group
6:00pm AA/NA
7:30pm World Rosary

Tuesday, June 16th

9:00am Ceramics
7:00pm Healing Service

Wednesday, June 17th

5:00pm Holy Hour
7:00pm VBS meeting
7:30pm Boys Scouts

Thursday, June 18th

7:00pm Bingo
7:00pm Rehearsal

Want to know more about Pro-life issues from abortion to understanding stem cell science all in the context of our Catholic Faith? Then please help yourself to a **FREE** copy of *Celebrate Life* magazine. You can find them on the table in the hallway outside of Church. Read it then pass it on to a friend!

All pro-lifers and their families are invited to attend the "NRLC 2009- Stop the Abortion Agenda" being held at the Blake Hotel in downtown Charlotte June 18-20, 2009. This is the premier pro-life event of the year where nationally known speakers, Kate Adamson, Wesley J. Smith, Michael Clancy, and Father Tadeusz Pacholczyk among others will be featured speakers. Topics presented at the 72 workshops and 5 General Sessions will include abortion, rationing of health care, euthanasia, assisted suicide, and stem cell research among others. To register or for other information, call 800-392-6275 visit www.stoptheabortionagenda.com/convention.

At the heart of stewardship is the ability to grow in our faith commitment. It is a growth that asks us to recognize the richness of the simplicity of recognizing what is really important in our lives.

-Archbishop Thomas Murphy



St. Ann's Women's Society. Mission: Catholic women providing a light to our parish and surrounding community by service, prayer and fellowship. *"lighting up the community one hand at a time."* All women of our parish community are welcome. Meetings are the first Monday of the month at 7pm in the Allen Center Library. For information email stannwomen@gmail.com or call Chris Brunhuber at 704-540-9252.

The St. Ann's Women's Society and the Circle of Hope are collecting food for the pantry of the Presbyterian Children's Hospital. They are in need of individually wrapped snacks for the children and their families such as chips, crackers and cookies.

St. Ann's Youth Group
(Middle and High Students)
6:00 – 8:00pm

Calling all parents and chaperons! Our Youth Group needs you to help this summer on Sundays and for next year to help with our Youth Group. Call the church office if you want to help with our youth. Our Youth need you!

Dr. George Raad and the Metrolina Medical Research would like to invite you to participate as a volunteer in one of the Clinical Research Studies; High Cholesterol, Hypertension, Diabetes, Depression, Migraine headaches, Arthritis of the knee, Epilepsy, Crohn's Disease, and others. Call 704-527-6672 or 704-940-1842 (Spanish). www.pmg-research.com/metrolina.

Come join our **Ceramic Group** Tuesdays 9:00am and Saturdays 9:30am. Call Bob at 704-523-1182.

World Rosary, Monday, June 8th at 7:30pm. Please call Ann Layman at 704-525-3519 for location. All are invited to attend.

Please do not leave anything in your cars, the police have told us there seem to be a lot of car theft and car break-ins in this area. Please stay alert!

Faith Formation Schedule:

Faith Formation: Sign-ups will take place on Sunday, September 13th at 9:00am. This is also the first day of class. Please come with your child and his or her baptismal certificate.

Children's Liturgy for children ages 4-8 **will meet again in the fall.** Watch the bulletin for details.

First Communion pictures and banners are in the Church Office.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Fr. Timothy Reid – November 2009. Enjoy a once-in-a-lifetime spiritual pilgrimage to Israel this November with Fr. Timothy Reid! This pilgrimage will take you to see all of the important places that our Lord knew during His life on earth. Trip highlights include: Nazareth, Capernaum, the Sea of Galilee, the Mount of Beatitudes, Bethlehem, and all that Jerusalem has to offer. The 11-day pilgrimage leaves from Charlotte on November 9th and returns November 19th. Trip cost is \$3199, which includes round-trip airfare from Charlotte, first class accommodations, breakfast & dinner daily, taxes and tips. Brochures can be found on the table in the hallway. For more information or to register, call George's International Tours at 800-566-7499.



Giving of our time, talent and treasure is not about giving until it hurts. Rather, it is about giving until you feel good about what you have given.

A big, "THANK YOU" to all the women who completed the survey and returned it to either the Church Lobby or Church Office and a request for you ladies that have not completed the survey to please do so ASAP. We want to plan for the activities for the fall and into 2010 and your suggestions are most valuable. If there is something you would like to participate in or even lead, please let us know. Thank you again and we will have the results as soon as possible.

