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Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

SPANISH MASS — Sunday 2:00 p.m. WEEKDAY MASSES — Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:20 a.m.

Wednesday (Rosary at 6:30 p.m.) 7:00 p.m. (OLPH Devotions)

EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

Mon - Fri 9 a.m. - 12 noon

On first Friday of each month following morning mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION — Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. By appointment any time.

PARISH REGISTRATION — All parishioners especially those who live outside our parish boundaries are expected to complete a Parish Registration form and use Sunday Offertory Envelopes. This will greatly assist the Parish Team when parishioners request sacraments, funerals or letters of reference.

N.B. — When parishioners move you are asked to notify the parish office.

INFANT BAPTISMS — Two Sudays per month at 4:00 p.m. Contact the parish office at least two months in advance of the birth of their child. Parents are obliged to participate in our baptismal preparation program.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE — The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance of the planned date of your wedding and that you participate in a marriage preparation course.

PARISH HOME CATECHISM PROGRAM — Children attending public, private or alternative school are required to participate in this program from grade 1 - 7 in order to prepare to receive the sacraments.

VISITATION OF THE SICK — Please notify the Rectory when a member of your family is in the hospital.

BULLETIN DEADLINE — Monday 9:00 a.m. in writing or by e-mail.

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Message from the Pastor

Peace to all of you!

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast emphasizes the importance of the intervention of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in our daily lives. The readings do not give us an explanation on the Trinity, rather they show us how God has acted in salvation history. The First Reading, from the Book of Exodus, presents the episode in which God manifests His glory to Moses. The essence of God is that He is a merciful and compassionate God, always ready to forgive us and to have compassion on our failings. It is very important that we realize that He always accompanies us and guides us all throughout our lives. This should fill us with hope and consolation. The Second Reading, from the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians, offers us the ending of the letter. St. Paul addresses the community of Corinth to remain steadfast and to work together for their salvation. As a final greeting, he uses a Trinitarian blessing, which we use as a greeting at the beginning of Mass. We all need in our daily lives the constant grace and guide of the Risen Lord, the merciful love of God the Father, and the peace and unity that is brought about by the Holy Spirit. Let us all experience the Trinitarian intervention of God in our daily lives. The Gospel, from St. John, brings us a part of the conversation of Jesus with Nicodemus. Jesus tells him that God's manifestation to all people passes through the coming of the Son of God. Christ has revealed to us who God is and through His life on earth has shown us that God is love and He wants that we all participate in His divine life. We can find in Him fulness of life if we believe that He is the source of life and happiness. Let us be open to receive the fulness of life that the Blessed Trinity wants to share with all of us!

Fr. Francisco Fernandez, Your servant, and your Pastor

Pope Francis Homily for the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity (June 7, 2020) Today's Gospel (see Jn 3: 16-18), on the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, demonstrates - with the apostle John's succinct language - the mystery of God's love for the world, His creation. In the brief dialogue with Nicodemus, Jesus presents Himself as He who brings to fulfilment the Father's plan of salvation for the world. He affirms: "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life" (v. 16). These words are to indicate that the action of the three divine Persons - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - is all a single plan of love that saves humanity and the world. It is a plan of salvation: for us.

The world God created was good, beautiful, but after sin, the world is marked by evil and corruption, and we men and women are sinners; therefore, God could intervene to judge the world, to destroy evil and castigate sinners. Instead, He loves the world, despite its sins; God loves every one of us even when we make mistakes and distance ourselves from Him. God the Father loves the world so much that, to save it, He gives what is most precious to Him: His only-begotten

Son, who gives His life for humanity, rises again, returns to the Father and together with Him sends the Holy Spirit. The Trinity is therefore Love, all in the service of the world, which He wishes to save

and recreate. And today, thinking of God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, we think of God's love! And it would be beautiful if we felt that we were loved: "God loves me!". This is today's sentiment.

When Jesus affirms that the Father has given His onlybegotten Son, we spontaneously think of Abraham and his offering of his son Isaac, about whom the Book of Genesis speaks (cf. 22: 1-14): this is the "measure without measure" of God's love. And let us also think of how God reveals Himself to Moses: full of tenderness, merciful, compassionate, slow to anger and full of grace and fidelity. This is what the Book of Exodus tells us. The encounter with this God encouraged Moses, who, as the book of Exodus tells us, was not afraid to stand between the people and the Lord, saying to Him: "Although this is a stiff-necked people, forgive our wickedness and our sin, and take us as your inheritance" (34: 9). And this is what God did, by sending His Son. We are children in the Son with the strength of the Holy Spirit. We are God's legacy.

Dear brothers and sisters, today's feast day invites us to let ourselves once again be fascinated by the beauty of God; beauty, goodness and inexhaustible truth. But also beauty, goodness and humble truth, close, who became flesh in order to enter into our life, into our history, into my history, into the history of each one of us, so that every man and woman may encounter it and have eternal life. And this is faith. This is faith: to welcome God-as-Love. To welcome God-as-Love who gives Himself in Christ, who moves us in the Holy Spirit; to let ourselves be encountered by Him and to trust in Him. This is Christian life. Love, to encounter God, to search for God, and He seeks us first. He encounters us first.

May the Virgin Mary, dwelling-place of the Trinity, help us to welcome with an open heart the love of God, which fills us with joy and gives meaning to our journey in this world, always guiding us towards our destination, which is Heaven.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION June 11th

We will process outside at the end of 11am mass around the block of Giffard, Dundas & Wellington Streets.

Newly Ordained Fr. Carlos Lopez, who served here as seminarian in the summer of 2020, will celebrate mass at St. John's on June 25th at 9am & 11am. We will have cake and coffee at the parish centre following the 11am mass where you will have a opportunity to congratulate Fr. Carlos.

CHALICE SPONSORSHIP WEEKEND June 10/11, 2023

Chalice Canada is the largest child sponsorship program in Canada. Sponsorship through Chalice enables parishioners to help families struggling with poverty with communities that lack the essentials, including food, medicine, and clean water.

Your sponsorship of \$42 per month changes all that. Parish volunteers from Chalice will be promoting sponsorships on Saturday June $10^{\rm th}$ and Sunday June $11^{\rm th}$ after all masses. Information pamphlets with children in need of sponsoring will be on display in the foyer. You are invited to tour the display and have any questions answered to assist you.

Natauashish Night

The Knight's North Group of KofC Council 4895 is hostin the 10th Annual Ray Hayes Memorial Music Night for Natuashish Labrador.

When: Friday June 16, at 7:30pm (doors open at

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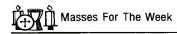
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Friday Jun 9 - 8:20am

+Norm Rich

reg. by Society of St. Vincent de Paul Members

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DAY CAMP (for students entering grade 1-6 in September) - \$80/child for the week

Monday, July 10th to Friday, July 14th, 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM <u>EVENING PROGRAM</u> (for students entering grade 7-12 in September) - \$40/child for the week

Sunday, July 9th to Thursday, July 13th, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

The deadline to register for the camp is June 30th, 2023.

Parishioners are invited to volunteer! We need student volunteers (age 13-18) and adult volunteers (18+) to help the children and youth stay safe, have fun and grow in their faith. The deadline to apply to volunteer is June 1st, 2023. For more information about volunteering or to register, please email Cassandra at cass.sullivan@archtoronto.org or contact the parish office.

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Saturday June 17, 2023 at 9am

Join this webinar and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation. The estate planning team from the Archdiocese of Toronto and Catholic Cemeteries will share:

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