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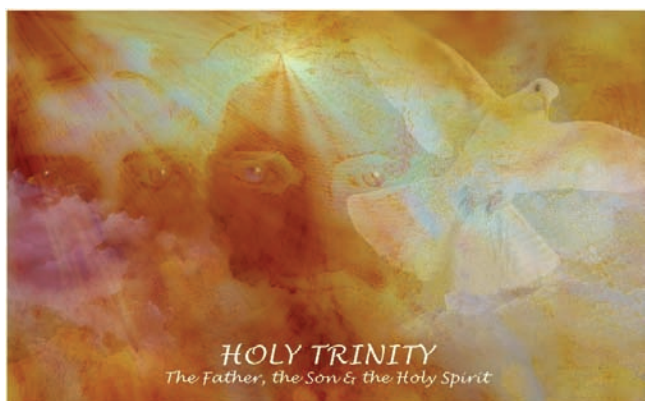
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The Most Holy Trinity



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.

“Holy Spirit, make your home in my heart, today and every day.”

MASS INTENTIONS

June 1 - 5

Monday	Soul of Reginald Kingsford
Tuesday	Soul of Mary Muir Soul of Leo Ceolin Soul of Carmen Butcher For the Protection of the Unborn and the Healing of Women Intentions of Jessie Schmoll Intentions of Jasmine Mathias
Wednesday	Soul of Kim Lau
Thursday	Soul of Alcides Batista
Friday	Soul of Angel Papa

Please pray for the sick in our community.

May the sick and the suffering in our community come to know that God the Father cares for them and that they are precious in his eyes.

The Most Holy Trinity

Let me begin by quoting the Catechism of the Catholic Church on the Most Holy Trinity:

“The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity *is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in Himself.* It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of the faith, the light that enlightens them. It is the most fundamental and essential teaching in ‘the hierarchy of the truths of faith’.” (CCC 234)

Much can be said on this very small paragraph, and never should we think that this mystery would be explicable and understandable with enough knowledge, but we can reflect on parts without understanding the whole, and here I do something smaller than that. Is it not odd that the Catechism suggests that the *mystery* of the Holy Trinity is the most fundamental *truth* of the faith? How can we claim something is true when it is a mystery to us? A quick word on ‘mystery’: a mystery is not that which contradicts reason, rather it is that which does not present itself to the intellect so as to be immediately grasped. Thus, the Most Holy Trinity is the most central mystery of our faith and life because it is not something the intellect can grasp by its own powers. Indeed, nothing one does, learns, studies, or perceives can possibly reveal this profound mystery. Nothing can do this except God’s grace alone.

A previous reflection referred to how the Holy Spirit fulfills man’s capability to apprehend truth perfectly as exemplified in Jesus, which is available to every human. This is why St. Aquinas says the highest intellectual virtue is wisdom. One need not be a genius to apprehend truth, but one certainly does need wisdom. The Most Holy Trinity is the greatest and most fundamental mystery precisely because it is the totality of Truth itself – it is the greatest being of all, in whom all beings inhere, with singularity and precision in Truth. It is the greatest mystery, yet the greatest Truth. Mysterious indeed! We reflect now on the Holy Trinity as a mystery that can only be apprehended through God’s gift of wisdom, and not just any wisdom, but His very own wisdom. When God gives us the entirety of Himself, He does not just allow us to share in His Body, but also in His Intellect. Nothing can be clearer from what He offers to us through the Most Holy Trinity. The vehicle of such wisdom is, to no surprise, the Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, and received through our Lord Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist (read John chapters 14-17).

How beautiful our faith truly is! Glory be to God in the highest!

Krishna Shanthakumar, Youth Minister

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Today is our third weekend of special collections for ShareLife Sunday. Reverence for life at all stages has been a core principle of ShareLife since its founding in 1976. We recognize the sacredness of life from conception to natural death. ShareLife funded agencies uphold this value in everything they do, bringing hope, healing and compassion to those who need it most.

This mission of love is witnessed at Rose of Sharon, where Executive Director Deanne Kukulewich gratefully notes that “your commitment to ShareLife is an investment in young parents and their futures, fostering a community where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.”

Please donate at the parish using a ShareLife envelope located in the pew pockets or on the information table or online through our parish website or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for living the gospel!

St. Luke's **Sick and Homebound Ministry** is looking for compassionate volunteers to join us visiting parishioners who can't make it to Mass to share prayer and the Eucharist. To get started, you'll just need to complete a **background check** and join us for a quick **training session**. If you're interested in helping us reconnect our community, please send an email showing your interest to **James McDonald** at gk4393@ontariokofc.ca

DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Archdiocese of Toronto

A bequest in your Will to our Church is an acknowledgement of your returning to God a portion of the gifts He has bestowed on you during your lifetime. Charitable bequests can have a favourable impact on your overall estate plan. Bequests are NOT just for the wealthy! Consider including your parish or any of the archdiocesan charities or departments in your Will. Let your will reflect your Catholic values.

We encourage you to contact the parish office for a copy of an *estate planning guide* to help you make your plan and remember about the importance of using *correct legal names* when arranging bequests or other legacy gifts.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pickleball Tournament

Ready to master the fastest-growing sport in the world? Join fellow parishioners for Pickleball in the parish hall on **Saturday, June 6th from 9-12 noon**. Come & enjoy some friendly play and fellowship. Please register by emailing gk4393@ontariokofc.ca

Don't forget to bring your own equipment.

June General Meeting

Wednesday, June 10 – 6:30 pm in parish upstairs meeting room
Newly elected officers take over.

Spring Social Dance

Saturday, June 13th – 7:30-10:30 pm
Parish hall

Refundable Container Collection

Weekend June 13/14

CWL & Knights of Columbus

Father's Day Gift Bag

Weekend June 20/21 after all masses

St. Luke's Picnic

Sunday, June 21 – Huntington Park

Membership Drive

Weekend June 27/28.

FREE

CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, June 6, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

Online webinar on Zoom

All are welcome to join this free webinar hosted by the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Participants will learn about:

- How to avoid problems in your Will, Powers of Attorney, and Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own Catholic legacy
- Catholic traditions around cremation, burials, and funerals

To register:

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2. Or visit qrco.de/WebJun6
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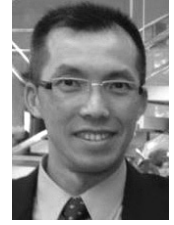


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