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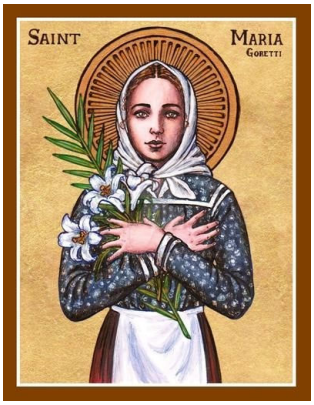
Saints Beatrice & Maria Goretti



The Most Holy Trinity

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Weekend Mass: **Saturday—4:30pm, Sunday—9:30am, 11:30am**

Weekday Mass: **Monday—Thursday at 8:30am**

Holy Day Masses: **8:30am, 12:00pm, 7:00pm**

Confession (Reconciliation): **Saturdays from 3:30-4:00pm**

Baptisms: **Celebrated once a month at 1:00pm**

Contact the rectory to register as a new parishioner or to schedule a Baptism, Wedding, Funeral, or Anointing.

From the Pastor's Desk

On this Memorial Day weekend, our nation honors the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice and gave their lives in service to their country. As one way to honor them here at our parish, we play Taps at every Mass this weekend. And if you are able, I invite you to join us for Mass on Memorial Day, May 31st at 8:30am. Whatever Mass you come to this weekend, I encourage you to offer the Mass for all those who gave their lives to defend our freedoms.

As we have the unofficial start of summer this weekend, I'm mindful that summer is usually a time when fewer people come to Mass. However, I'm hoping that that might be different this year. As more people get vaccinated, as the pandemic begins to wane, and as we are allowed to have bigger crowds, I'm hoping that more people will be coming back to church this summer!

Remember, we can now have 60% capacity in church, which equates to 360 people at each of our Masses. Because of this, I am happy to say that you no longer need to register to attend Mass. The Archdiocese asked that registration be continued for a little longer to ensure that parishes do not go over capacity. However, I am certain that we will not come close to exceeding 360 people on any regular weekend Mass, especially during the summer. So, please help spread the word to others that you do not need to register. But as I announced last week, please remember that masks are still required to be worn inside church until the Archdiocese says differently.

This Tuesday we also celebrate our final Confirmation Mass for our 8th grade Rel. Ed. students (we had four First Communion Masses and three Confirmation Masses this year to accommodate more guests for each family). After Tuesday, all our 8th graders will have received Confirmation, and I want to congratulate them (and the names of this week's Confirmandi are listed in this bulletin).

I also want to update you with some good news regarding the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). Our goal for this year's ACA is $26,673. I'm happy to say that we currently have $36,649 in pledges, and we have already collected $26,009. Remember, every dollar that we collect over our goal comes back directly to our parish (so, once we collect $664 more, then everything beyond that will come to us in a rebate check in the fall). If you have not made a pledge, there is still plenty of time, as the ACA lasts until the end of January, 2022. To make a pledge, please take one of the ACA envelopes at the back of church, or go online to annualcatholicappeal.com. And if you have already made a pledge, whether you've paid it off or not, you can always donate beyond the amount that you pledged, if you think you might be able. Thank you to all those who have donated!

Finally, whenever summer begins, I usually like to remind parishioners about my race schedule (I did not need to do this last year, because due to Covid there were no races!) As you might know, I love competing in triathlon, which is a swim-bike-run race (in that order). Unfortunately, most triathlons take place on Sunday mornings (which I've always contended is discriminatory against priests!) Thankfully, there are several priests who will be generously covering some of my Sunday Masses this summer when I am racing.

So, beginning next weekend, there will be several Sundays when you will not see me because of races. And while I will be here on most Saturdays this summer, I will miss a few of the 4:30pm Masses as well because of graduation parties for my nephews and nieces. I mention this because, every summer, I always get questions about where I have been. But please remember that for most weekends every year, I celebrate every weekend Mass, as well as all weekday Masses, funerals, weddings, baptisms, etc. (I'm even coming back to do baptisms right after one of my races this summer). So, seeing as how I take all the Masses myself for most of the year, I make sure to take a little time for my hobby during the summer.

Holy Virgin Martyrs, pray for us. May God bless you.

Fr. Rob

Most Holy Trinity

As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise.

Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box Will help the poor to believe in the mystery of God's love for them.

