

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

The HOLY TRINITY

1st Sunday after Pentecost

May 30, 2021



MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays:

Monday, Wednesday (Novena),
Thursday & Friday - 8:30 a.m.
1st Friday Devotion—9 a.m.

Weekend:

Saturdays - 4 p.m.
Sundays - 8 & 10 a.m.

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Happy Memorial Day



Ladies Night Out

Pastor Notes:

This weekend we celebrate the feast of the Holy Trinity. It teaches us that there are three distinct Persons in one God, sharing the same Divine Nature. God is Love and the three persons of the Holy Trinity are united in love as one person. This feast reminds us that we all are called to live in communion with others, and to show our love for one another. God created us in his image to be one with Him and others in love.

This Monday we also celebrate Memorial Day. It is especially to remember those great persons who sacrificed their lives for this nation. This day reminds us to make sacrifices for others to build up a great a nation. May God grant eternal rest to all those who have sacrificed their lives and help all defending our country now.

Last Sunday I was happy to see few of our graduates for the Mass. Once again I congratulate them and wish them all success in their lives.

Many may be travelling this weekend, I wish you all a safe trip. Please be safe and take care. My prayers and wishes are with you.

I wish you all a great week ahead,
God bless you all!

Fr. Baby "Philip" Kuruvilla

Feast of the Holy Trinity

The mystery of the most Holy Trinity is a basic doctrine of Faith in Christianity, understandable not with our heads but with our hearts. Our mind cannot grasp this doctrine which teaches that $1+1+1=1$ and not 3. But we believe in this Mystery because Jesus, who is God, taught it clearly, the Evangelists recorded it, the Fathers of the Church tried to explain it and the Councils of Nicaea and Constantinople defined it as a dogma of Christian Faith.

- 1) All prayers in the Church begin in the Name of the Holy Trinity and end glorifying the Trinity.
- 2) All Sacraments are administered (we are baptized, confirmed, anointed, our sins are forgiven, and our marriage blessed, and our Bishops, priests and deacons ordained) in the name of the Holy Trinity.
- 3) We begin the Mass in the name of the Holy Trinity.
- 4) We bless ourselves, and the priest blesses us, in the name of the Holy Trinity.

We are made in God's image and likeness. Just as God is God only in a Trinitarian relationship, so we can be fully human only as one member of a relationship of three partners. The self needs to be in a horizontal relationship with all other people and in a vertical relationship with God. In that way, our life becomes Trinitarian like that of God. Modern society follows the so-called "I-and-I" principle of unbridled individualism and the resulting consumerism. But the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity challenges us to adopt an "I-and-God-and-neighbor" principle: "I am a Christian insofar as I live in a relationship of love with God and other people." Like God the Father, we are called upon to be productive and creative persons by contributing to the building up of the fabric of our family, our Church, our community and our nation. Like God the Son, we are called upon to reconcile, to be peacemakers, to put back together that which has been broken, to restore what has been shattered. Like God the Holy Spirit, it is our task to uncover and teach truth and to dispel ignorance.

Memorial Day Reflections

The first Memorial Day observances were spontaneous expressions of gratitude and remembrance from Civil War veterans for their fallen friends, organized by veterans groups in local communities. It was recognized as an official holiday after it became an honored tradition, one that remains today. Memorial Day is a time for families and communities to gather together in remembrance of those who gave their lives for our country.

The community-oriented nature of Memorial Day also helps us reflect in a more personal way on individual service members who gave their lives defending freedom.

Memorial Day serves as a reminder that each of the lives lost was, in fact, a life. There's a temptation to get caught up in our own lives and take for granted the sacrifices that have been made on our behalf in order to preserve our way of life. If you think back to the founding generation, the dream of a nation built on liberty must have seemed nearly impossible. Still, our patriot Forefathers concluded that this dream was worth fighting for and took up arms. They risked everything and prevailed against all odds. Generations of brave Americans have followed in our Founders' footsteps and given their lives to protect that unique and fragile gift of freedom. Memorial Day is an opportunity to not only contemplate the wars that have marked our nation's history, but also to reflect on the individual sacrifices that have been made to preserve our liberty.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS "RCIA"

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE who is thinking about becoming Catholic? If so, invite them to call us about the RCIA process. Any adult person who ere never baptized, were baptized in another Christian tradition, or were baptized Catholic and need to make up a sacrament in the Catholic Church are invited to attend. Classes will begin in August.

