

Ask from one end of the sky to the other:
Did anything so great ever happen before? Was it ever heard of?
DEUTERONOMY 4:32



Wow!

Some might think that "Wow!" is an inappropriate, even irreverent response, when talking about God. But what words would be appropriate? There are no words, there are no precise doctrinal statements that even come close to identifying God. The readings for today's feast invite us to ponder, not define, this mystery.

The people at the time of Moses had no concept of a Trinitarian God. However, they were convinced that God worked in their lives. They believed they had been delivered from bondage by God, invited into a special relationship with God, and promised by God a long and fruitful life in a land they could call their own. In other words, they were cared for by God, who demonstrated again and again that they were loved. The Gospel story tells of how Jesus entrusted his disciples with the mission he himself had exercised during his lifetime.

What once might have been considered the special privilege of the nation of Israel was now seen as a promise for all nations. All people could now rely on God's care for them and God's ever-present love. Saint Paul identifies this privilege as the Spirit of adoption.

Today's readings may not paint a clear picture of God or provide a precise definition. God is far beyond any picture or definition. However, each reading gives us a glimpse into the way God works in our lives—inviting us into intimacy, caring for us, loving us. Wow!

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ✧ Spend time thinking how your life has been blessed with goodness.
- ✧ Pray the Glory Be slowly and thoughtfully.

Dear Padre,

I unsuccessfully tried using a clover to explain the Trinity to a non-Catholic relative. She says the leaves are separate and share a single stem, so it doesn't mean they're one entity. How can I help her understand?

Legend tells us St. Patrick used a shamrock to speak about the God who is one and three, but that doesn't mean everyone will find the clover imagery convincing. It took hundreds of years, many arguments, and multiple Church councils to refine the basic outline of orthodox Christian belief in the Trinitarian nature of God. So, it's no great shock that you can't easily break it down into convincing sound bites for a resistant relative.

You should concentrate on the way humans came to know the Trinitarian God, how we have encountered the God who is at once Father, Son, and Spirit in the events of history and revelation. In sharing the way Christians have gradually understood what we do about the nature of the God who saves us, you can speak of how that understanding leads us to pray. Perhaps you can relate the Trinitarian concept to something more recognizable: the idea of a father and son, and the spirit of love that exists between them and also pours from them.

At our liturgies, we have a distinct pattern of praying to the Father, through the Son, in the Spirit. There's more than a shamrock to discuss in all of that. And remember the Creed we pray each Sunday. Discussions like yours are what the Creed was made for.

Fr. Matthew Allman, CSSR
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

God loves each one of us even when we make mistakes and distance ourselves from him. God the Father loves the world so much that, in order to save it, he gives what is most precious to him: his only-begotten Son....The Trinity is therefore love, wholly at the service of the world.

ANGELUS, TRINITY SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2020



Calendar

Monday

MAY 31

Visitation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Zep 3:14-18a
or Rom 12:9-16
Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday

JUNE 1

St. Justin, Martyr

Tb 2:9-14
Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday

JUNE 2

Weekday

Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a
Mk 12:18-27

Thursday

JUNE 3

St. Charles Lwanga and
Companions, Martyrs

Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcd, 9-17; 8:4-9a
Mk 12:28-34

Friday

JUNE 4

Weekday

Tb 11:5-17
Mk 12:35-37

Saturday

JUNE 5

St. Boniface,
Bishop and Martyr

Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20
Mk 12:38-44

Sunday

JUNE 6

The Most Holy Body
and Blood of Christ
(Corpus Christi)

Ex 24:3-8
Heb 9:11-15
Mk 14:12-16, 22-26



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MAY 30, 2021 – HOLY TRINITY



July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 31st **NO MASS** - Montgomery City
 Tuesday, June 1st **5:30 PM MASS** - Montgomery City
 Wednesday, June 2nd **NO MASS** - Jonesburg
 Thursday, June 3rd **TO BE ANNOUNCED** - Montgomery City
 Friday, June 4th **TO BE ANNOUNCED** - Montgomery City
 Saturday, June 5th **5:00 PM Mass** - Montgomery City + Claire Benney
 Sunday, June 6th **8:00 AM Mass** - Jonesburg
10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City - Our Parish Family

Church/School Financial Report: Income Expenses Difference
April 2021 \$44,285.36 \$61,966.99 -\$17,681.63
Fiscal Year July-April 2020-21 \$470,734.65 \$505,117.74 -\$34,383.09
Needed Weekly - \$ 11,835.50
 May 2nd - \$12,644.23
 May 9th - \$ 7,295.04
 May 16th - \$ 9,033.00
 May 23rd - \$ 5,708.00
 May 30th - \$

Last Week's Envelopes: 33 of 179

(No Mass if there is a funeral or school has been cancelled.)

