

# THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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## From the Pastor's Desk

BENEDICT XVI

**ANGELUS**

*Saint Peter's Square  
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity  
Sunday, 11 June 2006*

*Dear Brothers and Sisters,*

On this Sunday that follows Pentecost, we are celebrating the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Thanks to the Holy Spirit, who helps us understand Jesus' words and guides us to the whole truth (cf. Jn 14: 26; 16: 13), believers can experience, so to speak, the intimacy of God himself, discovering that he is not infinite solitude but communion of light and love, life given and received in an eternal dialogue between the Father and the Son in the Holy Spirit - Lover, Loved and Love, to echo St Augustine.

In this world no one can see God, but he has made himself known so that, with the Apostle John, we can affirm: "God is love" (I Jn 4: 8, 16), and "we have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us" (Encyclical [Deus Caritas Est](#), n. 1; cf. I Jn 4: 16).

Those who encounter Christ and enter into a friendly relationship with him welcome into their hearts Trinitarian Communion itself, in accordance with Jesus' promise to his disciples: "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" (Jn 14: 23).

For those who have faith, the entire universe speaks of the Triune God. From the spaces between the stars to microscopic particles, all that exists refers to a Being who communicates himself in the multiplicity and variety of elements, as in an immense symphony.

All beings are ordered to a dynamic harmony that we can similarly call "love". But only in the human person, who is free and can reason, does this dynamism become spiritual, does it become responsible love, in response to God and to one's neighbour through a sincere gift of self. It is in this love that human beings find their truth and happiness.

Among the different analogies of the ineffable mystery of the Triune God that believers are able to discern, I would like to cite that of the family. It is called to be a community of love and life where differences must contribute to forming a "parable of communion".

The Virgin Mary, among all creatures, is a masterpiece of the Most Holy Trinity. In her humble heart full of faith, God prepared a worthy dwelling place for himself in order to bring to completion the mystery of salvation. Divine Love found perfect correspondence in her, and in her womb the Only-begotten Son was made man.

Let us turn to Mary with filial trust, so that with her help we may progress in love and make our life a hymn of praise to the Father through the Son in the Holy Spirit.

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### Spiritual Communion Prayer

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.*

*I love You above all things, and I desire to receive you in my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.*

*I embrace You as if You are already there.*

*And unite myself wholly to You.*

*Never permit me to be separated from you.*

*Amen*



## Del escritorio del P. Clark

BENEDICTO XVI

ÁNGELUS

*Domingo 11 de junio de 2006  
Solemnidad de la Santísima Trinidad*

*Queridos hermanos y hermanas:*

En este domingo, que sigue a Pentecostés, celebramos la solemnidad de la Santísima Trinidad. Gracias al Espíritu Santo, que ayuda a comprender las palabras de Jesús y guía a la verdad completa (cf. *Jn 14, 26; 16, 13*), los creyentes pueden conocer, por decirlo así, la intimidad de Dios mismo, descubriendo que él no es soledad infinita, sino comunión de luz y de amor, vida dada y recibida en un diálogo eterno entre el Padre y el Hijo en el Espíritu Santo, como dice san Agustín, Amante, Amado y Amor.

En este mundo nadie puede ver a Dios, pero él mismo se dio a conocer de modo que, con el apóstol san Juan, podemos afirmar: "Dios es amor" (*1 Jn 4, 8, 16*), "hemos conocido el amor que Dios nos tiene, y hemos creído en él" (*Deus caritas est, 1; cf. 1 Jn 4, 16*). Quien se encuentra con Cristo y entra en una relación de amistad con él, acoge en su alma la misma comunión trinitaria, según la promesa de Jesús a los discípulos: "Si alguno me ama, guardará mi Palabra, y mi Padre lo amará, y vendremos a él, y haremos morada en él" (*Jn 14, 23*).

Todo el universo, para quien tiene fe, habla de Dios uno y trino. Desde los espacios interstelares hasta las partículas microscópicas, todo lo que existe remite a un Ser que se comunica en la multiplicidad y variedad de los elementos, como en una inmensa sinfonía. Todos los seres están ordenados según un dinamismo armonioso, que analógicamente podemos llamar "amor". Pero sólo en la persona humana, libre y racional, este dinamismo llega a ser espiritual, llega a ser amor responsable, como respuesta a Dios y al prójimo en una entrega sincera de sí. En este amor, el ser humano encuentra su verdad y su felicidad. Entre las diversas analogías del misterio inefable de Dios uno y trino que los creyentes pueden vislumbrar, quisiera citar la de la familia, la cual está llamada a ser una comunidad de amor y de vida, en la que la diversidad debe contribuir a formar una "parábola de comunión".

Obra maestra de la santísima Trinidad, entre todas las criaturas, es la Virgen María: en su corazón humilde y lleno de fe Dios se preparó una morada digna para realizar el misterio de la salvación. El Amor divino encontró en ella una correspondencia perfecta, y en su seno el Hijo unigénito se hizo hombre. Con confianza filial dirijámonos a María, para que, con su ayuda, progrese en el amor y hagamos de nuestra vida un canto de alabanza al Padre por el Hijo en el Espíritu Santo.

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### Un Acto de Comunión Espiritual

Creo, Jesús mío, que estás real y verdaderamente en el cielo y en el Santísimo Sacramento del Altar.

