



CELEBRATE THE LORD’S DAY MASSES:

(While we are not able to gather in church as a faith community to receive Jesus present in the Eucharist, Fr. Paul does continue to offer the sacrifice of the Mass each day for our intentions as listed below. At minimum for the Sunday obligation, We can participate in Mass through many forms: Online live streaming (many other churches offer live streaming of the Mass), on our website with Bishop Barron, EWTN, Catholic Radio of Indy (89.1 or 90.9) our Word Among Us books have daily Mass readings, or the following:

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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 into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

LITURGY SCHEDULE

June 7, 2020

The Most Holy Trinity

Monday, June 8

No Mass

Tuesday, June 9

Joe & Janet Smith

Wednesday, June 10

Margaret Wilson

Thursday, June 11

Don Martin

Friday, June 12

Christy Robinson

Saturday, June 13

5:00p.m... Thom Helm

Sunday, June 14

8:30a.m...Linda Phillips

10:30a.m...Parishioners of St. Mary’s and St. John’s

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR JUNE:

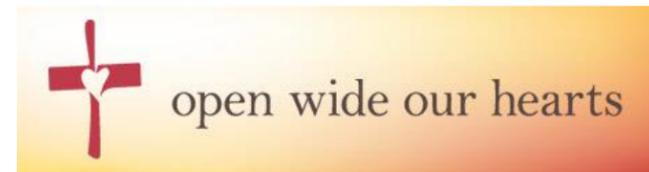
The Way of the Heart

We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

Weekly Prayer Corner: DELIVER US FROM EVIL

Protect O Lord, those who cry to you for help. Uphold us in our weakness, and cleanse us from our sins and in your mercy, deliver us from all evil, so that we may come at last to the perfection of all good.

--St. Leo the Great



PRAYER TO OVERCOME RACISM

Mary, friend and mother to all, through your Son, God has found a way to unite himself to every human being, called to be one people, sisters and brothers to each other. We ask for your help in calling on your Son, seeking forgiveness for the times when we have failed to love and respect one another. We ask for your help in obtaining from your Son the grace we need to overcome the evil of racism and to build a just society. We ask for your help in following your Son, so that prejudice and animosity will no longer infect our minds or hearts but will be replaced with a love that respects the dignity of each person. Mother of the Church, the Spirit of your Son Jesus warms our hearts: pray for us. Amen.

CONTINUED CONTRIBUTIONS

If at all possible, please continue to keep your contributions up-to-date and mail them to the office both for St. Mary’s or St. John’s to:

**St. John’s Church
213 S. Spring St.
Hartford City, IN 47348**

Many thanks to all that have been mailing in contributions. Your continued efforts are greatly appreciated.



Universal Call to Holiness: Part 1

The phrase ‘Universal Call to Holiness’ is stressed in the Second Vatican Council’s Dogmatic Constitution on the Church (Lumen Gentium); it recognizes that all the People of God are “called to the fullness of the Christian life and to the perfection of charity” (no. 40).

This call is directed not only to priests, deacons, and consecrated religious, but to the laity as well, and should be pursued within an individual’s specific vocation (marriage, dedicated single life, parent, etc.). We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do no matter where we find ourselves. Leading a holy life is one way the faithful can evangelize the world but it’s important we recognize that mistakes are normal and we may falter occasionally.

“Not everything a saint says is completely faithful to the Gospel; not everything he or she does is authentic or perfect. What we need to contemplate is the totality of their life, their entire journey of growth in holiness, the reflection of Jesus Christ that emerges when we grasp their overall meaning as a person.” (Apostolic Exhortation: **GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE** of the Holy Father Francis on the Call to Holiness in Today’s World, March 2018)

Therefore, we too, must see our whole lives as a mission. Through prayer and petition, we must listen for God to recognize the signs he gives us. “Always ask the Spirit what Jesus expects from you at every moment of your life and in every decision you must make, so as to discern its place in the mission you have received. Allow the Spirit to forge in you the personal mystery that can reflect Jesus Christ in today’s world.”

Only then will we come to realize “...the message of Jesus that God wants to speak to the world by your life. Let yourself be transformed. Let yourself be renewed by the Spirit, so that this can happen, lest you fail in your precious mission. The Lord will bring it to fulfilment despite your mistakes and missteps, provided that you do not abandon the path of love but remain ever open to his supernatural grace, which purifies and enlightens.” (**GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE** of the Holy Father Francis)

Novena for National Unity & An End to Racism.

We should take to heart the words of Pope Francis. No one should “tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism.” We must all “defend the sacredness of every human life.” And we must redouble our efforts to overcome the suffering and injustice which result from the sin of racism. As we celebrate the perfect unity of the Blessed Trinity, we call upon all Knights and people of goodwill to join in prayer. Let us remember that, as Pope Francis says, “nothing is gained by violence and so much is lost.”

The Knights of Columbus Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson, as stated above, has invited each of us along with fellow Knights to join in a novena prayer for national unity and an end to racism from Sunday, June 7, to Monday, June 15. We pray that we all can come to understand that injustice to a black person is injustice to all; that regardless of race or culture, all people, without exception, are made in the image and likeness of God, and are deserving of our respect and love.