With God all things are possible

Parish Membership: Call the parish office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 3:30 to 4:50 PM Saturday or call for an appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the parish office to set up an appointment to meet with Fr. Hartley.

Sacrament of Marriage: Call the office at least six months prior to the date you would like to get married to make arrangements and set a date.

To Become a Catholic: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in the Fall and sacramental initiation normally occurs at the Easter Vigil. Call for details.

Immaculate Conception Parish Mission

To proclaim the good news of the Gospel; to build community among the parishioners that we may journey in our faith together, giving witness to love and unity; to serve the needs of others in whatever form they may exit in our midst and to celebrate the realities of our faith together.

Who is an Active Parishioner?

- Registered in the parish
- Regularly participates in Mass and the sacraments
- Supports the parish financially
- Annually completes a stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure form and fulfills that commitment

Liturgical Ministers for June 5th & 6th

Ministries	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 10:00 AM
Lector	Larry Brueggemann	Richard Schierhoff
Children's Liturgy	Not assigned at this time	Not assigned at this time
Communion Minister	Beth Cobb	Megan Hans
Ministers of Hospitality	Kasey & Mary Pottebaum Sharon Pottebaum	Ron & Dianne Talley
Servers	Landon & Reed Pottebaum	Elizabeth Schierhoff Owen Merz
Gift Bearers	Not assigned at this time	Not assigned at this time
Money Counters	Rae Jean & Daryl Rhoads	Megan Hans Judy Cobb

Bishop McKnight's June prayer intention for our Local Church is:

In this year of St. Joseph, husband of Mary and foster father of Jesus, may we grow in our appreciation for the importance of the vocation of fatherhood for the benefit of society and the Church.

Weekly Mass Schedule

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Monday, May 31st	NO MASS	Monday, May 31st	MEMORIAL DAY
Tuesday, June 1st	NO MASS	Tuesday, June 1st	6:00 PM - Home & School Mtg. 7:30 PM - Knight of Columbus Mtg
Wednesday, June 2nd	NO MASS	Wednesday, June 2nd	
Thursday, June 3rd	TO BE ANNOUNCED	Thursday, June 3rd	
Friday, June 4th	TO BE ANNOUNCED	Friday, June 4th	
Saturday, June 5th	5:00 PM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary @ 4:30 PM)	Saturday, June 5th	
Sunday, June 6th	8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary @ 9:30 AM)	Sunday, June 6th	



Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to the following couple(s) as they celebrate their special day!

Justin & Gabby Talley –6 years of marriage on June 6th

Additional Financial Information

Capital Improvements	\$ 0.00
Capital Campaign (Cornerstone)	\$ 550.00
Special Collections:	
Catholic Missourian	\$ 0.00
Ascension of the Lord	\$ 0.00
Communication & Education	\$ 236.00

Mass Schedule

Fr. Hartley was unsure of his schedule next week. Please call the parish office on Wednesday, June 2nd, to see if there will be Mass on Thursday and Friday, June 3rd and 4th.

Our Condolences

Our condolences to Dustin and Hilary Benney of our parish, and their family on the death of Hilary's mother, Cathy Leu, who met her eternal reward this week. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen.

Graduates Honored at Mass

Sunday, June 6, 2021 at 10 a.m. Mass Immaculate Conception Church will be honoring parish high school and post-secondary graduates. Graduates are asked to wear their cap and gown at the mass. This includes high school and any type of graduation or certification after high school. Please contact Ruth Ann O'Keefe (573-823-2676) if you have a student that has graduated in the past year.



Congratulations Fr. Hartley!

Congratulations to Fr. Harley on the 40th Anniversary of his ordination!! What a milestone! May God bless you on this special day and always!

The celebration begins with 10:00 am. Mass followed by a carry -in dinner at the Knight of Columbus building in Montgomery City. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus who will also be providing the meat (ham), drinks and table service. We hope you will be able to come and celebrate Fr. Hartley on the momentous occasion!



Memorial Day at St. Mary's Cemetery

Please remember the rosary will be prayed under the pavilion at 9:00 a.m. on Memorial Day at St. Mary's Cemetery. Bring a lawn chair and join in praying for our deceased veterans and loved ones.

Welcome Back to Communion

WE'VE MISS YOU! As more people become vaccinated and the number of COVID-19 cases decline in our area, Bishop McKnight has removed the general dispensation from attending Mass in person, **as of June 1**. Please join us to worship together, in person, and to receive the Body of Christ in Holy Communion, which nourishes our souls and heals us of our sins. We are indeed #BetterTogether! Of course, if you are ill, are traveling, or otherwise dispensed from our obligation to participate in the Mass, please continue to participate in the Mass via livestream. Hope to see you soon!



