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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."
- Mt 28:18-19

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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 29

4:00 p.m. All deceased parishioners

5:00 p.m. Elsie Clapperton

Sunday, May 30

8:00 a.m. Betty Genest

9:00 a.m. All deceased parishioners

10:00 a.m. All deceased relatives and friends

11:00 a.m. Josephine Ricci, Ann Patunas

Tuesday, June 1

9:00 a.m. Donley Taft

Wednesday, June 2

9:00 a.m. Frank DiChiara

Thursday, June 3

9:00 a.m. Charles Ferguson

Saturday, June 5

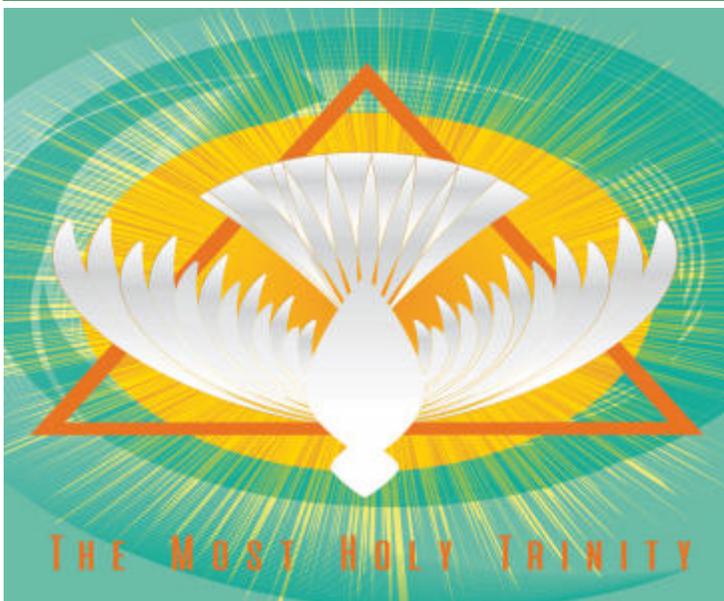
5:00 p.m. All deceased parishioners

Sunday, June 6

8:00 a.m. Peter Young, Marcella McCulloch

9:15 a.m. Shawn Flanigan

11:00 a.m. Gisele Charbonneau, Raymond Wright,
John Melone



Religious Formation News

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

All classes are complete for this year. Thank you to all parents and grandparents who walked the faith journey with their children. We hope that you all learned something new and were able to share the Good News. We plan to return to in person classes in the fall and will have more information to post in the up coming bulletins. Have a safe summer!

VBS – August 9—13

ROCKY RAILWAY

Jesus' Power Pulls us Through



Calling all Camp Counselors – grade 8 and above, and adults interested in helping with the camp should email Ms. Eva at emmancuso60@gmail.com. Not available that week but want to help? We have room on our setup crew! All welcomed.

VETERANS NOTE

Memorial Day Weekend: 11 AM Mass

At the 11 a.m. Mass on Memorial Day weekend, our parish will remember all the Veterans who have given their lives for the service of our country. Veterans will serve at Mass, and a brief ceremony will be held in the Memorial Garden at the main doors of the church. Please join us!

FLAGS OF NATIONS

In 2016, parishioners sponsored the Flags of Nations. During the great feast of Pentecost, we honor the work all those who have “gone out to all the world and shared the good news” of salvation in Christ! Our celebrations are made all the more colorful with different flags displayed throughout the church. We’re leaving them up for this weekend’s feast of the Holy Trinity – a celebration of God’s undivided unity. We pray that the unity of God may be the driving force behind people of every nation, race, and language, inspiring them to work together as one to promote peace, freedom, and the common good among all God’s children, especially the least of our brothers and sisters.



Update on COVID19 Directives for Christ the King Church

Fully vaccinated parishioners are no longer required to wear a facemask. Those who are not fully vaccinated are asked to continue to wear a facemask. More adults in the parish are vaccinated, so we can expect to see most people in church without masks going forward. Whether you are vaccinated or not, you are welcome to continue wearing mask.

Parish meetings and social gatherings may resume, as the church hall returns to 100% capacity.

All parishioners are encouraged to use the hand sanitizer at the entrances to the church. We will continue with the sign of peace as we have been practicing it: you are free to offer a sign that is not a handshake. Please don't be offended if someone offers you a wave or a nod or simply says, "Peace be with you."

The Mass Schedule for this weekend (May 29 & 30) will be: Saturday at 4:00pm and 5:00pm; Sunday at 8:00am, 9:00am, 10:00am, and 11:00am, and both the 5:00pm and 11:00am will be streamed live on our YouTube page.

Beginning on the weekend of June 5 & 6, the Mass Schedule will be: Saturday at 5:00pm; Sunday at 8:00am, 9:15am, and 11:00am, and the 11:00am Mass will be the only Mass available on the live stream.

CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL

Thank you to all who have donated so far. We have raised \$129,229. If you have not contributed yet, there are envelopes available at the entrance to the church. They can be returned to the rectory or placed in one of the collection boxes by the door. You can also donate on the secure online website, givecentral.org/2021cca. When using the website, please choose parish 37 (CTK Kingston) for your donation. Thank you for considering the needy in our diocese.

FRIENDLY VISITOR MESSAGE

The weather is warming, and more and more people are being vaccinated, and the opportunity to meet in person is possible, if you are comfortable with that. A Friendly Visitor phone call is nice, but seeing a person face-to-face is even nicer. If you have been thinking about how nice it would be to have a regular visitor, now is the time to get set up. Call Bonnie Feeny at 391-9460 and she'll make the connection to a Friendly Visitor for you. Don't wait, do it now while it is on your mind.

REFLECTION

Let God be who God is. This is often one of the hardest things to do. Rather than allowing the mystery of being created in the image and likeness of God unfold and take root in our lives, we change the dynamic. We want to be the creators who want to make God into the image and likeness we need God to be. We have a hard-enough time letting the people in our lives be who they are. We struggle even more so with God. It is almost as if we want God to be our imaginary friend who is not only with us whenever we need but becomes the Being we need God to be. Who is it that we want God to be today? A protector, disciplinarian, champion for justice, healer, advocate for our cause, grantor of prayers, guardian of my life, or the avenger? Our prayers tell an interesting story. When you pray, what does God look like?

Many people seldom notice God's presence because they are so caught up with other spiritual cares and concerns. And, when the "god" they fashion and create doesn't produce as they desire, they shake the dust from their feet and move on. "I tried," they exclaim, "but God didn't listen."

Healthy relationships aren't built on making someone be who we need them to be. Healthy relationships are built on encounters of persons and the development of an appreciation of someone solely for who they are. Deeper relationships can even be found with two people marveling at each other and almost experiencing a child-like joy and giddiness when they see the other coming. Do you ever have these feelings about God? Believe it or not, God does for you! There is a joyful laughter that gives rise to and connects all three members of the Holy Trinity. It is this laughter, flowing from the very depths of the Godhead that not only keeps the Trinity in joyful unity but spills over into the creation of all beings and things. It is an expression of Divine Delight! Have you ever taken time away from your agenda to experience the Divine Joyfulness of God?

We can reach a connection of Presence wherein even the smallest of creatures suddenly radiate the fullness of God: the wonderful creation of their being, the innocence and playfulness of their movements, and the sustaining life breath that flows through their veins. The same God who created the heavens and the earth is the same God who wants you to call him 'Dad' and the same God who preserves your life and has all things in His care.

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Diocese of Providence

Recruiting Deacons

On May 12, 2021, Bishop Tobin authorized the recruitment and formation of a new class of Permanent Deacons for the Diocese of Providence. Applicants discerning a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate should read the information below and discuss his potential candidacy with Fr. Jared.

As an outcome of the Second Vatican Council, the Council Fathers re-instituted the diaconate as a permanent order within the hierarchy of the Church. The Diocese of Providence re-established the diaconate with the ordination of the first class of Permanent Deacons in June of 1976. Between 1976 and 2020, the Diocese has ordained more than 160 men to the Permanent Diaconate.

Permanent deacons have enriched the Diocese by offering their lives in service in more than 80 parishes, hospitals, correctional facilities, nursing homes, outreach ministries to the homeless and other charitable ministries.

Deacons are men who love God and His Church and feel called to serve in a more committed way. The role of the deacon is to assist the bishops and priests and to proclaim by his life the Church's call to serve the needs of others.

The application process involves a number of steps that begins with requesting and returning to the Office of Deacons a fully completed application. The applicant is responsible for providing current sacramental records and letters of recommendation. The process can last up to 9 months before a class begins formation and involves several interviews, including interviews with the applicant's wife.

The Diaconate Office assists candidates in their formation through a four-year program of academic instruction, spiritual development, human development and practical pastoral experience.

Among other tasks, it is the task of deacons to assist the bishop and priests in the celebration of the divine mysteries, above all the Eucharist, in the distribution of Holy Communion, in assisting at and blessing marriages, in the proclamation of the Gospel and preaching, in presiding over funerals, and in dedicating themselves to the various ministries of charity.

Although a college degree is not necessary to enter the program, a viable candidate must be able to master materials presented at the collegiate or graduate school level. Other criteria: be a practicing Catholic layman who will be at least 35 years of age at the time of ordination and be not older than 61 on January 1st in the year of recruitment; have a high school diploma or equivalent; be a

fully initiated Catholic in good standing with the church; have a familiarity with Catholic theology; be somehow involved in ministry at either the parish or diocesan level; if married, be in a stable marriage of at least 5 years (at the time of application) and have the support and agreement of his wife and family to pursue a diaconal vocation; if unmarried (being single or a widower), be living in a lifestyle consistent with the call to the ordained ministry in the celibate state within the Catholic Church.

