

**June 16**  
**Trinity Sunday**

### **The Most Holy Trinity**

“ . . . the Spirit of truth . . . will guide you to all truth.” -John 16: 12-15

#### **“Adam: God’s Beloved”**

Father Henri Nouwen was one of the great spiritual writers and teachers of our time. In 1985, exhausted and disillusioned from his crushing teaching and speaking schedule, the Dutch priest withdrew from his teaching post at Harvard and joined the L’Arche community in Trosly, France, the first of over 100 communities founded by Jean Vanier where those with developmental disabilities and those who assist them live together in the spirit of the Beatitudes.

At Trosly, Father Nouwen met Adam Arnett. Adam could not speak or even move without assistance. Grippled by frequent seizures, he spent his life in obscurity. In his last book before his death in 1996, Father Nouwen describes how he became Adam’s caregiver, responsible for feeding him, washing him, dressing him, giving him his medication, transporting him in his wheel chair, getting him to therapy. Having never experienced the world of the intellectually challenged, Nouwen was terrified at first — but through Adam, the priest came to a new and deeper understanding of his faith and what it means to be among the beloved of God.

Father Nouwen writes in his book **Adam: God’s Beloved:**

“Adam’s humanity was not diminished by his disabilities. Adam’s humanity was a full humanity, in which the fullness of love became visible for me, and for others who grew to know him . . . Adam couldn’t say, ‘I love you,’ he couldn’t embrace me spontaneously or express gratitude in words. Still I dare to say we loved each other . . . We were friends, brothers, bonded in our hearts. Adam’s love was pure and true. It was the same as the love that was mysteriously visible in Jesus, which healed everyone who touched him.

“Adam was so fully alive to me, and he shed light on all these questions. This experience cannot be understood by a logical explanation, but rather in and through the spiritual bonding of two very different people who discovered each other as completely equal in the heart of God. From my heart I could offer him some care that he really needed, and from his heart he blessed me with a pure and lasting gift of himself.”

**Today’s Feast of the Holy Trinity invites to realize the many ways and the many people in which the love of God is revealed in our lives. For Father Nouwen, such love is present in the innocence of Adam, whose helplessness opened up the dormant compassion and love in Father Nouwen and his L’Arche community. May our own hearts and minds be opened to the Spirit of God revealing the love and hope we are capable of offering, however small and ordinary and unassuming; may the Spirit instill in us the wisdom to discover the goodness in all things and make faithful and hope-filled use of that goodness to transform our lives and world in God’s life and love.**

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# Sacred Heart Parish

## **A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ**



### Parish Information

Pastor: Monsignor Jim Robertson

Interim Office Administrator: Jennie Colbourne

Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 am-5:00 pm

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**Weekend Masses:** Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11:00 am

**Reconciliation:** By request

**Mass During the Week:** Tues & Thurs at 7:00 pm  
Wed & Fri at 10:00 am  
First Fridays - 2:00 pm at the Lohnes Complex

**Holy Hour of Adoration:** Third Sunday of the Month at 2 p.m.

**Marriages:** Six months’ notice required. A year’s notice is recommended.

**Baptisms:** Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

**St. Vincent de Paul:** To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

**RECEIVED WITH THANKS**

(June 9, 2019)

Regular Collection	1,640.85
Building Fund	30.00
Parish Insurance	10.00
Cemetery Fund	134.00
Votive Candles	50.75
Mass Stipends	90.00
Bingo Proceeds (June 2)	860.00

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon, June 17	No Mass
Tues, June 18	Special Intention
Wed, June 19	Late Marie Pennell
Thur, June 20	Late Gary, Greg, & George Musseau
Fri, June 21	Late Laura Wells
Sat, June 22	Late Ignatius & Edna Power
Sun, June 23	Parish Community

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

June 22	
Joan Penney Victoria Murphy	Art Hall Donna Mitchell John Carroll
June 23	
Anna House Tony Griffin	Donna Eldridge Patsy Payne Elizabeth Carew
Communion to the Lohnes Complex	
Barbara Neville	

**CEMETERY MASSES:**

Mt. Cecilia - Tuesday, July 16, 7:00PM.

Townsite – Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00PM.

Mt. Patricia – Wednesday, July 24, 7:00 PM.

**FATHER'S DAY PRAYER:**

God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless our Fathers today, that they may be strengthened in their service to their families.

Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

**BIBLE STUDY:** In observance of Father's Day, there will be no Bible Study this weekend.

**ADORATION AND BENEDICTION:** Our regular Adoration and Benediction takes place this **Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**. Adoration begins at 2PM, and concludes with Benediction at 3PM. Come, pray with us.

**LADIES GROUP THANK YOU:** Thank you for the great work done over this last year. Well done on the Bingo of June 2<sup>nd</sup> which raised \$860.00

**QUILT TICKET UPDATE:** Please return all quilt tickets as soon as possible. They can be returned to Veronica or dropped off at the Parish Office.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** Three council members will be finishing their terms this September. We will need new members to have a full slate. If you know someone who would be a good member, please speak with them and put their name forward for election.

**CENTRE FOR LIFE:** The Centre for Life offers professional counselling to women in unplanned pregnancies and post-abortion. Their services are confidential and compassionate and can be accessed by calling toll free 1-877-997-5433. Distance is not an obstacle to support and healing. Visit them online at [www.centreforlife.ca](http://www.centreforlife.ca)

**AUGUSTINIAN HEALING MINISTRY:** Father Albert Macpherson O.S.A., will be visiting different parishes across NL this July. He has given healing missions and healing Masses throughout the United States, Canada, South America, Europe, Asia, and the Caribbean Islands. Many have been healed physically, spiritually, and psychologically through his ministry. Father Macpherson will be celebrating a healing mass at Holy Redeemer Cathedral on July 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:00 PM. This is another wonderful opportunity to gather together and experience the healing love of our heavenly Father!

**4YOUTH:** Today we celebrate Father's Day, a day set aside to honour our fathers for the special role that they play in our lives and for all the things that they do for us. As we take time today to honour our earthly fathers, let's not forget to honour God, our heavenly Father, the model for all parents, both mothers and fathers. There's an excellent video on the Internet called *Father's Love Letter*, which expresses in words taken from different books of the Bible – God's own words – how much God loves every one of His children. Maybe you and your Dad could watch it together for Father's Day!

**CREMATION:** When a loved one dies, cremation is a very popular option which many are requesting. However, studies show that viewing the body is helpful to family and friends in the grieving process. It also provides comfort and closure for all relatives and friends. The fact is clear - we need to be with the body in our story telling and tributes. With this thought in mind, we would appeal to everyone to consider this. It facilitates healing and enables the grieving process to unfold. Cremation would be best considered later - especially in view of the fact that many families postpone the inurnment until a suitable time.

**TRINITY SUNDAY:** Trinity Sunday, celebrated a week after Pentecost Sunday, honours what the Catechism of the Catholic Church calls the central mystery of Christian faith and life – the Most Holy Trinity. This year we celebrate Trinity Sunday on June 16. On Trinity Sunday, we remember and honour God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Christians believe that the Trinity is a mystery – a reality beyond human comprehension and that cannot be understood through reason alone. We believe that there is only one God, but that God exists in three persons of God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – is equally God and the three cannot be divided.

**HUMOUR:** A young man tells his friends that he has bought a refrigerator for his Father for Father's Day. His friends, sort of puzzled, asked "why would you buy a refrigerator for your father?" The young man replied "I can't wait to see his face light up when he opens it!"