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Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m.*

Saturday: 9 a.m.; 5:30 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m.* (Spanish), 10:30 a.m.*, Noon.

*Masses noted with * are also live streamed on our Facebook page.*

Church Open for Private Prayer:

Monday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to Noon

Confessions:

Saturdays, 4:50 - 5:20 p.m. in the Church; or by appointment

Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals: Please call the Rectory



SOLEMNITY *of* THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY, May 30, 2021

*Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;
to God who is, who was, and who is to come. - Rev. 1:8*

A NOTE FROM FR. LARRY

At last weekend's Masses, we announced that the Brooklyn Diocese has changed its COVID protocols and reinstated the Obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Effectively immediately, churches in the Diocese of Brooklyn can permit attendance to 100% of capacity. Wearing masks and maintaining social distancing is mandatory for those who have not been vaccinated. Wearing masks is strongly encouraged for those who have been vaccinated. Churches will rely on the honesty of those attending Masses or other devotions. No one will be asked about vaccination status or to sit in a particular place.

Bishop DiMarzio asked pastors to remind all Catholics "that the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday is a sacred one and must be taken seriously." Bishop DiMarzio quoted the Bishops of New York State who have stated: "The term 'obligation' does not adequately express the great privilege that is ours regarding attendance at Mass. It is not a 'chore' as the word could sound to modern ears. The Mass is the greatest gift that Our Lord has given to His people. It is a supernatural moment in which we are truly in His presence, to relive His passion, death and resurrection, to hear His holy Word, receive Him in Holy Communion, and give Him thanks and praise for blessings. More than an obligation, it is a remarkable opportunity – one not to be missed."

Last Sunday was Pentecost Sunday and we had the privilege of administering the Sacrament of Confirmation to six participants in our parish RCIA program whose names are listed elsewhere in this bulletin. Congratulations to all of our confirmandi; to their families, sponsors and other loved ones; and especially to Maryellen Keogh and Ana Acosta for preparing the candidates over several months.

The Holy Spirit's presence was certainly evident in HNJ parish last Sunday. Adult baptized Catholics (young or not so young) who have not made the Sacrament of Confirmation are strongly encouraged to do so. The sacrament is a tremendous source of grace and of strengthening the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our lives. The preparation process is not burdensome and is an excellent opportunity to review the teachings and beliefs of our Catholic faith. I would be happy to speak with anyone interested in learning more about making Confirmation.

May 25 was the First Anniversary of the tragic death of George Floyd under the knee of a police officer in Minneapolis. Sunday, May 30 is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Monday, May 31 is the Feast of Our Blessed Mother Mary's Visitation to assist her cousin Elizabeth. In briefly considering those three dates, we remember first that the mystery of the Blessed Trinity is one based on love: the love which the three members of the Blessed Trinity share among themselves and which, in turn, they share with us. Summarizing very briefly, it can be said that the expectation is that we

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COLLECTION RESULTS MAY 16, 2021

1ST COLLECTION TOTAL TO PARISH: \$4,830
(This includes: \$1,650 in church envelopes, \$833 in loose cash and checks in baskets and \$2,347 from Faith Direct weekly collection.)

2ND COLLECTION TOTAL TO DIOCESE FOR CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS: \$1,121
(This includes: \$974 in church envelopes and \$147 from Faith Direct for the Catholic Communication collection.)

CATCH UP COLLECTION: \$2,486
(This includes \$2,238 in previous 1st collection envelopes and \$248 in 2nd collection Parish Building Repair envelopes.)

COLLECTION RESULTS MAY 23, 2021

1ST COLLECTION TOTAL TO PARISH: \$4,771
(This includes: \$1,507 in church envelopes, \$917 in loose cash and checks in baskets and \$2,347 from Faith Direct weekly collection.)

2ND COLLECTION TOTAL TO PARISH: \$1,204
(This includes: \$491 in Parish Building Repair envelopes, \$260 in loose cash and checks in baskets and \$453 from Faith Direct.)

CATCH UP COLLECTION: \$1,297
(This includes \$580 in previous 1st collection envelopes and \$717 in 2nd collection Parish Building Repair envelopes.)

Congratulations to Our Newly Confirmed

Congratulations to our RCIA Program Participants who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in Holy Name of Jesus Church on Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2021:



- Manuel **Gregorio** Briones
- Alyssa **Christina** Carter
- Julissa **Catherine of Sienna** Chino
- Erick **Paul** Cruz Selgado
- Jason **Peter** Cruz Selgado
- Jeff **Joseph** Cruz Selgado



Remember and Honor

**The Rectory Office Will Be Closed
 Monday, May 31, 2021
 in observance of Memorial Day**

Our regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, June 1:
10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday

Masking and Social Distancing are required. Because of COVID, we recommend that you try to conduct Rectory business via phone whenever possible: (718) 768-3071.

