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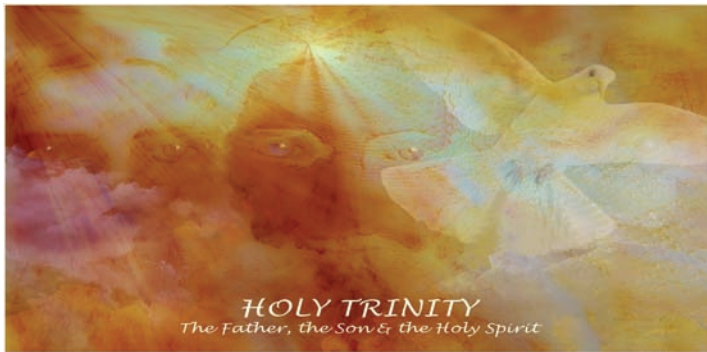
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 Sunday - 8:45, 10:30 and 12:15 P.M.
 Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri. - 8:00 A.M., Tue. - 7:00 P.M.
 Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Tuesday - 7:00 P.M.
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Trinity Sunday celebrates the unbounded mystery of God who as Creator, Saviour and Sanctifier is a centre of love, which overflows and touches the whole of creation. The three persons in the Trinity are so enveloped in each other that they are perfectly one. Love begins in the Father who created us and cares so deeply about us that he sent his only Son into the world as a companion who died for our sakes and is poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit who sanctifies us. Their closeness is a model for the relationships we must have as Christians for we are enveloped in that love and challenged to give it expression in our community. This means relating to each other in love, unity and harmony. Whenever we show love through our actions to our family or neighbours, it is just a small reflection of the love that the Holy Trinity has for us. As we go about our everyday activities, we sense something of that mystery of love working for us, affecting the core of our lives and strengthening us in our weakness.

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Monday | Soul of Duane Soares |
| Tuesday | Soul of Maria LaCaria Soul of Catelina LaCaria Soul of Ita Sutikno |
| Mass of Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart of Jesus | |
| Wednesday | Soul of Leo Braganza |
| Thursday | Souls of Manuel & Angelina Pacheco |
| Friday | Intentions of Josie Boiani |

Please pray for the sick in our community, especially: Tony da Camara Jr., Jairus Papio, Ashling Reilly, Nicholas Lepone, Marita Salvosa, Mary Holt, Angie Cappriccio, Austin Delaney, Edana Pelliccione, Angela Missaghian, and baby Rebecca Grace Silva

PRAYER REQUEST LINE

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Trinity Sunday

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, this week, as we enter back into Ordinary Time, we read about and are called to contemplate the mystery of God, as a play of persons, as the Triune God.

(After reflecting on a homily from Bishop Robert Barron)
One way to begin to think about this mystery is to look at the tendency of all reality, the tendency to communicate, to make images of self. Take a look at ourselves, we seek to have conversations, to write, speak publicly, share ideas, to reach out and communicate with each other. Even planets and galaxies communicate with each other through what science calls gravitons. Simply see how the moon has been held in this orbit for all this time, how the earth is in relation with the sun. Communication, connection, image making at all, and various levels of reality, both big and small exists everywhere and in all things of being.

Where does this come from? In the Apostles Creed, we as Catholics proclaim, it comes from God the Father almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth. We believe that God is the ultimate cause of the being of things, all things. With that in mind, it is therefore, not surprising to think that God is marked in His Own most nature, by something like image making, communication, connection, conversation. That the entire physical world is a mirror, a reflection of God's manner of being.

Within the unity of God, we find an imaging process, the Father from all eternity produces a perfect and complete image of Himself, this perfect image we call the Son. Now when the Father and the Son look at each other they automatically, necessarily fall in love, each seeing utter perfection. As Bishop Fulton Sheen once said, the Father and the Son for all eternity, sigh their love for each other, this sigh of love, this Holy Breadth, we call the Holy Spirit.

In other words, God is love, love is what God is, which implies there is a play within the unity of love. The Lover, the Father, a Beloved, the Son, and the Shared Love of the Father and the Son, we call the Holy Spirit. This love is so intense that it spills out into creation. The world is now an image of God's intense community.

This communication of love is now interrupted by sin, essentially a communication breakdown. So, what did the Triune God do? Read John 3:16, the Father so burned with the love of the Holy Spirit that he sent His own image into the world so that a sinful humanity might be drawn back into community; the trinity opened up so as to include and heal a sinful and wandering humanity.

Reflect: Think about this when you make the sign of the cross, In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.
Alan Lee Hoy, *Youth Minister*



TELL ME WHAT YOU SEE

A rabbi was concerned for a young friend who was becoming worldly and materialistic. The rabbi invited him into his study and led him to the window. "What do you see?" he asked. There was a playground next to the house. "I see children playing," the young friend answered. Then the rabbi took a little hand mirror out of his pocket and held it before the visitor's face. "Tell me what you see now?" "I see myself," he said wondering what was going on. "Isn't it strange," the rabbi asked, "that when a little silver gets between yourself and others, you see only yourself."

(Source: "Materialism" #20, in Frank Mihalic, 1000 Stories You Can Use, Vol 1) (Divine Word Publications, Manila, 1989)

NOTICE

OUR PARISH REMAINS CLOSED

In order to limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus and to comply with the Government of Ontario's regulations requiring that all non-essential workplaces close, the church and the parish office continue to remain closed to the public until further notice. If you have any questions or concerns during this period of closure, please leave a voice mail at parish office 905-881-2786 x221.

Good Shepherd Casserole Program

The Good Shepherd Casserole Program remains suspended due to the COVID-19 virus. Instead, bagged lunches are being prepared to help feed the many hungry people in Toronto. Your donations of **Mayonnaise, Mustard, Canned Tuna, Peanut Butter, Bottled Water, Small Juice Boxes, Sliced Bread and Individually Wrapped Cookies** are greatly appreciated. **Donations can be dropped off** You can drop your donations off at the parish north doors.

Thank you from Good Shepherd Ministries!

FOR REFLECTION:

What is it in your life that tends to get in the way of seeing what is offered for you to see?

What blinds you, or if not so severe, what is it that blocks your vision?

And here's one quotation to chew on: "Cataracts are the third biggest cause of blindness. Religion and politics are the first two."

Antoinette

St. Augustine

Here is story about St. Augustine, one of the intellectual giants of the Church. He was walking by the seashore attempting thinking about how to explain the mystery of the Trinity. As he walked, he saw a small boy on the beach, pouring seawater from a shell into a small hole in the sand. And asked him what he was doing. "I am trying to empty the sea into this hole," the boy answered. "But that is impossible said Augustine. The boy stood up, looked straight into the eyes of Augustine and replied, "What you are trying to do – comprehend the immensity of God with your small head is even more impossible." Then he vanished. The child was an angel sent by God to teach Augustine a lesson. Later, Augustine wrote: "You see the Trinity if you see love." This means that we can understand something of the Mystery of the Holy Trinity more readily with the heart than with our feeble mind.

Vatican News website

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