The Most Holy Trinity

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Saturday 5 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 8:30 & 11 am

Weekdays 8:30 am (Mon. through Fri.)

Holy Days (Schedule varies)

PARISH STAFF

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THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession) 4:00-4:45 pm on Saturday, or by appointment.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK Please call the office as soon as anyone is seriously ill.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY Please call the office at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date.

PARISH REGISTRATION We invite anyone wishing to register in our Parish to visit or call the Parish Office, or stop by the Welcome table when you come for Sunday Mass to complete a census card and learn more about our Parish Family.



Mission Statement

We, the family of St. Sebastian Parish, are a stewardship parish, sharing God's Gifts. We are the hands and feet of Christ on Earth. In union with the Universal Roman Catholic Church, we endeavor to become a prayerful and unified community deeply committed to Jesus Christ, and loving service in His name. We hope to be a welcoming, caring and friendly Parish Family, wherein the gifts and talents of all young and old - are recognized, nurtured and used to build the Kingdom of God in the world.

Msgr. Tim Fetscher

Dear Family,

Two months after he was elected Pope on March 13, 2013, Pope Francis said the following in a homily on Holy Trinity Sunday:

"Today is the Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity.

The light of Eastertide and of Pentecost renews in us every year the joy and amazement of faith.

Let us recognize that God is not something vague, our God is not a God "spray," he is tangible.

He is not abstract but has a name: "God is love".

His is not a sentimental, emotional kind of love but

the love of the Father who is the origin of all life,

the love of the Son who dies on the Cross and is raised,

the love of the Spirit who renews human beings and the world.

Thinking that God is love does us so much good, because it teaches us to love,

to give ourselves to others as Jesus gave himself to us and walks with us.

Jesus walks beside us on the road through life."

A commentator at the time, Father Andy Alexander, SJ, added: "We can celebrate this great solemnity, not by thinking about or arguing about concepts about how the Trinity works, but by opening our hearts to a deeper relationship with our God, who is love. We can have a relationship with each of the Persons in the Trinity."

My personal images are God the Creator, God the Redeemer, God the Enlivener. As I said last Sunday, Pentecost is a celebration of my own holy Energizer Bunny. That is not a profound theological insight, but it is a way for me to understand how God's Spirit works in me.

And now, today, we celebrate God's action as love among us. As Pope Francis said, we do that because that is God's name: God is love.

Since you are dealing with my bunny, here is another piece of very non-theological knowledge. Did you know that Three-In-One oil was invented in 1894 to, "clean off grime, lubricate moving parts, penetrate rust?" I just looked that up.

I knew about the lubrication, but I don't think I've ever used 3 in 1 to clean grime or penetrate rust. How about that for an approach to realizing how under-used our relationship of love with the Trinity really is?

Maybe if Thomas Aquinas had 3 in 1, he might buy in to my thinking. After all, what better than love cleans up the grime of abused relationships or penetrates rusty closed hearts?

Let me offer some quotes from the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC to its friends.)

The Trinity is "the central mystery of Christian faith and life...[and is] the source of all the other mysteries of faith" (CCC 234). The whole of the Church's life flows from the central belief that the one true God exists as three divine Persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Since the very beginning of time, God has gradually revealed and communicated the truth of who he is ...through what he has done in salvation history (see CCC 53-67). Although God gradually revealed himself throughout salvation history, mankind had no way of knowing the full truth of God's inner life before Christ, ...before the Incarnation of God's Son and the sending of the Holy Spirit" (CCC 237).

So... there you are. All you ever wanted to know about the Trinity. Come Holy Spirit, indeed!

May we always be In the Father, Son and Holy Spirit...

P.S. Do we have a Stamp collector in the house?