CALLING ALL PARISHONERS, NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS: Mark your calendars now for the FEAST OF SAINT ANN, JULY 26TH. We would like to celebrate with a Picnic and Tailgate Party after the 4:30pm Mass on Saturday, July 25th. There will be more information coming but we would like to see every "ZIP-CODE" within the Parish represented. This could be a great time before the new Church is dedicated and the Annual Carnival is held. So plan ahead!

Change Jar: YTD \$785.54

Catholic Social Services Charlotte Regional Office needs volunteers to help in the food pantry. Opportunities are immediately available to volunteers with sorting, stocking and helping staff in assessing client needs. Please email Geri King at glking@charlottediocese.org.

Petition to Help Pregnant Women Choose Life: Bishop Burbidge and Bishop Jugis need your help in convincing our state legislators to allow the Choose Life license plate to be made available in NC. Helping is as simple as a few clicks on your internet. An online petition has been created by the Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship and can be found at <http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/ncchooselife/> No contribution is necessary and petition names will not be used for any other purpose. **IMPORTANT:** If you prefer not to receive further notifications from this petition website, please be sure to remove the green check from the box that appears above the "Sign Petition" box. If you do not wish to make a contribution to the petition website, simply leave the website after you click the "Sign Petition" box. Please consider signing the petition and let your friends know about the petition as well. Without your help, the Choose Life license plate will never be passed by our Legislature.

Join us to pray the Rosary to stop abortions at the Hebron Abortion Clinic off South Blvd. Every Saturday at 9:45am.

Charlotte Catholic High School is doing a Book Drive for invisible children to help the children in Uganda. There is a big box in the hall way for you to drop books in, thanks for your help.

In today's Gospel and reading from the letter of St. Paul we hear of the gift of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. In our devotional life we make the sign of the cross and recite the "Glory Be" as an expression of our faith as a Trinitarian people. But what does it mean for Christian stewards to accept in a practical way the experience of God in this three-fold gift? Is it a call to share our own life in community, with compassion and love, and to work for healing, justice, peace and unity? Is it an invitation to invite others into fellowship with us in the unity of the Father, Son and Spirit?

Check out the Lighthouse Media selection!



St. Ann's School News

Visit the website at

www.stannscatholicschool.com

**Wednesday, August 19th
First Day of School**

Come for a Night of Healing Prayer after the Latin Mass on Tuesday, June 16th. Contact Carolyn Franks at 704-544-3153.

Charismatic Prayer Group of St. Matthew's invites you to every third Monday of the month (the next one is Monday, June 15) at 7:30pm in the chapel. CHLT5NC@aol.com.

Young adults in their 20s and 30s interested in meeting others in our community come and check out our growing young adult group.

For more information or to join please contact Christina Hinton at christina.hinton@gmail.com or check our group out on Facebook, Vinney's DOC.

St. Gerard's Club. Missions: To pray for women who are pregnant or seeking to become pregnant. To provide free meals (cooked by parish volunteers) for women who have recently given birth. If you wish to receive prayers concerning pregnancy or to receive meals when you give birth, or if you are available to cook meals occasionally throughout the year, please contact Katherine Lauer at 704-447-7322 or katherinetlauer@gmail.com.

Good St. Gerard, powerful intercessor before the throne of God, pray for us.

The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother. -St. Therese of Lisieux

His Excellency, Bishop Peter J. Jugis, will celebrate a **Mass for U.S. military personnel** on Sunday, July 5, 2009 at 3:00pm at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick in Charlotte. The Mass and rosary (to be recited at 2:30pm) will be offered for all military personnel who have died and for those who are now serving. All military personnel are invited and encouraged to come in uniform. Photos of those who have died or who are now serving in the military will be displayed in the Cathedral. To include your loved one, please mail a color photocopy or black/white photocopy of them with their name and military rank on the back of the photo to Mrs. Nancy Weber, Office of the Bishop, 1123 South Church Street, Charlotte, NC 28203 to be received no later than July 1, 2009.

(Photocopies of pictures will not be returned.)

Catholic Book Store! The Carolina Catholic Corner is proud to let you know that the ever growing Catholic population in the Charlotte area now has a place to shop for books, gifts and art work that celebrates our beautiful Faith. Carolina Catholic Corner has opened its doors for business. We are located **inside** the Ace Hardware Store in the Cheshire Place Shopping Center at 3716 WT Harris Blvd near where Sugar creek crosses Harris. This is a most unusual location but one that has already shown great blessings for both ACE and CCC! Carolina Catholic Corner is owned by the Bond Family. Call Allen Bond – store manager at 704-562-5001. We look forward to assisting you.

