

The Most Holy Trinity

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." We are used to this profound idea, so used to it that we often glaze over the incredible reality: God the Father has a Son who became man and dwelt among us! Too often we blithely make the sign of the cross in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, without realizing what a radical theology we are announcing.

Only Christianity proclaims a triune God. Only Christianity professes that we have one God in three divine persons. Only Christianity declares that the very nature of God is to be relational and literally "personal." Why does this matter? Because we are made in God's image, as the opening chapters of Genesis tell us. We, therefore, are made in the image of this Trinitarian God who is love. We are built to be like this God! Just as God the Father loves God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, we too are called to love one another. In fact, we are not fulfilling our nature and design when we don't. And just as God loved the world (that is, us!) so too we are called to love him in return.

We don't have to embrace this image in which we were made, of course. God gave us freedom so that our love can be real, but this means our choices really matter. We can decide not to reflect God's interpersonal love in the world. We can opt not to return the love that God pours out to each of us. But this can only lead to disappointment in the end. After all, God sent his Son so that "everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." Ultimately, this means spending eternity in the Trinitarian embrace of love. So why not start now?

Sunday Collection

The Sunday Collection for June 3/4, 2017 was \$3,660.00.

Annual Divine Mercy Parish Barbeque

Let us join together and celebrate
the beginning of the summer.

Saturday, June 24th

in St. Francis of Paola Auditorium.

Following the conclusion of the 5pm Mass.

Invite a friend.

La Santísima Trinidad

Nosotros nunca olvidamos el primer amor que tuvimos ya sea en la adolescencia o en la juventud. La experiencia era nueva y los sentimientos se desataron y nuestra vida cambió para siempre. ¿Lo recuerdas? Pareciera que el mundo se detenía y el amor quedaría para siempre. Sin embargo, no fue así y la memoria ahora nos lo trae como un grato recuerdo que sucedió en nuestra vida. El Evangelio de hoy revela algo maravilloso, el primer amor de Dios. Y Dios desde todos los tiempos ha estado presente en la historia, nunca nos olvida y entramos a la vida eterna para siempre. "Tanto amó Dios al mundo, que le entregó a su Hijo único, para que todo el que crea en él no perezca, sino que tenga la vida eterna" (Jn 3, 16).

El gran amor de Dios se expresa en un regalo. Nos dio a su Hijo, ahora resucitado, que nos envió al Espíritu Santo. Por eso, con alegría, oremos diciendo, "Gloria al Padre, gloria al Hijo y gloria al Espíritu Santo". Este es el sentido de la liturgia de este domingo, celebrar con gozo a la Trinidad, comunidad de amor que nos invita a amarnos los unos a los otros sin reserva, a darnos cada día a los demás: buscando siempre el bien común, tratando a los inmigrantes con respeto y dignidad y recordando siempre que el amor engendra amor y al contrario el odio da más odio. Deseo que sigamos viviendo esta solemnidad de la Santísima Trinidad durante el año, abriendo nuestro corazón a la presencia de las tres divinas Personas en nuestra vida.

Readings for the Week of June 11, 2017

Sunday:	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52-56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18
Monday:	2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-9/Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday:	2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129-133, 135/Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday:	2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5-9/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	2 Cor 3:15--4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab, 10-14/Mt 5:20-26
Friday:	2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 116:10-11, 15-18/Mt 5:27-32
Saturday:	2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-4, 9-12/Mt 5:33-37
Next Sunday:	Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

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A Message from Fr. Tom

Our readings today orient our attention toward a fundamental teaching of the Christian faith. God—who is absolutely one—exists as a community of relations—Father—Son—and Holy Spirit. All of our readings today are interesting in that they contain no dogmatic statement or theological abstraction seeking to conceptualize the Trinity. Rather, our readings speak about God in terms of relational language. The church is saying to us, how we live and relate to others reveals the life of God within us. This divine life of God—exists within itself as a dynamic unity of relationship—of reciprocity—of lover and beloved. I think St. Augustine beautifully described this by saying that the Trinity is the relation of God the Father and God the Son and the love that is shared between them is the Holy Spirit.