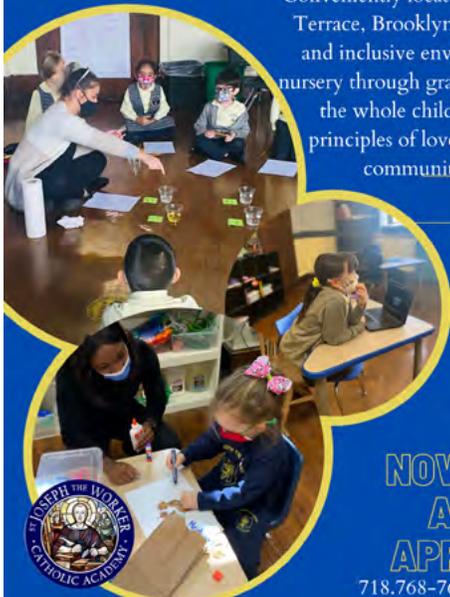
PRAYER FOR MEMORIAL DAY

God of power and mercy,
 you destroy war and put down earthly pride.
 Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears,
 that we may all deserve to be called your sons
 and daughters.
 Keep in your mercy those men and women
 who have died in the cause of freedom
 and bring them safely
 into your kingdom of justice and peace.
 We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord.
 R/. Amen

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Registration and re-registration for the 2021-22 Religious Education Program has begun.

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For additional information, or to register your child, contact Kathryn Sisto, Coordinator of Religious Education, by:

- Completing the online registration form: <https://forms.gle/cdx3n1k6esFjEr4G6>
- Emailing her at hjnreligious@gmail.com, OR
- Calling 718-768-7629.

There is an early registration discount for all children that are registered by June 20, 2021.

will show our acceptance of the gift of that love by living up to the two great laws of love of God and love of neighbor. Mary's Visitation to her cousin Elizabeth was a beautiful, powerful showing of love in action. The now 15-month long Coronavirus pandemic has provided opportunities for many similar showings of love. Contrast those examples with the death of George Floyd and the violence and division that continue to plague our great nation and we are reminded that we all have a lot to think and pray about as we try to put Trinitarian love into greater action in our lives.

Monday, May 31 is also the observance of Memorial Day, the unofficial start of the summer season and the day on which our Nation remembers in a special way all those who gave their lives to preserve our precious freedoms. It's a secular, and not a religious, holiday; but at our 9 a.m. Mass we will be using some special prayers appropriate for the day. Have a great Memorial Day Weekend.

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SCRIPTURE INSIGHTS

Please consider the following commentary on this Sunday's readings:

Reading I: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; Reading II: Romans 8: 14-17; Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

REVEALED IN STORY

Trinity—the very word tends to move us immediately from the everyday world of concrete experience to the world of the eternal and the abstract. For persons of a certain age, thought of the three-ness of God summons images of shamrocks and triangles scribbled on blackboards by good nuns helping us fifth graders imagine how three and one could possibly go together. The word “Trinity” evokes philosophy (one nature, two processions, three persons, four relations, and technical terms like perichoresis). The word tends to move us from the heart to the head, and away from prayer and the life of faith. On the other hand, the names Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, while they point us back to history and experience, evoke today distracting arguments about patriarchy and gender in our God-talk.

Mercifully, our Scripture readings for this feast remind us that the experience of the triune God long preceded the philosophical statements about it, preceded even the biblical accounts. Systematic theology provides a helpful distinction: the immanent Trinity (the “internal” relationships of the divine Persons) and the economic Trinity (the Father, Son, and Spirit as revealed in the story of Israel culminating in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ—what early authors called the “economy” of salvation). Though the immanent Trinity is first in the order of being, it is the economic Trinity (God revealed in history as triune) that came first in human experience. The experience of the “three-ness” of God's actions necessarily provoked philosophical questions about the unity that God is. But it is to that prior experience of God that Paul, Matthew, and the Deuteronomist point.

First there was Israel's experience of coming to see that the maker of the universe is the one they called Yhwh, who rescued them from slavery in Egypt, and then again from exile in Babylon. Deuteronomy 4 (Second Reading) marvels at the wonder of Israel's being a people uniquely loved among the nations by the unimaginable Creator of all.

How that same God became supremely revealed in Jesus of Nazareth and how that divine self-revelation impacts Christian lives in the power of the Holy Spirit is glimpsed marvelously in this Sunday's brief excerpt from Paul's letter to the Romans. In this, the longest and most systematic of his letters, Paul writes to Christians he has yet to meet, introducing himself by laying out his way of preaching and explaining the Good News of Jesus Christ. The part we read today comes toward the climax of the heart of the letter, four chapters (Rom 8:14-17) presenting five models for speaking about Christian transformation—movement from solidarity with Adam to solidarity with Christ, from death to life, from slavery to freedom, from one contract (canceled by death) to a new one, and here from slavery to adopted “sonship.”

Working with an idea he first sketched, more elaborately, in his passionate letter to the Galatians (Gal 4:1-7), Paul compares their status as Christians to what happens when a household slave becomes an adopted son. In the social world of Paul and his Roman addressees, a childless couple desiring an heir would commonly adopt a favored servant. Thus a former slave suddenly became a member of the family; what is more, he had a handsome inheritance to look forward to. Paul uses that familiar experience as an analogy for Christian conversion and initiation. One finds oneself suddenly a son/daughter of God, brother/sister of the Son of God, and enabled by the gift of the Spirit of God to address the source of all creation with the intimate language of the Son's prayer, Abba. Thus the Church came to pray, in its liturgy, to the Father, through the Son, in the Holy Spirit.

