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Sunday, May 26, 2024 - The Most Holy Trinity



Mass Schedule @ Main Church

Saturday Evening, 5:30 pm

Sunday Morning, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am

Confessions, Saturday 4:15 - 5:00 pm or
anytime by appointment

Weekday Morning Mass

Monday - Friday

8:30 am @ MAIN CHURCH

Monday 8:30 am Mass

with Miraculous Medal Novena

Served By:

Rev. James Ferry, Pastor

Rev. James N. Chern, Weekend Assistant

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Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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Sacrament of Baptism

Celebrated *usually* the first Saturday of the month. Parents are required to meet with Father Jim Ferry. Please call RECTORY.

Sacrament of the Sick

Administered in an emergency at any time. Please call RECTORY when someone is ill or admitted to the hospital.

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples are asked to make their arrangements one year in advance of their wedding. Please call RECTORY for an appointment with a priest.

First Friday

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. There is 1st Friday Adoration during the “Fall” months of September, October, November and December and the “Spring” months of March, April, May and June.

Peace and Good Corner Gift Shop

Religious articles, books and cards are available for purchase inside the church before and after all Masses or by appointment. Contact RECTORY.

New Parishioners

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes. Please register at RECTORY or call for registration forms.

MISSION STATEMENT *The people of God in West Orange were called by the Holy Spirit in 1914 to form Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, a community centered on Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit remains with us today as we continue our journey to God. We are inspired by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, nourished by the Eucharist, called to respect life and proclaim our Catholic faith. We serve God by providing spiritual, educational, and social activities for our parish family as well as extending God's love and compassion to serve the greater community.*



Dear Brothers & Sisters of Christ of Our Lady of Lourdes

I share with you an article about the meaning of the Holy Trinity in our faith.

(Source: <https://www.catholicpostolatecenter.org/blog/the-solemnity-of-the-most-holy-trinity-we-have-an-eternal-home>)

AD INFINITUM BLOG 6/8/2017

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity: We Have an Eternal Home!

Each year on the first Sunday after Pentecost we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, also known as Trinity Sunday. Although it wasn't until 1334 that Pope John XXII officially established the feast for universal observance in the Western Church, the mystery of the Holy Trinity has been the pulse of the Church's life since the very beginning. The Trinity is "the central mystery of Christian faith and life...[and is] the source of all the other mysteries of faith" (CCC 234). The whole of the Church's life flows from the central belief that the one true God exists as three divine Persons – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Since the very beginning of time, God has gradually revealed and communicated the truth of who he is as Trinitarian through what he has done in salvation history (see CCC 53-67). Although God gradually revealed himself throughout different stages of the Old Testament period of salvation history, mankind had no way of knowing the full truth of God's inner life of the Trinity before the time of Christ, since this mystery of our faith is "inaccessible to human reason alone...before the Incarnation of God's Son and the sending of the Holy Spirit" (CCC 237).

In his encyclical *Spe Salvi*, Pope Benedict XVI poses a challenging question: "So now we must

ask explicitly: is the Christian faith also for us today a life-changing and life-sustaining hope...which shapes our life in a new way, or is it just 'information'" (*Spe Salvi* 10) that doesn't change us? Furthermore, what difference does this central mystery of our faith make in our daily lives?

Trinity Sunday is an invitation to remember that "[being] Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction" (*Deus Caritas Est* 1). In revealing himself as Trinitarian, God hasn't merely shared impersonal facts about himself; rather, God has shared himself with us, and has invited us into his own inner life and communion of love, which alone is the origin, goal, and meaning of our life. As we read in the Catechism, "By sending his only Son and the Spirit of Love in the fullness of time, God has revealed his innermost secret: God himself is an eternal exchange of love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and he has destined us to share in that exchange" (CCC 221). On Trinity Sunday, the Church proclaims the truth about God – that God is love (1 John 4:8) – and the truth about us: we are made for this love. We eternally belong to God – we have an eternal home!


St. Elizabeth of the Trinity leads us more deeply into this reality by saying that "The Trinity – this is our dwelling, our 'home,' the Father's house that we must never leave." When speaking with his disciples before his Passion, Jesus directed the gaze of their hearts towards this truth: "In my Father's house there are many rooms...and when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also" (John 14:2-3). Jesus continued to reveal more of the Father's loving plan: "I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you...If a man loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him" (John 14:18, 23). Jesus reveals to his disciples the Father's breathtaking desire. He desires not only that we be at home in him when we get to heaven in the future, but he desires us to be at home

