



Society of African Missions

“The Mission”

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Mass Schedule

Sundays

10:00 am; 12 noon

Weekdays & Holy Days

11:45 am

Christmas & New Year's Day

10:00 am; 12 noon

Confessions

By appointment. Contact

Fr Dermot Roache 201-567-0450 Ext 212

Bereavement & Visit to the Sick

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Perpetual Mass Association

Office open Monday-Friday
from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

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Administration:

Fr Ranees A. Rayappan,
Provincial Superior

Fr Dermot Roache,
House Superior

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Masses for the week of May 30, 2021 – June 5, 2021

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by:
Sun.-Sat.	8:00	Liv & Dec Benefactors of the SMA	
Sun. May 30	10:00	Thomas & Jessica Lee Family (Liv.)	Thomas & Jessica Lee
	12:00	Leticia Ricafrente Lawler+	John Lawler
Mon. May 31	9:30	Nancy & Barbara Eppley+	Vincent Pruzinsky
	11:45	Oresti Grini (Liv.)	
Tue. June 1	9:30	Edilberto & Amparo Maglikian+	Luz M. DiMacali
	11:45	Marko Gjini (Liv.)	
Wed. June 2	9:30	Vincent McDonell (Liv.)	Breda Walsh
	11:45	John & Annie Hamill+	Daughter
Thurs. June 3	9:30	Frank Gibney (Liv.)	Breda Walsh
	11:45	Ruth Kane+	Marilyn & Rich
Fri. June 4	9:30	Spec. Intentions Neill & Forgrave Families	
	11:45	Spec. Intentions Stoever & Mongiello Families	
Sat. June 5	9:30	Spec. Intentions Neill & Forgrave Families	
	11:45	Ligaya Tolentino+	The Hellman Family

Today's Readings: *First Reading* Deuteronomy 4:32-34. 39-40

The God of Israel has spoken a powerful word of love deep into the hearts of God's people.

Second Reading Romans 8:14-17

Through our baptism, the Holy Spirit makes us God's children, full of dignity and life.

Gospel Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus sends his apostles out to baptise in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

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“Baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

Introduction

At the end of Evelyn Waugh’s novel Brideshead Revisited, the elderly Lord Marchmain, who is dying, returns from his home in Italy to Brideshead. Just before his death, the priest is called. As Lord Marchmain receives the words of absolution, he makes the sign of the cross with his hand in a slow and deliberate way. His daughters, Julia and Cordelia, smile with great joy. Their father, who had abandoned his pious wife and lived with a mistress in Italy, has returned home to the faith and professes his belief in God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, the unity of the Trinity.

The simple yet profound act of the sign of the cross is an action that accompanies us from the very beginnings of life to eternal life. At baptism, the priest or deacon signs the child with the sign of the cross, “In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” Parents and godparents express their belief in God who is love and a unity of three persons lived in relationships between Father, Son and Holy Spirit when they respond “Amen”. Parents often make the sign of the cross on their children’s foreheads before they go to sleep. Throughout our life, we begin and end our prayers with the sign of the cross. The final blessing over a dying person commends that person to heaven.

Gospel Teaching

The mystery of the Holy Trinity is at the heart of our faith and is a mystery of love. It can never be fully grasped or understood. Rather we are invited to allow this mystery to penetrate our hearts just as we allow the mystery of love to surprise and move us. In our liturgy and our prayers we are like swimmers in an environment full of the presence of God the Holy Trinity: the sign of the cross, the Glory be, the Gloria, the Creed, the Eucharistic Prayer, the endings of prayers and all blessings.

God the Father pours out his love into the gift of creation. The book of creation invites us to thank the Father and to praise God for his wonderful gifts. St Francis of Assisi knew this when he spoke to the animals, praised the rabbit and made sure he did not walk on earthworms but moved them to a place of safety away from a path. The first reading speaks of the closeness of God to the Jewish people and the invitation to listen and follow God’s commandments. God’s outpouring of love reaches a climax in the sending of the angel Gabriel to Our Lady who agrees to become the servant and Mother of God. The incarnation, passion, death and resurrection of Christ is the mystery of love which saves us. In a further outpouring of love the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son to stir us to cry out, “Abba, Father!” St John Paul II shed light on this when he said, “Our God in his deepest mystery is not solitude, but a family, for he has within himself fatherhood, sonship and the essence of the family, which is love. That love, in the divine family, is the Holy Spirit.”

The Living Word

MEMORIAL DONATION

The Altar Wine and Bread this week is donated by Rich Kane in memory of Ruth Kane.

