

May 27, 2018

The Most Holy Trinity

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Office Hours:

Monday-Friday

8:45am-2:45pm

Pastoral Staff

Fr. Fredy Angel

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Mass Schedule Sunday

English 10:00am

Spanish 11:30am

Adult Faith Formation Classes

Meet every Sunday at 11:30 in church conference room. For more information please contact our office or Mrs. Lukens at (229) 794-9140

Rosary Ministry

Our Rosary makers meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at 11:30am. For more information please contact Kathy Giddens at (229)482-2364

Adoration

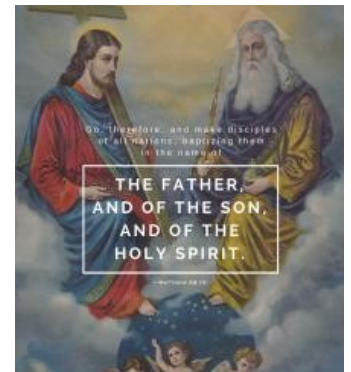
June 2, 2018 from 7pm to midnight.

Knights of Columbus

Round table meeting 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm. Next: June 12, 2018

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF OUR FAITH

Today is a day simply to ponder the fact that in baptism we were claimed by God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The first reading from Deuteronomy prompts us to fix in our hearts the truth that God is the Lord of both heaven and earth and there is no other god. Saint Paul reminds us that, because we received the Spirit of adoption in baptism, we are now children of God. In the Gospel Jesus charges, us with the responsibility to make other disciples. These realities make today's solemnity a day of praise, adoration, and responsibility. It is a fitting day to thank God for the absolutely gift of faith that we were given in baptism. It is also a day to ask God for strength to take on the responsibility of sharing that faith with others.



ALL IN THE FAMILY

The fact that we are God's actual children changes everything in human history. Studying ancient mythologies is fascinating, with such a variety of gods, demigods, monsters, and creatures. But nowhere in those stories does any mere mortal proclaim the intimate goodness of God who parents all of humanity with tender, unchanging love. Deuteronomy seizes on this astonishing attentiveness of God, asking, "Did anything so great ever happen before? Was it ever heard of?" The people of God must answer, "No, never!" God, the one and only true God, has transformed all of human history by choosing us as beloved children. And though we have broken every promise ever made, God has remained faithful to our covenant. God shows us how to keep faith with one another in deep, abiding love. Many of us carry wounds from experiences of unfaithfulness and selfishness. As a people, we are not consistently good at loving each other in the way that God loves us. Each one of us knows the savage pain of indifference or betrayal. Many of us have inflicted pain on others. Even so, God loves us. God's faithfulness encourages us to try again, to love more selflessly.



ONGOING SALVATION

God rejoices when we refresh ourselves in God's love and rededicate our lives to holiness. Broken as we are, the Lord wants our help to save the world. Jesus saved the world once and for all, of course, through his cross and resurrection. But the work of God's salvation continues as God provides the grace for each



human person to work toward healthy relationships with God and others. This work goes on until the end of time, and the Lord wants our help. This is what it means to be a disciple of Christ in the new evangelization: We must ask for the grace to live in Jesus, refreshing others with his love.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITIONS

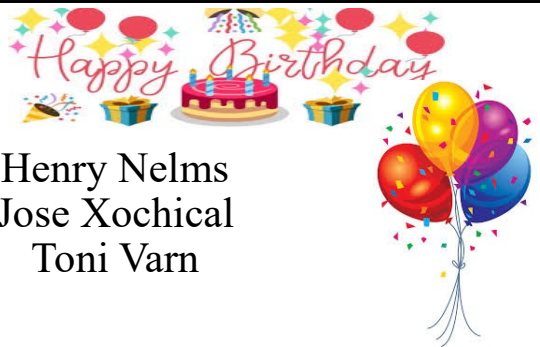
One of the great treasures of the Eastern tradition is the icon of the Holy Trinity created by the Russian iconographer Andrei Rublev in the 1400s. The Trinity is symbolized by the three travelers to the tent of Abraham and Sarah. They are seated at a table blessing a cup of wine, under the oak of Mamre. If you look closely, you will see a sacrificed calf in the chalice, reminding the viewer of the cross. The table, prepared for eating and tilted toward the viewer, is an invitation to the Eucharist. From left to right, each figure is keyed to a person of the Trinity. Like all icons, this image is theology in art. The persons are equal in proportion and dignity, they all carry staffs to symbolize their power, and are shown with golden wings and halos. Today, the best place to see Rublev's work is the Holy Trinity Cathedral, at the heart of the vast Holy Trinity monastery about an hour from Moscow. After decades of persecution, it is now once again a living monastery, a world heritage site, and the spiritual home of Russian Orthodoxy. A Google visit is highly recommended today!



Our picnic and soccer tournament will be June 17, 2018.



We will be starting our Novena for St. Anthony of Padua on June 5, 2018.



St. Anthony of Padua Prayer Garden

Support us by ordering a memorial brick for our prayer garden. The cost is \$100 we do offer *payment plan*. To order a brick or if you have any question about our engraved bricks, please feel free to contact the

Let us pray for the health of:

Fr. Marvin LeFrois, Cruz Family, Olivia Ursrey, Eva De Angel, Andrew & Mary Carrell Morrison.

For the Eternal rest of:
All Souls



thankful

May 20, 2018 Collections

Regular Collection	\$1132.00
Building Fund	\$2958.00
Bishop Annual Appeal	\$560.00