Fr. Jew

Saturday

5:00 pm † Molly Yen, req. by Don Bourke Wellbeing of Matthew Samuels,

req. by Don Bourke

Wellbeing of Suzanne Loughran Plum,

req. by Bill Loughran

Sunday

† Charles & Marie Maher, req. by Family 8:30 am

† Joseph lemolo

Living & Deceased of our Parish 11:00 am

Monday June 13

8:30 am † Isabel Pena, req. by Jarchow Family

> † Rosalie Kerba, req. by Mona Hamawy Wellbeing of Cardinal Raymond Burke,

req. by Don Bourke

Tuesday June 14

8:30 am † Virginia Potter, req. by Family

† Frank Kerba, req. by Mona Hamawy

Wednesday

8:30 am † Ellie Loughran, req. by husband, Bill

Thursday June 16

8:30 am † Father Pat McDonnell

Friday June 17 8:30 am † Billy Fuccillo,

req. by Bill & Joan Fuccillo

Saturday

5:00 pm Living and Deceased of Our Parish

† Dolores Hesse Fink,

Sunday June 19

8:30 am

req. by The Fink Family

† William J. McShane,

req. by Rose Marie McShane

11:00 am Father's Day Novena

Nanchine McManus, Mary Lou Mann, Suzanne Plum. Don

Loughran, Jr., Jim Cowgill, Jr., Peter Hanna, Sandy Rodrigues, Margaret Reitz, John Harris, Stephen Black, Jo Neumann, John E. Hurley, Jonathan Hughes, Kathleen Gerium, Mary Alice Zittle, Alvaro Arevalo, Michelline Toulouse, Dr. Laura Evatt, Kari Albertson, Diane & Alexander Garville, Paul Ristow, Craig & David Mitchell, Carol Houghton, Mary Connors., Ed Fetscher, Joan Morson, Margaret Donato, Mark & Ariana Gotley, Margaret Rose Goldman, Ted Petoniak, Denise Briskman

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PRAYER TO AVERT HURRICANES

Father, all the elements of nature obey your commands. Protect us and all your people during this season of storms and hurricanes. Calm our fears and help us prepare our hearts as well as our homes. Help us see you in all we may encounter, and help us to minister to each other in your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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SAVE THE DATE!

Weekend of June 26-27 - St. Vincent de Paul truck scheduled to be here

Sunday, July 17 - Picnic (indoors!)/BBQ/Ice Cream



"This is my commandment: Love one another as I have loved you." (John 15:12) God has bestowed so many blessings on us! Share those blessings of non-perishable food and hygiene items with the needy of our community. Fill our church shopping carts with non-

perishable food and hygiene items. To care is to share. If you know of anyone in need, please let them know that The St. Vincent DePaul Society conducts a drive thru grocery distribution every Friday from 1:30-4 PM at Blessed Sacrament Church, 1701 E Oakland Park Blvd (entrance to the parking lot is located on NE 33rd Street and will be closed at 3:45). First timers must provide proof of residency in Broward County.

CONGRATULATIONS, ARIANA!

Congratulations to *Ariana Guerin* on her High School graduation! Ariana has been actively involved in our Parish Family for years - first as an Altar Server, and more recently as a Lector at the 5:00 Mass on Saturday evenings. She also staffs the St. Vincent de Paul truck when it is in our parking lot for donations. We are grateful for her ministry here, and pray she will become active in her new parish as she moves to New College in Sarasota in the fall. May God continue to hold her in the palm of His hand!

FATHER'S DAY NOVENA

A Novena of Masses for your fathers - living and deceased - will be celebrated beginning on Father's Day and continuing through Monday, June 27th. If you would like to include your father in the Novena, please write his name on the card which you can find in the pews and place it in the basket in the sanctuary. The basket will be placed on the altar during the Novena.

BIBLE SHARING

Come for coffee and scripture sharing each Thursday in the Parish Hall at 9:15 am. Everyone is invited. You may also join us on-line by dialing 848-777-1212. When prompted put in 1431434#. For more information, please call Mary Kennedy at 954-290-1194. We will be sharing from the Gospel of Luke.

ST. JOSEPH'S RESIDENCE

A caring Assisted Living facility, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Miami, offering furnished apartments or suites, 24/7 nurse on duty and emergency pull cord systems. They provide three meals served daily, weekly housekeeping and laundry, as well as assistance in bathing, dressing, and monitoring medications. There is a beautiful chapel offering scheduled and private worship... all for a reasonable monthly rate. For more information, please call 954,739,1483.

Have a wonderful week!

Unite us,
Holy Trinity,
to worship you,
O unity:

With songs the angel choirs sing;
Our thankful hymns
of praise we bring.

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning,
is now,

and ever shall be, world without end. Amen