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Mass Schedule: Saturday Evening – 5:30 PM
Sunday – 9:00 and 11:30 AM
Weekday – Monday thru Friday 7:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday – 12:30 to 2:00 PM
Other times by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: A minimum of six months notice is required. Please call the Collaborative Office to schedule an appointment prior to booking a hall.

Sacrament of Baptism: Sundays at 2:00 PM.
Please call the Collaborative Office to register.

Sacrament of the Sick and Communion Calls: Please notify the Collaborative Office if anyone is hospitalized or unable to attend Mass because of illness.

Food Pantry: Thursdays – please call the Parish Office one day in advance.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 11, 2022

5:30PM Jose & Mina Blandon Memorial

Sunday, June 12, 2022

9:00AM Heather Fitzgerald Month's Mind

11:30AM Rosemarie Roche, Mary Tricomi
And Philip D. Walling, Sr. Memorial

Monday, June 13, 2022

7:00AM Emma Odenweller Memorial

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

7:00AM Hugh Boyle, Jr. Memorial

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

7:00AM Donald Foster, Jr. 10th Anniv.

Thursday, June 16, 2022

7:00AM Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

Friday, June 17, 2022

7:00AM Italia Giannandrea Memorial

Saturday, June 18, 2022

5:30PM Alice Kelley Anniversary

Sunday, June 19, 2022

9:00AM Deacon Henry & Patricia Welch Memorial

11:30AM Paul Rober, Sr. & Paul Rober, Jr. Memorial

If you are interested in the Online Giving option to simplify your weekly contributions, please contact the parish office.

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH WHEN PLANNING YOUR ESTATE. Thank you!



Monday, June 13th marks the 30th Anniversary of Fr. Paul Clifford's Priestly Ordination. Congratulations Fr. Paul and thank you for all that you do.

Ad multos annos!



"He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you." - Jn 16:14-15

Readings for the week of June 12, 2022

Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2a]/
Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7/
Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11
and 16/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24/
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7/
Mt 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Ps 132:11, 12,
13-14, 17-18/Mt 6:19-23

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 89:4-5, 29-30,
31-32, 33-34/Mt 6:24-34

Next Sunday: Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/
1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17



Steven Chester Wakelin & Michelle Elizabeth O'Brien



If you plan to travel this summer or have the opportunity to sneak away for the weekend, here is something to place in your suitcase or your smart phone. To find the Mass closest to your location, visit www.masstimes.org. When you make your reservations, please remember to reserve some time for the Lord. Summer blessings! **Be sure to call the parish you plan to attend to verify their Mass times. Be safe!**

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY



From
Deacon Joe MacDonald

Last Sunday Catholic Churches around the world celebrated the great feast of Pentecost, an event that is often called the "birth of the Church." In every church, in every nation, in every tongue was read the same account of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Hymns and songs were sung. Acclamations and prayers lifted heavenward and at the end priests everywhere dismissed their congregations with these or similar words. "Go in peace. The Mass is ended." And so we went forth rejoicing in the peace of Christ, but not all.

Last Sunday, at Saint Francis Church in the town of Owo Nigeria, fifty people including children were gunned down after participating in the Sacred Liturgy. According to the priest who was saying Mass, just as he dismissed the congregation he heard a couple of loud noises. At first he thought someone might have fallen but that was not the case. He quickly ushered children and others into the sacristy to escape the bloodshed occurring just a few feet away. Children were hiding under his chasuble (the outer vestment worn at Mass). It is a heartbreaking scene we have unfortunately seen too many times in our own country but is far more common in Nigeria.

Why did this happen? It was not the act of a lone gunman suffering from mental illness as is often the case here. This massacre occurred only because they were Catholic, that they were Christians and worshiped Jesus. These brothers and sisters of ours were not slaughtered. They were martyred. They died for Christ and we can be confident that the one who suffered and died for all people has rewarded them for their sacrifice. Murders, kidnappings and other atrocities occur with all too much frequency in that part of the world by Islamic extremists bent on destroying souls as well as the bodies of anyone who dares to worship Jesus, the Son of the Living God.