FEAST OF FAITH

Liturgy and the Holy Trinity

The Trinity is the central mystery of our faith. We believe that God is one, yet three: total unity and rich diversity. God is not a monolith, but a dynamic community of persons, a perfect, loving harmony of three. And the liturgy is the work of the Trinity. We begin all our liturgical celebrations with the sign of the cross, a reminder of our Trinitarian baptism, and the simplest of all professions of our faith. We believe that God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and we gather in the name of this triune God.

Throughout the Mass, we address our prayers to God the Father, through Christ our Lord, in the Spirit's power. And the Father hears our prayer, transforming bread and wine into the Body and Blood of his Son by the Holy Spirit. The Church is "the sacrament of trinitarian communion" (*Sacramentum Caritatis*, 16). It is the Trinity who holds us together as well. In the words of Saint Cyprian, we are "a people made one by the unity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit" (quoted in *Sacramentum Caritatis*, 16).

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True Riches
They are rich enough
who are poor in Christ.
—St. Jerome

Readings For The Week

Monday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday:	Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-9; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday:	Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6efgh-8; Mk 12:38-44
Sunday:	Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

THE MYSTERY OF THE BLESSED TRINITY

Today we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. The Church sets aside this Sunday to focus our attention on the mystery of the Blessed Trinity, God who is one, but three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The first reading from Deuteronomy emphasizes both God's awesome greatness and amazing nearness. It might seem beyond belief, but the God of all creation speaks to us, protects us, and guides us. The second reading from Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans describes how we are to relate to the three persons who are one God. We are led by the Spirit to meet God the Father as adopted children. Our adoption is such that we are even heirs with our brother, Christ, the second person of the Trinity, in whose sufferings we must also share.

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks with his authority as God and sends us to teach and baptize in the name of the Trinity.

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Masses For The Week

Sunday—May 30th
9:30—Lena & Raymond Gennetti, req. Family
Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
Thomas Griffin, req. Family
Bobby Irsuto, req. Mari Beth Friske & Sambucci Family
Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
Brian James Appleby, req. Ernie & Dorothy Brown
Blanca Selsky, req. Family
Donna Roberts, req. Tony & Donna Rae Siekierski
Henry Ching, req. Conchita Ching
11:30—Parishioners

Monday—May 31st
8:30—Blanca Selsky, req. Ministry of Consolation

Tuesday—June 1st
8:30—25th Wedding Anniversary—Robert & Sandra Herrera

Wednesday—June 2nd
8:30—Poor Souls in Purgatory, req. Heidorn Family

Thursday—June 3rd
8:30—Joseph Cunningham, req. Family
Kathryn K. Radek, req. Sue Hilger

Saturday—June 5th
4:30—Katherine Karpowicz & Raymond Majca, req. Family
Joseph Davoli, req. Theresa Powyszynski
James Luczak, req. James & Anna Wysocki

