



focus on sunday

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 30th May 2021

The Holy Trinity look down on our world and see that many people, old and young, rich and poor, are lost and need God's presence. Thus they send Jesus among us, the one who saves us, who is God's love and companion among us.



When you want to understand or appreciate a mystery of our faith, you can read about it, sing about it, you can wonder about it. You can also look at art or pictures about it. Trinity Sunday involves us in a mystery we cannot understand.

It is interesting that many of the pictures are icons which have a great closeness of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit together. One image has the Father surrounding the crucifixion of Jesus his Son, giving comfort and consolation, with the dove flying around Jesus with closeness also. There is another picture - a famous icon where the Trinity are having a meal, and there's an empty place at the meal. This is a place for you and me.

The feast of the Trinity remembers the love of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It also remembers the love of the Trinity for us - that they looked down from heaven and the people whom they love needing salvation, and love that comes from the love of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Saint Ignatius puts it that they looked down and saw us wandering away from the truth, needing love and comfort in our lives; people on the wrong road to happiness and they saw people mistreating each other. so they sent their Son with their message of love. In the humanity of Jesus, the divine and the human unite in a very real way.

When we make the sign of the cross in the name of the Trinity we remember Father, Son and Holy Spirit, close to us from morning till night.

Donal Neary SJ, Editor Sacred Heart Messenger.

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today, so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 32:4-6. 9. 18-20. 22

R. Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R)
2. By his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars. He spoke; and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being. (R)
3. The Lord looks on those who revere him on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R)
4. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R)

SECOND READING Romans 8: 14 - 17

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans
Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 28: 16 - 20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness:

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

You will come in glory with salvation for your people:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,

we adore you, we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us;

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.



OPENING PRAYER

God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 4: 32- 34.39 - 40

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors - all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?'



Sunday Masses:

SS John & Paul (Webcam): Friday 7pm;
Saturday 6:30 pm; Sunday 10 am and 12:15 pm
Mary Immaculate Church - Saturday 12 noon;
Sunday 9 am and 11 am

Weekday Masses:

10 am Mon-Fri Mary Immaculate
7 pm Thursday SS John & Paul Church (**Webcam**)

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30 May 2021 Newsletter

The Most Holy Trinity



First Anniversary Mass: This Friday at 7pm for Breda O'Rourke, Rosmin. This Saturday May 29th at 6.30pm for Gerry Earls, Tullyglass Hill. Next Saturday 5th June at 12 noon for Patricia Green (nee McGarry), Tola Park.

Anniversaries: Thomas 'Buddy' Bolger, Carmel O'Kane, Tommy McIntyre, Michael Kirby, Eugene O'Donnell, Mike Downes, Martin Fitzgerald, Tom Clancy, Marguerite Clancy, Adam Clancy, Peter Mullin, Catherine Carton, Michael & Bridie Mooney, Liam Shaw, Anna Marie Fitzpatrick.

Return to Public Worship:

With the return to public worship last weekend, it was great to see so many join us for parish Masses. We encourage others who are still a little hesitant about returning to Mass to do so.

It's a good thing to meet people again and to return to a routine, to which many appreciate the Mass. With the increasing numbers receiving the vaccines, in addition to face/mask wearing and sanitizing in Church's, your Church is a safe place to attend Mass.

The following is the Daily and Sunday Mass Schedule from now until the end of June when it will be reviewed in light of safety protocols.

Daily Masses

Mary Immaculate Church (Monday to Friday)
10am in Mary Immaculate Church. St Anthony's Novena Mass on Tuesday morning. In the event of a funeral in Mary Immaculate Church, Mass time may change.

SS John and Paul Church
7pm on Thursday. In the event of a funeral in SS John and Paul Church, the morning Mass in Mary Immaculate Church will be celebrated.

Sympathies: Sympathies and prayers to the families of Mary Boland, Corrib Drive, whose cremation took place last Tuesday and to the family of Denis Hayes, Dun an Oir, whose burial took place on Tuesday.

We pray for Leokadia Jakubowska, Tullyglass Hill, funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Month's Mind Masses: This Friday at 7pm for Eddie Ryan, Carrigerry & Shannon. This Saturday at 12 noon for Sadie Smyth, Tradaree Court. This Saturday at 6.30pm for Tommy Condron, Drumline & Ballycasey.

Sunday Masses

SS John and Paul Church
Friday at 7pm, Saturday at 6.30pm, Sunday at 10am and 12.15pm

Mary Immaculate Church
Saturday at 12noon, Sunday at 9am and 11am

The wearing of face coverings/masks and sanitizing of hands is mandatory. We invite you to return to public Mass. Our stewards will be there to assist you.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:



Continues every Sunday from now until the end of June, in Mary Immaculate Church from 12noon-6pm and 2-6pm in SS John and Paul Church. With the current safety protocols in place adoration is for private prayer only. All are welcome to visit our Church's.

Mass and Baptismal Bookings:

If your intending to book a Mass or a baptism we would ask you book through the Parish Office. This enables us to ensure all Masses and Baptisms are scheduled. You can book by emailing office@shannonparish.ie or calling 363243.



Parish Collections: We thank you for your great support to the parish on a weekly basis. The parish collection last Sunday was €2497.

Upcoming Collections:

With the return to public worship we have had to rearrange the dates for some collections that had to be cancelled due to the lockdown. To assist us in supporting the diocese (Education Fund, Administration etc) you have the opportunity to support a second collection at all Masses on the weekend of June 11-13th.

The Priests' Summer Collection: will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of July 2-4th.

Safeguarding Month of May:

Prayer for Safeguarding:

Lord Jesus, Hear our voices as we pray for your care and protection. Strengthen and guide us as we strive to make our Catholic communities a safe place for all.

We especially ask that the children and vulnerable adults you entrust to our care are protected. Give us the wisdom and courage to listen with open hearts, see with open eyes, and speak out to ensure children and vulnerable adults are safe, loved, respected, and cared for. May we also pray for those who have been harmed. Give them the courage to seek the truth and to heal.

Lord, you call us to walk with integrity in the service of others. May we all strive to understand our collective responsibility to work together to safeguard our Catholic communities. Guide us as we build a community that fosters everyone to flourish and be safe. We ask this through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

