

The Holy Trinity: Our Faith Foundation

The Trinity at first appears as the most abstract belief in Christianity. It touches the mystery of God's nature, how he exists, and how he acts. So, yes, it is mysterious. But as with all foundational truths, they have far-reaching effects. It is essential to grasp the basics because, if not, everything you build with them will be faulty. Thus it is vital for Christians to

understand and believe in the Trinity. This is a basic building block of all we believe. "The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 234).

The pope and one of the earliest councils of bishops confronted just this question of the Trinity. At the Council of Nicaea in the year 325, the bishops discussed what Jesus revealed to us about the Trinity. The fruit of their meetings nearly 1,700 years ago is the Nicene Creed that we still pray today.

The three divine persons are one and the same in their divine nature, but distinct in their relations. God the Father Almighty is the Creator of heaven and earth. Jesus Christ is the Word through whom the Father created all things and the Savior he sent into the world. The Holy Spirit is the love of the Father and Son who is sent to sanctify humanity by leading people in the truth revealed by the Father and Son. God is the Creator, Jesus the Savior, and the Holy Spirit is Sanctifier and Teacher. Three divine persons acting together with a common mission, but one God. —Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Piece: *Dogmatic Sarcophagus*
(detail of the Trinity), 320-350
Artist: Unknown
Location: Vatican Museums



For Reflection

God exists as three persons in one divine family, so what does that say to me about how I should live in my family?

In God there is unity of essence in a diversity of missions. How does creation reflect his unity and harmony in diversity?

[Jesus said] "...When he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth."

John 16:13

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Call church for appointment

Marriage: 5-6 Months preparations are required.
Call for an appointment.

Reconciliation: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. or by
appointment.

MASSES THIS WEEK

06/11 Tues: 12 p.m. Mass
06/12 Wed 12 p.m. Mass
06/13 Thurs 12 p.m. Mass
06/14 Fri: 12 p.m. Mass
06/15 Sat: 5:30 p.m. Mass
06/16 Sun: 9 a.m. Rosary 9:30 a.m. Mass; 12:30
p.m. Mass at St John Neumann

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

First Reading: Proverbs 8:22-31

"...from of old I was poured forth, at the first, before
the earth."

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 8:4-9

" O LORD, HOW WONDERFUL YOUR NAME
IN ALL THE EARTH!"

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5

"... the God of love has been poured out into our
hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to
us."

GOSPEL: John 16:12-15

"But when He comes, the Spirit of Truth, he will
guide you to all truth."

SUNDAY, June 22

Lector - Diane Owens
E.M. - Mary Williamson

SUNDAY, June 23

Lector – Sharon Erchinger
E.M. – Lee Corrigan

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Last week, the people
of Sacred Heart shared \$2,386 with the parish.

PARISH WEBSITE! - Thanks to the work of
Clare Sullivan, our new parish website is up and
running... the url is: sacredheartseward.org Check it
out, and let us know if you have any comments or
requests as it grows.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST –The men's
prayer breakfast continues on Wednesdays, at 7
a.m. in the Parish Hall.

APOSTOLIC ADMINISTRATOR - The Holy
Father has appointed Bishop Andrew Bellisario of
Juneau as the Apostolic Administrator of the
Archdiocese of Anchorage while we are awaiting
the naming of a new Archbishop.

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY- The people of our
faith community have pledged \$21,825 to this
year's *One Bread, One Body* Annual Catholic
Appeal. If you haven't already, please join this
effort to nurture the ministries of your local Church.
Make your pledge securely online at
www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/donate.

ARCHDIOCESE OF ANCHORAGE OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT STATEMENT:

"The Archdiocese has prepared an opportunity for
everyone to submit their comments, questions
and/or suggestions relating to the Abuse reports in
the Catholic Church and the Church's Response
About Abuse of Vulnerable Persons on the
Archdiocese of Anchorage Website."

"The Catholic Church values the dignity of its
members. The horrors of child abuse continue to
haunt the Church and its victims. In order to deal
with this crisis in a responsible, accountable, and

transparent manner, the Archbishop is working to address the concerns of victims, parishioners, and the broader community.

