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# SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY TRINITY PRAYER

God, we praise you: Father all-powerful, Christ Lord and Savior, Spirit of love. You reveal yourself in the depths of our being, drawing us to share in your life and your love. One God, three Persons, be near to the people formed in your image, close to the world your love brings to life. We ask you this, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, true and living, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By appointment

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment

#### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

By appointment

## SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND HOLY COMMUNION

Have your health care team page a Catholic priest if you have a family member in hospital needing anointing of the sick.

Communion to those homebound is suspended at this time.

For information on Catholic education in our community or to reach your local school board trustee, contact the Toronto Catholic District School Board at 416-222-8282 or www.tcdsb.org.

#### Schools in the area:

 St. Anselm
 416-393-5243

 Holy Cross
 416-393-5242

 Canadian Martyrs
 416-393-5251

 St. John XXIII
 416-429-4000

#### **COVID-19 UPDATE:**

#### Masses are cancelled until further notice.

### Visit: archtoronto.org/covid19 for

- Links to watch daily mass
- how to support your parish priest
- spiritual resources
- public health resources

#### MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS

God the Father, Creator; God the Son, Redeemer; God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier. When we go out to "make disciples of all nations", we have a lot to tell! God is present everywhere. Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of God's love and presence in your life as a priest, religious or deacon call:

Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

#### ON STEWARDSHIP

Today's second reading reminds us that we are the adopted sons and daughters — the heirs — of God. We are good stewards of our inheritance when we share our faith and fulfill Our Lord's command to "go . . . and make disciples of all the nations." See Matthew 28:19



## Trinity in Liturgy

Trinity Sunday is one of the four solemnities of the Lord during Ordinary Time. Since these feasts are dependent upon the celebration of Easter, they are called movable solemnities of Ordinary Time. The solemnities are: Trinity Sunday, Corpus Christi, Sacred Heart and Christ the King.

Adolf Adam calls them feasts of devotion and feasts of ideas. As feasts of devotion they are expressions of piety born in response to an internal or external trial. As feasts of ideas, each one extols a particular truth or specific aspect of the mystery of Christ. By stressing these truths or mysteries, the Church hoped to renew and strengthen the faith of God's people.

The Arian controversies of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> centuries gave rise to a strong emphasis on and devotion to the Trinity in Spain and Gaul. Arius, a priest in Alexandria who died in 336, denied the divinity of Christ. As a result, faith in God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and the equality of the three Divine Persons was threatened. The Councils of Nicea and Constantinople (381) condemned the heresy and formulated the Nicene Creed, the profession of faith recited at every Sunday

mass.

The heresy had an impact on Catholic faith and life. Preaching sought to strengthen faith in the church's doctrine regarding the Trinity. The first preface of the Trinity found its way into the liturgy in the 400's as this feast was born out of controversy. The modern preface of the Trinity appeared during the eighth century. By the year 1000, the feast of the Trinity was celebrated on the Sunday after Pentecost. The feast reminds the faithful of what it means when we refer to the Father, Son, and Spirit: We believe in three Divine Persons in one God. The Sunday assembly professes faith in the Triune God when it begins every gathering by invoking "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

### **Prayer In Time Of COVID**

Gracious God,

you who are the author of all life, and who desire the well-being of all people, during these dark days of COVID-19, increase in us, respect and reverence for all human life.

Grant restored health to the sick, comfort and hope to the dying, strength to family members, friends, relatives, clergy and volunteers, renewed energy to hospital workers, PSWs, nurses and doctors, and perseverance to all in the health care professions.

Grant wisdom to scientists for the development of effective and moral vaccines, discernment and right judgment for legislators, aid to the discouraged, poor and vulnerable, courage and justice for front-line workers, and keep always in our minds the vision of the true common good of all the world.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

> Bishop Robert Kasun CSB Auxiliary Bishop Central Region Archdiocese of Toronto

## Resources during the pandemic

Visit www.archtoronto.org/ for links daily masses including:

- 1. <u>Daily Mass from Loretto Abbey</u> (also broadcast on TV)
- 2. Daily Mass and Rosary with Cardinal Collins live from St. Michael's https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/liveCathedral Basilica 7:30am Mon.-Sat. 10:00am Sunday
- ASL Mass Livestream from the International Catholic Deaf Association, Canadian Section
- 4. Covid-19 resources: <a href="https://www.archtoronto.org/covid19">www.archtoronto.org/covid19</a>

## **Spiritual Communion**

During the pandemic we are unable to physically take part in communion. Spiritual Communion is a way to be united with Christ when we cannot physically receive the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist. When viewing mass online say this prayer at the time of communion.

### St. Alphonsus Liguori's Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## Pope's prayer to Virgin Mary for protection

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us.

He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