What does this profound and challenging concept as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity say to you and me? Concretely, we have a symbol of the Trinity in the three churches of Divine Mercy Parish. Do we seek to participate actively in the life of this parish? Do we seek the good of the entire community as we participate in parish life? Fr. Tom

Retreats for Married Couples

You may remember our parish offered a retreat for married couples this past March. It was truly a wonderful experience for all who participated. However, the participation from our parish was not good. I believe these retreat opportunities are invaluable for married couples, but take a great deal of time and money to put together. To better use our resources I am encouraging married couples to participate in the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Program. They are offering five retreat weekends at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington in the coming year. I strongly encourage your participation:

September 15, 16, 17, 2017

November 3, 4, 5, 2017

February 9, 10, 11, 2018

April 27, 28, 29, 2018

November 2, 3, 4, 2018

To register go on line:

www.bq-wwme.org or www.liwwme.org

for Spanish weekend dates email:

nycemm@live.com

For more information, please call the rectory office and leave a message for **Fr. Tom**

Legion of Mary/Norma Espinosa

Sunday, June 25th

On Sunday June 25th at the 9:30am (St. Cecilia) and 10:30am (St. Nicholas) Masses, Norma Espinosa will propose the founding of a Legion of Mary Group for our Spanish speaking parishioners. I strongly encourage this initiative. Like the Arise/Levántate Programs—the Legion is home based. It is my hope that this program will take root in our parish—especially for those who live in the Cooper Houses. Please respond to Norma's appeal. She is prepared to train leaders.

Generations of Faith & Annual Catholic Appeal/2017

As you know, we have two major appeals going on at the same time. The last few months I have let you know the differences in these two appeals and hopefully you attended one of the Masses where we presented the ACA for 2017. I thank you for your generosity and participation. I want to update you on the progress of these campaigns at the present time (05/25/17):

Generations of Faith

Parish Goal \$375,000.00

Pledged to Date: \$398,971.00

Pledges Received: \$187,597.48

Annual Catholic Appeal

Parish Goal for 2017 \$37,500.00

Pledges Received \$20,865.00

Corpus Christi Celebration/Sunday June 18th—Sidewalk Procession

Next Sunday June 18th the church celebrates the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ—the Feast of Corpus Christi. As in years past, we will have a procession on our sidewalks linking the three churches of the Divine Mercy Parish on that day. Following is the program:

St. Cecilia—Following the 9:30am Mass there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church followed by a sidewalk procession to St. Francis of Paola for the start of 11:30am Mass.

St. Francis of Paola—Following the 11:30am Mass there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by a sidewalk procession to coincide with the end of the 12:45pm Mass at St. Nicholas.

St. Nicholas Church—Benediction will be given at the end of the 12:45pm Mass.

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**GIFTS OF LOVE EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY
AT DIVINE MERCY PARISH
ALL ARE WELCOME**

For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome..." (Matt. 25:35-36)

In the Gospel, Jesus says to us: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father and I will love him and reveal myself to him" When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and through us into the hearts and lives of those who are poor.

Specific item needed this week: Jam/Jelly
Food Pantry Coordinator and Volunteers

**St. Francis of Paola Church
Memorial Gifts – June 11, 2017**

ST. JOSEPH CANDLES

Gabriele Carannante by wife Carol
Martin Bavuso by Marie & Joe Bavuso

TABERNACLE CANDLES

Anna Marie Lacerenza Thank You

Pray For the Sick

Maureen Conlon, Patrick Del Vicario, Ralph Varano, Ed Scala, Al Pettenato, Jim McGurran, Danny Boyle, Dora Logosso, John Purcelli, Nancy Gonzales, Vincent Gonzales, Rae Pacifico, Bill Kluisza, Frank Cremato, John Pelletier, Mary Walsh, Regina Monka, Deacon John Orlandello, Wanda Zadwarny, Carmela Caiafa, Al Campisi, June Sannasardo, Steve Witkowsky, Maddox Moises, Rodolfo Bienvido Pichard, Luberky Novas, Manuel DeJesus Valenzuela

Pray for the Recently Deceased

Gerald Primer, Serafino Corvino, Gerald M. Laudato, Rose Casale, Arnolfo Santa Maria, Florence Molinaro, Ann Williams Rose Orlando, Anthony LaRocca

**St. Anthony Triduum
At St. Francis of Paola Church**

Monday, June 12, 2017 – 7:15pm
Tuesday, June 13, 2017 – 7:15pm
Wednesday, June 14, 2017 – 7:15pm