Sadly, this is the part of Nigeria where Fr. Gerald is from and I am sure it must grieve him to hear about it. What can we do?

May I suggest that this week the parishioners of Saint Francis of Assisi and Saint Clare adopt Saint Francis of Owo Nigeria as a kind of sister parish. I urge each family and individual to write some kind of note or card to our brothers and sisters in Nigeria offering them our prayers, support and encouragement. Families with children might want to make their own cards together. You may want to include an

encouraging passage from scripture; the promise to pray the rosary for them, have a Mass offered for those who have died, those who were injured and those who are left behind. When I was growing up the Sisters would have us make a card out of construction paper on Mother's day and Father's day. We would draw pictures and make a promise to pray, for example, three Hail Marys and three Our Fathers along with some message of love and affection. We called it a "spiritual bouquet." Children may find this kind of activity enjoyable while at the same time teaching them to care about other members of Christ's body.

Next week we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. It is, among other things, the Sacrament of unity. It is the Sacrament where we are most perfectly, one bread and one body even in our diversity. I can't think of a better time to collect these messages of faith and prayer.

And so, next Sunday, we ask you to bring your cards, letters, drawings and other messages to Mass with you. Some method of collection will be available at the doors of the church. The parish will then mail all the material to the proper address in Nigeria. We thank you for your charity.

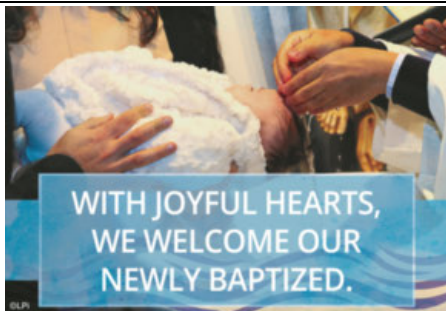


Over the next 3 weeks 96 young men and women will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in our Collaborative. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

PRAYER FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:
Creator Spirit, strengthen this child with your gifts of grace, to love and serve as a disciple of Christ. Grant that s/he may grow into the fullness of the stature of Christ. Fill her/him with the joy of your presence. Increase in her/him the fruit of your Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of love, patience and gentleness, the spirit of wonder and true holiness. Amen.

From Beliefnet.com





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Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Parish Info and events of note

- **St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry Open Thursdays from 10AM-12NN.** If you need groceries, please call on Wednesday so that we can be prepared for your visit. Referrals and limited financial assistance are available for parishioners in need. Please call the parish office for more information.
- **Parish Prayer Line...** To be placed (or to pray) on the parish prayer line, please call the Collaborative office.
- **Military Service...** If someone you know is deployed and you would like their info to appear on the blue board in the church, please call or email the parish office. If you are aware of needed updates to the board, please let us know that as well. Thank you.





FOOD COLLECTION SUNDAY is NEXT weekend, June 18-19. Thank you to everyone who so faithfully supports our pantry **Some of the needed items for this month** are individual snack packs, small bottles of water, canned fruit, pasta, Knorr's or Lipton Sides (rice); soups; crackers; tuna fish; ketchup/mustard; oatmeal; Poptarts; tea bags/coffee, cleaning products; paper products, personal care items (i.e. adult diapers and wipes). However, we are grateful for anything you wish to donate. If you forgot or prefer not to shop, please read the St. Vincent DePaul paragraph to learn how you can help.

June 12: Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity



As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help those who are suffering.

Pantry donations can also be dropped off at the St. Francis of Assisi rectory during normal business hours (Monday through Friday 9-4). **Blue envelopes are in holders on the back inside wall of the church. Please use them for your cash, check (written to St. Vincent DePaul with SFA on the memo line), or gift card—and place them into the collection basket or through the rectory mail slot. Thank you.**

The Braintree Knights of Columbus Council #1462 will meet at St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall the 2nd Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for June 14 at 7:00PM.