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SATURDAY, 25 MAY 5:30 pm John Mooney
SUNDAY, 26 MAY 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Catherine Catalano & Louise Chiaramonte 11:30 am Filomena Napolitano & Elizabeth Pflug
MONDAY, 27 MAY 8:30 am Helena Edna Peterson
TUESDAY 28 MAY 8:30 am John Dowd
WEDNESDAY, 29 MAY 8:30 am "Thanksgiving"
THURSDAY, 30 MAY 8:30 am People of the Parish
FRIDAY, 31 MAY 8:30 am Helena Edna Petersen
SATURDAY, 1 JUNE 5:30 pm Barbara Zinno
SUNDAY, 2 JUNE 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Michael Chiaramonte 11:30 am Carmen Napolitano & George Pflug

SUNDAY, 26 MAY TRINITY SUNDAY  7:30 am Mass 9:30 am Mass 10:30 am Childrens Choir (OLLC) 11:30 am Mass
MONDAY, 27 MAY MEMORIAL DAY 8:30 am Daily Mass will be held Monday thru Friday of each week in church. <i>Miraculous Medal Novena following 8:30 am Mass on Monday.</i>  RECTORY OFFICE IS CLOSED
THURSDAY, 30 MAY 10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the June 9th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110. 6-8:00 pm Choir practice
SATURDAY, 1 JUNE 4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church 5:30 pm Mass
SUNDAY, 2 JUNE CORPUS CHRISTI 7:30 am Mass 9:30 am Mass 10:30 am Children's Choir (OLLC) 11:30 am Mass

 This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift from Nancy Lanfrank is in memory of **CATHY HIGGINS**.



 June 1 - June 2			
Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 (Choir)	Joy Hayward	Emily Kunz Judy Albore (Choir)	
7:30 am	Bless Bernardo	Mary Cassels	
9:30 am	Carol Ford	Annette Chiaramonte	
11:30 am	Rachelle Brown	Carmelita Dizon	

PRAYER FOR TRINITY SUNDAY

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, animate our living. Help us to forget ourselves, to get caught up in the mystery of your love and life. Let us never forget the need to care for the good of others. Never let us take for granted the mystery of life.

Prayer from www.cccb.ca
www.archtoronto.org



If you wish to have a friend or loved one prayed for, please call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.

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in him now – and so, he comes to us, he makes his home among us (c.f., John 1:14) in order to make his home in us. Thus, with the Feast of Pentecost and the sending of the Holy Spirit, God fulfills his promise to never leave us orphans. This is why the Church celebrates Trinity Sunday the week after Pentecost: On Pentecost, “the Holy Trinity is fully revealed (CC 732).

“I will not leave you orphans!” If Jesus has promised to never leave us orphans, then that means we have a permanent home – we eternally belong to the Father as children of his heavenly household! This is the mystery into which the Church invites us more deeply on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Yet this truth is also the very gift that we are invited to share with all whom God entrusts to us in our daily lives: “Love one another as I have loved you” (John 15:12). Every human heart longs for its eternal home. Today, we invite the Trinity to be more at home in our hearts in order to make them a more welcoming home for others – that through our smile, our gentleness, our availability of heart, every one whom the Father entrusts to us may experience the Love that is their eternal home.

Question for Reflection: Today, will we allow our hearts to be touched and changed by the reality into which Trinity Sunday invites us more deeply?

(Source: <https://www.catholicpostolatecenter.org/blog/the-solemnity-of-the-most-holy-trinity-we-have-an-eternal-home>)

In Christ’s Peace,
Father James Ferry

The Rosary Altar Society’s Annual Meeting will be held on:

Tuesday, June 4th, at 1:00 pm
in the Rectory.

All Rosarians: Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Carol Ford, President



The West Orange Knights of Columbus Council #5519



will host a spaghetti dinner fundraiser in the basement of

**Our Lady of Lourdes, Connor Hall
Saturday, June 8th
from 6:30 pm until 9:00 pm**

**Pasta-Meatballs-Salad-Soda-Coffee-Dessert
will be served**

The cost is \$10 for anyone 13 & over,
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FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2024	
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Collection*: May 11-May 12*	\$ 4260
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Our Lady of Lourdes Parish BBQ Picnic, 2024 / West Orange
Saturday June 15th • 6:30 pm (after 5:30 Mass)
RSVP BY Friday June 7 COME & EAT WITH US

BBQ Price "All Inclusive": Burgers, Hot Dogs, Italian Sausage, Chicken, Salads, Grilled Vegetables, Watermelon, Sodas, Juice, Beverage

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Please bring chairs and/or blankets for outdoors
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[-----]

[Yes, I will be @ Sat. June 15 picnic /RETURN TO RECTORY BY: Fri. June 7th]

Name: _____ # of People _____ Amount Enclosed ►\$ _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

[OPTIONAL*] I will bring this dessert or sweet: _____

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