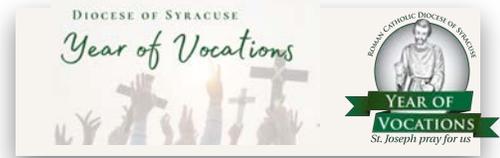




1st Reading: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40
Responsorial Psalm: 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22
2nd Reading: Rom 8:14-17
Gospel: Mt 28:16-20

May 30, 2021



Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

“Today, on the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the Trinity, one God in three Persons.

In today’s Gospel, the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed them through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary. They see Jesus, and they worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach. It is a task for which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples; recall that Jesus had already sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal. Yet earlier, the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this final commission, the eleven are told to go to all nations. The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people, and the task is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity; this is one of the clearest attestations for Baptism in the name of the Holy Trinity found in Scripture. Other New Testament references to Baptism describe it as being celebrated in the name of Jesus. As we read this Gospel on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are reminded that this central mystery of faith is meant to be lived. As baptized Christians, we share in the life of the blessed Trinity and seek to invite others to share in God’s love.” (Loyolapress.com - *Sunday Connection*)

Back to Ordinary Time

With the celebration of Pentecost, the Church entered the long stretch of Ordinary time in the liturgical calendar. From now until Christ the King, after Thanksgiving, the liturgical life of the Church is a time of praise and thanksgiving, living out its apostolic mission. Sundays in Ordinary time are far from “ordinary”, but rather “primary” to time of praise and thanks. Pope John Paul II’s apostolic letter, *Dies Domini. Day of the Lord*, (Vatican.va) discusses the theological importance of Sundays for Christians. It emphasizes that from the early days of the Church, “Christians celebrated the weekly day of the risen Lord primarily as a day of joy”(DD55). We continue to celebrate the Risen Lord as we move through the ordinal Sundays of Ordinary Time, nourishing our faith with the Word and Eucharist. The Catechism of the Church reminds us, “The Sunday celebration of the Lord’s Day and his Eucharist is at the heart of the Church life” (CCC 2177).

Reflection Questions

How often do you think about God as Trinity? How do you relate to each member of the Trinity?

As each of us is called and sent by Christ, how have you incorporated this into your own life, whether married, single, in religious life, or ordained?

This Week

- May 31 - Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- June 1 - Memorial of Saint Justin, Martyr
- June 3 - Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs
- June 5 - Memorial of Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

Links for More Ideas, Activities & Resources FYI

- YouTube.com - Bishop Barron “What is the Trinity” (Adult Faith Builder)
- NCregister.com - 12 Things to Know about the Trinity (Teens & Adult Faith Builder)
- TeachingCatholicKids.com - The Sacred Heart of Jesus • Monthly Devotion for June (Children’s Faith Builder)
- Youtube.com The Trinity - Catholic Central (Teen Faith Builder)
- Catholic-link.org - Sacred Art- Andrei Rublev’s *Troitsa* or Trinity (Adult Faith Builder)

The ABCs for Fostering Vocations

Remember in prayer by name those who minister to your family and include in your family prayers petitions for those called to priesthood and consecrated life.



YouTube:
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Year B

Pope Francis: Prayer Intention for June 2021

The Beauty of Marriage

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.



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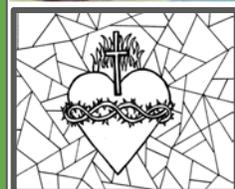
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May 29 - June 5



CatholicCuisine.blogspot.com

O Sacred Heart-How Sweet are Thee (Sacred Heart Cupcakes Recipe and a great article!)



drive.google.com

Sacred Heart of Jesus (Stained glass coloring sheet) Print and color this sheet and hang it in a special place or the month of June.