Os amo sobre todas las cosas y deseo vivamente recibirte dentro de mi ama, pero no pudiendo hacerlo ahora sacramentalmente,

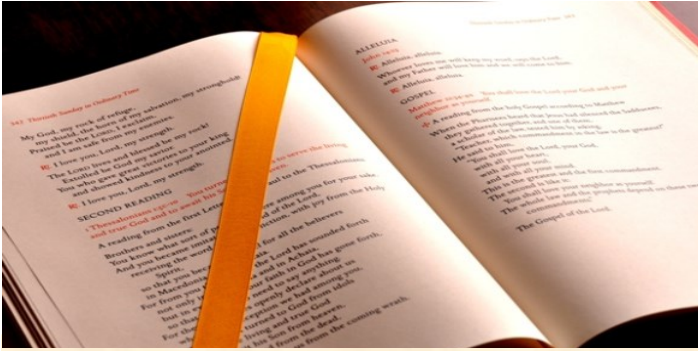
Venid al menos espiritualmente a me corazón.

Y como si ya os hubiese recibido, os abrazo y me uno del todo a Ti.

Señor, no permitas que jamás me aparte de Ti.

Amén





**WEEKLY READINGS**

**Scripture Readings for the Week of June 7, 2020**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity</b> Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18
<b>Monday</b>	1 Kgs 17:1-6; Ps 121:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt 5:1-12
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Saint Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church</b> 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8; Mt 5:13-16
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11; Mt 5:17-19
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Barnabas, Apostle</b> Acts 11:21b-26; Acts 13:1-3; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Mt 5:20-26
<b>Friday</b>	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14; Mt 5:27-32
<b>Saturday Priest</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Anthony of Padua, and Doctor of the Church</b> 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10; Mt 5:33-37
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi</b> Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

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**Mass Intentions**

All scheduled weekday Mass intentions are being fulfilled. You will be notified if it is necessary to reschedule your requested intention for a Saturday or Sunday Mass.

**LECTURAS SEMANALES**

**Lecturas por Semana del 7 de Junio de 2020**

<b>Domingo</b>	<b>Solemnidad de la Santísima Trinidad</b> Ex 34, 4b-6. 8-9; Dan 3, 52. 53. 54. 55. 56; 2 Cor 13, 11-13; Jn 3, 16-18
<b>Lunes</b>	1 Re 17, 1-6; Sal 120, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8; Mt 5, 1-12
<b>Martes</b>	<b>San Efrén, Diácono y Doctor de la Iglesia</b> 1 Re 17, 7-16; Sal 4, 2-3. 4-5. 7-8; Mt 5, 13-16
<b>Miércoles</b>	1 Re 18, 20-39; Sal 15, 1-2a. 4. 5 y 8. 11; Mt 5, 17-19
<b>Jueves</b>	<b>Memoria de San Bernabé, Apóstol</b> He 11, 21b-16; He 13, 1-3; Sal 97, 1. 2-3ab. 3c-4. 5-6; Mt 5, 20-26
<b>Viernes</b>	1 Re 19, 9a. 11-16; Sal 26, 7-8a. 8b-9abc. 13-14; Mt 5, 27-32
<b>Sábado</b>	<b>Memoria de San Antonio de Padua, Presbítero y Doctor de la Iglesia</b> 1 Re 19, 19-21; Sal 15, 1-2a y 5. 7-8. 9-10; Mt 5, 33-37
<b>Domingo</b>	<b>Solemnidad del Santísimo Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo, Corpus Christi</b> Dt 8, 2-3. 14b-16a; Sal 147, 12-13. 14-15. 19-20; 1 Cor 10, 16-17; Jn 6, 51-59

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Dear STM Parishioners,

The last few months were quite a challenge! SVdP food pantry not only temporarily closed mid-March due to limitations posed by the corona virus, but also discontinued ordering from the Houston

Food Bank (HFB) because of the lack of capacity to store perishables.

It was a pleasure to see you in person and quite entertaining to see your creative expressions of love for our clergy during the mobile food drive the week of April 27 and, more importantly, you filled a much needed gap in our food supply and funds. Thank you! We recently found new friendship with Westbury Community Gardens (WCG) who donated freshly picked produce and look forward to partnering with them to serve nutritious produce to our friends in the future.

Although our city is now in the process of re-opening, many in our community are unemployed and some facing the prospects of eviction with the state moratorium now lifted. Your generous donations enabled us to gradually and cautiously reopen the pantry with drive-thru food distributions during the month of May and resume rent and utility assistance, relieving some of the anxiety and financial pressure of our unfortunate neighbors.

**We rely on your essential help and support for food and money - our sole means of existence! Moreover, we also require more volunteers to assist with food distribution and collect phone calls and, preferably, bi-lingual individuals to return pantry phone calls. Based on the availability of volunteers, we plan to establish new pantry hours.**

If you are able to support SVdP in any way, you may drop off food donations at the Food Pantry on Tuesdays, 10am-2pm or at the Parish Office during office hours; check donations to SVDP may be delivered to the Parish Office or in the collection basket. For those among you who use STM's On-line Giving, we would like to ask you to remember our work for the poor by a weekly contribution to SVDP of any amount you can afford.

We praise God for His many blessings and for your ongoing support of our mission to help those less fortunate in our immediate area. May God bless and protect our STM Family of Families!

*"Charity is the cement which binds Communities to God and persons to one another . . ." - St. Vincent de Paul*

### Stewardship for May 31, 2020

Collection	\$10,311.00
Online Giving	\$11,520.93
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$21,831.93</b>

### Upcoming Special Collections

St. Mary's Seminary Collection  
 Corpus Christi Sunday  
 June 14, 2020  
 The entire Sunday collection is for the Seminary.



### Parish Goal: \$193,000.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$71,156.50  
 Total Amount Paid: \$51,697.75  
 Total Number of Participant: 199  
 Total Number of Households: 4184  
 Average Participant Pledge: \$357.57  
 Paid Over (Under) Goal: (\$141,302.25)  
 Pledged Over (Under) Goal: (\$121,843.50)  
 Percent Paid: 26.79%

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