

May 27, 2018

The Most Holy Trinity

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 26

5:00 p.m. **+Philip Kinney**
By Paul and Elisabeth Boccolini

Sunday, May 27

8:00 a.m. **+Berndino Iannelli**
By Lin Heitnann

10:30 a.m. **+Carmella and Frank Cannizzaro**
By The Gallo Family

Monday, May 28 Memorial Day

8:45 a.m. **+Philip Kinney**
By Henry Rebinski

Tuesday, May 29

8:45 a.m.

Wednesday, May 30

8:45 a.m. **+Corrado and Jennie Tridente**
By Sam and Marietta Tridente

Thursday, 31 NO MASS

First Friday, June 1

8:45 a.m. **In Honor of the Madonna of Health**
By Angela Gross

First Saturday, June 2

8:45 a.m. **+Michelle Campilonga**
By the Shipley Family

5:00 p.m. **+Anne Guerriere**
By Charlie and Nancy Guerriere

Sunday, June 3

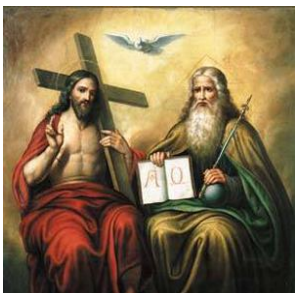
8:00 a.m. **+Frances Blevins**
By Family

10:30 a.m. **+Joseph C. Tran**
By Family

incomprehensible God! The Father is not more God than the Son, neither is the Son more God than the Holy Spirit. The Father is the first Divine Person; the Son is the second Divine Person, begotten from the nature of the Father from eternity; the Holy Spirit is the third Divine Person, proceeding from the Father and the Son. No mortal can fully fathom this sublime truth. But I submit humbly and say: Lord, I believe, help my weak faith.

Why is this feast celebrated at this particular time? It may be interpreted as a finale to all the preceding feasts. All three Persons contributed to and shared in the work of redemption. The Father sent His Son to earth, for "God so loved the world as to give His only-begotten Son." The Father called us to the faith. The Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, became man and died for us. He redeemed us and made us children of God. He ever remains the liturgist par excellence to whom we are united in all sacred functions. After Christ's ascension the Holy Spirit, however, became our Teacher, our Leader, our Guide, our Consoler. On solemn occasions a thanksgiving Te Deum rises spontaneously from Christian hearts.

The feast of the Most Holy Trinity may well be regarded as the Church's Te Deum of gratitude over all the blessings of the Christmas and Easter seasons; for this mystery is a synthesis of Christmas, Epiphany, Easter, Ascension and Pentecost. This feast, which falls on the first Sunday after Pentecost, should make us mindful that actually every Sunday is devoted to the honor of the Most Holy Trinity, that every Sunday is sanctified and consecrated to the triune God. Sunday after Sunday we should recall in a spirit of gratitude the gifts which the Blessed Trinity is bestowing upon us. The Father created and predestined us; on the first day of the week He began the work of creation. The Son redeemed us; Sunday is the "Day of the Lord," the day of His resurrection. The Holy Spirit sanctified us, made us His temple; on Sunday the Holy Spirit descended upon the infant Church. Sunday, therefore, is the day of the Most Holy Trinity.



This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next Sunday, however, are designated as solemnities, special days that call our attention to

the central mysteries of our faith. Today, on the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity.

The dogma of faith which forms the object of the feast is this: There is one God and in this one God there are three Divine Persons; the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God. Yet there are not three Gods, but one, eternal,



The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary: May 31
 Assuming that the Annunciation and the Incarnation took place about the vernal equinox, Mary left Nazareth at the end of March and

went over the mountains to Hebron, south of Jerusalem, to wait upon her cousin Elizabeth, because her presence and much more the presence of the Divine Child in her womb, according to the will of God, was to be the source of very great graces to the Blessed John, Christ's Forerunner.

The event is related in Luke 1:39-57. Feeling the presence of his Divine Saviour, John, upon the arrival of Mary, leaped in the womb of his mother; he was then cleansed from original sin and filled with the grace of God. Our Lady now for the first time exercised the office which belonged to the Mother of God made man, that He might by her mediation sanctify and glorify us. St. Joseph probably accompanied Mary, returned to Nazareth, and when, after three months, he came again to Hebron to take his wife home, the apparition of the angel, mentioned in Matthew 1:19-25, may have taken place to end the tormenting doubts of Joseph regarding Mary's maternity. (Cf. also MAGNIFICAT.)



**REQUESTS
 FOR
 PRAYER**

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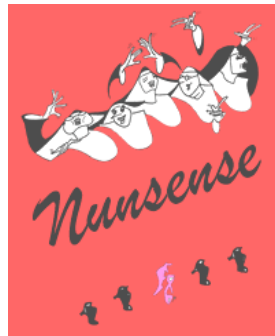
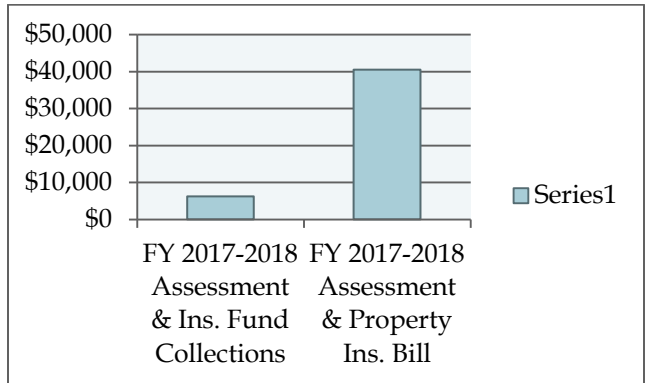
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We have received a check from **Penera** in the amount of \$201.22, for parishioners and friends participation in our fundraiser held in March.

On the day of this fundraiser we received a percentage of the amount spent by those mentioning "St. Theodore Church". Thank you, parishioners, for your part in helping our cause. A special thanks goes to **Nancy Guerriere** for her work on this project.

Our Sunday Offering
 May 20: 1st Collection: \$2,166.25
 Assessment Fund: \$679.30



Our church is planning an outing to the **Hunterdon Hills Playhouse** on **August 11, 2018**, for the production of **Nonsense**, starring **Joyce DeWitt**. Tickets are \$63.50, which includes table-served entrée, dessert buffet,

coffee, hot tea, tax, gratuity and, of course, this hilarious show. If you would like to join other parishioners on this outing, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Center.

Nonsense stars the beloved television actress **Joyce DeWitt**, best known as the sensible, football jersey wearing, brunette roommate Janet Wood from the classic television sitcom "Three's Company,". The winner of four Outer Critics Circle Awards including "Best Off Broadway Musical, **Nonsense** is a hysterical musical comedy filled with fun and frolic! Featuring amusing songs, tap and ballet dancing, an audience quiz, and comic surprises, **Nonsense** has become an international phenomenon!

The Youth Group will be holding a Bowling fundraiser at Oakwood Lanes on June 9 (11 am-1pm). For those wishing to participate, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Proceeds for Youth Group expenses.