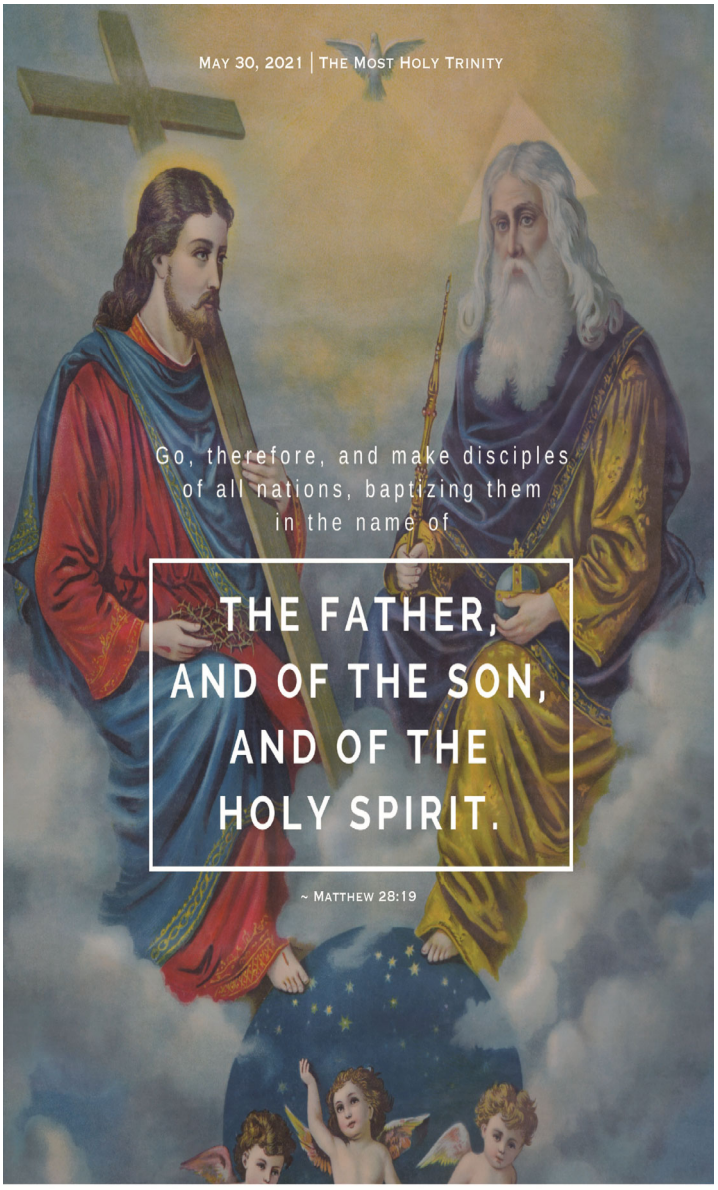
Sunday—June 6th
9:30—Lena & Raymond Gennetti, req. Family
Joseph & Theresa Marczak, req. Family
Margaret Florio, req. Carol Ann & Dan Morgan
Thomas Griffin, req. Family
Matthew O'Brien, req. Family
Blanca Selsky, req. Ernie & Dorothy Brown
Katheryn K. Radek, req. SMG Women's Club
Henry Ching, req. Conchita Ching
Lucille Carole DeSimon req. Dominic Cantore
Thanksgiving to Sacred Heart of Jesus, req. Kraft Family
11:30—Andrew & Anton Jayko, req. Family
Andrew Arambula, req. Family
Janina Buziuk, req. Family
Maria Teresa Virginello, req. Enola Mele
50th Wedding Anniversary Ben & Corrine Tedesco
Parishioners

Lectors

Saturday—June 5th
4:30—Char Fiore
Sunday—June 6th
9:30—Lynn Louis-Charles
11:30—Zerlina Kirchen

Mass Presider

Saturday—June 5th
4:30—Fr. Rob
Sunday—June 6th
9:30—Fr. Michael Moore
11:30—Fr. Michael Moore



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Religious Education News

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Upcoming Events

Monday, May 31, 2021
Confirmation Rehearsal—7pm

Tuesday, June 1, 2021
Confirmation—7pm

Registration Information

Registration is now open for the 2021-2022 year! You DO NOT need to be a parishioner of Holy Virgin Martyrs to enroll your child in the Religious Education Program.

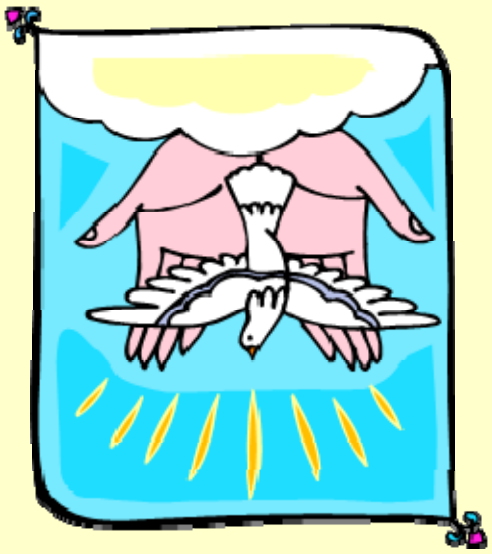
Our classes meet on Saturday mornings from 9:00-11:30am or Tuesday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm.

If you would like more information about the religious education program or would like registration materials, please contact the Religious Education office.

Confirmation

I'd like to congratulate our 8th grade Religious Education Students Who will celebrate their Confirmation On Tuesday, June 1, 2021

Nikko Bernard of Menthon Bradle
Gabriel John Bosco Castilloi
Yaslin Catherine of Siena Castillo
Samuel Michael Cooper
Gabriela Francis de Sales Drozd
Andres Fiacre Rios



Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick:

