

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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Dear Friends,

This weekend begins with the celebration of Jackson Whisler's First Communion when we welcome him to join us at the Table of the Lord at the Saturday evening (6/15) Mass in the company of his family and friends. We are now coming to the end of our First Communion celebrations – just one more at the beginning of August, and then that ends it for 2019. These celebrations are always enjoyable, and it is so heartwarming to see these families encourage their little ones to participate with us every Sunday as they continue to broaden, deepen and develop their relationship with God through the community that gathers here. Congratulations to Jackson and his family, and may God bring to fulfillment the good work He has begun in him.

In case you didn't know, the first day of summer formally begins next Friday, the 21st of June. You would never know it, would you, considering the heat we are having presently? But then, this is Houston after all, and it is no surprise!

The kitchen renovations are coming along fine; those of you who come in through the north door can see the progress, or at least you can see less debris and dust. The floor tiles are now finished, the plumbing likewise; next the cabinets will be installed, and on it goes. We will be finished on schedule and ready for the beginning of the school year after Labor Day weekend. Let's not think too much about what comes after Labor Day weekend. Just concentrate on the summer ahead and enjoy it and all that it brings.

God bless,

MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:30 AM and 11:15 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday, 12:15 PM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday
10:00 AM-4:00 PM



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Treasures from Our Tradition

Today's feast, extending a dimension of Easter joy into Ordinary Time, reminds us that every aspect of worship centers on the mystery of God in three persons. At baptism, we are initiated into Christ and the Spirit. The Creed we recite at Mass every Sunday has its roots in the ancient celebration of baptism, when a new believer was questioned at the edge of the waters of the font with three questions: Do you believe in God, the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit? Three questions, three affirmations, three immersions into the saving waters. Because every liturgy abounds with references to the Trinity, not only in words but in blessings by the sign of the cross, this feast was not easily accepted into the calendar. Pope Alexander in the eleventh century remarked that the liturgy is so laden with praise of the Trinity that there was no need for a special feast. Two hundred years later, while in exile in France, Pope John XXII proclaimed the feast, but it was not until 1911 that Pope St. Pius X gave it status as a solemnity.

A favorite image in art for today is the Icon of the Trinity, showing three glorious winged men seated at a table laden with bread and a cup of wine. It recalls Abraham's hospitality to angels and gives expression to the inner life of God, a life lived in relationship, a life poured out in abundance whenever Christians gather at the table of the Eucharist to give praise to the Father, in Christ, in the embrace of the Spirit.

East Spring Branch Food Pantry Volunteers Needed

East Spring Branch Food Pantry is desperate for more truck (pick up) drivers. Pick up is at HEB on Bunker Hill Mondays and Thursdays, and we pickup at WHAM on Fridays. All of these programs need help. They require 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. commitment. Even a once a month commitment would be a great help!!!

Call Mary 281-799-6752

PARISH CALENDAR

For full calendar, visit
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- SAT 15 5:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass**
First Communion - Jackson Whisler
- SUN 16 8:30 AM Sunday Mass**
11:15 AM Sunday Mass
- MON 17 OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**
- TUES 18 12:15 Weekday Mass**
OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- WED 19 12:15 Weekday Mass**
OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- THURS 20 12:15 Weekday Mass**
OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- FRI 21 12:15 Weekday Mass**
OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

- SAT 22 5:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass**
Wedding - Katelyn Alexander &
Jacob Walker
St. Mary Seminary Collection
(Entire Sunday Collection)
- SUN 23 8:30 AM Sunday Mass**
11:15 AM Sunday Mass
St. Mary Seminary Collection
(Entire Sunday Collection)

Father's Day Blessing

God our Father, in your wisdom and love, you made all of us. Bless our fathers today, that they may be strengthened by your love. May we, their daughters and sons, honor them always. Happy Fathers Day.