From the Archdiocese of Boston

June 12 ~ Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

We proclaim the Most Holy Trinity as a mystery of our faith. It is central to our Christian faith and life. The doctrine of the Trinity includes the truth that there are three persons in One God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. While we will never fully understand this mystery in our lifetime, the creed we profess at Mass is an invitation to an even deeper understanding of who God is and desires to be for us. The Sign of the Cross and the doxology or "Glory be ..." are two prayers that are easy to say. Use those prayers this week, and as you do so, ask the Holy Spirit to increase your faith in the Trinity.



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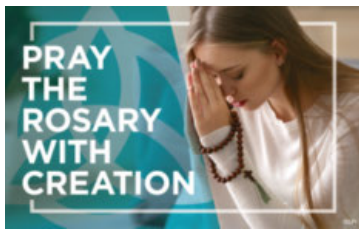
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet and Rosary—3:00—6:00PM on First Fridays, July 1, August 5, September 2 and October 7 2022.

Candlelight Vigil Rosary to Honor Our Lady of Fatima every 13th pf the Month; May through October, 2022—7:00-8:00PM. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; Roary—Benediction.

Please come to experience the Blessings for this special devotion as we join together with others to offer thanks to our Lady of Fatima for mediation for the whole world through God's Grace.

Devotions sponsored by St. Mary of the Portincula & Mary Queen of Peace Orders of Franciscan.





June 12, 2022 - The Most Holy Trinity

In creative celebration of the Most Holy Trinity, pray a rosary with creation. Find a quiet place outside or sit near a window. Contemplate the amazing Divine Gift that is before you. Admire it. Study it. Become one with it. Ask for the guidance of Brother St. Francis as you pray: *“You, Holy Father, are King of heaven and earth. You are three in one, God above all gods. You are good, all good, and supreme good, Lord God, living and true. You are love. You are beauty. You are gentleness. You are joy. You are hope and happiness.”* Admire the wonder and majesty of God in all that is around you. Ask for wisdom and understanding.

Begin each decade with the Our Father and conclude with the Glory Be.

Decade one: Contemplate God the Father. As you pray each bead with a Hail Mary, get lost in the grandeur of all that you see. Imagine the thousands and thousands of years of history that is before you. Envision a time when nothing existed. What is nothing? Lift your eyes, heart, and soul to the power and magnificence of the universe, its expanse and its endlessness. You are one with it all. God's creative power.

Decade two: Contemplate God the Son. Behold the squirrels, birds, and critters all conducting life's business. They have heartbeats just like yours. Praying each bead, become one with the incarnate divine life that flows through you and flows with the smallest of creatures. It is holy innocence and blessed life. Tenderness. Compassion, Mercy. Reverence. All want to be held, have a home, and be loved. God in all things. Emmanuel.

Decade three: Contemplate God the Holy Spirit. The changing of times and seasons happens often without notice. It is all within God's care and guided. We all belong. Behold the living, dying, and rising to new life. You are one with all time from beginning into eternity.

Decade Four: Contemplate God as One.

Decade Five: Contemplate God as three. All different while remaining one. The divine dance is being danced before you. Rest in what you see. Become what you see. We are all connected: God of the Holy Trinity, creation, our brothers and sisters, the animals, and the plants.

The rosary you have prayed celebrates the circle of connectedness and the intimate relationship we share with all things: a glimpse of the Trinity. ©LPi

PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

UNDERSTAND	GUIDE	GLORY
SPIRIT	TRUTH	MESSAGE
SHOWS	SPEAK	FATHER

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MISSION

As you read a Bible story tonight before bed, ask the Holy Spirit to teach you what Jesus wants you to learn.



Sharing the Gospel

The disciples learned a lot from Jesus, but he knew they still needed to learn more. That's why Jesus asked God the Father to send the Holy Spirit to his friends. Jesus knew that the Holy Spirit would stay with them, to teach them everything Jesus wanted them to know.

Prayer

Dear God, I want the Holy Spirit to teach me more about Jesus, too.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of a large triangle. Inside of it, write these words: Father, Son, Spirit.

Mission for the Week

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