Betty Bajzek
Sonia Bonacci
Pat Brandolino
Gus Campeotto
Dee Covelli
Bernie Cwan
Angela DeFranco
Joseph & Beatrice Giannone
Howard & Carol Heidorn
Laura & Jeff Hinz
Jerry Hoss
Cheryl Iaella
Michael & Vivian Jennings
Regina Kasper
Brian Kelly
Jimmy Kokonas
Ted & Joan Lester
Robert Maione
Vicky Majewski (nee Julitz)
Karen Mitchell
Deacon Ron Pilarski
Jim Puchner
Mary Ann Rose
Cathy & Steve Schreiner
Susan Siekierski
Maryann Stephansen
Sarah Tripoli
Rev. Michael Valente
Eleanor Vogel
Joan Weichbrodt
Karen Weichbrodt
Jean Wesolowski
Nancy Wright
Mary Zoch

Names placed on the sick list will be listed for 4 weeks, if you would like the name to be on the sick list longer than 4 weeks, you will need to contact the rectory.

Please Pray For Those in the Military:

Sergeant Michael Bavone
Private Christopher Bavone
US Army. Staff Sergeant John J. Schreiner U.S.A.F.
Sargeant Michael Keaty
HN Nathan Wrobbel US Navy,
U.S.M.C. Gunnery Sergeant Osvaldo Rodriguez
U.S.M.C. Kyle E. Ruth

Hypod Winner

May 24, 2021

$100 Winner—Michele & Lina Falco
Ticket #01323
Tickets are still available in the pamphlet rack in the back of church or from the Rectory during the week

Week of May 22nd & 23rd

Weekly	$3,534.00
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Ascension	$45.00
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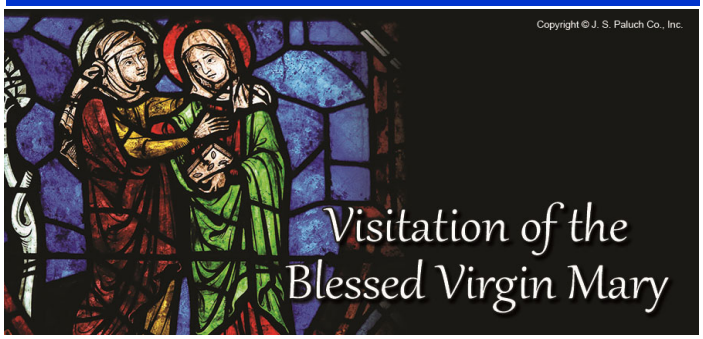
MANY THANKS!



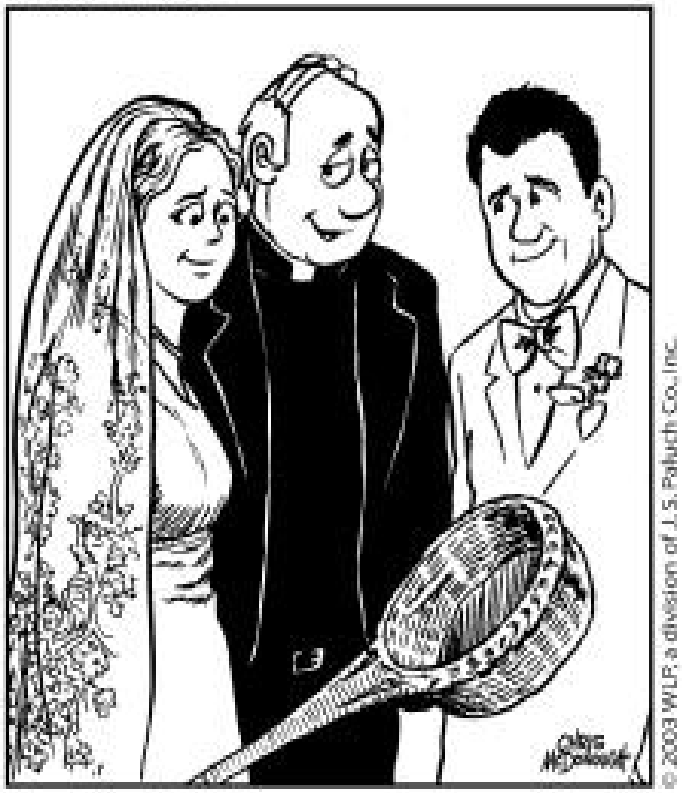
PENTECOST SUNDAY

"The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ..."
~ Romans 8:16-17

If we are heirs to the kingdom of God, shouldn't we work to build up His kingdom? Shouldn't we be good stewards of our inheritance, using our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to care for the Church that God has left to us?
Our Church is a treasured heirloom from God. Do we treat it that way?

