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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

JUNE 7, 2020



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MISSION STATEMENT

We, with the grace of the Holy Spirit, proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ as expressed in the beliefs and traditions of the Holy Roman Catholic Church. Through a passion for righteousness and consciousness of duty to God, we uphold the faithful worship of God in our mission to our church family and the Sunnyside Community.

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NEW WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Sat: Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sun: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 7:00 a.m.

First Friday: 7:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 7:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:15p.m. - 4:45p.m.

Sundays: 6:45a.m. - 7:15a.m.

9:20a.m. - 9:45a.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT:

First Friday: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSALS:

Adult Choirs

Judah Choir:

SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

God's Chosen Choir:

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Youth Choir:

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ADULT CATHECHISM:

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CHOIR DIRECTORS:

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VISITATION OF THE SICK

Communion for the sick and shut-in is available. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the parish office for information. Preparation classes are required for parents and godparents.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact a priest a minimum of six months prior to proposed date.

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MASS INTENTIONS

NOTE: THE SUNDAY 12:15PM MASS INTENTIONS HAVE BEEN MOVED TO THE 10:00AM MASS.

SAT. 06/06/2020 5:00PM

Kristina M. Chaney (D)

Family & Friends

Curtis Richardson (L)

Morris & Melanie Washington

Jasmine N. Johnson (L) – Wanda Johnson

Deacon Albert Henry (D) – The Family

Henry & Louisiana Green (D)

Agnes Thompson

SUN. 06/07/2020 7:30AM

Kristina M. Chaney (D)

Family & Friends

Lauretha Sellers (D)

Mary & John Richard

Mary L. Zenon (D) – Cheryl Hurts

Nolan Antoine (D) – Theresa G. Savoy

Edward Ray Chavis, Jr. (D)

Edward R. Chavis Family

SUN. 06/07/2020 10:00AM

People of the Parish

John Lazard, Sr. (D)

Odelia Vallery/Family

Betty Biagas Perrodin (D)

Patricia Session

Herbert Goodwin, Jr. (D)

Stephanie Goodwin

M/M Edgar Cambre (D)

James & Bonnie Jefferson

Paul Ledet (D) – Patricia Ledet

MON. 06/08/2020 7:00AM

Rev. Jeremiah Dermot Brady, SSJ (D)

Patrick Martell (D) – Irenaeus Jordan

TUE. 06/09/2020 7:00AM

Ola Lacy Bell (D) – Florence & Wanda

James Lacy, Jr (D) – Florence & Wanda

WED. 06/10/2020 7:00AM

Rev. August Thompson (D)

Handmaids of the Holy Child Jesus

M/M Ron Walcott (L) – Jeanette Steptoe

THUR. 06/11/2020 7:00AM

Rev Donnell Kirchner, CSsR (D)

Deacon Michael V. Jenkins (L)

FRI. 06/12/2020 7:00AM

Kristina M. Chaney (D)

Family & Friends

M/M Ron Walcott (L)



Deacon Alfred Abram, Margaret Cadoree, Mary Augustine Chenier, Nicole Fontenet, Barbara Forte', Ursula Gross, Jimmy Harris, Willie Mae Henderson, Brooke Joseph, Helen Kennison, JoAnn LaSane, Hazel Lewis, Laurenzia Lewis, Eugene Mallery, Cynthia Ann Malone, Shannon Martin, Willie Martin Jr., Dorothy Milstead, Vy. Rev. William L. Norvel, SSJ, Carolyn Ollison, Helen Foreman Orsort, Cynethia Pichon, William Pierre Sr., Marcelle Prevost, Carole Pryor, Elise Richmond, Evelyn Roberts, Oliver Rose, Simon Smith, Joyce Stagg, MacKenzie Swanks, Kennedi Swanks, Erma Taylor, Pamela Thibodeaux, Agnes Williams, Patricia Williams, and all the sick and shut-in in our parish family.

Let us Know

Please let us know when you and/or a family member are ill, in the hospital, or having a surgery, especially if the illness or surgery is serious. Call the Parish Office so that we can put the name on the sick list for prayers and/or visitation if needed. **After 30 days, please call the office to remain on the prayer list.**

Lord, we pray for all our current military service members and first responders who put their own lives on the line every day in order to protect our families and our country.

Army:

Barbara Baber, Sade Beck, Wadie Troy Butler, Shanta Charles, Josiah Charles, Stephen Jones, LaTroy King, Gary Christian Robertson, Anthony Lamar Smith II, David Stagnoli, Jordan T. McCorkle, Essence L. Casteel

Navy:

Alvin Balthazar, Debreanna Brown, Jermaine Ceaser, Kevin Crockett, Courtney Harris, Nia D. Hawkins, Randolph J. Navy III, Anthony N. Russell, Christian Johnson, Hope Bethany Johnson

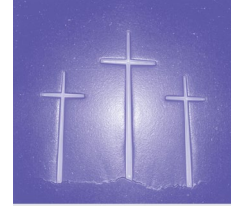
Air Force:

Roderick Jones, Joffre Lander, Bena Sellers, Terrance J Valiare, Thomas Q Valiare II

Marines

Alyssa Dugar, Reginald Ward

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY



For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.
JOHN 3:17, NIV

Don't let your mind wander during the readings today! Each of them is very short, so if you're not paying attention you might miss an entire one. You wouldn't want to do that, for in each case a lot is packed into just a few verses. God reveals the holy name in the first reading. Paul sums up his message to the Corinthians in the second. In the Gospel, John synthesizes Jesus' entire mission in three short verses. Let us listen as if each author is speaking directly to us.