Help Wanted: During these difficult economic times, some members of our parish family have lost their jobs. Others are facing an uncertain future. You may be able to help! If you or anyone you know is looking to hire, please consider those within our church family first. Contact Marcy in the office for names and numbers of those currently searching for employment. (Please be sure to contact the church if you would like your information to be included on this list.)

Career Search Series at the Dowd YMCA
www.ymcacharlotte.org.

Introductory Session for Creighton Model FertilityCare System There will be introductory sessions of the Creighton Model FertilityCare System at 7:30pm on Thursday, June 18 at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church in Fort Mill, SC for anyone looking for a natural and drug free approach to monitoring fertility and/or natural family planning. Call Trisha Brown, at 803-554-6569.

“St. Paul on Questions of Human Life, Marriage, and Society” will be presented by Fr. Joseph Koterski, S.J., Ph.D., (Fordham University Philosophy Department) on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, July 1st and 2nd, from 6:30-8:30pm in the Media Center of Our Lady of Mercy Church, 1730 Link Road, Winston-Salem, 21727. (Sponsored by the Respect Life Program and Office of Justice and Peace of Catholic Social Services. Please call 704-370-3228 or e-mail sabeason@charlottediocese.org to register. For more info, go to: www.cssnc.org.

Married Couples: Give your marriage a well-deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy. Sign up now for the June 12th -14th, 2009 Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend being held at the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC. Register on line at www.wwme-nc.info. You may also contact Tom and Emilie Sandin at emilieandtom@yahoo.com. 336-274-4424.

The second **Senior Summit of 2009** will be held on Wednesday, June 10 from 9:30am – 12:30pm at the Levine Jewish Community Center on Providence Rd. This **FREE** event will feature presentations on **Alternative Medicine – Is it for you?.** The Summit is sponsored by The Shepherd’s Center of Charlotte. Presenters include Dr. Michael Meehan, Chiropractor and Dr. Nelsa Andersson Ciapponi, Naturopath as well as Phyllis Nadel, Hypnotherapist, Geri Karr, Reflexologist and Annelle Wilder, Music Therapist. Please contact The Shepherd’s Center, 704-365-1995 or www.shepherdscharlotte.org to sign up today.

Shining Stars Adult Day Respite is a not-forprofit organization helping families dealing with memory loss. They provide relief for the caregiver and activities and friendship for the care receivers. Meeting times are: Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:00am at St. Gabriel Catholic Church. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am at Sardis Presbyterian Church. They provide support groups for caregivers dealing with a memory loss family member. They are free and open to the public. Meeting times are: The last Monday of each month at 10:00am at St. Gabriel Catholic Church, Room E in the Ministry Center. The 3rd Tuesday of each month at 1:30pm at Sardis Presbyterian Church. Bereavement Group now meets the last Wednesday of each month at 1:30pm at St. Gabriel Catholic Church Room, E in the Ministry Center. Shining Stars Adult Day Respite is in need of volunteers. They meet from 10:00am –3:00pm at St. Gabriel on Mondays and Wednesdays. Also Tuesdays and Thursdays at Sardis Presbyterian Church. Call Suzanne Bach at 704-376-4135.

The Shepherd's Center of Charlotte is looking for a few good men and women. Would you like to volunteer to drive seniors to their medical appointments? Our seniors are very appreciative and this service is critical to helping them stay in their home environment. Please call for more information, 704-365-1995.

Volleyball Camps at Charlotte Catholic High School: 5th through 7th graders camp is July 13th- July 16th. 8th through 9th graders camp is July 13th- July 17th at a different site. The camps are run by Tim Leary Coach at CCHS and Bettie Berry Coach at MPHS. Call 704-301-7572 for details.

O'Donoghue Classmates plan a Reunion: Graduating classes 1950-1954 are invited to a Reunion on September 11th, 12th and 13th, 2009. For details contact: Mary Ann Frantz at 704-523-1466, Jeri Gertzman at 704-846-0894, Jerry Berry at 704-544-8386, Mary Manion at 704-544-7076 or Francis Dunn at 731-664-3018.

