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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 sins. 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 encourages 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 fullness of life if we believe that He is the source of life and happiness. Let us be open to receive the fullness of life that the Blessed Trinity wants to share with all of us!

Congratulations to all the young people of our parish who yesterday received the Sacrament of Confirmation. May the Holy Spirit accompany them through their lives!

Congratulations to all the children who have received their First Communion during the month of May. May the Lord Jesus fill their hearts with joy and happiness!

Fr. Francisco Fernandez, Your servant and your Pastor

Pope Benedict XVI' Angelus on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity (May 30, 2010)

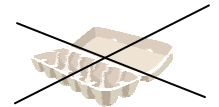
After the Easter Season that ended last Sunday with Pentecost, the Liturgy has returned to "Ordinary Time". This does not mean, however, that Christians must be less any committed: indeed, having entered divine life through the sacraments, we are called daily to be open to the action of divine Grace, to progress in love of God and of neighbour. This Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity, in a certain sense sums up God's revelation which was brought about through the Paschal Mysteries: Christ's death and Resurrection, his Ascension to the right hand of the Father and the

outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The human mind and language are inadequate to explain the relationship that exists between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit; yet the Fathers of the Church sought to illustrate the mystery of the Triune God by living it with deep faith in their own lives.

The divine Trinity takes up his abode in us on the day of our Baptism: "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit". Every time we sign ourselves with the sign of the Cross we remember God's name in which we were baptized. With regard to the sign of the Cross a theologian, Romano Guardini, remarked: "We do it before praying so that... we may put ourselves spiritually in order; focus thoughts, heart and will on God; after praying, so that what God has given us may remain within us.... It embraces the whole being, body and soul... and everything is consecrated in the name of the Triune God" (Lo spirito della liturgia. I santi segni, Brescia, 2000, pp. 125-126).

The sign of the Cross and the name of the living God therefore contain the proclamation that generates faith and inspires prayer. And just as in the Gospel Jesus promises the Apostles that: "When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth" (Jn 16: 13), so it happens in the Sunday Liturgy, from week to week, when priests dispense the bread of the Word and of the Eucharist. The Holy Curé d'Ars also reminded his faithful of this. "Who welcomed your soul", he asked, "at the beginning of your life? The priest. Who feeds your soul and gives it strength for its journey? The priest. Who will prepare it to appear before God, bathing it one last time in the blood of Jesus Christ? The priest, always the priest" (Letter inaugurating the Year for Priests).

NO MORE EGG CARTONS PLEASE



Prayer Group
Bi-weekly meetings on Wednesdays at 1pm
June 10, 24



Volunteer Appreciation Night
Thursday, June 4, 2026
at 7:00pm, Parish Centre
Fr. Francisco would like to thank all in Ministry to join us for **wine, hors d'oeuvres and friendly fellowship!**

You give so much of your time to service the Parish. We want to thank you!

It's very important to RSVP to the parish office by email vmorgan@archtoronto.org.

Lectio Divina
Reflection of the Sunday Gospel Readings
We meet on Zoom every Monday from 7pm to 8pm
Join us! Email the office for the meeting code

MAY 31, 2026

THANK YOU

Your CWL would like to thank our parishioners for their generous donations to Rose of Durham. Rose of Durham was overwhelmed by your kindness and generosity. Please visit the St. John the Evangelist Facebook page to view pictures.

Mark Your Calendars

June 11th - CWL General Meeting - Pot Luck Supper, 6:30 p.m.

June 20th/21st CWL Bake & Book Sale. Buy your dessert and pick up a gift for dad.

R.C.I.A

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) provides instruction and spiritual formation to anyone 16 years of age and older who are not baptized, or baptized in another Christian community, who would like to become a member of the Catholic Church. Catholic adults who have not yet celebrated their First Eucharist or the Sacrament of Confirmation may also take part. RCIA Sessions take place on Thursday evenings from 7pm to 9pm in the Parish Centre beginning soon. Interested participants should contact Fr. Francisco at the Parish Office as soon as possible to register: (905) 668-3676.

Durham Regional Police Service Presentation

With on-line scams, frauds and identity theft a growing concern, the parish is hosting a presentation by the Durham Regional Police Service. Topics will include: On-line safety (including advice for parents of young children), identity theft, community safety, elder abuse and intimate partner violence. Please join us and stay informed.

Date: Monday, June 8

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Parish Centre

Totus Tuus Returns this Summer!

Mark your calendars for **July 5-10, 2025!** Totus Tuus is a fun & faith-filled Summer camp for the youth of the parish run by missionaries. There is a day camp for children entering grade 1-6 in the fall and an evening program for youth entering grade 7-12 in the fall.

Registration deadline is June 15th!



FAMILY FUN DAY & TASTE OF THE PARISH

Saturday, June 13, 2026 11:30am - 3:00pm

On the Parish Centre Grounds

Bring your own lawn chair!

Contact Nancy at 289-890-7925 to let her know what food you're bringing!



Masses For The Week

Sat May 30– 5:00pm

+Vincenzo Villanti

req. by Elda & Family

Mon Jun 1 – 8:20am

Int. for Danielle DeFreitas

req. by Taryn DeFreitas

Tues Jun 2 – 8:20am

+Rita Hadden

req. by Chris & John Stafford

Wed Jun 3 – 7pm

+Rita Hadden

req. by Dan Thompson & Julia Kosziwka & Family

+Rita Hadden

req. by Karen & Will Burke & Family

+Florence Morrison

req. by The Hadden Family

+Margery Newallo

req. by The Fitzpatrick Family

+Marcial Cruz

req. by His Family

Thur Jun 4 – 8:20am

+Humberto Schenflede

req. by His Wife & Family

Fri. Jun 5 – 8:20am

+Rita Hadden

req. by Sandy Coscarella

Join the Knights of Columbus

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The Knights of Columbus, St. John the Evangelist Council, is a welcoming group of men dedicated to faith, service, charity, and fraternity. We work together to support the St. John's community, build lasting friendships, and make a meaningful difference close to home.

We meet on the first Wednesday of each month, from September to June, and we warmly invite you to attend our next meeting: **Wednesday, June 3, 2026, 8pm Knights Hall, 133 Brock Street North.** Whether you're looking to give back, meet like-minded individuals, or explore becoming a Knight, this is a great opportunity to learn more and see how you can get involved. please contact:

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