It is in our prayer, then, more readily than in our formal theology, that we come to understand what it is to know God as a revelation of three divine persons. Our Christian prayer, especially our eucharistic worship, is not simply an act of faith in a philosophized abstraction but a response to the revelation of God in Jesus, the Christ of Israel, who empowers us with the gift of the Spirit to continue the mission of Jesus.

Heard against its biblical background, the grand commission from the risen Jesus at the end of Matthew's Gospel is not merely a mandate to perform the baptismal ritual with the three divine names. It is also a commission to form communities who respond to the love of God revealed in Jesus by living the life of the Spirit taught in the Sermon on the Mount—a very concrete life of honesty, chastity, justice, nonviolence, and reconciliation.

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, MAY 30

The Most Holy Trinity

- 7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society
- 9 a.m. The People of the Parish
- 10:30 a.m. Lino D'Addona
- 12 p.m. The People of the Parish

MONDAY, MAY 31

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 9 a.m. Deceased Members of the Armed Forces

TUESDAY, JUNE 1

St. Justin

- 9 a.m. Fr. Jack Cullinane

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

Sts. Marcellinus & Peter

- 9 a.m. William P. Donovan

THURSDAY, JUNE 3

St. Charles Lwanga & Companions

- 9 a.m. Kevin Shea

FRIDAY, JUNE 4

- 9 a.m. John & Ann Duffy

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

St. Boniface, Bishop

- 9 a.m. Andrew & Beatrice Galligan
Irena M. Reselosa
Barbara Duffy
(1st Anniversary)
- 5:30 p.m. Thomas Fine

SUNDAY, JUNE 6

The Most Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

- 7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society
- 9 a.m. The People of the Parish
- 10:30 a.m. Erinn Murphy Moane
- 12 p.m. Francesco Pira

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*Blessed the people the Lord has
 chosen to be his own - Psalm 33*



FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - MAY 31

Believe the impossible

National holidays frequently take precedence over our daily routines, and this Memorial Day is no exception as the country honors those who gave their lives in service. In the midst of your holiday activities, however, take a moment to ponder today's Feast of the Visitation. It's a wonder-filled account of God's power to transform human life, as two holy women—cousins Mary and Elizabeth—embrace their unusual and graced pregnancies. Their joy trumps any worry as they glorify the Lord who lifts up the lowly and fills the hungry with good things. Mary's words have echoed through centuries of faith, calling all believers to see the presence of God in the unexpected. Ask for the grace to see the Holy today.

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Please Pray For Those Who Are Ill:

Please pray for the health and wholeness of all the sick and those who give them care, especially: Danny Ferra; Adana; Judy Heegan; Mary Brunton; Helen Rafferty; Allison Mary Heart; Liam Budgell; Miriam Rodriguez; Ita M'Gough Santomauro; Richard and Frances Day; Jason, Ann and Mary Q.; Christina DeRosa; Msgr. Michael Curran; Tracy Pye; Nicoletta Cordero; John Passaro; Marie Racioppo; James Flannagan; Joseph Cox; Vincent Camastro; Cheryl Jablow; Jean Thomas; Rosie Pira-Ursino; Marilyn Bloom; and all those afflicted with the Coronavirus.

... and For Our Departed Loved Ones:

We ask for your prayers for those of our community who have gone before us into the fullness of life, and for those they have left behind. Please remember those enrolled in our Purgatorial Society as well.

SPECIAL FOOD PANTRY DRIVE: JUNE 5-6, 2021

Hello All at Holy Name,

My name is Samantha, and I am a Junior in Holy Name's Junior Troop 2359. For part of my Bronze Award Take Action Project I will be helping secure donations of non-perishable foods for our Food Pantry for the summer months. Holy Name's Food Pantry typically has a decrease in needed food donations from now through the fall, leaving the pantry with low inventories to distribute to our Clients.

To address this situation, I am inviting you to be extra generous on Saturday, June 5, 2021 and Sunday, June 6, 2021, before and after all the Masses at Holy Name. I and my helpers will be there to gratefully accept your donations of tuna, pasta, tomato sauce, rice, canned soup, canned vegetables, canned beans, canned fruit, cereal, coffee and tea. The Food Pantry also needs bottles of juices for the summer (V8, Apple, etc.) that can be stored without refrigeration.

If you are unable to participate in the food drive by dropping off your donations that weekend, you may donate by arranging to have the donations sent to Holy Name of Jesus Rectory, 245 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, NY 11215 from the local or on-line grocery store of your choice.

Thank you for taking the time to read about the help our Food Pantry needs at this time. I hope to see you soon.

Samantha
 Junior Troop 2359

HOLY NAME FOOD PANTRY

will distribute food from the
 Rectory basement from
2-3 p.m. on
Saturdays, June 5 & 19.