

## May 30, 2021: The Most Holy Trinity

GO! GO EVANGELIZING! GO!

"GO and MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, TEACHING them to observe all that I have commanded you." (Matthew 28:19). This is the final ORDER given by Jesus to his disciples at the end of Matthew's Gospel. This is what Jesus is asking from each one of us in Waldorf today: GO AND EVANGELIZE!

Jesus is challenging each one of us to get out of our comfort zone and to have the missionary spirit of His first disciples. Once we have experienced the Love of God in our lives, we cannot be lukewarm to the teachings of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Either like non-believers we reject Jesus or like His first disciples we become passionate followers of Jesus as He becomes the center of our life. We may feel incompetent. We may feel afraid to handle the daunting task of evangelization. But we are not alone: JESUS IS ALWAYS WITH US and will give us the necessary GRACES and STRENGTH: "I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, UNTIL THE END OF THE AGE" (Matthew 28:20).

Since our baptism, we are all called to evangelize, to bring people to Jesus by proclaiming the Gospel: the good news, the promise that as the Risen Lord is lifted up to Heaven, He will send us His Spirit so that we too can be lifted up and be with Him for eternal life: this is the destination of our journey on earth, this is why Jesus came on earth to help save us.

Evangelization begins at home. Parents are the primary teachers of their children. Over the last 2,000 years, the teachings of Our LORD Jesus Christ have been transmitted to billions of people throughout the entire world. The Church has continued being strong because Jesus is the Head of the Church from its very beginning at PENTECOST, which we celebrated with such great JOY last week.

We evangelize one person at a time. We evangelize by our example, by our way of our life, by following God's commandments, by inviting our neighbors and friends to join us at church, by volunteering at our church. We are blessed at OLHOC by having such a large number of committed volunteers. A good example of evangelization was the Crowning of Mary and our Outdoor Mass last Sunday. People passing by may have been touched by the colorful and joyful gathering of so many families and children in front of our church, around the statue of Mary and at the foot of our large outdoor Cross. The weather was just perfect: sunny and breezy. Most importantly, at the outdoor altar Jesus became truly present through HIS BODY and BLOOD. Jesus had been truly brought outside our

Church...At the moment of Communion, I could feel the JOY of our children and families: it reminded me of Jesus' miracle of the multiplication of the bread ( the feeding of the 4,000) on a mountain overlooking the Sea of Galilee. I was particularly moved to see so many "second communicants" ; they had received their First Holy Communion the day before and they came back in their beautiful vestments to help crown Mary and receive Jesus for the second time in their life.

I invite every one of you to reflect on how you can follow Jesus' command to go out and evangelize. Parents, you are the primary teachers of your children and I invite you to deepen the understanding of your Faith and the teachings of the Church (we are continuing the Catholicism for Adults program and we will write shortly about it). Parents, Grand-Parents, Singles I invite you to consider TEACHING IN OUR CCD Program. We need teachers and teacher aides for our new program starting September 19. I am placing this call at this time as we begin pre-registering children for September. We need teachers for assisting with the "at home" learning. We need teachers and aides to assist children in the classroom as we are able to start again face to face learning this Fall. If you hear God's call to assist our children, let me know your interest ([pastor@olhoc.org](mailto:pastor@olhoc.org)). If you have children from the age of 4 (from pre-K through 8th grade), this is the time to pre-register your kids for our Fall CCD program.

On this Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity let us pray together to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who are three Persons in ONE GOD:

*"Heavenly FATHER, we thank you for the Gift of Life and for having sent us Your Son Our Lord Jesus Christ to redeem our sins and lead us to eternal salvation.*

*Jesus, only SON of the Father, we thank you for the Promise to never leave us alone and send us the Holy Spirit.*

*HOLY SPIRIT, help us to open our Hearts to the Fire of Your Love and guide us in everything we do so that we can always do God's will.*

*TRIUNE GOD, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, give us the desire, courage and strength to GO AND EVANGELIZE. Help us to be TEACHERS OF THE FAITH for our OLHOC children, in our own families at home and in our parish faith formation programs."*

One in Christ,  
Fr. Alain

## New Mass Protocol

Following the guidelines by the Archdiocese of Washington, and the state of Maryland, we will make these changes to our procedures

- \*No need to “sign-up” for Mass
- \*Continue to wear face masks.
- \*Maintain 3 ft. distances between families.
- \*Center aisle pews will be fully open. If you wish 6 ft distance, the side aisles will still be every other pew.
- \*More Mass parts will be sung.
- \*If you are feeling ill, please stay home and watch Mass on YouTube

## Now accepting applications for Our Lady's Little Christians 2021/2022 school year.

We are now accepting applications for children ages 3-5. Openings are available for both AM classes, and full day. For more information, please contact Nieda Tice [preschool@olhoc.org](mailto:preschool@olhoc.org)

### The Case for Jesus

How do we **know** we can trust the Gospels? Who **really** wrote them and when?