The Archdiocese of Anchorage values everyone's thoughts regarding the abuse against the vulnerable of our Church and the Church's response. We want to make available an opportunity for everyone to express their thoughts, please submit any questions or comments and offer recommendations by using the following online form.

All submissions can be anonymous if preferred. When possible, answers to questions submitted will be posted publicly through the Archdiocese of Anchorage website and/or the Catholic Anchor. Comments and Suggestions will be shared with Archbishop Etienne and his staff and at his discretion, may be published.

The identity of those submitting concerns, questions or comments and recommendations will not be made public.

Please note that it is the policy of the Archdiocese of Anchorage to report all allegations of abuse or endangerment of a minor or vulnerable adult or child pornography.

ST. PAUL'S CORNER - Looking for Catholic books, gifts, and items of faith? Come see what's new at St. Paul's Corner at the Holy Family Cathedral. Hours of service:

- Sundays: 8:30AM to 5:30PM
- Closed Mondays
- Tuesdays and
Wednesdays: 11:00AM-2:00PM
- Closed Thursdays
- Fridays: 11:00AM-2:00PM
- Saturdays: 10:00AM - 2:00PM
- If you have questions, please
call 907-646-3070

Project Rachel to Begin New Support Group - Suffering, sad, or confused because of an abortion – you or a family member? Whether recently or long ago, consider grieving your loss through the Archdiocesan-supported Project Rachel healing group. It is free and confidential. For further information or to participate phone our confidential

phone line: 297-7781 or Toll Free 1-866-434-3344 (outside the Anchorage area).

RAIS is in need of warm winter blankets, kitchen tables, and chairs. Please drop off donations at 3710 E. 20th Avenue.

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Anchorage, AK 99501

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REGISTRATION – In order to provide needed data for the Archdiocese, to provide sacramental service for our parishioners and so that we may give special recommendations for ministries, programs and sponsors, it is necessary for all parishioners to be registered in the parish. Forms are available on the bulletin board in the vestibule. All information provided is kept confidential.

Calendar

Monday

JUNE 17

Weekday

2 Cor 6:1-10

Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday

JUNE 18

Weekday

2 Cor 8:1-9

Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday

JUNE 19

Weekday

2 Cor 9:6-11

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

JUNE 20

Weekday

2 Cor 1:1-11

Mt 6:7-15

Friday

JUNE 21

St. Aloysius Gonzaga,
Religious

2 Cor 11:18, 21-30

Mt 6:19-23

Saturday

JUNE 22

Weekday

2 Cor 12:1-10

Mt 6:24-34

Sunday

JUNE 23

Most Holy Body and
Blood of Christ

Gn 14:18-20

1 Cor 11:23-26

Lk 9:11b-17

Dear Padre,

Is there a simple way of understanding how I am to be a Catholic father?

I wish you and all fathers a Father's Day filled with God's protection of you and your family. May God surround you all with a circle of love!

The simplest way to understand fatherhood is to pray the Lord's Prayer, the Our Father. This prayer was originally spoken in Aramaic, a language related to Hebrew. Aramaic was probably Jesus' native tongue. The word Jesus used for "father" was an Aramaic word: *abba*, which means "papa" or "dad." When we say the Our Father, we speak to God in a very intimate way; we pray to God not as a distant figure but as a close and comfortable member of the family. It is this rather shocking intimacy that Jesus wants to get across to his disciples when he teaches them to pray.

As you relate to God in a very intimate way, you should relate in the same manner

to your spouse and family. Intimacy means closeness, involvement, love, and understanding. As a father, you must be physically present in the home. But more than just a physical presence is necessary. You must also seek an emotional closeness with your spouse and children. You must show a constant interest in their lives. Encourage them by doing things with them. You must strive constantly to reject anger, rage, or an unforgiving attitude, and instead embrace gentleness, encouragement, and understanding. God the Father does all of these things for us.

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSSR
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A Word from Pope Francis

The mystery of the Trinity also speaks to us of ourselves, of our relationship with the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. In fact, through baptism, the Holy Spirit has placed us in the heart and the very life of God.

—Angelus, May 22, 2016



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