For more information, speak to Deacon Noel Edsall, Director of the Office of Permanent Deacons: 401-278-4604 or nedsall@dioceseofprovidence.org.

Quote of the Week

“The first advice offered by the Holy Spirit is, ‘Live in the present.’ The present, not the past or the future. The Paraclete affirms the primacy of today, against the temptation to let ourselves be paralyzed by rancor or memories of the past, or by uncertainty or fear about the future. The Spirit reminds us of the grace of the present moment. There is no better time for us: now, here and now, is the one and only time to do good, to make our life a gift. Let us live in the present!

“The Spirit also tells us, ‘Look to the whole.’ The whole, not the part. The Spirit does not mold isolated individuals but shapes us into a Church in the wide variety of our charisms, into a unity that is never uniformity. The Paraclete affirms the primacy of the whole. There, in the whole, in the community, the Spirit prefers to work and to bring newness. Let us look at the apostles. They were all quite different. They included, for example, Matthew, a tax collector who collaborated with the Romans, and Simon called the zealot, who fought them. They had contrary political ideas, different visions of the world. Yet once they received the Spirit, they learned to give primacy not to their human viewpoints but to the ‘whole’ that is God’s plan. Today, if we listen to the Spirit, we will not be concerned with conservatives and progressives, traditionalists and innovators, right and left. When those become our criteria, then the Church has forgotten the Spirit. The Paraclete impels us to unity, to concord, to the harmony of diversity. He makes us see ourselves as parts of the same body, brothers and sisters of one another. Let us look to the whole! The enemy wants diversity to become opposition and so he makes them become ideologies. Say no to ideologies, yes to the whole.”

To the Church in the Diocese of Providence

*"O God, bring me to your holy mountain,
to the place of your dwelling,
that I may come to the altar of God,
to God, my joy, my delight." (Ps 43: 3-4)*

Dear brothers and sisters, it's time. It's time to come home. It's time to return to Sunday Mass.

For that reason, I have now signed a formal decree restoring the obligation to attend Sunday Mass in the Diocese of Providence, effective Sunday, June 6, 2021, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. This means that Catholics, in observance of the Lord's Day and in fulfillment of the law of the Church, are once again obliged to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, unless they are otherwise dispensed for some serious reason.

It is important to emphasize that, since the pandemic is still lingering in our midst, some individuals are not obliged to attend Sunday Mass, and perhaps should not attend Mass to protect their health and safety, and that of others. These include those who are elderly and frail, those who have underlying health conditions, and those who have been advised by their health care providers to avoid public gatherings. And as always, Catholics are dispensed from the Sunday obligation for other grave reasons such as illness, caring for the ill, the unavoidable obligations of their employment, and travel that disrupts their schedules.

While the moral and canonical obligation to attend Holy Mass each and every Sunday is an essential part of being Catholic, there are also other very compelling reasons to do so. We attend Mass because we love God and we want to thank him for all the gifts and blessings he has given us. We attend Mass to hear his sacred Word proclaimed, to receive the Holy Eucharist, and to be with other members of our faith community. In short, attending Holy Mass is an obligation, a serious obligation, but more importantly, it is a great privilege and an incomparable source of grace and peace.

The lifting of the Sunday Mass dispensation marks an important moment in our return to more normal, typical pastoral life. But it also provides a wonderful opportunity for us to renew our appreciation and love for the Holy Eucharist and all the sacraments and devotions of the Church. I encourage our priests, deacons and parish leaders to be creative and proactive, to do all they can to reach out to their parishioners, to invite them to return, and to provide a warm and welcoming experience for them when they do.

As we celebrate the beautiful Solemnity of Corpus Christi, let us renew our love for the Holy Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ, the Bread of Life. And may the aspiration of the Psalm mentioned above be ours as well as we return to Holy Mass with joyful thanksgiving, saying: "I will go to the altar of God, to God, my joy, my delight!"

Sincerely yours,
Thomas J. Tobin
Bishop of Providence



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4, & 5 p.m. Sunday: 8, 9, 10, & 11 a.m.

BAPTISM

Parents should speak to Jennifer Marran to make arrangements.

ADULT INITIATION

Adults wishing to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and/or Confirmation should speak to Jennifer Marran.

CONFIRMATION

Eighth graders receive Confirmation in the spring. Please speak to Eva Mancuso for more information.

MARRIAGE

Engaged couples should speak to Fr. Jared at least nine months prior to the wedding.

RECONCILIATION

At this time, Reconciliation is available any time by appointment.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

If you or someone you know is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion regularly, please speak to Jennifer Marran to make arrangements. On the third Tuesday of each month, Mass is celebrated at South Kingstown Nursing & Rehabilitation Center at 10:30 a.m., and at Brookdale South Bay Assisted Living at 1:30 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY w/Fr. Jared

New course and schedule to be announced.

BIBLE STUDY (Shared/Group) 7:00 p.m.

To be announced.

GODPARENTS & SPONSORS

Please see one of the priests for a sponsor form, or visit ctkri.org/sponsor.

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