YOU CAN BE THE VOICE OF GOD to someone who is seeking Christ in the Sacraments. For more information or to register for classes, call the church office at 594-5859.



REFLECTION ON THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

By: Curtis Constrantiche

Pope Francis has named this year as the year of St. Joseph. As parishioners of a Catholic church bearing the name of St. Joseph, it gives us a chance to look at our Patron Saint and see how through the example of his life, we can grow in holiness in our own lives. With this in mind we will look at the life of St. Joseph and learn what this powerful saint can offer us today.

It is a little difficult to write about St. Joseph. Although he is the second most mentioned Saint, after Our Lady, by the various Popes over the years, and he is mentioned several times in the Gospels, he is never quoted—not even once in the New Testament. Therefore, all we have to go on are the actions taken by St. Joseph.

I believe the Holy Spirit, on purpose, does this. Many people say many things in their lifetime. They will say they are Christian and they will say they are a follower of Christ and they will say many things like this—but what do they in fact do. Do we act as St. Joseph did in accordance of the Will of God? Or, do we only act in accord of our own will.

The Church has given St. Joseph the title of “Terror of Demons.” This is quite the title for someone who not been quoted even once in the Bible. Demons are fallen angels who still have the power and intelligence given to them at the moment of their creation by God. Far more than any human being. Yet, this Saint—our Saint—terrifies them. Not in what he says—but in what he does. Although the Gospels do not quote any words of St. Joseph, they do recount his obedience in doing the Will of God. I think here we find the answer. God is not looking for us to give great speeches or to go around converting people with our lofty words. He is simply asking us to do his will. To be Jesus to others in our actions. He is asking us to be more like St. Joseph.

DIED IN CHRIST

In the Charity of Prayer,
please remember:

Emeline Cunningham

Aaron Simoneaux

who returned to the Lord. Also please pray that their family finds comfort and consolation in their faith.



ROSARY AND ADORATION

The Knights of Columbus & Ladies Auxiliary will lead a Rosary and Adoration on Monday, June 7th, at 4 p.m., at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Chapel. Curtis Constrantiche will lead the Rosary. June is the month of the Sacred Heart. His heart is a spring of eternal life. Pray for infinite love, mercy and eternal life. Everyone is invited to attend.

Parish Communication Project Update

Thank you to all parishioners who have returned their Parish Communication Card to date! If you have not had the opportunity to return your card you will be receiving a reminder letter in the mail next week. We are striving for 100% participation to update our parish contact information for every family.

If you have not yet returned your family contact card, please do so as soon as possible by:

- ◆ mailing to the church office using the envelope provided;
- ◆ bring your completed card to Mass;
- ◆ or visit our parish website at



<https://saintjosephchurch5.wixsite.com/saintjosephchurch> and complete an electronic version of the Communication update Card.

Your participation is vitally important to the parish and most appreciated! **Thank you and God bless!**

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

First Friday Devotion will be held on Friday, June 4th, beginning with Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by a devotional service and quiet time before the Blessed Sacrament.



YOUTH FORMATION

Religious Ed. Registrations are now being accepted at the following link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Oex7O78x6kSCGkk4sMoelsROd8rIh0-yTi7iXbjIM3I/viewform?edit_requested=true%3Cbr, or a paper form can be picked up in the entrance of church.

SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection for the weekend of June 5th and 6th is for the maintenance of St. Joseph Parish.