Could they be fabricated fables or are they authentic truth? Who does Jesus profess to be?

To find out, come join The Catholic Faith Explorers in our next study - **The Case for Jesus**. Dr. Brant Petri draws evidence from early Christian and non-Christian writings attesting to the authenticity, authorship, and dating of the Gospels, and gives an in-depth look at the Gospel accounts of Jesus's Crucifixion, Resurrection, and the proclamation of His divinity.

Class Dates/Time: 11 Apr - 6 Jun, Sundays at 8:00 am

Via Zoom Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94165603422?pwd=dlg2TjVoQldwOXhKRFJrQigkQWc5QT09>

## Community Outreach

“Sharing Sunday” continues for the collection of non-perishable foods for the Food Bank and Family Shelter. The need is as great as ever for families in Waldorf!

Your donations can be left in the Fr. Martin Hall all week long.

Thank you OLHOC for all your support!

The next Outreach meeting is June 2, 2021 At 7 p m on Zoom. The next Shepherd's table is June 17, 2021



### Are you a lost sheep?

**Flocknotes** is an online tool we use to communicate with our parishioners. You can read Father Alain's weekly column, find out Mass times, or any current events happening in our parish. The information is always up-to-date.

Flocknotes comes directly to your email inbox by Friday. Never miss any more news at OLHOC!

Sign up on our webpage (just look for the lamb) [www.olhoc.com](http://www.olhoc.com) or call the office and someone will assist you to get the latest information.



**Attention High School & College Graduate Class of 2021:** Please save the date and join us on Sunday, June 6th at the 11:30 am Mass for a special blessing for the 2021 graduates. We will also have special virtual gatherings for high school seniors with special topics and guest speakers. Please sign up online [www.olhoc.org/graduate](http://www.olhoc.org/graduate) so we can plan better. If you have any questions contact Marlen [marlen@olhoc.org](mailto:marlen@olhoc.org)

**Volunteer for Youth Core Team** If you are interested in joining our team and assist with the Youth Core team, be a Confirmation Mentor, or learn more about ways to volunteer with the youth, please visit [www.olhoc.org/ymteam](http://www.olhoc.org/ymteam) or talk to Marlen Coles [marlen@olhoc.org](mailto:marlen@olhoc.org)

**\*We are asked to pray for:**

Brandon Mack  
Nestor Ermelindo Molina  
James Thompson  
Rebecca (Tess) Franch  
Joseph Albrittian  
Sid and Suszanna Marcus  
Aleli Puzon  
Patricia Delgado  
Ann Marie Hobart  
Larry McGraw  
Ilene Custer  
Derrick Webster  
Julie Davis  
David DeMarr  
Dunnie Proctor  
Amelia Vinceguerra  
Lorraine Celijewski  
Cren Wolden  
Tabitha Barton  
Maria Townsend

Sheryl Carter  
Alex Leon  
Sharketer Butler  
Steven Bowling  
Edna Yarngo  
Kathly Grimes  
Sheny Padilla  
David Mesler  
Victor Cordero  
Georgiana Norgren  
Marie Bottorf  
Dorian Webster  
Dionne Gause  
Billy Dexter  
Trenia Price  
Erick M. Knapp  
Norm Green  
Sarah Dixon  
Grace Albrittian  
Elaine Moses

Yvonne Buford  
Karen Zimmerman  
Steve Wyloge  
Terri Elizabeth McAllister Burnette  
Joanne Johnson  
Mike Spurgeon  
Mary A. Dyson  
Kevin Viel Sr.  
Ligia Lam  
David Stanley  
Jim McMahon  
Drew Shuda  
Wilma Cruz  
Fr. Eamon Dignan  
Dr. Michael St. Thomas  
and all our military and civilians serving in  
harm's way.