Cowardly
To know what is right and not to do it is the worst cowardice.
—Confucius

Pastor Al

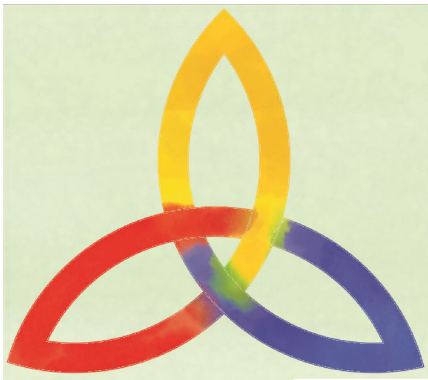


"I know you would prefer cash instead of wedding gifts, but a collection during the ceremony is a no-no."

As summer approaches we would like to extend our gratitude to our cantors who have kept the word alive through music, they are:
Eileen Genovesi,
Noreen LaValle,
Karen Lima,
Lynn Louis-Charles,
Lorraine Lundberg,
Mary Ellen Stendebach,
Nancy Wright.

CALLING ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION!

We are putting together a new schedule for Communion Ministers at weekend Masses, and we need your help! Please contact Linda Rawski ASAP to let her know whether or not you plan to continue in this ministry, and for which Masses you would be available. You can contact Linda at queenbethany1@gmail.com or 847-671-1811. Whether you plan to serve right away, or serve later on, or no longer serve, please let her know so that we can update our list. Thank you.



THE LORD IS GOD
IN THE HEAVENS ABOVE
AND ON EARTH BELOW;
THERE IS NO OTHER.

DEUTERONOMY 4:39

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

MAY 30, 2021

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ASTONISHING MYSTERY

Astonishing is the term that Clement of Alexandria used in referring to the Holy Trinity. Today's scriptures tell the astonishing stories, from Moses in the Old Testament to the end of Matthew's Gospel, of how we mere humans are intended to be intimately associated with our loving God. We see in Deuteronomy that Moses reminds the new generation of Israelites of the "astonishing" fact that, even though the ancient world teemed with gods, their God was the only God, that "there is no other." Saint Paul in the letter to the Romans writes about those who follow the Spirit as being "sons" of God, which of course would make us brothers and sisters of Christ, and, as he says, "joint heirs with Christ." Another astonishing statement! Finally, Christ bestows the Holy Spirit on the world as his continuing presence and force of divine revelation. How can we not be astonished?

THE MYSTERY IS THE MASTERPIECE

The Most Holy Trinity is the central truth and, indeed, mystery of our lives as believers in God. Even so, few seem to be able talk about it. (Or is it "them"?) Must we be satisfied to take this truth as an inscrutable object of faith that we can easily ignore? Not at all! We are immersed in Trinitarian reality in many ways.

Please consider these clues to God as more than just Person of the Father. Remember the words of God in scripture when the world and all its wonders were coming to be. The formulas for each stage in creation begin with "Let us . . ." (Genesis 1:26). This is not merely the "Royal We." This is God as a plurality of Being. In Isaiah, the seraphim cry out "Holy, holy, holy . . ." (Isaiah 6:3). Ancient Middle Eastern superlatives come in threes, but why not consider it a sign of God's three-ness? And these Old Testament foreshadowings are nothing compared to our well-known baptismal formula, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Notice that "name" is singular, and yet refers to three persons. Finally, as Christ tells the Apostles in today's Gospel, they are to go out and teach in that same singular triple name.

SHALL WE DANCE?

The famous icon by the equally famous fourteenth-century iconographer Andrej Rublev is a depiction of the Trinity densely packed with symbolic content. The three "angels" sitting at a table are actually meant to be the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. They relate to each other in loving gesture, each one to the other, often described as "dance-like." And yet this triangular circle seems incomplete. Indeed it is, because we must become one with this circle of life-giving love. As in a dance, we are drawn into the divine life in the Trinitarian embrace of abundant glory and harmony. Then we complete the movement by taking that love incarnated out to the world, revealing the mystery to our sisters and brothers through our own lives.

TODAY'S READINGS

Deuteronomy 4:32–34, 39–40
Psalm 33:4–5, 6, 9, 18–19, 20, 22
Romans 8:14–17
Matthew 28:16–20

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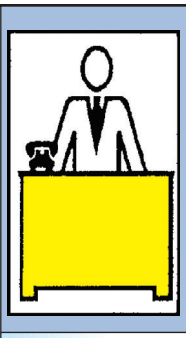

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