Change in May Calendar

The Society of St. Vincent dePaul will NOT be meeting on May 31st which was previously published in the May Calendar. Thank you!

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 31st, in observance of Memorial Day.

Immaculate Conception School News

School is out for the summer! The first day of the 2021-22 year will be on August 18, 2021. Have a great summer everyone!!



ECLC Happenings

ECLC is looking for a substitute employee for the summer months. Applicants must be at least 17 years old. If you are interested or know of someone who would be interested, please contact Peggy at the school (573) 564-2679.

IC Scrip Program



Whenever you purchase a gift card from the IC School Scrip Program, the school receives a percentage of the purchase price. The percentage will vary from one company to another but there is no extra charge to you. A \$25 card costs you \$25. Why not let some of your money that you would spend anyway go to a good cause? There are a few ways to obtain the cards. You may purchase physical cards at the school or after Masses on the first full weekend of the month. **You may also go online to www.ShopWithScrip.com to create an account to purchase e-cards, reload select cards, or place a large order for physical cards. If you have any questions, call Gina Smith, coordinator, 573-289-8635.**

Teaching Positions Available At ICS

Immaculate Conception School (ICS), a kindergarten through 8th grade Catholic School located in Montgomery City, with approximately 40 students, is seeking a 3rd & 4th Grade Homeroom Teacher and a part-time Art/Music Teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. This past year, our students have been learning instrumental music with keyboards, guitars, re-corders, etc. ICS runs on a 4-day school week (Tuesday-Friday). A successful candidate is a practicing Catholic in good standing who can minister to students regardless of subject area or a teacher who, consistent with the Mission of Immaculate Conception School, pro-motes and teaches the Catholic faith as reasonably determined by the principal. Applicants should hold the appropriate Missouri teaching certification, or its equivalent.



All interested persons should complete the application on the Jefferson City Diocesan website at: <https://diojeffcity.org/blog/2019/06/17/employment-in-our-catholic-schools/> and contact the Principal, Dana Schroeder at dschroeder@icschool-mc.org.

Hanging Basket Fundraiser

There is still time to purchase tickets for the Immaculate Conception Home and School Hanging Basket Fundraiser! Tickets for these baskets can be purchased thru **May 31, 2021** at IC School and A'la mode Salon and Boutique here in Montgomery City. The cost is \$19.00 a ticket. If you have questions, please call (573) 564-2679.



Parish Rummage Sale



St. George Parish in Hermann will have their annual Rummage Sale in the school gym. Following are the dates and times:

July 15th & 16th - 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM
July 17th - 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM
July 18th - 7:00 AM to Noon

Events Around the Community (See Flyers if available in the church vestibule.)

June 6th - 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM Parish Picnic at Frankenstein
June 11th 5:00 PM-8:00 PM - Fried Chicken Dinner in Martinsburg

Summer Pilgrimages at Laurie, Mo.

The National Shrine of Mary Mother of the Church will celebrate the feast of Mary, Mother of the Church with a Mass celebrated by Bishop McKnight on May 24. The Shrine is also hosting several pilgrimages this summer. Information that can be used to promote these events can be found at <https://thenationalshrineofmarymotherofthechurch.com/events-mass/upcoming-events/>

Capital Campaign Update

Dear parishioners,

We are excited to share that concrete work will begin on the south side of the church on Monday. That sidewalk will be torn out and replaced. Hopefully, the following week the front of the church concrete work will be completed. We are excited for this next step in our journey. If you would like to pledge or do-nate to our Capital campaign, please find pledge cards in the vestibule or send your donations to the rectory. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.



ADVENTURE, FAITH, SERVICE, AND FRIENDSHIP!

Summer registration for men's, women's and co-ed teen programs are now open!

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Please keep in your prayers the following people:

Residents of St. Andrews New Florence Nursing & Care Center, Hwy 19 & Picnic Road, New Florence, MO 63363 - Susan Ryan

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



Please pray for: Karen Clark, Alex Clark (granddaughter of Karen Clark), Nick Schneider, Lucille Griesbauer, Marvin Griesbauer, Pat (Cobb) Hunn, Susan Schipper, Charlee Kate (niece of Sue Beck), Diane Happe, Jim Walker, and Fr. Hartley.

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



Please pray for all our men and women serving in the armed forces. Corey Stulce, Tanner Cobb, Michel James, and Daniel Lohmann.

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



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