

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE: The mystery of the most Holy Trinity is a basic doctrine of Faith in Christianity, understandable not with our heads but with our hearts. It teaches us that there are three distinct Persons in one God, sharing the same Divine Nature, co-equal and co-eternal. Our mind cannot grasp this doctrine which teaches that $1+1+1 = 1$ and not 3. But we believe in this Mystery because Jesus who is God taught it clearly, the Evangelists recorded it, the Fathers of the Church tried to explain it and the Councils of Nicaea and Constantinople defined it as a dogma of Christian Faith. The Mystery of man created by a mysterious Triune God: How complex and mind-boggling is our physical construction! Chemically, the body is unequalled for complexity. Each one of its 30 trillion cells is a mini chemical factory that performs about 10,000 chemical functions. With its 206 bones, 639 muscles, 4 million pain sensors in the skin, 750 million air sacs in the lungs, 16 million nerve cells and 30 trillion cells in total, the human body is remarkably designed for life. And the brain! The human brain with the nervous system is the most complex arrangement of matter anywhere in the universe. One scientist estimated that our brain, on the average, processes over 10,000 thoughts and concepts each day. Three billion DNA pairs in a fertilized egg control all human activities, 30,000 genes making 90,000 proteins in the body. Bill Bryson in his book, *A Short History of Nearly Everything*, says it is a miracle that we even exist. Trillions of atoms come together for approximately 650,000 hours (74 years calculated as the average span of human life), and then begin to silently disassemble and go off to other things. There never was something like us before and there never will be something like us again. But for 650,000 hours the miracle or mystery that is uniquely us, exists. One could spend years just dealing with the marvelous intricacies and majesty of God's creation. We are, as the Psalmist states "*fearfully and wonderfully made.*" No wonder we cannot understand the mystery of a Triune God. **Life messages:** 1) Let us respect ourselves and others because everyone is the temple of the Holy Spirit where all the Three Persons of the Holy Trinity abide. 2) Let us have the firm conviction that the Trinitarian God abides in us, that He is the Source of our hope, courage and strength, and that He is our final destination. 3) Let us practice the Trinitarian relationship of love and unity in the family relationships of father, mother and children because by Baptism we become children of God and members of God's Trinitarian family.



MASS SCHEDULE MAY 26 – JUNE 3, 2018		
Saturday, May 26	5:15 p.m.	Fernand Cyr
Sunday, May 27	8:30 a.m.	Deceased members of the Browne family
	10:00 a.m.	Our Parishioners
Tuesday, May 29	6:30 p.m.	Deceased members of the Ryan family
Wednesday, May 30	9:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Lirette family
Thursday, May 31	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Mary Drake
Friday, June 1 FIRST FRIDAY	9:30 a.m.	Jose Lagahit
Saturday, June 2 FIRST SATURDAY	9:30 a.m.	Tom Kenney
Saturday, June 2	5:15 p.m.	Deceased members of the McMahan family
Sunday, June 3	8:30 a.m.	Somerled MacDonald
	10:00 a.m.	David Grant
	2:00 p.m.	Confirmation Mass Our Parishioners
The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for: <i>the Bracamonte family</i>		

Weekly Target: \$3500.00	Actual Offering – May 20: \$ 2806.00	Operating Shortfall: \$ 694.00
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PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Please pray for: Reggie Bernardo, Armand L'Anglais, Fr. Martin, Hilda Armstrong, Gerard Parker, Valerie Cooper, Mary Lambert, Denis & Norma Savage, Dorothy Meaney, Stella Alberry, Heidi Reid, Gerald & Irene Moriarty, Bibin John, Leone McIntyre, Justin Lefave, Ann Ruigrok, Maurice Belec, Margaret Smith, Grant Marshall, Margrite Dezainde, John Beriau, Debbie Freer, Shelley McCaffrey, Stella Popek and Brian Brougham.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday, May 29	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday, May 30	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday, May 31	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Prayer Group in the Chapel
Saturday, June 2	2:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Rehearsal Candidates, Parents and Sponsors

“Baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” Matthew 28.16-20

MAY 27, 2018

MINISTRY SCHEDULES				
MASS TIMES	HOSPITALITY	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday, June 2 5:15 p.m.	Josie Bracamonte Theresa Houston	Camille Ballantyne Dave McCrae	Sylvia Shackles Carol Ravnaas	Sarah and Lauren McDonald Grace Kelly
Sunday, June 3 8:30 a.m.	Donna Brewer Heather Charbonneau	Phyllis and Marc Dennis	Marguerite Whiteland Noreen Shepherd	Grace Whiteland Evan Duffy
Sunday, June 3 10:00 a.m.	Lloyd and Judy Clayton	Lise Lalonde-Matte Johanne Cardinal	Deacon Shawn Souder Larry Baldissera	Isabelle and Liam Heffernan

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Prayerful best wishes to all who are celebrating wedding anniversaries in May:

Roland and Colette Thornycroft 17 years May 26
Vincenzo and Nancy Del Riccio 53 years May 29
John and Dorothy Lapierre 20 years May 29

PAPAL PRAYERS FOR JUNE: Let us pray that social networks may work towards the inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

CONGRATULATIONS: and prayerful best wishes to **Finlay and Joel McDowell** who are being received into baptism on **May 27** and their parents, Sean and Courtney, and may God continue to bless you as you teach your child to grow in faith.

A MESSAGE FROM PARISH SCREENING COMMITTEE: It is time for all those involved in a High Trust Ministries to complete an annual declaration of offences. This applies to ministries where a police check was done as part of the original screening process. Please look for an envelope with your name on it on the back table. If you have questions, please see Father Jacob or contact Carol Ravnaas at 613-918-0754 or ravcyr6@gmail.com. Thanks to all our wonderful volunteers!

ST. JOHN BOSCO CWL NEEDS YOUR HELP: Our Syrian family is expecting twin girls in early July and the ladies of the Catholic Women's League would like your assistance once again. In the atrium you will find the Jesse tree and it will work the same way as it does at Christmas. On the back of each card you will find an item that the twins will need. Please return the tag and item back to the Church by **June 9**. Thank you for your support.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MONTHLY COLLECTION: Will be held next weekend. Representatives will be at the door at each Mass to receive your financial support. We ask for your support to help the local poor and needy. If you know of an individual or family in need, please call 613 340 8712.

"FOOTLOOSE – MUSICAL": St. Mary's CHS is presenting "Footloose – Musical" at **Brockville Arts Centre on Friday, June 1 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday,**

June 2 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15.00 and they are available online or at the Brockville Arts Centre.

FATHER PHILIP HORRIGAN'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY: All are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving on **Saturday, June 2 at 11 a.m. at St. Charles Borromeo Church**, Read as Father Phil Horrigan celebrates 50 years in the priesthood. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

SACRED HEART OF MARY CENTENNIAL – WOLFE ISLAND: Sacred Heart of Mary Church on Wolfe Island was consecrated on June 11, 1918. On **Sunday, June 10, 2018**, the parish will celebrate the centennial at **Sunday Mass (9:30 a.m.)** with a pot luck social to follow. All former parishioners and friends of the parish are invited, especially those who have not seen the church since it was completely re-painted with a magnificent new design last year. Those who are able to share photos from the history of the church are encouraged to bring them.

CURSILLO WEEKEND FOR WOMEN TO BE HELD IN KINGSTON: - Pope Francis encourages us to encounter Jesus. The Cursillo Weekend offers a short and profound opportunity to encounter Jesus. The Archdiocese of Kingston has just completed a milestone with the Men's Cursillo Weekend held on March 8th to 11th. We are now blessed with the opportunity to have a Women's Cursillo Weekend scheduled for Thursday evening, August 9th through to Sunday, August 12th incl., at Providence Spirituality Centre in Kingston. For more information, please contact Diane Foley at 613.546.6224 / mfoley8@cogeco.ca or Lionel Ryan at 613.634.9588 / RyanLionel07@gmail.com

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT: Register early for this Women's Fall Retreat – September 21 – 23 at Glen House Resort in Gananoque. For more information go to <http://womensfallretreat.com> or call Annette 613-258-7885.

JOKE OF THE WEEK: Trinitarian pastor: One parishioner said, "The Trinitarian God is a lot like our pastor. I don't see him through the week and I don't understand him on Sunday."

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