

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

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CYCLONE—MARAK

St. Joseph, Cyclone & Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Marak

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Marak: Sundays: 10:15AM and Wednesday 5:30PM(unless otherwise stated)

The Sacraments:

Baptism: On Sundays after Mass. Please contact the pastor for scheduling a meeting with him; a preparation program may be needed. Parents must be registered parishioners of St. Joseph, Cyclone or Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Marak.

Confessions: Before Mass on the weekend and anytime by appointment.

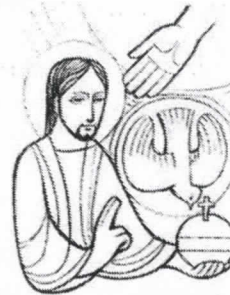
Marriage: Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor at least six months in advance before you set the date of the wedding. Completion of required paperwork and a preparation program needed.

JUNE 16, 2019 SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

"Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come."

In today's Liturgy we're swept through time in glorious procession—from before earth and sky were set in place to the coming of the Spirit upon the new creation, the Church. We begin in the heart of the Trinity, as we listen to the testimony of Wisdom in today's First Reading. Eternally begotten, the first-born of God, He is poured forth from of old in the loving delight of the Father. Through Him the heavens were established, the foundations of the earth fixed. From before the beginning, He was with the Father as His "Craftsman," the artisan by which all things were made. And He took special delight, He tells us, in the crowning glory of God's handiwork—the human race, the "sons of men."

In today's Psalm, He comes down from heaven, is made a little lower than the angels, comes among us as "the Son of Man" (see Hebrews 2:6–10). All things are put under His feet so that He can restore to humanity the glory for which we were made from the beginning, the glory lost by sin. He tasted death that we might be raised to life in the Trinity, that His name might be made glorious over all the earth. Through the Son, we have gained grace and access in the Spirit to the Father, as Paul boasts in today's Epistle (see Ephesians 2:18). The Spirit, the Love of God, has been poured out into our hearts—a Spirit of adoption, making us children of the Father once more (see Romans 8:14–16). This is the Spirit that Jesus promises in today's Gospel. His Spirit comes as divine gift and anointing (see 1 John 2:27), to guide us to all truth, to show us "the things that are coming," the things that were meant to be from before all ages—that we will find peace and union in God, we will share the life of the Trinity, we will dwell in God as He dwells in us (see John 14:23; 17:21).



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Bulletin deadline : Please call or e-mail info for the bulletin by Wednesday before the weekend!

Ministries for June 23

Rosary: Liz Jungmann

Offertory: George & Linda Dohnalik

Ushers: Garrett Prcin & Andy LittleJohn

Altar Servers: Gracie Daskocil, Carter Daskocil, Tessa Vaculin

Sanctuary Light: June 17th-23rd—August & Mary Hubnik by Arvell & Liz Jungmann

Eucharistic Minister: Merlene Slavik

Lector: Rhonda Gelner



Prayer Chain...Please remember in your daily prayers the faithfully departed, those souls in purgatory, those of our community that are in special need of prayer, those who are homebound or in nursing homes, all those in the military and the following: Steve Simecek, Gerald Beach, Andrea Enga(Cousin of Ethel Marak), Seth Litzman (nephew of Lynne Hornung), Albina Vrazel, JoLeen Cayhill, and Ethel Marak. Prayers are powerful!

Contact Merlene Slavik—254-697-1247 or email—Slavik@farm-market.net to be put on the prayer chain.

MARAK MASSES—June 16-23, 2019

Date	Time	Intentions
Today— 6/16	10:15am	+ Joseph Andrew Tomek by Bill & Carol Smetana
6/19- Wednesday	5:30pm	+ John David Thompson by Leroy & Kathy Vansa and By Arvell & Liz Jungmann
6/23—Sunday	10:15am	+ August & Mary Hubnik by Arvell & Liz Jungmann

CYCLONE MASSES— June 16-23, 2019

Date	Time	Intentions
Today – 6/16	8:15am	+ Larry Posvar by Family
6/18– Tuesday	7:00am	+ Family & Special Intention by Charlie & Jackie Green
6/20— Thursday	7:00am	+ Clarence Bartek by Monica Mikeska
6/21—Friday	7:00am	+ Louis & Jean Driska by Ken & Jeanette Driska
6/22– Saturday Vigil	5:30pm	+ Royelia Roessler by Monica Mikeska
6/23— Sunday	8:15am	+ Randolph Green by Family

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION.

- **JUNE 16:** Buckholts SPJST Lodge 15—Father's Day Brunch—11am -? Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Dessert and Iced Tea—\$10.00 a plate
- **JUNE 16:** Father's Day BBQ—Ocker Brethren Church—Star Hall—BBQ Ribs & Sausage— 11am-? \$10.00
- **JUNE 18:** KC Meeting—St. Joseph's in Cyclone—7:30pm.
- **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** There's still time to register for The Incredible Race Vacation Bible School on Saturday, June 29th in Cyclone from 8am till 6:30pm. Contact Shirley Hoelscher—254-541-7950.
- **BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN:** It's time to turn in your bottles for the baby bottle campaign. Place your bottles in the cry room as soon as possible. Thank you to all those that participated in this fundraiser for the Place Of Hope Pregnancy Center in Rockdale.
- **CHURCH DIRECTORY:** Please mark on your calendar that Lifetouch Company will be taking family portraits to provide a new church directory for our Parish. The dates are October 14-15-16 & 17. A sign in sheet of dates and times will be provided when the time gets closer.
- **RAFFLE:** If anyone would like to donate money or a gift for the Picnic Raffle, please contact Tom or Julia Motyka.
- **THANKS:** Thanks to all of those that attended the Program on the History of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church which was held on Monday, June 10th at the Marak Parish Hall. Great presentation by the Milam County Historical Commission.

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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