**Mass Intentions for the Week
St. Francis of Paola Church**

Saturday, June 10, 2017

5:00pm For the People of Divine Mercy Parish

Sunday, June 11, 2017

8:00am St. Anthony Society
11:30am Adua Falco by Linda Falco

Monday, June 12, 2017

7:45am Luigi Sciotti by Wife

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

7:45am Carmela San Pietro by Scotti Family

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

7:45am Peter & Michael Romano by Family

Thursday, June 15, 2017

7:45am Bernard Wisniewski
by Paula Santaromita

Friday, June 16, 2017

7:45am Pete & Annie Donnanduono by Sisters

Saturday, June 17, 2017

7:45am Virginia and Angelina by Ada Maestrini
5:00pm Father's Day Intentions

Sunday, June 18, 2017

8:00am Father's Day Intentions
11:30am Father's Day Intentions

Catholic Communication Campaign

Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support will help the CCC connect millions of people with Christ and spread the gospel message. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

Banns of Marriage

St. Francis of Paola Church – June 17, 2017
Christina Scotti & John Moreale
St. Cecilia's Church – July 27, 2017
Monica Salazar & Joel Rosado

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

JUNE 11, 2017

**Mass Intentions for the Week
St. Nicholas Church**

Sunday, June 11, 2017

10:30am Sociedad La Divina Misericordia
12:45pm In Honor of St. Anthony & Sacred Heart
by Barbara Giudice

Sunday, June 18, 2017

10:30am Father's Day Intentions
12:45pm Father's Day Intentions

**Firefighter Daniel F. Pujdak
Memorial Mass – June 24, 2017**
10:00 A.M. St. Cecilia Church
All Are Welcome

Registration for Camp Veritas

Camp Veritas Mount Saint Mary's College / Newburg,
New York, July 16 – 22, 2017
Camp Veritas Camp Lakota, Wurtsboro, New York
August 13 – 19, 2017

Camp Veritas is a one week sleep away pilgrimage experience for teens going into the 7th grade through 12th grade. The schedule is play-and-pray with a full immersion in the Catholic Faith through sacraments and activities. Come get to know other kids your age and experience a week of sports, activities, prayer, and fun! This week of faith and fun is probably the most beneficial gift you could give your teen. Register at CampVeritas.com via the "Camp-in-touch" portal. Any question contact Lauren at youth@dmbk.org or the Rectory at 718-387-0256.

**JOIN US FOR
PARISH FAMILY OUTINGS
Summer Family Outing**

On Saturday June 24th, the families of our parish are invited to enjoy the day at Rye Playland in Rye, New York. Fun and games await in the sun! We will depart in front of St. Francis at 11:00 am and will return at 6:00pm. The price is \$20.00 per person (which includes transportation and unlimited access to park rides).

We're hoping to fill two busses! Please call the rectory or sign up by emailing youth@dmbk.org.

**Mass Intentions for the Week
St. Cecilia Church**

Sunday, June 11, 2017

9:30am Norah Mc Cormick, 10th Anniversary
Rose Lupoli, 1st Anniversary
Lily & Nicky Lettieri
San Pietro Family
La Veglia Family
Sarubbi Family
Nicholas La Veglia
7:00pm Thomas Petrowski

Monday, June 12, 2017

8:30am Lawrence Tino by Parish

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

8:30am In Honor of Heart of Mary and
Sacred Heart of Jesus by Raffaella Morena

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

8:30am Open Intention

Thursday, June 15, 2017

8:30am Open Intention

Friday, June 16, 2017

8:30am Open Intention

Saturday, June 17, 2017

8:30am Dorothy & Arthur Knapp

Sunday, June 18, 2017

9:30am Father's Day Intentions
7:00pm Father's Day Intentions

Apartment Needed

Looking for an apartment, so that they can remain members of our community are Sister Paul Marie Filippelli and Sister Rose Miriam Pelletier. Both are Sisters of St. Joseph. Sister Paul & Sister Rose taught at St. Cecilia's School for a number of years, and are active in the community. Please call the rectory if you have an apartment available. 718-387-0256.

Change of Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office will be closing at 4pm starting Monday July 3, 2017 until Tuesday, September 5, 2017, Monday to Friday. The Parish Office will be open on Saturday's during this time from 9am to 4pm.

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Memorial Gifts At Divine Mercy Parish

Bread & Wine Sanctuary Lamp Tabernacle Candles Altar Candles Blessed Mother Candles St. Joseph Candles Memorial Gifts are a wonderful way to honor and remember your loved ones. Please come to the Rectory (or call) for information on available dates. Also available are Tree of Life Leaves and Blessed Mother Yearly Candles (this candle is lit for a year). All memorials can be In Honor Of or Remembrance Of a family member or friend.

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Parish Polo Shirts

Divine Mercy Parish Polo Shirts are available for purchase by stopping by the Parish Office, at a cost of \$20.00.