COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

05/26 (Today) Holy Mass at 10am. Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the

Shrine (outside). Catechism Class for kids after the Mass. Coffee hour

(fellowship hour) in the church hall follows the Mass.

06/02 (Sunday) Holy Mass at 10am. Catechism Class for kids after the Mass.

Coffee hour (fellowship hour) in the church hall follows the Mass. Mass

Intention: For SUE SALVATORE—new member of St. John's Church.

 BIG THANK YOU goes to Jacqueline, Linda, Diane and Joe for running yesterday's Polish Food Sale and the Blessing Bag Day.

CHURCH NEWS

Upcoming birthdays & anniversaries: CORI & TIM WROBEL (05/29), DAVID GREGORSKI (05/30),
 JEFFREY LUKAS (05/31). Happy anniversary! Happy birthday!

If you have any information for the "Church News Column", please inform Fr. Adam by email or phone no later than Friday afternoon.

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May 26, 2024



BEHOLD

HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

MASS INTENTION - 10am

For + JUANA MASOTA (req. by Ana & Ted)

INTROIT

C: But when the kindness and generous love of God our Savior appeared, not because of any righteous deeds we had done but because of His mercy,

R: He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, Whom He richly poured out on us through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

HOLY MASS

. 10.00 am



MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

READING 1

DT 4:32-34, 39-40

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to the people:

"Ask now of the days of old, before your time, ever since God created man upon the earth; ask from one end of the sky to the other: Did anything so great ever happen before? Was it ever heard of? Did a people ever hear the voice of God speaking from the midst of fire, as you did, and live? Or did any god venture to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, with strong hand and outstretched arm, and by great terrors, all of which the LORD, your

God, did for you in Egypt before your very eyes? This is why you must now know, and fix in your heart, that the LORD is God in the heavens above and on earth below, and that there is no other. You must keep his statutes and commandments that I enjoin on you today, that you and your children after you may prosper, and that you may have long life on the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you forever."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 33

"Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own."

READING 2

ROM 8:14-17

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters:

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear,

but you received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory be to You, Lord.

The eleven disciples went to Galilee,

to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them.

When they all saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted.

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,

teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.

And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The Gospel is the conclusion of St. Matthew's writing. Jesus gathers with His disciples for the last time of His earthly existence. He commissions His followers to go out and continue His ministry and mission by welcoming more members into the community of faith. They are to do this by baptizing (baptizo - plunging) them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is when we take on the name of the Most Holy Trinity that we become sharers in the mystery of salvation. This is the command which Jesus received from His Abba and which He now invests His followers to continue.

MT 28:16-20

The mystery of the Trinity is both simple and complex. Simply stated it is that there is only one GOD, yet that one GOD is three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The complexity comes from the struggle our mere human minds have when trying to adequately understand Who GOD is. Yet Trinitarian Life is not meant to be a problem to be solved or an understanding to be figured out. The Trinity and the adoption into the family of the Triune GOD is a mystery to be lived. We are invited to participate in the very being or essence of GOD and have our lives enriched and lifted up to the divine level. Better than knowing and trying to figure out how GOD is one yet three, I am called to "know" and be "known" by our Triune GOD. That "knowing" and being "known" comes only from living in relationship with our GOD Who is Father, Son-Jesus, and Holy Spirit.