ST. JOSEPH TRAVELING PRAYER STATUE

For the Year of St. Joseph, we have a St. Joseph Statue that will be shared with parishioners on a weekly basis. We would like all our parishioners to participate on St. Joseph's journey throughout our parish. *Mr. Donald and Mrs. Loretta Adams will have the statue for the week of May 29th-June 5th.* Call the church office at 594-5859 to sign up.

YOUNG ADULT ECHO RETREAT

ECHO retreats offer participants the opportunity to have a direct experience of the truths contained in JP II's Theology of the Body about life, love, and human sexuality. Through experiencing the sacraments, dynamic talks, small group discussions, music, art, and outdoor activities, retreatants will encounter their identity as they encounter the truth of the God who loves them beyond imagination. " Registration is open to anyone from 19-35 years of age. Retreat will be held on June 25th-29th. The cost is \$275. We encourage all those able to consider attending this potentially life-changing experience prayer, community, and formation. To register, visit: dumboxministries.com/echo."

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 29th, Weekday (St. Paul VI): (*Sir 51L12cd-20; Mk 11:27-33*) **4 p.m.** Danny Lirette, Jr. & Family; Noel Curby Foret, Jr.; Marie Eschete; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & Family; Mary Beth D. Price; Patricia Ann Trahan & family; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr.; George Sevin; Lawrence & Hilda Foret; Gurvis "Go" Blanchard; Tod Thibodeaux; Horace & Justin (anniv.) Authement; Thelma D. Duplantis; Charles "Poncho" Neil & Destinee; Ernie Pinell; Lois & Aaron Foret (anniv.); Thelma Quatrevingt; Leonard Belanger; Malvin (anniv.) & Lena Chauvin & family; Allie & Trasimond Portier; Andrew LeBoeuf

Sunday, May 30th, The Most Holy Trinity: (*Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20*) **8 a.m.** George Sevin; Houston "Sou" Lirette, Sr.; **10 a.m.** St. Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Gregory Lopez; Una Arcement; Raynold "T-Noon" Pellegrin (anniv.); Jody Price; Norman Rodrigue; Walter & Della Lapeyrouse; Dolores V. Brunet; Daisy S. Brunet; U.J. & Scotty Lirette; Phillip Duplantis & family; Brent Sevin and Becky

Monday, May 31st, The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial Day): (*Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56*) **8:30 a.m.** George Sevin; Rita, Lenis, Sr. & Evelyn Authement (anniv.); Willard & Aaron Portier; Bennett & Carolyn Pitre

Tuesday, June 1st, St. Justin (9th Week in Ordinary Time)
(*Tb 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17*) **No Mass**

Wednesday, June 2nd, Weekday (St. Marcellinus & Peter:
(*Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Mk 12:18-27*) **8:30 a.m.** All Souls List
George Sevin

Thursday, June 3rd, St. Charles Lwanga & Companions:
(*Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17, 8:4-9a; Mk 12:28-34*) **8:30 a.m.**
George Sevin

Friday, June 4th, Weekday: (*Tb 11:5-17; Mk 12:35-37*)
8:30 a.m. George Sevin; Ivan Authement, Sr.; Angelo Roberts, Jr.; Earl Pellegrin, Sr. & Jr.; Tod Thibodeaux; Kenny Flynn; Caprise LeBlanc (anniv.)

Saturday, June 5th, St. Boniface: (*Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; <k 12:38-44*) **4 p.m.** Danny Lirette, Jr. & Family; Noel Curby Foret, Jr.; Marie Eschete; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & Family; Mary Beth D. Price; Patricia Ann Trahan & family; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr.; George Sevin; Lawrence, Hilda & Siles Foret; Gurvis "Go" Blanchard; Tod Thibodeaux; Earl "Tootie", Jennie & Eugene Chauvin; David Falgout; Kelly Lyons; Ernie Pinell; Joyce Martinez; Ora & Nolan Portier; Dolores V. Brunet; Leon "Ponoke" Champagne; Daisy S. Brunet; Larry Babin; Charles "Poncho" Neil & Destinee; Ruth & Wilbur Lyons; Lorena M. Lapeyrouse (12 yr. Anniv.)