May God, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Civilization of Love, hear our prayer.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

June 8: 1 Kgs 17: 1-6; Mt 5: 1-12

June 9: [St. Ephrem, deacon & doctor of the Church] 1 Kgs 17: 7-16; Mt 5: 13-16

June 10: 1 Kgs 18: 20-39; Mt 5: 17-19

June 11: [St. Barnabas, apostle] Acts 11: 21b-26; 13: 1-3; Mt 5: 20-26

June 12: 1 Kgs 19: 9a, 11-16; Mt 5: 27-32

June 13: [St. Anthony of Padua, priest & doctor of the Church] 1 Kgs 19: 19-21; Mt 5: 33-37

June 14: [The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ] Dt 8: 2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Cor 10: 16-17; Jn 6: 51-58

We dedicate the month of June to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The Church today, and throughout this month of June, invites us to spend the month reflecting on what it really means to live our lives in such a way that we reveal the Loving Heart of a Merciful God to the whole world.

Saint Margaret Mary of Alcoque was the religious sister to whom the Lord gave a special revelation of His Sacred Heart, filled with redemptive and merciful love for the world.

A priest shared Margaret Mary's devotion to the Heart of Jesus and helped to spread that devotion at a critical time when the culture of Europe was steeped in darkness - and the Church staggered from corruption within - **a time very much like our own.**

Let us use this month to grow in love and mercy to others as our Loving and Merciful God shows us.

WELCOME BACK, WE HAVE MISSED YOU!



“Please know the dispensation from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation remains in effect until August 15. In particular, those who are experiencing any sickness, those whose health is in some way compromised, those who are fearful of the possible infection of COVID-19, and those over the age of 65 should consider staying home...”

Don't forget to check in with your neighbor and help those in need of food, meds, or just old-fashioned communication...and prayer!

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

St. Mary's
Sunday Collection: \$750.00
Needed Weekly: \$887.87
St. John's
Sunday Collection: \$1,956.00
Haiti: \$40.00
Building Fund: \$150.00
Food Pantry: \$29.00
Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

The Gospel today is sometimes called “the Gospel in miniature” because it so concisely sums up the Gospel message. In even more condensed form, “God loved ...God gave...,” it is the paradigm for stewardship - we give because we love.

Contact Janice Jackson at 765-348-1521 to include someone on prayer chain.

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:

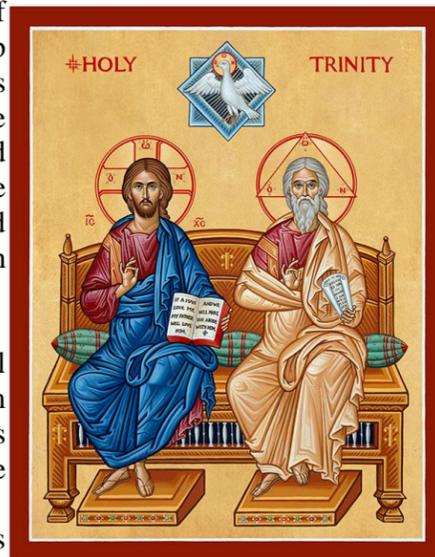
EX 34:4B-6, 8-9; DN 3:52-56; 2 COR 13:11-13; JN 3:16-18

Today we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Trinity. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* tells us that the Holy Trinity is the “central mystery of the Christian faith” (261). The concept of the Triune God — Three Persons in one God — is truly a mystery, almost too lofty for us ordinary people to even begin to grasp. Can the truth of the Holy Trinity teach us anything as everyday Christian stewards? Actually, yes!

St. John Paul II described the Holy Trinity is a “Divine Family,” a community of Persons Who give themselves completely to each other and Who wishes to share Itself, Its life, with us. These concepts are at the very heart of the stewardship way of life. As stewards, we too, are called to share ourselves and our lives with others.

Our Gospel passage from John reminds us that the stewardship way of life is nothing more and nothing less than the imitation of our Most Holy Trinity. “God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes might not perish but might have eternal life.” He gave Himself, in the person of His Son, for love of us. We must love this God back now by giving our-selves, our lives, to Him.

Amazingly, the more we give of ourselves to God in love, the more we will find the “grace of the Lord, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit within us.” The God of the universe — this mysterious, Triune God — invites us to an ever-deepening intimacy with Him when we make our lives a loving gift to Him and to others through the stewardship way of life.



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the parish office about preparation. The sacrament is normally celebrated with the community during Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available by appointment as well as: St. Mary, by appointment; St. John, the first Saturday and third Saturday 4:00pm.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office to begin the preparation at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Generally, Fr. Paul is available after Mass for anointing, or you may contact the parish office to arrange a time.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Sessions for children and youth (grades pre3-12) are available on Sunday morning. Contact the parish office for details.

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PARISH REGISTRATION

Visitors are always welcome. Residents are invited to join the community by calling the parish office.

RCIA

People interested in knowing about the Catholic faith and way of life meet each week. Contact the parish office for information