READINGS

FOR THE WEEK

Sunday – June 7

The Most Holy Trinity

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

(Psalm) Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

John 3:16-18

Monday – June 8

1 Kings 17:1-6

Psalm 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

Matthew 5:1-12

Tuesday – June 9

Saint Ephrem, Deacon &

Doctor of the Church

1 Kings 17:7-16

Psalm 4:2-3, 4-5, 7-8

Matthew 5:13-16

Wednesday – June 10

1 Kings 18:20-39

Psalm 16:1-2, 4, 5, 8, 11

Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday – June 11

St. Barnabas, Apostle

Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3

Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 4, 5-6

Matthew 5:20-26

Friday – June 12

1 Kings 19:9, 11-16

Psalm 27:7-8, 9, 13-14

Matthew 5:27-32

Saturday – June 13

Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church

1 Kings 19:19-21

Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10

Matthew 5:33-37

NEW OFFICE HOURS

Monday..... Closed
Tuesday.....9:00am to 5:00pm
Wednesday.... 9:00am to 5:00pm
Thursday..... Closed
Friday..... 9:00am to 3:00pm



Visit the Parish Website: www.sfxhouston.com and click on the Facebook Icon at the bottom of the page.



Joseph A. Sam, Jr. passed away on March 23, 2020 at the age of 77. Joseph is survived by four children, nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Services were held on May 30th at Richardson Mortuary.

Algy Alfred passed away on June 2, 2020 at the age of 86. Funeral arrangements are pending. Services will be held in Beaumont, TX.

RCIA

The initiation of catechumens and candidates will be scheduled at an appropriate time before the year ends. Registration for the 2020-2021 Class is available on the Parish Website: www.sfxhouston.com



KPC SCHOLARSHIPS

Knights of Peter Claver Council and Court 138 Scholarship Applications are available in the vestibule of the Church and the Harris Center Lobby. The deadline to submit applications is Monday, **July 20, 2020.**



All Choir Rehearsals are suspended until further notice.



Oops! We extend Happy Birthday wishes to **Rayne Jacob**, celebrating her birthday on **June 26th.**

ATTENDANCE

Attendance on May 30th and 31st was **99**. Please come worship with us and bring a friend.



To everyone on the front line during these challenging times:

CLERGY: Rev. Michael Saah-Buckman, Deacon Michael Jenkins, Deacon Darryl Drenon

HEALTH CARE: Michelle Chenier, Artrica Yvette Dozier, Margaret Drenon, Barbara Forbes-Moses, Shaylor Goodwin, Cassandra Green, Sheila Harris, Syble Jones, Lois Obiozor, Annie Robertson, Shewana Rochon, Dr. Chantee Vavasseur, Dr. Anna Viltz, Felecia Ward

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VIDEO SERVICE: Abra Charles

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Unella Baber, Evelyn Briggs, Violet & Harold Champ, Orell Dargin, Michael Dozier, Shirley Foreman, Jerry Givens, JoAnne Henderson, Hope Jackson, Curtis Jones, Agnes Thompson, Edwin Vallery

Stewardship Reflection

That we give our love unconditionally, especially to those who are closest to us. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son..." John 3:16 Is your love conditional? Is there a price others have to pay to receive your love and forgiveness? Are you generous with your time, skills, money and possessions? If you give someone something, do you expect something in return? Do you give your time freely or do you "fit it in" when it's convenient for you? God desires a personal relationship with us so much that He gave us His Son, unconditionally! Pray for a grateful and generous heart.

Did you know that Catholics can make an Act of Spiritual Communion?

When unable to receive Holy Communion, pray the prayer below:

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion
My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there And unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen



June 11th
Deacon
Michael V. Jenkins
 (26 years)

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Rev. Michael K. Saah Buckman, SSJ



This weekend, our special collection is for the

Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ in the United States and in developing countries around the world through the Internet, television, radio, and print media. Fully 50% of funds collected remain here in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message. To learn more, visit: www.usccb.org/ccc.

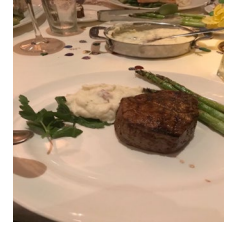
St. Mary Seminary Collection

On the **Feast of Corpus Christi** (Sunday, June 14) the **total offertory** in every parish of the Archdiocese is dedicated to the support of those studying for the priesthood. Your support is needed from this collection to support our seminarians. In gratitude for the incomparable gift of the Holy Eucharist, which is inseparably joined to the priesthood, please do your part to help the archdiocese provide priests for the sake of your future by praying daily for vocations and supporting this collection.