The Most Holy Trinity June 7, 2009

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*

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF OUR FAITH

Today is a day simply to ponder the fact that in baptism we were claimed by God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The first reading from Deuteronomy prompts us to fix in our hearts the truth that God is the Lord of both heaven and earth and there is no other god. Saint Paul reminds us that, because we received the Spirit of adoption in baptism, we are now children of God. In the Gospel Jesus charges us with the responsibility to make other disciples. These realities make today's solemnity a day of praise, adoration, and responsibility. It is a fitting day to thank God for the absolutely free gift of faith that we were given in baptism. It is also a day to ask God for strength to take on the responsibility of sharing that faith with others.

TRUE RICHES

They are rich enough who are poor in Christ.
—St. Jerome

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord is God in the heavens above and on earth below and there is no other (Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40).

Psalms — 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).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7; Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Mt 5:20-26
Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37
Sunday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116; Heb 9:11-15
Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

OUR SACRIFICE

Let us offer Christ the great universal sacrifice of our love. For he offered his cross to God as sacrifice in order to make us all rich.

—St. Ephrem

MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS



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COWARDLY

To know what is right and not to do it is the worst cowardice.

—Confucius

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the great treasures of the Eastern tradition is the icon of the Holy Trinity by the Russian iconographer Andrei Rublev in the 1400s. The Trinity is symbolized by the three travelers to the tent of Abraham and Sarah. They are seated at a table blessing a cup of wine, under the oak of Mamre. If you look closely, you will see a sacrificed calf in the chalice, reminding the viewer of the cross. The table, prepared for eating and tilted toward the viewer, is an invitation to the Eucharist. From left to right, each figure is keyed to a person of the Trinity. Like all icons, this image is theology in art. The persons are equal in proportion and dignity, they all carry staffs to symbolize their power, and are shown with golden wings and halos. Today, the best place to see Rublev's work is the Holy Trinity Cathedral, at the heart of the vast Holy Trinity monastery about an hour from Moscow. After decades of persecution, it is now once again a living monastery, a world heritage site, and the spiritual home of Russian Orthodoxy. A Google visit is highly recommended today!

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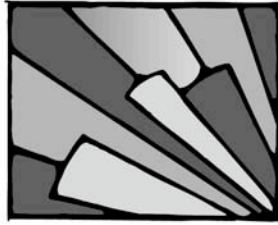
SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity;
Orthodox Pentecost
Monday: Tenth Week in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: St. Ephrem
Thursday: St. Barnabas
Saturday: St. Anthony of Padua

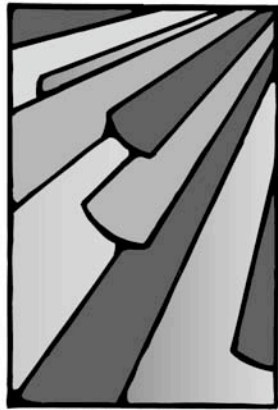
HONESTY

The most important person to be honest with is myself.

—Anonymous



God so
loved the
world
that he
gave his
only
Son



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The Most Holy Trinity

MYSTERY SOLVED?

The scriptures for this feast give us important clues to help us grasp, if not solve, the mystery of God. In the reading from Exodus God's name is revealed to Moses. God is "the LORD, a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity" (Exodus 34:6). Thus, unimaginable as it may be, the Lord of the whole universe cares intimately for humanity and treats us always with merciful love. In fact, the Gospel tells us that God "so loved the world that he gave his only Son" that we "might have eternal life" (John 3:16). And that is not the end of God's loving-kindness. The reading from Second Corinthians reminds us that "the God of love and peace" (2 Corinthians 13:11) is in our midst when we live in love and peace. God shares divine life with us by pouring out the Holy Spirit of grace, love, and holiness into the community of those who believe.

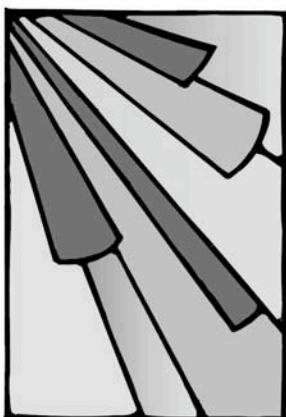
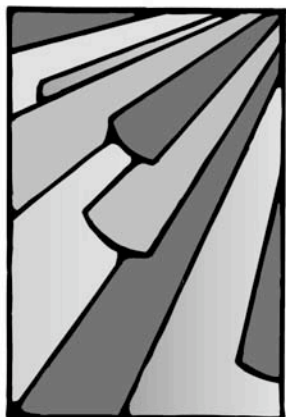
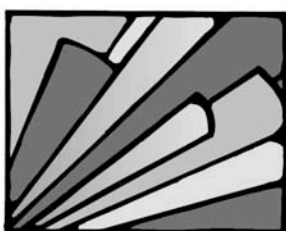
MYSTERY LIVED!