*\* Names will be removed after 3 months unless  
you notify the office*



**Mass Intentions this Week**

**Saturday, May 29,**  
9:00AM: Aldo Tosco (+)  
5:00 PM: Ralph Dixon  
**Sunday, May 30,**  
8:30 AM: Tom Wallis (+)  
10:00 AM: Romero Ramirez (+)  
11:30 AM: Francisca Gagarin (+)  
1:00 PM: Tracy Sawn  
7:00 PM: OLHOC Parishioners  
**Monday, May 31,**  
7:00 AM: Nereida Tellechea  
9:00 AM: Martine Etamane

**Tuesday, June 1**  
9:00AM: Bochard & Antoine John-  
Jacques  
**Wednesday, June 2,**  
9:00 AM: Marlen Coles  
7:00 PM: Sister Rosario  
**Thursday, June 3,**  
9:00 AM: Jeannie Jacobs  
**Friday, June 4,**  
7:00 AM: Kendra Hunt  
9:00 AM: Nieda Tice  
7:00 PM: Aurora Tuscon (+)

*Please remember to pray for the  
Souls in Purgatory*



*All are welcome!*

*Latin Mass- Friday June 4th at 7 PM  
Prayer for Vocations- June 5th at 10 AM  
Divine Mercy- Saturday June 5th at 3 PM*

Tuesday Scripture Study - Join us on Tuesday mornings after the 9 am Mass to study the readings for the next Sunday.

Friday Scripture Study- The Friday night scripture study is now online. Please call the office for information on how to join us.

First Friday- The first Friday of each month the evening Mass is dedicated to promoting the Priesthood. Following evening Mass, devotion to the Alliance of the two Hearts.

First Saturday—Join members of the Marian Group on the first Saturday of the month after the 9 am Mass. Learn more about consecrating your life to Jesus through Mary.

Divine Mercy- Join us on the first Saturday of each month as we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet as a community at 3 PM.

OLHOC Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request, please call the parish office or send email to [office@olhoc.org](mailto:office@olhoc.org).

Mass Readings for June 6, 2021

*Corpus Christi*

\*First Reading

Exodus 24:3-8

\*Second Reading

Hebrews 9:11-15

\*Gospel

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)



## *33 Day Consecration to St. Joseph May 19- June 20*

For those who did not have the opportunity, the total consecration to St. Joseph will begin again on May 19, ending on Father's Day, Sunday June 20. You can follow along on YouTube with Father Alain and Father Ben daily.

The daily prayers can be found here:

[https://www.unleashthegospel.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/33-Days-of-Prayers-and-Daily-Challenge\\_ENGLISH.pdf](https://www.unleashthegospel.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/33-Days-of-Prayers-and-Daily-Challenge_ENGLISH.pdf)

## *Holy Hour for Vocations Saturday June 5 at 10 AM*

Why is prayer important for the work of vocations? Prayer is the support that brings to fruition the seed of the vocation within the men and women who offer their lives to serve Our Lord. It is through the power of prayer that those seeking the priesthood and the consecrated life are sustained and nurtured. It is through the grace of daily prayer that you will partake in the work of building the culture of vocations. You will be a prayerful participant in the priest's ordination.

Your 'little prayers' offered each day will make a great difference. In Mother Teresa's words, "like Jesus we belong to the world living not for ourselves but for others. The joy of the Lord is our strength." (ADW. 2021)

Please take one hour out of your day and come to church on Saturday June 5 at 10 am to pray for these men and women who are also praying for you.

## *HELP KEEP OUR CHURCH CLEAN*

Since last year, OLHOC cut back on many of the services we had paid for. Due to financial restraints, the lawn maintenance is all done by volunteers, we no longer have a staff person to help out with the facilities, and we cut back on our cleaning services to once a week.

Please do your part in helping to keep our church clean.

### **\*\*\*REMINDER\*\*\***

- Wash your hands before coming to Mass and sanitize when entering the church
- Wear a mask
- Watch your distance, at least a 3 ft distance from non family members
- We have a spray bottle and paper towels at the back of the Nave for parishioners who wish to wipe their seats before Mass. Please DO NOT bring your own alcohol wipes as that will damage our pew finish
- If you feel ill, stay home and watch Mass on [www.olhoc.com](http://www.olhoc.com) at 10 am on Sundays



**The office will be closed**

**Monday, May 30**