

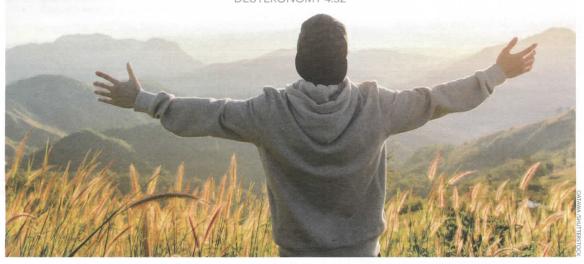
May 30, 2021

The Most Holy Trinity (B) Dt 4:32-34, 39-40 Rom 8:14-17 Mt 28:16-20

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!

**S** ome 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.

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# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CYCLONE—MARAK

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## The Sacraments:

Baptism: On Sundays after Mass. Please contact the pastor to schedule 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.

# MAY 30, 2021—SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY TRINITY

Last Sunday, we celebrated the sending of the Spirit, which sealed God's new covenant and made a new creation. In this new creation, we live in the family of God, who has revealed himself as a Trinity of love. We share in His divine nature through His Body and Blood (see 2 Peter 1:4). This is the meaning of the three feasts that cap the Easter season—Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, and Corpus Christi.

These feasts should be intimate reminders of how deeply God loves us, how He chose us, from before the foundation of the world, to be His children (see Ephesians 1:4-5). Today's readings illuminate how all God's words and works were meant to prepare for the revelation of the Trinity and God's blessing in Jesus Christ—the blessing we inherited in Baptism, and renew in each Eucharist.

By God's word the heavens and earth were filled with His kindness, we sing in today's Psalm. Out of love, God called Abraham and chose his descendants to be His own people, Moses says in today's First Reading (see Deuteronomy 4:20,37). Through the Israelites, He revealed to the nations that He alone is Lord and there is no other. In Jesus, God's word took flesh as a son of Abraham (see Matthew 1:1). And Jesus reveals in the Gospel today that the one God is Father, Son, and Spirit, and that He desires to make all people His own. As He led Israel out of Egypt, God freed us from slavery, Paul says in today's Epistle. As He adopted Israel (see Romans 9:4), He gives

us the Spirit by which we can know Him as "Our Father." As God's heirs, we receive the commissions of Moses and Jesus today. We are to fix our hearts on Him, and to observe all that He has commanded. The Eucharist is His pledge—that He will be with us until the end, that He will deliver us from death to live forever in the promised land of His kingdom.

> 5/23: Stewardship: Sunday Offering: \$1,289.00 Thank you for Your Generosity!

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Ministries for June 6, 2021

Rosary: Lynne Hornung

**Eucharistic Minister: Kelly Laurence** 

Offertory: Carl Hubnik Family

Lector: Johnny Winkler

Ushers: Joe Mayer & Gary Morgan

Altar Servers: Lily, Adison, lan

Sanctuary Light: May 31st- June 6th: Hoelscher Family by Aline Junek

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 to all those who have been affected by the Covid-19 Virus and also that the vaccine for the corona virus will help to stop this pandemic & for the following: Reenie Hubnik, Kathy Hubnik, Colt Charanza, Baby Townes Bush, Paulette Hubnik Foster, Carolyn Klecka, Edward Brenek, Jr., Marilyn Junek Gonzalez, and Doris Matocha. Prayers are powerful! To be added to the prayer chain:

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	MARAK I	MASSES —May 30–June 6, 2021
Date	Time	Mass Intentions
Today—5/30	10:15am	+ Doris Bruggman by Richard & BJ Brenek + Phillip & Frances Hubnik by Debbie Dohnalik Bush + Mary Ann Plachy by Laddie & Edith Vaculin
6/2—Wednesday	5:30pm	+ Dorothy Ann Mueck by Billy & Evelyn Vansa + Eugene Vaculin by Kelly & Glenn Laurence + Dorothy Vaculin by Christa Wade Konderla
6/6 —Sunday	10:15am	+ Johnnie Michna by Glenn & Kelly Laurence + Larry Green by Chuck & Jean Krenek + Daniel Hromcik by Joe & Sandra Vaculin
	CYCLO	NE MASSES —May 23-30, 2021
Date	Time	Mass Intentions
Today - 5/30	8:15am	+ Larry Posvar by Family
6/1—Tuesday	7:00am	+ Rosa Pechal by Daniel & Lindsay Gibson
6/3—Thursday	7:00am	+ Dean Mikeska by Skip & Ann Cockrell
6/4—Friday	7:00am	+ Michelle Crews by Sindy Greenwood
6/5—Saturday Vigil	5:30pm	In Honor of Daniel & Linda Wilde's 45th Wedding Ann.
6/6—Sunday	8:15am	+ Royella Roessler by Craig Green

# UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

- JUNE 6th: Picnic Meeting after Mass. All Parishioners are encouraged to attend to make plans for our Annual Picnic in September.
- JUNE 6th: Second Collection for Building and Maintenance Fund.
- FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Congratulations to Hampton Barton, Stone Graham, Teslyn Hunt and Aspen Teague on receiving your First Holy Communion. May God Bless you on this special day.
- BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: Baby bottles are in the church entry. The Place of Hope Pregnancy Resource Center in Rockdale is holding its annual baby bottle campaign. Please take a bottle and return back to the church on Father's Day. If you have any questions, please contact Patsy Gaines.
- 2021 HOMECÓMING PICNIC RAFFLE: If you can donate a prize or help buy a gift card, please contact Julie or Tom Motyka—254-605-0443. The prize list needs to be complete by June 13th.
- USHER AND OFFERTORY: We have began our regular routine for the Ushers and Offertory Gifts. Please check your lists to see when you are carrying the offertory gifts or being an usher. If you need a list, please contact Cindy Prcin or Patsy Gaines or check the website-marakchurch.org.

# 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?

egend 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 Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



# 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; 7:1bcde, 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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