

June 1, 2023

From Fr. John

We celebrate Trinity Sunday this weekend. For those who aren't familiar with this feast day, or otherwise have never paid attention to such things, this is the Sunday when we celebrate (or at least contemplate) the existence of a Holy Trinity, in which God is manifested as: God the Creator (Father); God the Redeemer (Son); and God the Sustainer (Holy Spirit).

Most priests I know try to pass the preaching for Trinity Sunday off to another priest (or deacon), because preaching on a doctrine (i.e. the doctrine of the Holy Trinity) is a difficult thing. It all comes out like teaching about an undivided entity that is three different elements, rather than preaching the Good News. But all of that is my problem, not yours.

St. Patrick is said to have tried to teach an Irishman about the Trinity by using a shamrock as an example. He said that there were three persons (Father, Son, Holy Spirit), but one God and three leaves but one shamrock.

It can all get pretty dry and esoteric, if we try to understand the details of it. But if we simply believe in the God about whom we speak in the Apostle's (and/or Nicene) Creed; and if we do our best to appreciate the world God (the Creator) gave us, while we try to love people the way Jesus (the Redeemer) did, relying on the power of the Holy Spirit (the Sustainer) to get the work done, all will be well. Not perfect, but well.

Peace,
Fr. John+



First Sunday Ministry Fund

During May, St. James was able to assist 4 families with \$749.59 towards utilities and rent. This was all due to your generosity. The need is always great as you are aware. Please remember that the first Sunday "loose plate" collection (cash) is designated for the Ministry Fund, and we welcome donations by check as well - please make checks payable to St. James with Ministry Fund written in the check's Memo section. Thank you!

Latest Church Directories

Church Directories are available in the Chapel, Narthex, and Parish Hall on Sundays. During the week a copy may be picked up in the office. Please take one per family for now. Thank you.



Renovations Complete!

Come and See! Renovations to the Walker Building and the flooring in the church office and nursery have been completed. Take time Sunday after services to see for yourself the difference the renovations have made!

Baby Diapers Needed

St. James is collecting baby diapers of all sizes that are needed by a local non-profit that helps mothers in need. Even opened packages will be accepted. The blue crate will be in the Narthex for Sunday (those attending 8:00 a.m. service can leave in back of chapel). During the week, you may drop off at the office. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



WORSHIP



June 4th

The First Sunday after Pentecost - Trinity Sunday

In-person Worship at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Childcare is available for the 10:30 AM service.

[Click on this link to join the 10:30 AM service.](#)

[Click here for the service bulletin.](#)

June 4, 2023
Evening Prayer
Online @ 5:00 PM

[Click on this link to join Evening Prayer.](#)

Meeting ID: 863 4898 4077

Passcode: 1620

[Click here for the order of service & reading.](#)



Prayer

Parish Prayer List

Please keep these members of our community in your prayers:

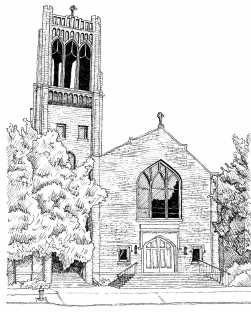
Brady Brown, Shannon Norman, Jimmy Perkins, Ann Vanderslice, Charles Robinson, Belle Chatelain, Larry, Eleanor, Carli McGinty, Fr. John, Lacy Shaw, Sam Bejach, Gary and Becky Maxwell, Lawrence, Liz McSween, Beth Courtney, Holly Craig, Kip Hogue, Charles, Jim Bristol, Ellen Moore, Mother Meredith Ward, Pat Carter, Beth Hebert, Rita Clancey, Jimmy Hurt, Carol Rowe, Barbara Baldwin, Louise Carter, Donnie Hayes, John Brewer, Fred Alexius, Paula Lieberman, Bill and Beverly Jarvis, Robbie G., Jonathan Rhea, Minnie Mikell, Massi Jordan, Richard Norem, Pepe Rizzo, Bonnie McLellan, Michael Sterne, Jim Leggett, Cackie, Bernard Parker, Kristie Fresh, Andrea, Janet & Carl Ahrens, Jeff and Anne, Lillian DeVille, Wilma Filipi, Stephen, Natosha and Family, Fran Barbato, Kevin Delaney, Gail, Charlotte Sterling, Matthew Fontanille, Andrew, Shirley Christian, Susan Webster, Chase Barnfield, Taylor Thompson, Johnnie Hart, Jane Y. Harris, Kyle, James Jay Watts, Beth Virden, Glenn Guillory, Elda Schoolcraft, Mesta Bain, Dean M. Tyree, Dietrich DeBoer, Beverly Butler, Murel Trimble, Emily Warren, Bill Leibke, Wayne Moorehead, Donna House, Dayna Hill, Jane Tyson, and Mehre Hajighassem.

For those in the military:

Kyle Jordan, Josh Duff, Samuel Hayes, Franklin Watson, Kyle Jordan, Donal McCarthy, Michael Geiger, Erskine Cook, Jr., Patrick Downs, and Chris Babcock.

For those celebrating birthdays in June (day):

Angela Hayes (7), Donna Bedingfield (9), Susan Provosty Crowell (10), Rob Ratcliff (10), Gay Hester (11), Alice Gill (15), Elizabeth Milliner (16), Sara Marshall (20), Sallie Monk (21), Tom Yeager (21), Babs Leggett (22), Travis McCartney (22), David Shepherd (22), Graves Theus (22), Henry Clancey (26), Richard Norem (28), Lindsey Torbett (28), Amy Norton (29), Lincoln Holton (30).



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