## **Holy Family Parish Cluster** May 30, 2021



# THE MOST **HOLY TRINITY**

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:18-19

### Sts Philip & James **Grand Mound**

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#### Cluster Office Hours

Due to the pandemic the office has limited hours. Please call or email if you need anything.

> **Bulletin Deadline** Tuesday 12:00 noon (unless otherwise noted).

#### Míssíon Statement

A family of God constituted by the Holy Eucharist and strengthened by the Holy Spírit to make God known, loved and served.

#### Administration:

#### Pastor: Rev. Francis V. Odoom

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### The Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit – This is the first prayer most of us learned as children, while making the Sign of the Cross. Today we say these words and make this gesture so often out of habit that we sometimes miss the meaning and power of it. On this Feast of the Holy Trinity, it might be a good time to remind ourselves of this powerful mark of our faith!

The sign of the cross is a dynamic and tangible reminder that we belong to Christ. Like the rosary, holy water, blessed oil and candles, the Sign of the Cross is a sacramental, a sacred sign instituted by the Church, which prepares us to receive grace or makes holy a moment. When we make the Sign of the Cross, we mark ourselves as disciples of Jesus and proclaim that God is the Lord of our lives in every circumstance.

As Catholics, making the Sign of the Cross is one of the most common of all actions we do. We make it when we begin and end our prayers; we make it when we enter and leave a church; we start and end each Mass with it; and we make it in a unique way before the Gospel is read by tracing small crosses on our forehead, lips, and heart, asking God to enlighten and bless our thoughts and our words with the Word of God.

Priests also make the Sign of the Cross in the air as part of a blessing. For example, during the Eucharistic Prayer Father implores the Holy Spirit to turn the bread and wine into the Body and Blood

of Jesus, and at the end of Mass, he traces the Sign of the Cross in the air, saying: "May Almighty God bless you: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit."

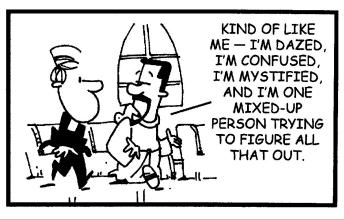
Because we make the Sign of the Cross so often, we often rush through it, saying the words without listening to them, ignoring the profound symbolism of tracing the shape of the cross on our bodies. By making it, we profess the central truths of our faith: that God became one of us, with a human body and soul; that he died on the cross to save us; and now we are freed from sin and death and brought to the possibility of eternal life in heaven. When we pray "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit," it serves as an abbreviated form of the Apostles' Creed, where we profess our belief in the Trinity, one of the deepest mysteries of our faith.

So, let's take the Sign of the Cross more seriously. Let's pray it with reverence and our whole heart, not just going through the motions but rather thinking about what we're really praying and proclaiming. Let's pray it with boldness and unashamedly, not caring who sees but instead proudly proclaiming to the world the truth of our faith and our salvation -- in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

Colleen Burke Evangelization Team

#### TRINITY SUNDAY





### **Holy Family Cluster News**

SSPJ April Financials			
Income -		7,359.96	
Expense -		10,549.39	
Deficit -	\$	3,189.45	
Building fund -	\$	1,100.00	
Building fund (roof)-	\$	50.00	
Bequests -	\$	840.00	
Bequests spent -	\$	657.67	

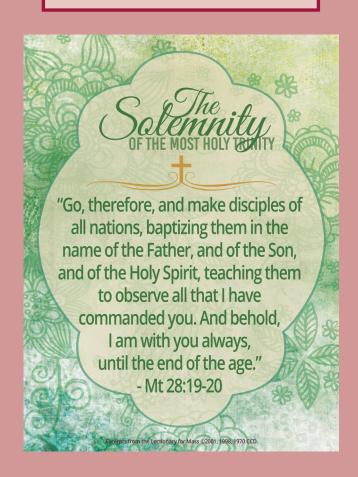
#### **Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat**

Website -https://www.chmiowa.org/retreat and click on the Retreat Calendar on the left-hand side for more details, or call 563-336-8414 or email olpretreat@gmail.com. Make sure to register to receive the zoom link.

Wed, June 2: 10:00-In-person: Outdoor Mass at the Prairie celebrated by Fr. Stephen Paige

 From SH—Thanks to Dan Inglis for spraying the weeds.

Remember, there are lilies of the valley and sedums that can be dug if you want some. The sedums are close to the driveway of the rectory, and the lilies of the valley are very overgrown by the east entrance door.



Sr. Kathleen Storms is back in the United States! This is her new address.

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#### **WEEKLY ANTIPHONS**

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

#### Tuesday 6/1

The wicked have told me lies, but not so is your law: I spoke of your decrees before kings, and was not confounded, alleluia.

#### Wednesday 6/2

Come and hear, all who fear God; I will tell what the Lord did for my soul.

#### Thursday 6/3

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help.

Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Savior!

#### Friday 6/4

Turn to me and have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am alone and poor.

See my lowliness and suffering and take away all my sins, my God.

#### **Weekly Recessional Antiphon**

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread?

When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

From Words Among Us



#### **Cluster Parish Prayer List**

#### 1. Our Shepherds:

Bishop Thomas Zinkula, Archbishop Michael Jackels, Fr. Francis Odoom, Deacon Mike Shiel

#### 2. The Aged & Infirm:

- Melvin Duwa, Gloria Kagemann, Grace Kinney, & Dick Nodurft
- Betty Anderson, Jerica Christensen, Rich Kleineck, Leonard Lasack, Paul Lasack & Marilyn Stevenson

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Place	Intention
Saturday 5/29	5:00 pm	Lost Nation	Al Connell
Sunday 5/30	8:00 am 10:00 am	Grand Mound Oxford Junction	Chris Forrett Monk & Marguerite Coon
Tuesday 6/1	8:00 am	Grand Mound	John Morrissey
Wednesday 6/2	5:00 pm	Grand Mound	Jim Kedley
Thursday 6/3	5:00 pm	Lost Nation	Otto Benischek, Jr.
Friday 6/4	8:00 am	Oxford Junction	For the people
Saturday 6/5	5:00 pm	Toronto	JoAnne VanWaes
Sunday 6/6	8:00 am 10:00 am	Grand Mound Oxford Junction	Sandy Crosthwaite Monk & Marguerite Coon

## **Pope Francis Prayer Intention For May**

The World of Finance
Let us pray that those in charge of
finance will work with governments
to regulate the financial sphere and
protect citizens from its dangers.

#### DAILY READINGS

Readings for the week of May 30, 2021

**Sunday:** Dt 4:32-34.39-40/Ps 33:4-5.6, 9.18-19.

20, 22 /Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

**Monday:** Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-

3, 4bcd, 5-6 /Lk 1:39-56

**Tuesday:** Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9 /Mk 1

2:13-17

Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-

5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mk 12:18-27

**Thursday:** Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps

128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 12:28-34

**Friday:** Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a,

9bc-10/Mk 12:35-37

**Saturday:** Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8/

Mk 12:38-44

**Next Sunday:** Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13,15-16,17-

18/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16,22-

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