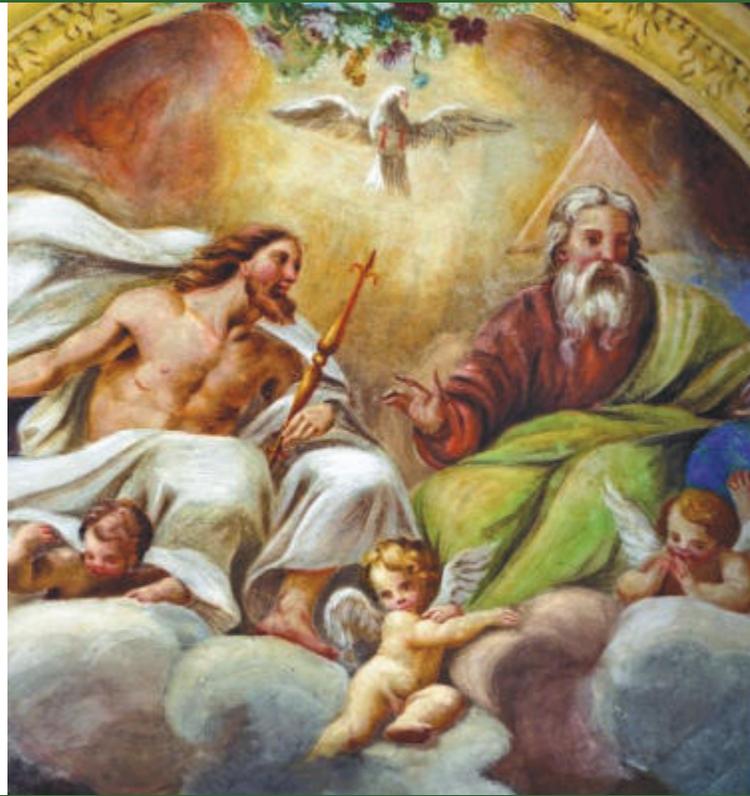


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The Journey of Faith with Fr. Matthew Oakland



Tired of looking at barricades? Wondering what is going on? More than you might think!

This past fall, we had a sewage backup in the basement of the Parish Offices. We got the initial fix taken care of and cleanup and remediation completed. The asbestos in the remaining old floor tiles and mastic glue then had to be removed. It took a few months to get contractors in and actually get bids because they are so busy, but we finally got that arranged, put together the contract and moved ahead with the repair with new flooring, fixing the base of the sheetrock and repainting, and installing new molding. We took the opportunity to also have the main room repainted, overhaul the bathroom and get rid of the school intercom system that hasn't been used in over 15 years and doesn't work anymore. It is now all done!



Meanwhile, the sewer pipes are from 1929 when the building was built and we found more problems. They were collapsing in one area near the sidewalk, and there was a root ball in the line in the front yard. We then discovered more root problems, and jackhammered through the floor of the basement to get access and ran a 30' liner since that was easier than jackhammering the ADA ramp and repouring it. Thankfully, we hadn't actually started the repair and refurbishment of the basement yet. There was also a grade issue from a previous repair—about 2" off which created a settling area. And the connection to the mainline appeared to have some issues. This last one would normally be the public utility's responsibilities. So we had a three week standoff with them until they came out to take a look.

Hence the area was blocked off and left unfinished since we knew we weren't done but were hoping to get the public utility to pay for their repairs which would save us some money on the overlap of repairing the work area.

After flushing the line, they think it only needs some minor inter-line repairs. So now we can move ahead with repairing the grade issue for proper flow once we get a contractor on board for repouring the concrete street slabs.

With our deductible, the basement repairs from the original overflow and additional work we opted to have done should cost about \$10,000 (with insurance covering almost \$35,000), and the sewer repairs that were discovered as a result are likely to reach close to \$55,000 for the four repairs.

It has actually been a busy few months as far as campus projects go. We changed out the chapel light fixtures since a few were broken and irreplaceable and changed over to LED for energy savings and to lessen the heat offput from the halogen lamps, and replaced the emergency lights so they actually all work now. Since we had some troublesome light fixtures and some dark areas, we swapped out the Reception Room, basement and first floor hallways for new LED fixtures as well. We signed a contract last week to replace the flooring in four classrooms as we take care of a few a year, including some asbestos abatement, plus a few bathrooms. We are also in the process of having the original parish office gutters replaced given they have so many holes in them and cause minor flooding on the walkway and settling of the concrete. And we will be getting bids this week for replacing the gym roof, which is 35 years old (original!), and likely cannot take another fall/winter without major leaks.

While there has been some stationary barricades and tape, there is lots going on behind the scenes!

Gospel Meditation: Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

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?

Recently, a young woman who was feeling invisible, overlooked, ignored, and misunderstood by her husband struggled to make her feelings known and get his attention. Finally, she screamed, "Listen to me!" Thus, birth was given to a renewed and healthier relationship. We spend so much time storming heaven with our agenda and trying to make God into a "god" of our desires that we do not hear God saying, "Listen to me!" God is desperately trying to get our attention. God is saying, I am here among you as not one but three, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. 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 childlike 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.

