

Feast of the Holy Trinity
May 30, 2021



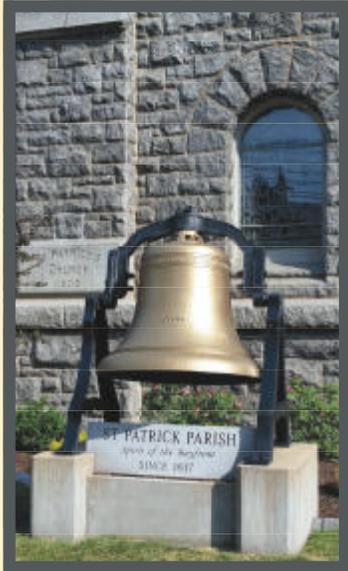
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MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM (CHAPEL)

Saturday Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Holy Day Mass: 12:00 PM

From the Pastor's Desk...



Today is the Feast of the Holy Trinity. Although prayers to God in the Trinity existed earlier, this feast was not included in the liturgical calendar until the fourteenth century. Christians did not have a universally agreed upon doctrine of the Trinity until the Council of Constantinople in 381. This is the creed we now know as the Nicene Creed. There is not a fully formed doctrine of the Trinity in the Scriptures but there were allusions even in the Old Testament as we hear today. The Book of Deuteronomy was written between the 8th and 6th centuries BC and is presented as the words of Moses to the Chosen People before they enter the Promised Land. Two details of this reading allude to the Holy Spirit: the mention of creation and the image of fire. You may recall the wind sweeping over the waters in the first creation story and, in the second, the reference to God breathing into Adam to make a human being. Fire is an image associated with God's presence in Exodus to remind us of Pentecost.

In our second reading, Paul highlights the benefits of those who are justified by faith in Jesus Christ as a free gift from God. He writes that we receive the spirit of adoption that makes us children of God and allows us to cry out "Abba, Father." *Abba* is used three times in the New Testament, always paired with the Greek word *pater*, which means "father." Used in this way it is an intimate address to God in prayer, as a child might address a parent. The Eastern Orthodox use the word *perichoresis*, which suggests an intimacy and perfect balance of relationships among the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, centered in love and harmony.

Participation in the life of God necessarily means taking up our mission as God's agents in the world. Today's reading is known as the "Great Commission," which is often used biblically for missionary activity. This is the only account of the risen Christ's commissioning of the eleven to go out and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them and teaching all that Jesus had taught them. And the ending, the promise that God will always be with us takes us back to the beginning

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

where God's angel tells Joseph that the child will fulfill the prophecy of Isaiah "and they shall name him Emmanuel," a name which means God is with us.

During the month of March, our parish Food Pantry distributed 12,627 pounds of food to 378 families at a cost to the parish of \$556.55. In April we served 349 families with 9,979 pounds of food at a cost to the parish of \$319.75. Thank you for your generous support.

I noted recently the sharp decline in religious practice in the United States with only 47% saying they belong to a church, synagogue or mosque. One element of the report cites this as a good move saying that nations with the highest level of secularization are "the healthiest, wealthiest and safest in the world." Secularization "highly correlates" with belief in science, increased vaccination rates, higher education levels, stronger safety nets and greater support for gay rights, women's reproductive rights and universal health care. There are obviously a multitude of ways of looking at this decline in religious practice in our country.

I recently received our assessments from the diocese for the 2021-22 fiscal year. The increase shows that we owe the diocese \$251,000 for the coming year. Included in that is \$105,651 for Catholic schools and \$100,400 for Catholic Services Appeal.

We are planning a May 2022 trip to northern Italy and Switzerland. It will include 2 days in Milan, 3 days at Lake Como and 5 days in Switzerland. There will be a number of side trips and tour included in the trip. We will have itinerary, pricing, dates, etc. ready to be released in early September. If anyone is interested in receiving information about the trip, call the parish office.

Did I read that sign right?!!! "Toilet out of order. Please use floor below." ... "Automatic washing machines: Please remove all your clothes when the light goes out." ... In a London department store: "Bargain Basement upstairs." ... In an office: "After tea break staff should empty the teapot and stand upside down on the draining board." ... Outside a second hand shop: "We exchange anything—bicycles, washing machines, etc. Why not bring your wife along and get a wonderful bargain?"



Saint Patrick News



The Sanctuary Lamp
burns in loving memory of
Matthew Wienczkowski
from Mike & Betsy Guise

LITURGY INTENTIONS

- May 29 Saturday, Vigil: The Most Holy Trinity**
5:00 PM MARTHA MASEK (MARK & CINDY BORIS)
- May 30 The Most Holy Trinity**
8:00 AM DAN LYNCH (FAMILY)
10:30 AM MAUREEN & MICHAEL BYRNE
(PATRICK, EITHNE & MICHAEL MURPHY)
- May 31 Monday, The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
CHURCH & OFFICE CLOSED—MEMORIAL DAY
- June 1 Tuesday, Saint Justin, Martyr**
8:00 AM PIETRO & ANGELA LAROCCA (ANGIE KONTUR)
- June 2 Wednesday, Weekday**
8:00 AM ANGELINE SCOLIO (KATHY & MORGAN JACOX)
- June 3 Thursday, Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions**
8:00 AM MARILYN LECHNER (TIM & LIZ MCCORMICK)
- June 4 Friday, Weekday**
NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
- June 5 Saturday, Vigil: The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**
5:00 PM MR. & MRS. WALTER "CHUBBY" KUHL
(THE KUHL GIRLS)
- June 6 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**
8:00 AM KATHLEEN DOYLE (DICK & MARY BETH WACHTER)
10:30 AM HARRY C. FIGURSKI (DIANE MCCARTHY & FAMILY)

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 5, 2021 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Barbara Brairton

Eucharistic Minister: Barbara Brairton,
Shirley Winschel, Kathy Sertz

Sunday, June 6, 2021 at 8:00 am

Lector: Lisa Straub

Eucharistic Minister: Lisa Straub, Chris Sanner,
Joe Schneider

Sunday, June 6, 2021 at 10:30 am

Lector: Michele Wheaton

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Williams, Tom Golab

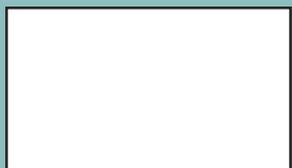
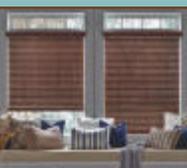
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