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

June 7, 2020



Experiencing the Holy Trinity

Several days ago, I was taken to an elegant restaurant to celebrate my birthday. The manager was working the hostess station as our party of three walked in. The restaurant was nearly empty because of the limited seating due to COVID-19 guidelines for eating establishments. The waiter came after we were seated. He welcomed us to the restaurant, wished me a happy birthday, and gave us our menus and a wine list. I had been looking forward to this evening, so I came with a big appetite. We each ordered our entree, and when the waiter asked, I told him how I wanted my steak prepared. When the food started arriving at the table, we prayed—thanking God for our meals. As I cut into my steak and took the first bite, I could feel my taste buds going into over-drive as I experienced this delicious meal. Fulfillment only came when I experienced the steak by eating it.

For years, I have been preaching homilies on the Holy Trinity. The *Catholic Encyclopedia* defines the Trinity as: *"the truth that in the unity of the Godhead there are Three Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, these Three Persons being truly distinct one from another. The Father is God, the Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God, and yet there are not three Gods but one God."*

In past homilies, I have used inadequate illustrations—trying to explain the unexplainable. We as finite beings, can never completely define an infinite God. We can, however **experience** and **participate** in the inner life of the Holy Trinity. Two books helped me formulate my thoughts on this: Thomas F. Torrence's *Trinitarian Perspectives* and Darrell W. Johnson's *Experiencing the Trinity*. As we start the process of experiencing the Holy Trinity, you must realize these three foundational points:

(1) The Father draws near to us in such a way as to draw us near to Himself--so we can be in **relationship** with the Son--the way He is.

You must understand that God initializes contact with us. Jesus said, *"No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him;"* John 6:44. The Living God draws us to Himself so we can know Him and His Son.

(2) The Son draws near to us in such a way as to draw us near to Himself--so we can **know** the Father the way He does. Jesus put it this way: *"And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent."* John 17:3. The Son draws us near to Himself, so we can have access to the Father--just as the Son has access. Jesus said in John 14:6, *"No one comes to the Father except through me."*

(3) The Spirit comes upon us to **fill and empower** us with His passion so we can glorify the Father and the Son. The Nicene Creed says, *"I believe in the Holy Spirit...who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified."* Our lives are to glorify the Father and the Son.

The God who is Trinity draws near to you and me, and draws you and me near to Himself; so that you and I can participate and experience life inside the Trinity. Living inside the Trinity and the Trinity in us, fulfills our spiritual appetite.

Let us pray: Dear Heavenly Father, I surrender my heart, soul and mind to Your drawing of me to Your Son. I receive the Son into my life that I may know You as the Son knows You and to have eternal life. Holy Spirit fill me with Your power to do the will of the Father and the Son- thus glorifying the Holy Trinity with my life.

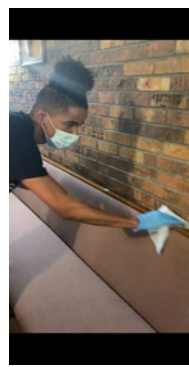
Amen.

Deacon Jenkins <><



Purpose and Mission

The Young Adult Christian Ministry is a Social, Spiritual, Supportive and Service Group. We will help strengthen our Spiritual relationships with God, Support each other, and Serve the Church Community.



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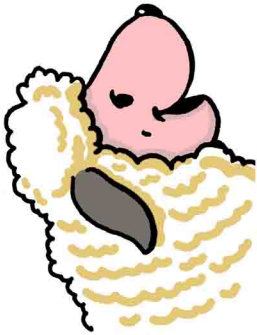
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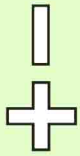
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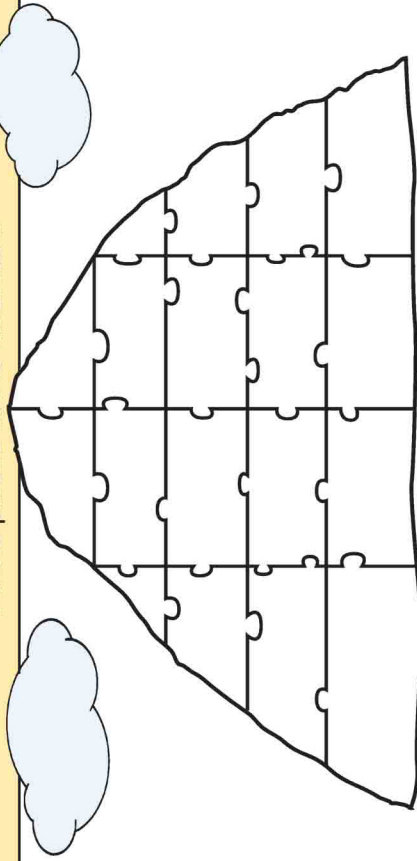
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