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Glory Be To God...
Father, Son and Holy Spirit

TRINITY SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2021

Matthew 28:16-20 "Identity"

Matt. 28:18-20 "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."



HOLY TRINITY
SERIES

THE HOLY TRINITY



If we take a look at our self, each human is made up of a mind, a body, and a soul, and yet we are still only one person.

A fire has flames, heat, and light, but yet it is still just one fire.

When you hear a person's speech, you are hearing three things - his words, his thoughts, and his voice, yet it is still one speech.

GOD - the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Three Persons, yet One God in Trinity. The Holy Trinity.

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Dear Padre

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I unsuccessfully tried using a clover to explain the Trinity to a non-Catholic relative. She says the leaves are separate and share a single stem, so it doesn't mean they're one entity. How can I help her understand?

Legend tells us St. Patrick used a shamrock to speak about the God who is one and three, but that doesn't mean everyone will find the clover imagery convincing. It took hundreds of years, many arguments, and multiple Church councils to refine the basic outline of orthodox Christian belief in the Trinitarian nature of God. So, it's no great shock that you can't easily break it down into convincing sound bites for a resistant relative.

You should concentrate on the way humans came to know the Trinitarian God, how we have encountered the God who is at once Father, Son, and Spirit in the events of history and revelation. In sharing the way Christians have gradually understood what we do about the nature of the God who saves us, you can speak of how that understanding leads us to pray. Perhaps you can relate the Trinitarian concept to something more recognizable: the idea of a father and son, and the spirit of love that exists between them and also pours from them.

At our liturgies, we have a distinct pattern of praying to the Father, through the Son, in the Spirit. There's more than a shamrock to discuss in all of that. And remember the Creed we pray each Sunday. Discussions like yours are what the Creed was made for.

Fr Matthew Allman, CSsR
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To sign-up for Adoration please visit our [parish website](#).



GOSPEL SUMMARY:

Today's Gospel passage is the conclusion of Matthew's Gospel. In the Bible, this event is titled The Commissioning of the Disciples. They are indeed commissioned to make disciples of all nations, to baptize, and to teach to others what Christ has taught them. Jesus promised that he would always be with them as they carried out the mission of the Church.

REFLECTION FOR PARENTS:

As parents, we are commissioned by the Church to be the first and most significant teachers of the faith for our children. We present our children to the Church for Baptism, we teach them the Commandments, and we share with them the Good News of Jesus Christ. We show them how to live as Christ's disciples in the world today. In this way the Church on Earth grows and is strengthened. Take time this week to think about how you are fulfilling your commission to be the first and foremost teacher of the faith for your child. What more can you do to fulfill your role?



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BRINGING THE GOSPEL INTO YOUR FAMILY:



This solemnity celebrates the Holy Trinity—God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Work together to create a Holy Trinity mobile. Invite family members to use small squares or circles of construction paper to draw symbols for the Persons of the Holy Trinity. For example, you might draw favorite parts of creation to symbolize God the Father, a cross to represent God the Son, and a dove or a flame to symbolize God the Holy Spirit. Write the title “The Holy Trinity” in one square or circle. Use yarn and dowels or coat hangers to create your mobile. Hang the mobile in a place where all family members will see it and will be reminded to celebrate the work of the Holy Trinity.



DISCUSSION STARTERS:

1. God has given me the power to . . .
2. I think that one of God’s most important commandments is . . . because . . .
3. When I hear that Jesus is with me always, it makes me feel . . .

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Special Prayers
For Those In Need



FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Please remember in your prayers: those who are

sick and for those who love and minister to them –John Miceli, Gianna Ramzi, Francisco William, Stephanie Solomon, Antonio Sorbera, Bill Mattews, Vanessa Melone, Rosemarie Sorbera, Amelia Barroso, Joey Bagnato, Alicia Alvares, Charlie Abreu, Bill Cook, Domingo Catolos.

