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Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 pm (Anticipated)
Sunday: 10:00 am
Tuesday – Friday: 8:30 am (in Chapel)

Monday: Communion Service 8:30 am

Holy Hour: First Friday following 8:30 am Mass.
Perpetual Help Novena: Tuesdays after Mass

Confessions

Saturday: 3:15 – 3:45 pm
And by request

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

New Parishioners: Welcome to the Parish! Please complete a registration form (found on the tables at the doors) and introduce yourself to the priest.

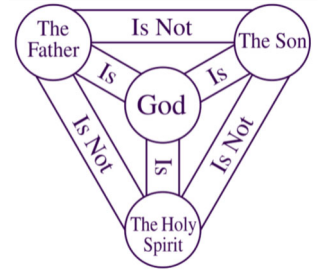
Baptisms: Please contact the Priest or Deacon to arrange for a seminar and time for the Baptism.

Weddings: Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months in advance of the date of the wedding. Please contact the priest before committing to any other arrangements.

Funerals: Please contact the church as soon as the need arises and before making any arrangements with the funeral parlor.

The Blessed Trinity: Explained but Not Understood

We live in a three-dimensional world. All physical objects have a certain height, width, and depth. One person can look like someone else, or behave like someone else, or even sound like someone else, but a person cannot actually be the same as another person. They are distinct individuals.



God, however, lives without the limitations of a three-dimensional universe. He is spirit, and He is infinitely more complex than we are. That is why Jesus the Son can be different from the Father and yet the same. The Bible clearly speaks of God the Son, God the Father, and God the Holy Spirit but emphasizes that there is only ONE God. If we were to use math, it would not be, $1+1+1=3$. It would be $1 \times 1 \times 1 = 1$. God is a triune God. Thus the term "Tri" meaning three, and "Unity" meaning one, $Tri + Unity = Trinity$. It is a way of acknowledging what the Bible reveals to us about God, that God is yet three "Persons" Who have the same essence of deity.

Some have tried to give human illustrations for the Trinity, such as H_2O being water, ice and steam (all different forms, but all are H_2O). St. Patrick used the shamrock: three distinct and equal parts, yet it is one leaf. No illustration is going to be perfect.

From the very beginning we see God as a Trinity. In the book of Genesis God says, "Let us make man in our image... male and female He created them." You see here a mixture of plural and singular pronouns.

When Moses asked God for His name, God replied, "I am" - eternally existing. Jesus used the same phrase numerous times.

"I am the light of the world..."

"I am the bread of life..."

"I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

Abraham is someone mentioned in Genesis, thousands of years before Jesus came to earth. Yet, Jesus said of Himself, "Before Abraham was born, I am." The Jews understood fully what Jesus was saying because they picked up stones to kill Him for "blasphemy" - claiming to be God. Jesus has always existed.

Jesus was so clear about His unique relationship with the Father. This is why "the Jewish leaders tried all the harder to find a way to kill Him; for He not only broke the Sabbath, He called God His Father, thereby making Himself equal with God."

For all of eternity, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit have always been in relationship and communication with each other, yet not as three gods...as one God. This answers the question: If Jesus is God, who was He praying to? On earth, Jesus continued to talk to the Father, and the Father and Spirit continued to communicate with Him.



A Father's Prayer

O God, help me to be true to the great privilege and the great responsibility which you have given to me. Help me to be an example and a friend to my children, and a real partner to my wife.

Don't let me take all that is done for me for granted, and help me to keep love alive within the home. Give me health and strength, and work to do, to earn living for those who depend on me and whom I love so much; help me to remember that love is more important than money. Amen



Happy Father's Day! to All Fathers and All Who Fulfill the Role of "Father"



Father's Day Appreciation

Members of the St. James Major Guild are presenting each "father" a token of appreciation of his role in the lives of his child(ren). Fathers, don't miss out!

"Thank You" to those parishioners who go "above and beyond" to assist with tasks that need to be done in the parish: bringing the garbage cans in and out, repairing the many systems and things that break, grass cutting, pressure washing, grocery shopping, etc. We appreciate every one of you! May God bless you.

