

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

June 7, 2020



ATTENTION

All scheduled masses and events are cancelled due to the ban.

As a Parish Family we pray for all who are affected by COVID-19.

The Church & Rectory will remain closed until further notice.

If you had a mass scheduled or offered the Bread and Wine or Sanctuary Candle for a loved one, for this week or the upcoming weeks, please call the rectory to reschedule to a later date.

We apologize for the inconvenience.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Glory to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit (John 3: 16-18)

Today the Church celebrates the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, one true God and three Different Persons. God is one but He is not alone. God is love and in the Holy Trinity we have the ideal example of what a relationship of pure and infinite love could be. Every time we make the sign of the Cross or teach our children to do it, let us remember the love that unites the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Let us ask in this Eucharist that this same love be the model that prevails in all our interpersonal relationships.

Today's readings, although short, make a lot of sense and need our full attention. In some way we can say that in these readings there is a doctrine that somehow tries to be self-explanatory. This doctrine is a mystery of which we can only glimpse its reality. Thus, God reveals his name in the first reading. Paul recounts his message to the Corinthians in the second reading. In the Gospel, the Apostle John summarizes the mission of Jesus in just three verses.

In the book of Exodus, God reveals to Moses not only his name but his divine essence. God is merciful. God is patient, kind and faithful. All these attributes make sense only in the relation of otherness. Each one has in himself the strength that makes them go out and give themselves to the other. Mercy, generosity and fidelity are meaningless in themselves as if they were abandoned on a desert island. Let's think that God could have used the words almighty, omniscient or infinite that do not necessarily have relation with anybody else. But when God revealed Himself to Moses and therefore to believers of all times, He did so in relational language. Somehow God thought of us ...

The natural reaction of Moses before the God who reveals himself as the eternal existent is to kneel and worship the One who Is. The words that come out of the "burning bush" describe the love of God for humanity and reflect a reaction of extreme gratitude. Moses wants to reciprocate God's love with his own love. He implores the mercy promised by the Lord and still waiting against all hope he wants the chosen people to respond to God's faithfulness with their own.

These characteristics or attributes of God reach their fullness in the greatest gift that God could give us which is his own Son. Only a God of infinite mercy and great fidelity could make this gift to humanity. In fact, Jesus is doubly given to us; Thus, first He is given in the Incarnation where He shares our humanity but He is also given in his death on the cross with which he redeems us from our faults. God is generous with love and life and offers us eternal life through his Son who gave us the Holy Spirit to remain with us forever as we celebrated last week. For this reason, full of joy, let us give honor and tribute to the Most Holy Trinity: *In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

Fr. Hernán, S.J.

Weekly Remembrances

Bread & Wine Tabernacle Candle Memorial Candle Memorial Candle



~ For the safety & well being of the People of our Parish Community

- ~ † For all the lives lost to
- ~ the COVID-19 Virus



SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcsi.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

June 7: The Most Holy Trinity

Exodus 34:4B-6, 8-9 Psalm / Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

June 14: Solemnity of the Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14B-16A Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 1 Corinthians 10:16-17



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2020!!

AS A PARISH FAMILY WE CONGRATULATE THE GRADUATES OF OUR LADY MOUNT CARMEL SCHOOL.
OUR PRAYERS AND BEST WISHES ARE WITH THEM AS THEY MOVE ON TO HIGH SCHOOL AND BEYOND!

Gracious and caring God, our source of light, we ask for your almighty hand to be upon these **graduates** as we send them forward. With their classes and grading now complete, may they strive toward excellence in all they do.

KEEP CONNECTED WITH YOUR PARISH THROUGH OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

Fr. Hernán and Fr. Marc and Fr Luis Mario are offering virtual Masses and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament through our Facebook page.

Connect and follow us to see these transmissions in your homes. Search "olmcsi" and send a friend request.

Masses on Sundays; 10:00 am (English); 11:30 am (Spanish)

Masses from Monday to Friday; 12:00 pm (Spanish); Thursdays 11am (English)
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays at 7:00 pm (Spanish)

<u>LIVE-STREAMING MASS & PARISH SUPPORT</u> - As we continue to stay at home and practice social distancing, we offer opportunities for prayer and worship through our live- stream. You can watch the live-stream on our Facebook page and follow the schedule above. Needless to say, the parish will be facing financial setbacks in the days ahead. Your weekly contributions are essential for the good of the parish. Your sacrificial giving is of great importance with meeting the cost of maintaining our parish. **Please Support Our Parish:** As we are all forced to make unprecedented adjustments to address the coronavirus crisis. Our church remains open for critical/essential needs but can only do so with your support. You may log onto the parish website to view the bulletin, see any new developments, review any CCD information and to register for OnLine Giving at www.olmcsi.org. From my heart, thank you for everything you do for us at OLMC-SB-SMA Parish. May Jesus bless and protect our whole parish, and all our relatives and friends.

<u>REGISTER for ONLINE GIVING</u> - WeShare allows parishes to receive online gifts and give their parishioners a safe and easy way to do so. You are able to set up recurring donations and manage your online giving accounts. If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy! Customer service number 1-800-950-9952 or <u>weshare@4lpi.com</u>.

- Visit our church website and click Give Online. (Parish Website: olmcsi.org)
- Select the collection or event of your choice.
- Setup your donation or payment.
- If you wish you may choose Click Recurring Donation, then enter your donation amount and frequency.

Once you've added your account information, donations will automatically deduct from your account. It's that easy!

THANK YOU! We are short for words to thank you enough for your good heart. We pray for you earnestly from the bottom of our heart that you and your family be blessed in every way with good health, peace and prosperity. May the good Lord keep us all in the palm of His hands and make His face shine upon us.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION - It has long been a Catholic understanding that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an Act of Spiritual Communion, which is a source of grace. Spiritual Communion is an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament and lovingly embrace him at a time or in circumstances when one cannot receive Him in sacramental Communion. The most common reason for making an Act of Spiritual Communion is when a person cannot attend Mass. Acts of Spiritual Communion increase our desire to receive sacramental Communion and help us avoid the sins that would make us unable to receive Holy Communion worthily.

ACT OF SPRITUAL 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 in 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.

CHURCH REOPENING, Step by Step; The Archdiocese of New York has announced a Five Phase Program for church reopening. Currently we are in Phase One. No timeline has been announced as to how long Phase One will last or at what exact point the other phases will come into effect. We remain alert to Archdiocesan authority, ready to follow its FAITH FORWARD program every step of the way back. THE FIVE PHASES OF THE SOON - PHASE ONE which is in effect right now, is opening the churches for private prayer and confessions. PHASE TWO which will commence at a later date, will be the resumption of small religious services (baptisms and marriages, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament) all under the ten-person limit. PHASE THREE will be distribution of Holy Communion without Mass during the week. PHASE FOUR will be limited weekday Masses and funeral Masses. PHASE FIVE will be Sunday Mass with