MASSES - MESSE

SATURDAY MAY 29TH – SABATO

5:00 P.M. – + Virgil Joseph Vieira

SUNDAY MAY 30TH – DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. – + John Nicol

10:00 A.M. – Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia

Tony Lamanna

Mike e Vito Cuoppolo

Defunti Famiglie Battaglia e Garofalo

Leonello Pecorari

Silvestro De Laurentiis

L’Anime Del Purgatorio

11:30 A.M. – The Lobo Family

5:00 P.M. – + Anthony Lewis

MONDAY MAY 31ST – LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. – + Brian Taylor

11:00 A.M. – In thanksgiving & Special Intentions

TUESDAY JUN 1ST – MARTEDI

8:30 A.M. – + Frank & Terezia Lovrek

11:00 A.M. – + Jonathan Balagtas

WEDNESDAY JUN 2ND – MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. – + John Nicol

11:00 A.M. – Maeann De Souza

THURSDAY JUN 3RD – GIOVEDI

7:00 A.M. – + Anne De Souza

8:30 A.M. – Corinne Lobo

FRIDAY JUN 4TH – VENERDI

8:30 A.M. – + John Nicol

7:00 P.M. – + William Joyce Jr

SATURDAY JUN 5TH – SABATO

8:30 A.M. – In thanksgiving

10:00 A.M. – + Holy Souls In Purgatory



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VOCATION REFLECTION:

God the Father, Creator; God the Son, Redeemer; God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier. When we go out to "make disciples of all nations", we have a lot to tell! God is present everywhere. Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of God's love and presence in your life as a priest, religious or deacon? If so, call **Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Director of Vocations**, Archdiocese of Toronto. Tel No. 416-968-0997 Email vocations@archtoronto.org Website <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca>

The Unity and Trinity of God

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"In the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." Matthew 28:19

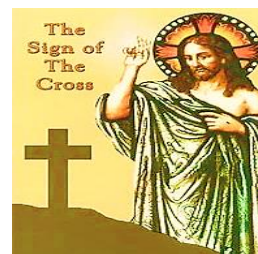
Signing Ourselves with the Trinity. Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. The Catechism says that the "mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life ... It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith" (CCC 234). As Christians, we profess the mystery of the Trinity every time we make the sign of the cross, in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

The practice of signing ourselves with the cross is an ancient tradition that likely dates back to the time of the Apostles. Around the year 200, Tertullian wrote that "we Christians wear out our foreheads with the sign of the cross." By signing ourselves, we are joining the countless saints that have gone before us. We can be a witness to the world whenever we sign ourselves in public. For example, the next time we eat in public let us strive to make the sign of the cross as we pray our grace before meals.

Additionally, often times the sign of the cross is the quickest prayer we can muster in times of great stress. St. Francis de Sales, Doctor of the Church, recommends that we "make spiritual aspirations to God by short, ardent movements of [our] hearts." We can do this by invoking all three persons of the Trinity and marking ourselves with the cross, which is the sign of our salvation.

Therefore, the next time we experience a difficult moment let us not despair but boldly make the sign of the cross. This will allow us to continually raise up our minds and hearts to the Blessed Trinity, the greatest mystery of our faith.

Summary: Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity which we profess every time we make the sign of the cross saying "in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit." St. Francis de Sales recommends that we "make spiritual aspirations to God by short, ardent movements of [our] hearts." Therefore, the next time we experience a difficult moment in our lives or ministries, let us not despair but boldly invoke all three persons of the Trinity and make the sign of the cross.



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PARISH REGISTRATION: Why it is Important? Your registration to the church significantly helps several processes in church including requirements for Baptism, Confirmation and Wedding. It also helps the Pastor and the parish office in providing you with Priest Reference when you need it.

PAG: Thank you for all you do in support of St. Lawrence Martyr Parish. The work of our parish is made possible through the giving hearts of parishioners like you. In response to changing lifestyles and demands on time and energy, the Archdiocese has introduced the Pre-authorized Giving or "PAG" program. This letter is to explain what PAG is and how it can help to assist you in your giving.

WHAT IS PAG? PAG is the transfer of your offertory from your bank account to the parish account on a monthly basis. PAG is not another collection. It is simply a different way to give a gift that you are going to give anyway.