Sunday, June 6th, The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi): (*Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26*) **8 a.m.** George Sevin; Houston "Sou" Lirette, Sr.; Rose & Henry Adams, Sr.; E.J. & Doicy Blanchard; Edward & Eva Trahan; Troy Lirette; Luby "Richard" Neal; **10 a.m.** St. Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Gregory Lopez; Una Arcement; Donald Tivet, Jr.; Brent Sevin & Becky; Phillip Duplantis & family; Carroll Voisin, Sr.; Ivy Authement family; Lois & Aaron Foret; Virgis, Alex & Roger Cheramie; Alcide Adams, Jr.; Elizabeth Adams Gaubert; Emmaline Cunningham; Aaron Simoneaux; Ernest & Virginia Constrantiche

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday, May 31st: (Memorial Day)

- ◆ Office Closed
- ◆ Rosary—8:05 a.m.
- ◆ Mass—8:30 a.m.
- ◆ Church Cleaning—9 a.m./Jeannie’s Group

Tuesday, June 1st:

- ◆ No Mass

Wednesday, June 2nd:

- ◆ Rosary—8:05 a.m.
- ◆ Mass—8:30 a.m.
- ◆ Pastoral Council Meeting—6:30 p.m.



Thursday, June 3rd:

- ◆ Rosary—8:05 a.m.
- ◆ Mass—8:30 a.m.
- ◆ Baptism Seminar—6:30 p.m. (*sign up before attending*)

Friday, June 4th:

- ◆ Rosary—8:05 a.m.
- ◆ Mass—8:30 a.m.
- ◆ First Friday Devotion—9 a.m.

Saturday, June 5th:

- ◆ Rosary—3:35 p.m.
- ◆ Mass—4 p.m.
- ◆ Maintenance Collection

Sunday, June 6th:

- ◆ Rosary—7:35 a.m.
- ◆ Mass—8 a.m.
- ◆ Rosary—9:35 a.m.
- ◆ Mass—10 a.m. (live stream)
- ◆ Maintenance Collection



CLEANING ANGELS

- ◆ Monday, May 31st: 9 a.m.—Jeannie Neil
- ◆ Tuesday, June 8th: 5 p.m.—Phylis Henry
- ◆ Thursday, June 17th: 5:15 p.m.—Missy Lyons



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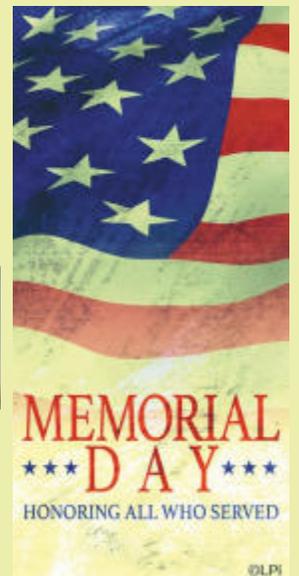
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Mass Attendance

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Sunday	8 a.m.:	62
	10 a.m.:	153
	5 p.m.:	172
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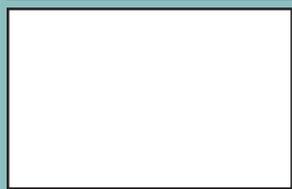
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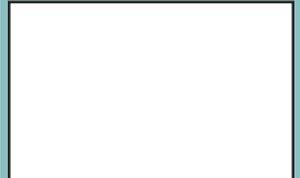
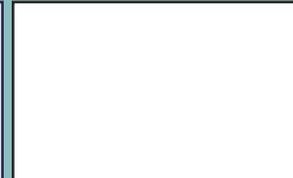
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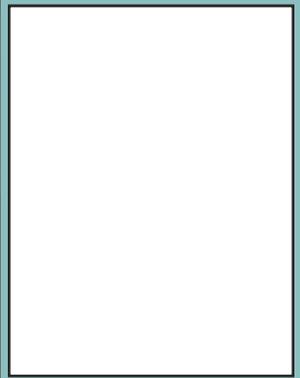
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