

Three in One, or One in Three?

Our thinking moves far from the reality of God when we limit our reflection of the Trinity to numbers. The characterizations of an old man, a younger man, and a dove do not help much either. However, these are attempts to somehow talk about the mystery of all mysteries. We cannot adequately conceptualize or characterize God, but we try. Each reading today makes its own attempt.

In the Exodus passage, God actually describes God's own self: "gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in love and fidelity" (Exodus 34:6).

The Gospel passage tells us how these divine features play out in our lives: "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son" (John 3:16). This Son is God in the flesh. What greater love can there be?

The prayer in Paul's letter seems to scoop us up

like an adoring parent would into the embrace of the Trinity: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the holy Spirit be with all of you" (2 Corinthians 13:13).

Theologians tell us that each person of the Trinity interacts with us and the rest of the created universe in a way unique to each person. Though different, each way is an expression of self-emptying love. The only response required of us is openness to that love. God only asks that we accept that love and allow it to transform us. Then we will be the living example of the Trinity's love for all.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

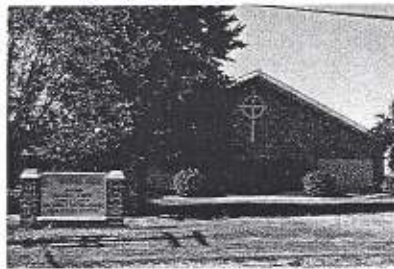
- ★ Say the Gloria slowly, reflecting prayerfully on the meaning of the words.
- ★ What in today's readings touches you the most? Why?

God so loved
the world that he
gave his only Son,
so that everyone
who believes in
him might not
perish.
JOHN 3:16





Holy Trinity Catholic Church



St. Thomas More Catholic Church



St. Patrick Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays - Tuesday 12:15pm and

Thursday - 8:30am

Saturday Confessions - 3:15-3:45 PM
or by appointment

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass - 8:30 AM

***Pastor of the Three Churches**

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****Upcoming Events At Church****

All Events On Hold

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For All Three Churches

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Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass -

Wednesday & Friday - 8:00AM

Saturday Vigil Mass - 5:30 PM

**Sunday (Last Chance) Mass-
5:30 PM**

Adoration Room

Open Monday-Friday 8AM-8PM

Saturday & Sunday -

8AM Until After 5:30PM Mass

Divine Mercy Prayers

Every Friday 3:00PM

****Upcoming Events At Church****

All Events On Hold

St. Patrick Church

(Office at Holy Trinity Church)

106 Church St.

Arlington, IL 61312

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass - 10:30 AM

***3 Churches Pastoral Assistant**

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****Office Hours****

Holy Trinity - Tues, Thurs, & Fri.
- 9AM-12PM

St. Thomas More -

Wed - 9AM - 12PM

****Facebook:** Use Link on Home
Page - www.bureaucatholic.org

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**Daily Mass Intentions for
Masses the Week of June 8, 2020**

Monday

****www.bureaucatholic.org- 5:30pm****

† No Mass

Tuesday

****www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 11:15AM**HT**

† Bill Waite Jr.

Wednesday

****Facebook Link - 11:15AM**SP**

† Marion & Catherine Hunter

Thursday

****www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 11:15AM**HT**

† Leo & Darlene Greskiwcz

Friday

****Facebook Link - 11:15AM **STM**

† Dolly Abney

**Next Weekend's Mass Intentions
Weekend of June 13-14, 2020**

Saturday:

****Facebook Link - 4:00PM **STM**

Offered For

† For The Sick

Sunday:

****www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 11:00 AM**HT**

† For The Parishioners

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM

† No Mass

****St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 6:00 PM (Last Chance Communion) † No Mass**

(Suggestion Watch A Mass Online Or EWTN Mass Before Receiving)**

On-Line Giving Offering's

Holy Trinity -	\$2225.00
St. Patrick -	\$845.00
St. Thomas More -	\$1115.00

Visit Venerable Fulton Sheen At Cathedral in Peoria

Monday - Friday	2pm - 2pm
Saturday	3pm - 6pm
Sunday	9am - 2pm

****Temporarily Closed****

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - ?

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -

?

Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -

? & ?

****Mass Intentions****

We are in need of Mass Intentions for weekday Masses. The Masses on the web are a great occasion for family members not living in this area to pray with us for family members who have died. Please consider having a weekday Mass for a deceased member of your family and thank you. Mass intentions can be paid through our online giving program, mail or dropping by our office.

****Recurring Special Church Events****

Wednesday's - Rosary - 6PM (On Website)

(Rotates Between 3 Churches)

Friday's - Divine Mercy Chaplet - Suspended

3PM - St. Thomas More Adoration Chapel

Third Monday of the Month -

Mass for Reparation of Sins & Rosary -

5:30PM (No Wednesday Rosary That Week)

Need For Volunteers At All Three Churches When Masses Begin Again

Our diocese, in conjunction with the Archdiocese of Chicago, is seeking volunteers to help assure at the Masses, at each church, we are adhering to social distancing guidelines and disinfecting after each Mass.