ADVANTAGES FOR YOU: It's convenient. You don't have to scramble to find a pen and fill out an envelope on the way to Mass or stop at a bank machine. You know that even when you are away, you are supporting your parish.

ADVANTAGES FOR THE PARISH: Imagine if you went to work every day and did not know how much you would receive when you got your cheque. It would make planning your life very difficult. It's the same for your parish. PAG gives St. Lawrence Martyr Parish a stable flow of income from which we can plan.



If you are interested in participating in this way of supporting your parish please contact the parish office.



LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON THE PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:

Members of the Parish Finance Council shall serve a three-year term and may be appointed to a second or third three-year term.

Responsibilities:

Members of the Parish Finance Council are expected to

- 1-Maintain discretion and confidentiality.
- 2-Attend all Parish Finance Council meetings.
- 3-Serve on at least one committee and attend all committee meetings.
- 4-Actively participate in the Parish stewardship program.
- 5-Participate in the Bishop's Annual Appeal.
- 6-Assist with parish social activities involving fund raising.
- 7-Learn all duties of membership.
- 8-Have a good understanding of all aspects of parish life .
- 9-Be a goodwill ambassador of the parish.
- 10-Be active in decision making.
- 11-Be willing to assume leadership positions.
- 12-Continue their development and education in the Catholic faith.
- 13-Be prepared to discuss the agenda.

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ACT OF CONTRITION TO THE SACRED HEART: MOST Sacred and Adorable Heart of Jesus! humbly and with contrite heart I prostrate myself before Thee. bitterly bewailing that I was remiss in Thy love and have offended Thee by my ingratitude and unfaithfulness, thereby becoming unworthy of the manifestations of Thy love. Filled with confusion and fear, I can but say, "I have sinned against Thee, I have sinned!" Most Amiable and Divine Heart, have mercy on me, though I do not deserve mercy. Reject me not, but reveal, rather, I beseech Thee, the excess of Thy mercy by granting me, a poor sinner, who appears before Thee in the abyss of his nothingness and misery, pardon for my sins.

SHARELIFE: Thank you very much for supporting our parish's ShareLife campaign. Thus far we have **raised \$13,261.53 toward our goal of \$42, 500.**

Rose of Sharon is an agency you support through ShareLife. It provides support and educational services to almost 300 young mothers each year.

Deanne Kukulewich is the Executive Director at Rose of Sharon. She says, "COVID-19 has forced many young single mothers into seclusion, not for themselves, but to protect their babies, or unborn infants. Through generous donors like you who support ShareLife, young mothers can receive weekly support. Your donations help the Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers to provide counselling services to help young women and their families cope through these uncertain times."

When you give to ShareLife, you support more than 40 agencies doing vital work that is truly living the Gospel message. You can make your sacrificial gift through the parish office or sharelife.org. Please give generously.



ELEMENTARY REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2021: Children born in 2017, are eligible to attend Junior Kindergarten at St. Lawrence Martyr School in September 2021. The Elementary Student Online Application for Registration (S.O.A.R.) for enrolment September 2021 is now available. Due to current COVID-19 conditions all applications (including the upload of required documents) must be completed online at <https://soar.tcdsb.org/Login.aspx>. If you have any questions regarding registration, please leave a message on the school phone at 416 393 5264.

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For your ongoing support of our parish, (including those for the St. Vincent de Paul) may be dropped off in person when the church is open for private prayer or sent through the mail.

Worship Through Giving

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

6 But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all-sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES:

A set of offering envelopes will be prepared for you to pick up at the parish office.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING:

This new way of supporting the church is now being offered in our parish and many of our parishioners may find this method practical and convenient.

Please call the parish office (416-759-9359) for the way of giving that is right for you.

TO DONATE ON-LINE:

Alternately to donate to St. Lawrence Martyr Parish on-line, please [click here Archdiocese of Toronto](#) and select St. Lawrence Martyr Parish from the drop list.

REGISTRATION OF NEW PARISHIONER:

Please [click here](#).