Mass Intentions



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

- 17 Monday **WEEKDAY**
2 Corinthians 6:1-7; Ps 98; Matthew 5:38-42
- 18 Tuesday **WEEKDAY**
2 Corinthians 8:1-9; Ps 146; Matthew 5:43-48
- 19 Wednesday **ST. ROMUALD or WEEKDAY**
2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Ps 112; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
- 20 Thursday **WEEKDAY**
2 Corinthians 11:1-11; Ps 111; Matthew 6:7-15
- 21 Friday **ST. ALOYSIUS OF GONZAGA**
2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34; Matthew 6:19-23
- 22 Saturday **STS. JOHN FISHER & THOMAS MORE or ST. PAULINUS OF NOLA**
2 Corinthians 12:1-10; Ps 34; Matthew 6:24-34
- 23 Sunday **MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)**
Genesis 14:18-20; Ps 110; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Luke 9:11b-17

Each Mass is offered for the intentions of all present and for the following:

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

8:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living & deceased

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

10:00 am Intentions all our parishioners who are ill, for all who have asked for prayer, And for the repose of the souls of

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| +Clare & Clarence Jupiter | +Edward Ward, Sr. |
| +Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr. | +Rochelle Age |
| +Hartley & Grace Ward | +Anita Collins |
| +Robert Ordogne | +Juanita Allen |
| +Lorraine DeMesme | +Meta Powell |
| +Lawrence Isabelle | +Julia Howell |
| +Weinstein Family | +Jocelyn Winters |

MONDAY, JUNE 17

8:30 am Communion Service

TUESDAY, JUNE 18

8:30 am Int—Karen Watkins
+Jospeh Chevis
+Thelma P. Woll

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

8:30 am +Poor Souls in Purgatory (P.L.)

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

8:30 am +Butler Rondeno, Sr.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

8:30 am +Joseph Bennette, Sr.

Lectors & Commentators



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| Jun 15 | Gloria Jordon, Gaynell Marchand |
| Jun 16 | Hilda Bell, Lawrence Dejan |



Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

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| Jun 15 | Montrelle Sinegar, Roy LeBlanc |
| Jun 16 | Denise Huner, Tony Tabor |



Please remember to pray for our men and women who are serving in the armed forces, especially:

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| SSgt Bryan Stovall, Jr., USMC | PO2 Melissa Flot, USN |
| PVT Robert Cook, USA | SGT Robert Lambert, USA |
| SSgt. Anthony Montz, USAF | Alvin Benjamin, USN |
| SSgt. Davin Hornsby, USAF | A1C Andrew Montz, USAF |

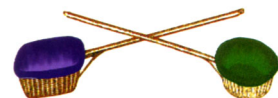
Please pray for them: Valerie Smith, Mary Mitchell, Gloria Mitchell, Denise Thomas, Audrey Wilson, Gail Wright, Nadine Rochell, Gloria Harris, Gertrude Harris, William Mitchell, Maggie Haney, Dominic Carmouche, Loretta Parent, Walter Glapion, Yvonne Bechet, Gerald Mercadel, Sr., Susan Lauterbach, Thais Ardoin, Russell Jordan, Denise Rachal, Herbert Briant, Sr., Irene Ward, Marguerite Ragas, Irma Springer, Wilbert Clementin, Sr., Byron Williams, Jr., Kim Stovall, Michelle Irwin, Dennis LeBlanc, Betty Reynolds, Jill Courseault, Meredith LeBlanc, Pamela Jordon, Mallory Tuggles and Clarence, Robert and Buster Mitchell.



“How marvelous it would be if, at the end of the day, **each of us** could say: today I have performed **an act of charity** towards others” Pope Francis

The Collection for the Holy Father (Peter's Pence) was last week's second collection. Your donations amounted to \$842. Thank you for your generosity.

Church Support



OFFERTORY COLLECTION (June 8-9)

First Collection \$ 2342.00

Thank you for your support.

Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially those who are homebound or in hospitals, nursing homes and hospice. Please notify the rectory of the change in status of you or your relatives on the prayer list.