While we can never fully understand the mystery of God, we do receive clues to the nature of God through our *experiences* of God moving in our lives. And those experiences reveal to us that what the scriptures say is true. Little by little we realize with awe that God is indeed the Lord of the universe, creating and ordering all that is good. We recognize with humble gratitude the ways in which Christ's immense love has saved and brought us to life. Finally, we experience with joy the Holy Spirit alive in the community of believers, filling us with a love and peace that could only come from God.

The mystery of the Trinity is meant to be experienced, believed, and lived. And we ourselves are called to be living clues that reveal to others the mysterious love of the Most Holy Trinity. How are you being called to reveal the mystery of the Trinity more fully in your life?

Today's Readings: Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9; Daniel 3:52-55; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18

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Tanto amó
Dios al
mundo,
que le
entregó
a su Hijo
único

La Santísima Trinidad

¿MISTERIO RESUELTO?

Las Escrituras para esta fiesta nos dan importantes pistas para ayudarnos a entender mejor, aunque nunca a resolver, el misterio de Dios. En la lectura del Éxodo el nombre de Dios es revelado a Moisés. Dios es “el Señor, el Señor Dios, compasivo y clemente, paciente, misericordioso y fiel” (Éxodo 34:6). Por lo tanto y por más increíble que nos parezca, el Señor del universo entero cuida íntimamente de la humanidad y nos trata siempre con un amor misericordioso. En realidad, el evangelio nos dice que “[t]anto amó Dios al mundo, que le entregó a su Hijo único” para que el mundo “tenga la vida eterna” (Juan 3:16). Y ése no es el fin de la bondad de Dios. La lectura de 2 Corintios nos recuerda que “el Dios del amor y de la paz” (2 Corintios 13:11) está entre nosotros cuando vivimos en amor y en paz. Dios comparte con nosotros la vida divina al derramar el Espíritu Santo de la gracia, el amor, y la santidad sobre la comunidad de aquellos que creen.

¡VIVAMOS EL MISTERIO!

Aunque nunca podamos comprender totalmente el misterio de Dios, sí recibimos pistas sobre la naturaleza de Dios cuando *experimentamos* a Dios en nuestra vida. Y esas vivencias nos revelan que lo que nos dice la Sagrada Escritura es cierto. Poco a poco comprendemos con asombro que Dios es sin dudas el Señor del universo, que crea y ordena todo lo que es bueno. Comprendemos con humilde gratitud la forma en que el inmenso amor de Cristo nos ha salvado y nos ha otorgado la vida. Finalmente, vivimos con alegría la presencia del Espíritu Santo en la comunidad de creyentes, y esta presencia nos llena de un amor y una paz que sólo puede provenir de Dios.

El misterio de la Trinidad debe ser experimentado, creído y vivido. Y nosotros mismos somos llamados para ser pistas vivientes que revelan a los demás el misterioso amor de la Santísima Trinidad. ¿De qué manera eres llamado para revelar más plenamente el misterio de la Trinidad en tu vida?

Lecturas de hoy: Éxodo 34:4b–6, 8–9; Daniel 3:52–55; 2 Corintios 13:11–13; Juan 3:16–18
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Harto rico es el que es pobre en compañía de Cristo.
—San Jerónimo

LA RESPONSABILIDAD DE NUESTRA FE

Hoy es un día para reflexionar sobre el hecho de que en el Bautismo, Dios Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo nos hizo hijos suyos. La primera lectura del Deuteronomio nos insta a anclar en nuestro corazón la verdad de que Dios es el Señor del cielo y de la tierra y que no hay otro dios. San Pablo nos recuerda que, al haber recibido el Espíritu de adopción en el Bautismo, ahora somos hijos de Dios. En el Evangelio Jesús nos encomienda la responsabilidad de encontrar más discípulos. Estas realidades hacen de la solemnidad de hoy un día de alabanza, adoración y responsabilidad. Es un día apropiado para agradecerle a Dios el generoso regalo de la fe que recibimos en el Bautismo. También es un día para pedirle a Dios fortaleza para asumir la responsabilidad de compartir esa fe con los demás.

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