

**Pastor's Note**  
**June 7, The Most Holy Trinity**

**Welcome Back!**

As we welcome people back to church this week, it is important to keep in mind that the Covid-19 virus is still a great threat to public health. Social Distancing, hand washing and wearing masks should continue to be regular practices by all. Bishop Zubik has dispensed every one of the Sunday obligation indefinitely so those who are at risk or with health issues should refrain from coming to Mass. We ask that those who will be attending daily or weekend Mass follow the safety guidelines. Those who are unable to attend Mass physically are welcome to view the Mass on Facebook and YouTube.

We ask that parishioners drop off their weekly envelopes at the parish office or mail them in or participate in our online giving program, Faith Direct. To ensure proper credit we ask that you please use your envelopes weekly and mark your donation on the envelope. The parish pays a printing and postage fee for them to be mailed out. Bulletins, Living Faith Books and We Celebrate Missals are available at on the front porch of the parish office. We thank you for your continued financial support.

Today, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity, a day on which we marvel at how fortunate we are to be in a relationship with God.

In the first reading from Exodus, we read how God summons Moses to the top of Mount Sinai and is privileged to hear the voice of God proclaim mercy and kindness. In the second reading from Paul to the Corinthians, we read how Paul provides a struggling community with healing and urges them to live in fellowship and peace as brothers and sisters, children of one God.

In the Gospel of John, we read the famous gospel passage of John 3:16, how Jesus promises to send the disciples the spirit of truth who will guide them through the challenges of the future. God so loved the world that he gave his only son for the salvation of the world. The mission of Jesus is to save the world by revealing the presence of God. All who believe will have eternal life.

The Trinity is a communion of love: God's love comes to us from the Father through his Son Jesus, and is communicated to us in the Holy Spirit. It remains a mystery of our faith. We don't have to understand everything about him in order to have a personal relationship with each of those three persons of the trinity.

Let us reflect on this great mystery and prepare ourselves for next week as we celebrate Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ.

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**Congratulations**

Congratulations to the Class of 2020 of St. Bede School and Sister Thea Bowman Catholic Academy. Both schools held their graduations last week. Special thanks to Sister Daniela and Stephanie Michael for their leadership. It was a very different ending to the school year but our students and faculty adjusted quite well. We are hoping to reopen in August pending how things go with the Covid-19 pandemic. Best wishes to our graduates and to our students, faculty staff!

**Summer Church Hours**

St. Bede Church is open daily for private prayer and meditation Monday through Saturday from 8 am to Noon. St. James, Mother of Good Counsel and St. Bede Churches are open one hour before and locked immediately after Mass on the weekends. Please note our interim weekend Masses: Saturday 4 pm at St. James, Sunday 9 am at Mother of Good Counsel and 11 am at St. Bede.

### Two Year Anniversary

This coming Thursday, June 11, marks my second year since I arrived in the East End. It has been a true joy these past two years to work with Fr. Taylor bringing St. Bede, St. Charles Lwanga and St. James Parishes together to form St. Mary Magdalene. We have made many positive upgrades to all three of our campuses and I am honored to continue to serve you.

### Welcome

A special welcome to **Edward, Tiffany, Zachary, Charles, and William Smith** who recently registered at St. Mary Magdalene.

### Pray

We pray for peace and healing over the horrific death of George Floyd in Minneapolis last week. Let us pray for calm, healing and a respect for all human life. God Bless America!

### Something to Think About...

The truth must be sought with all one's soul  
...Love is stronger than hate.

*Marc Sangnier*

With God, All Things Are Possible!

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