



# Society of African Missions

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## Mass Schedule

### Sundays

8:00 am; 10:00 am; 12 noon

### Weekdays & Holy Days

8:00 am; 9:30 am; 11:45 am

### Christmas & New Year's Day

8:00 am; 10:00 am; 12:00 noon

### Confessions

Saturdays 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

### Bereavement & Visit to the Sick

Contact Fr. Dermot Roache  
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### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

#### Rosary

Every Wednesday at 11:00 am  
Followed by Mass, Adoration  
and Benediction at 5:30 pm

### The Little Way of St. Therese of Lisieux

2nd Sundays after 12 pm Mass

### Bible Reflection Group

Thursdays: 7:30 pm in the hall

### Perpetual Mass Association

Office open Monday-Friday  
from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

### S.M.A. Vocation Office

Fr. Julien Esse, SMA  
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### **Administration:**

**Fr Ranees A. Rayappan,**  
Provincial Superior

**Fr Dermot Roache,**  
House Superior

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

### Masses for the week of June 7 — June 13, 2020

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by:
<b>Sun.-Sat.</b>	<b>8:00</b>	<b>Liv &amp; Dec Benefactors of the SMA</b>	
Sun. June 7	10:00	Sung Choi Family & Mariana Cho (Liv.)	Mariana Cho
	12:00	Rean Quito (Liv.) Rubby Lara (Liv.)	Linda Rubio
Mon. June 8	9:30	Robert J. Jaeger+	Kathleen Jaeger
	11:45	Justin Lamorena+ Jonas Lamorena+	Family
Tue. June 9	9:30	JoAnn DiPaolo+	Martha DiPaolo
	11:45	Colleen Koswizska+	Mae Kenny
Wed. June 10	9:30	Sophia Kluever+	Dom & Terry Porto
	11:45	Helen Costa+	Victoria Costa
Thurs. June 11	9:30	Fr Joseph Bordonaro (Liv.)	Friend
	11:45	Michael R Desrochers+	
Fri. June 12	9:30	Renario Bontuyan+	Buena Flor & Family
	11:45	Maria Gomez+	Family
Sat. June 13	9:30	Mary Cavada+	Friends
	11:45	Felisa Ballen+	Granddaughter

**Please note** that the Mass Intentions are being honored in private by our Priests.

**Today's Readings:** *First Reading* Exodus 34:4-6. 8-9

*God reveals the divine life to Moses as one of mercy and compassion.*

**Second Reading** 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

*Paul ends his second letter to the Corinthians with a beautiful Trinitarian blessing.*

**Gospel** John 3:16-18

*Jesus reveals the Trinity to us through his life, death and resurrection.*

## ***“God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son.”***

### ***Illustration***

*One of the greatest of the Greek philosophers, Aristotle, famously said that human beings are political animals. By that, he didn't mean that we all belong to political parties or have certain ideologies. In his terms, Aristotle meant that we are designed to live in community. He thought that the basic unit of human society was the family, and several families gathering together made the polis, or basic political unit. However, absolutely fundamental was the idea that we flourish in community. We learn by imitating others and being taught by others. We love telling stories, we have a need to create, and we build and trade. Even the hermit, living in a hut in the forest, can only be solitary because he or she first belongs to the human family.*

*As well as this social aspect, we can also have a rich interior life. We can imagine, have daydreams and capture in our minds the essence of things. Above all we can understand, and communicate that understanding with words and concepts. As somebody once said, we are the only animals who keep diaries to record and reflect on our inner life. All this is the case because we are made according to a certain plan or pattern. Like a painting, we carry the tell-tale signs of the artist who made us; we can even say we have the signature of the Most Holy Trinity.*

### ***Gospel Teaching***

*What is meant by that? As the incarnation reveals to us, God is eternally one, but also a communion of Persons. The interior life of God, if we may put it like that, is the eternal communion of love between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit: one sole God in essence, with three distinct Persons. St Paul, in his beautiful farewell to the Corinthians, associates grace with the incarnate eternal Son, Jesus Christ; love with God the Father; and fellowship, or communion, with the Holy Spirit. This helps us gain an entry into the mystery, but in reality all three Persons are grace, love and communion. God has revealed to us the names Father, Son and Holy Spirit, to help draw us into this mystery, so we can communicate with the holy and undivided Trinity.*

*The terms express a reality, but a reality which we will only see when we participate fully in the eternal love of the three Persons in heaven. Here we have to exercise our spiritual muscles to receive the reality of the Trinity, where, in the words of St Athanasius: “In that Trinity there is no before or after, nothing greater or lesser: because the three Persons are co-eternal and equal among themselves.” So we are social creatures because God is communion. We are rational creatures because the divine Trinity is the fountain of all reason, order and intelligence.*

The Living Word

**SYMPATHY.**— It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Olga Mosciaro. Olga died peacefully on Tuesday, June 2, 2020. Our sympathies extend to Olga's sister, Mary and her family. May She Rest In Peace.

### **Knights of Columbus St. John's Council    Blood Drive - HOURS EXTENDED**

**DUE TO OVERWHELMING RESPONSE and URGENT NEED FOR BLOOD DONORS**, the St. John's Council #1345/Boy Scout Troop 1345 Blood Drive is extending its hours and will now be open **12PM to 8PM** on **June 17th** at the Council (61 Armour Pl., Dumont). In order to help maintain safe social distance protocols, an appointment IS REQUIRED by going to: [https://donor.cbsblood.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/52510](https://donor.cbsblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/52510)