We will not be opening the church just yet for people to attend Mass. After each church is certified to begin Masses again, the limit right now is 25 people. Soon it will be 50 people and it seems more prudent to wait until that limit is approved.

Even when the churches are opened again for Mass, the dispensation from Mass will still remain in effect for those who have health problems.

Current Mass Schedule And Holy Communion

The Mass schedule we will be using for all weeks other than the week with the Monday evening Mass for Reparation of Sins is what you see on the Mass schedule this week until the social distancing is a thing of the past. On weekends, I will be rotating back and forth the Saturday 4PM and Sunday 11:00AM Masses between Holy Trinity and St. Thomas More. Again the times are what they are for people without internet access to watch EWTN and then come for Holy Communion in the church parking lots.

Holy Communion starts 5-10 minutes after the end of Mass and continues until at least Saturday 5:10PM or Sunday 12:05PM! Then Father will at St. Patrick's for Holy Communion at Saturday 5:30PM or Sunday 12:30PM. Also distribution of Holy Communion is at 6PM on Sunday's at St. Thomas More. Thank you!

Confessions

The next confessions will be at St. Thomas More in parking lot on Saturday, June 13th from 11-11:45am.

End Times Conference

The third conference on the End Times and what we need to do to be prepared for it will be a week from this Wednesday on June 10th at 5:30PM followed by the Rosary. It can be watched on both our website or the Bureau Catholic Churches Facebook link. Our internet (Comcast) had a major outage and there was no way to get it online in time for people to watch it.

Again our Facebook link on our home page, on our website, takes you directly to where the Masses can be watched. An account is not needed to watch the Masses. However, it will be helpful in notifying you when Mass will be beginning. And, just in case you missed it, the Facebook page name is now under "Bureau Catholic Churches".

On this Trinity weekend we remember the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit and the life they bring to us. After having celebrated Pentecost, the Holy Spirit it seems is often left out of recognizing the importance of the Trinity. And it is the Holy Spirit who enables us today to receive the grace of the Sacraments. This Sunday we will be praying a Special Trinitarian Rosary at 5PM given to us by our Blessed Mother. And it is a great way prayer to keep evil away from us. We also need to keep praying for the first line responders who are fighting to keep us healthy from sickness!

We still need some volunteers, preferably under 65 years old (if we have any?) to participate in the webinar "Mass Health Safety" at Masses from Holy Trinity and St. Patrick.

Plenty to be thankful for! May God always protect us and be with us!

The Parishioner Week (June 8, 2020) Mass Help Sheet

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of
the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Responsorial Psalms

Tuesday - R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

Wednesday - R. Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

Thursday - R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Friday - R. I long to see your face, O Lord.

Saturday Vigil - R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Sunday - R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,**

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Dear Padre,

Why was the confusing word *consubstantial* added to our Creed some years ago? What was wrong with the old “one in being with the Father”?

The Creed or Profession of Faith is said at Mass so that the assembly “may respond to the Word of God proclaimed in the readings...and explained in the Homily and that they may also honor and confess the great mysteries of the faith...before the celebration of these mysteries in the Eucharist begins” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 67). The Nicene Creed normally is used, although the Apostles’ Creed may replace it at Masses



with children or on Sundays during the seasons of Lent and Easter.

In the Nicene Creed, “We believe” changed to “I believe” because a profession of faith is a profoundly personal act, even when it’s made in public while at Mass. Plus, the literal translation of the Latin word *credo* is “I believe,” not “we believe.”

The word *consubstantial* indicates that Christ isn’t simply united with the Father but that they share the same substance. In other words, Christ is not a different God, but he’s the same God with the Father, since our God is One. They’re coequal and coeternal. In St. John’s Gospel, Philip asks Jesus to “show us the Father, and that will be enough for us.” Jesus replies, “Whoever has seen me has seen the Father....Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the works themselves” (John 14:8–9, 11).

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

With our eyes fixed on Jesus and his merciful gaze, we experience the love of the Most Holy Trinity....His person is nothing but love, a love given gratuitously....The signs he works, especially in favor of sinners, the poor, the marginalized, the sick, and the suffering, are all meant to teach mercy.

—MISERICORDIAE VULTUS, APRIL 11, 2015

Calendar

Monday

JUNE 8

Weekday

1 Kgs 17:1–6

Mt 5:1–12

Tuesday

JUNE 9

Weekday

1 Kgs 17:7–16

Mt 5:13–16

Wednesday

JUNE 10

Weekday

1 Kgs 18:20–39

Mt 5:17–19

Thursday

JUNE 11

St. Barnabas,
Apostle

Acts 11:21b–26;
13:1–3

Mt 5:20–26

Friday

JUNE 12

Weekday

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11–16

Mt 5:27–32

Saturday

JUNE 13

St. Anthony of Padua,
Priest and
Doctor of the Church

1 Kgs 19:19–21

Mt 5:33–37

Sunday

JUNE 14

Body and Blood
of Christ

Dt 8:2–3, 14b–16a

1 Cor 10:16–17

Jn 6:51–58