

## **TRINITY SUNDAY (C)**

### **GOD CARES ABOUT MY WELL-BEING**

Today we celebrate one of the greatest mysteries of our faith - the Blessed Trinity - the three persons in one God. There are many mysteries surrounding us which the human mind cannot understand or explain. For example, life and death, the colour of the wind, where the wind comes from and where it goes, the nature of human beings and animals, growth in all aspects, and many more. Some things created by God may be used to explain, but they may not be accurate. Examples are the egg and coconut, how their structures are.

The mystery of the Trinity tells us more about the love of God and the unity that exists between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. At the same time, it reminds us of the unity between us human beings, the rest of creation and God. It manifests God's care for and interest in His creatures, especially for us created in His own image and likeness.

The presence of the Trinity is expressed in different ways in the scriptures. In the creation story, we read in Genesis: "God said, let us make man in our own image, in the likeness of ourselves," (Gen.1:26// Jn.1:1). Scholars of scripture explain that this may imply the presence of the Trinity. The first reading we just heard also gives us a hint of the presence of the Trinity. Wisdom was beside the Creator, and this Wisdom is Jesus Christ, (1Cor.1:24).

During the Annunciation, the presence of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit was indirectly expressed by St. Luke; (Lk.1:35). In the gospel of today, Jesus told the disciples the oneness of the three Persons of the one God, when He taught them about the coming of the Holy Spirit; He said, "He (Holy Spirit) will glorify me, since all He reveals to you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: all He reveals to you will be taken from what is mine". Before Jesus ascended into heaven, He commissioned His disciples to "go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit," (Mt.28:19).

The three readings give us the actions of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; in the first reading, the Father creates with Wisdom; 'the

second reading presents the work of the Son who glorifies the Father', and the gospel is about the action of the Holy Spirit. He will complete the work of the Father and the Son. In short, the Father creates, the Son redeems, and the Spirit sanctifies, all leading to the salvation of man. God indeed cares about the well-being of His children.

We were baptized in the name of the Trinity; we begin and end every prayer in the name of the Trinity; in short, we make the sign of the cross many times a day, and this reminds us of the Trinity and the Crucifixion. But how does this bring us close to God who has great interest in our well-being?

Moses told the Israelites that in order to be close to God and for things to go well for them and their children, and have long life on the land, they should keep His commandments and statutes; (Dt.4:39-40). Jesus told His disciples that whoever keeps His word will be loved by the Father, and He and the Father will love him and they will make their home in him; (Jn.14:23). So being children of God does not mean we have to idle about doing nothing. We have to do God's will and work towards our salvation.

The Trinity cares about my well-being as a priest; God has interest in the success of your marriage; He is interested in your education; He has interest in what you want to achieve in life; He is concerned about my weaknesses and yours; He is concerned about your sickness and worries. His wish is that I accept Him into my life and allow Him to steer affairs in my life, so that one day I may be with Him in paradise.

This feast also reminds us that we are children of one Father so we should be one in mind and heart. We should foster unity and love as the early believers did. Your cry should be my cry, and your laughter should be my laughter. I should not rejoice over your failure or downfall, but to sympathize and empathize with you. We have to live in God and God in us. "Cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you," (1Pet.5:7).