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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Weekly Sunday Scriptures

Readings for Sunday,
May 30, The Solemnity of
the Most Holy Trinity,

- Deuteronomy 4: 32-34, 39-40 — *Did anything so great ever happen before? Was it ever heard of? Did a people ever hear the voice of God speaking from the midst of fire, as you did, and live?*
- Psalm 33 — *Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own*
- Romans 8: 14-17 — *For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!"*
- Matthew 28: 16-20 — *Behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age*

The full text of the readings can be found at:

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/053021.cfm>



Gospel Reflection By Emily Smith

In this week's Gospel, Jesus meets with his remaining eleven disciples after his resurrection. He tells his disciples to go out, teach, and baptize in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

There's so much in this very short reading that it was difficult for me to collect my thoughts!

First, sharing the faith with others. Jesus instructs his disciples to "make disciples of all nations... teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." What has Jesus commanded? This passage occurs on a mountaintop, which brought to mind the Sermon on the Mount, where Jesus delivers the Beatitudes and those key teachings that we seek to live up to as Christians. Loving your enemies? Rejecting material concerns and turning to God? Avoiding judgement without acknowledging our own faults? The golden rule? These are tough ideals to live! Trying to live up to what can sometimes seem like impossibly high standards, and acknowledging where we fall short and need to prayerfully ask for God's help to do better, is not only a personal responsibility for us as Christians, but also is an important way for us to model our faith for others. As a parent, sharing my faith with my children is one of the most important roles I have. What can I do to better model my faith for my children and for others in my life?

Second, the Trinity. Jesus clearly articulates the Trinity, the three in one: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in the words that were said at our own baptisms. To me, reflecting on the Trinity is overwhelming! The Trinity is impossible to fully comprehend and yet a cornerstone of our faith. We can all seek to grow our faith and understanding of this mystery through prayer, reflection, and the Sacraments.

Third, doubt. This final chapter of Matthew begins with Jesus' resurrection and concludes with this week's Gospel reading. That's not a lot of time for the disciples to absorb what just happened! Even some of the disciples could hardly believe what they were witnessing and may have wavered in their faith. It gives me reassurance that even the most faithful can sometimes have doubts, but that we can all find our way back through the Holy Spirit.

Finally, comfort. The Gospel of Matthew ends with "I am with you always, until the end of the age." Even though Jesus' physical body is not with us, the Holy Spirit is there to support us on our journey as we seek to grow in our own faith, share with others, and live up to the examples of the saints.

Building the Domestic Church: Living the Faith At Home

Breakout Questions for Parents

- When you presented your child/children to the Church for Baptism, you were commissioned, by the Church, to take an active role to be the first teacher of the faith of your children. Take time to think about how you are fulfilling this commission? What more can you do to fulfill your role?
- Like the disciples, each of us is called and sent by Jesus to “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.” How can you incorporate these words into your own life as a parent?
- God is love (1 John 4:8). He is a communion of persons: Father, Son, Holy Spirit. The Blessed Trinity is the perfect model of love. How does the Blessed Trinity teach you about the importance of a loving relationship within your family?

Breakout Questions for Adults

- If you had an entire Saturday without any plans or obligations, what would you spend your day doing?
- In the Gospel, Jesus says, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me." Is your life a reflection of these words? How? What makes it hard to give God all of the power?
- We have been given the gift of the Holy Trinity—the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. What about the Holy Trinity is difficult to understand?
- Is there a particular person of the Trinity you have a hard time growing in relationship with? Why do you think that is?

Breakout Questions for Teens

- What are the qualities of a good relationship?
- Where is there peace in your life right now? Are these places where you feel conflicted or anxiety? How can you invite God into those places?
- Are you a person who easily fixes relationships or is this difficult for you?
- God is a perfect relationship in the Most Holy Trinity. How can having a good relationship with God impact your relationships with others?

Breakout Questions for Children

- Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. It is a special day when we think about how God is three Persons in one God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. What do you know about God the Father? What do you know about God the Son? What do you know about the Holy Spirit?
- Whenever we make the Sign of the Cross and pray “In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit” we remind ourselves that we became children of God at our Baptism. What does it mean to begin and end our prayers with the Sign of the Cross?
- In our gospel reading today, Jesus said to his disciples, “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations....” How can you share Jesus with others? How can you live your life as a follower of Jesus?
- Pray this prayer: *Glory be to Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*
- Watch: Catholic Kids Media: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YfgxZ4Hjypl&t=47s>

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In his landmark encyclical Laudato Si, Pope Francis called on us to take action to save our common home, the Earth. In Fratelli Tutti, he again called us to act for the environment but also to take responsibility for each other, as sisters and brothers in the human family. The celebration of World Environment Day on June 5 gives us an opportunity to mindfully do both.

In today's world, the words of Scripture are a call to diversity, inclusion, welcoming and dialogue. The encyclicals from Pope Francis remind us that all sources of wisdom are essential, and we must hear the voices of all cultures as equally valid and rich.

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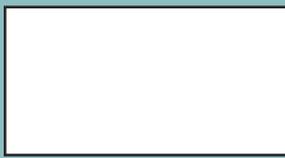
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