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Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
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Bishop Tonnos 905-523-2331

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
Saturday 8:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.
4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
Friday After Morning Mass until 9:15 a.m.

Marriage

You are asked to call the parish office to make wedding arrangements at least six months in advance.

Baptism

Please call the parish office. Six weeks notice is usually required.

Catholic Funeral Rites

When a death occurs in your family, please call the parish office and we will assist you in making the necessary liturgical arrangements.

Parish Registration

If you are new to the parish, please fill out a registration form. These can be found at the main entrances. We ask you to inform our office if you are moving out of the parish.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY



From the desk of:

FR. PAUL EDMONDSTONE

This past week has resulted in good news and bad news. The bad news is that Churches have been placed in the second phase of the wider reopening of the province, which means we can open at 15 percent capacity beginning roughly July 5. The good news is that we can have outdoor Masses on Sundays beginning in phase one, which begins Monday, June 14. So, it looks like we can begin public Masses outdoors the weekend of June 19 and 20. I'll have more information coming in the next few weeks about how it all will work (I'm not really sure at this point). The livestream weekday Masses will continue, and I expect to livestream Mass from inside the Church on Sundays as well. As a result of the uncertainty around the reopening, we have decided to postpone our celebrations of First Holy Communion and Confirmation until the fall. Please pray for our young people as they wait to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation.

In terms of the vacant positions on our parish staff, interviews have gone well, and job offers have been made and accepted for both the custodial and secretary positions. Our new staff members will start in the coming weeks, and we will introduce them then- after they've worked here at least a day! The new kitchen is working out very well. Thanks to everyone who donated to the One Heart, One Soul campaign for making this possible.

This Monday, May 31, we mark the Feast of the Visitation of Mary to her cousin Elizabeth. We will do our May crowning at the conclusion of our livestream Mass that morning. Please join us for that as we honour our Lady to conclude this month devoted to her. We celebrate Trinity Sunday this weekend- the fact that we believe in one God, Father, Son, and Spirit. We give thanks for our great-though confusing- God this weekend!

Have a good week!

Father Paul



We at **CatholicMomsGroup.com**, are delighted to be working with the Diocese of Hamilton in helping parishes start Catholic Moms Groups! Dozens of moms from the Hamilton diocese have attended our [Dynamic Women of Faith](#) conference and many of our Catholic Moms Group events. We are now partnering with the Diocese of Hamilton to bring you our materials, enthusiasm and mission in ministering to Catholic Moms! Have you heard about the webinar coming up on **Tuesday June 1st at 7pm?**

In prayerful anticipation, *Dorothy Pilarski*

PS. Get your questions ready! Teresa Harnett and I will be there to answer them all.

Monday, May 31 *The Visitation of the Bl. Virgin Mary*
8:00a.m. Intentions of Linnea Mauro

Tuesday, June 1 *St. Justin Martyr*
8:00a.m. † Richard Agbunag
† Patricia Cramm
† Mary Beth Brown

Wednesday, June *St. Marcellinus & St. Peter, Martyrs*
8:00a.m. † Paul Marratto

Thursday, June 3 *St. Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs*
8:00a.m. † Mary Nagy Loncke

Friday, June 4
8:00a.m. † Rosa Petitti

Saturday, June 5 *St. Boniface, Bishop, Martyr*
Saturday 9am Mass is not live streamed; however, these Mass intentions are offered at Mass each Saturday by Father Paul Edmondstone.

9:00a.m. † For the Holy Souls in Purgatory

5:00p.m. † Dominic De Guerra
† Tracilee Leslie
† Eduardo Piazza

Diocesan Prayer Calendar Week of the May 30, 2021

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Rev. Pat Aiello
Tuesday	Rev. Chris Buda
Wednesday	Barnabite Fathers
Thursday	Very Rev. Aleksander Mazur
Friday	Rev. Sutherland MacDonald
Saturday	Rev. Philip Reilly

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve You through the life which is your gift. May Your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen



VOCATIONS

God the Father, Creator; God the Son, Redeemer; God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier. When we go out to "make disciples of all nations", we have a lot to tell! God is present everywhere. Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of God's love and presence in your life as a priest, religious or deacon? If so, contact the Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2222. vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

There is a very old and much-repeated story about St. Augustine, one of the intellectual giants of the Church. He was walking by the seashore one day, attempting to conceive of an intelligible explanation for the mystery of the Trinity. As he walked along, he saw a small boy on the beach, pouring seawater from a shell into a small hole in the sand. "What are you doing, my child?" asked Augustine. "I am trying to empty the sea into this hole," the boy answered with an innocent smile. "But that is impossible, my dear child," said Augustine. The boy stood up, looked straight into the eyes of Augustine and replied, "What you are trying to do - comprehend the immensity of God with your small head - is even more impossible." Then he vanished. The child was an angel sent by God to teach Augustine a lesson. Later, Augustine wrote: "You see the Trinity if you see love." According to him, the Father is the lover, the Son is the loved one and the Holy Spirit is the personification of the very act of loving. This means that we can understand something of the Mystery of the Holy Trinity more readily with the heart than with our feeble mind. Evagrius of Pontus, a Greek monk of the 4th century who came from what is now Turkey in Asia and later lived out his vocation in Egypt, said: "God cannot be grasped by the mind. If God could be grasped, God would not be God." (<http://frtonyshomilies.com/>)

Today we celebrate one of the greatest mystery of our Christian faith, the Holy Trinity. This celebration reminds us that the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are working together. They are never separated, though, each one of them is a distinct divine person. There is unity of essence and relation within the three divine persons. No amount of philosophical debate or scientific research can fully explain it. It is a mystery and can best be appreciated only with the "eyes of faith." As a dogma, "it is an article of faith revealed by God, which the Magisterium of the Church presents as necessary to be believed..." Hence, Paul's prayer becomes important today: "May the Lord enlighten the eyes of your minds..." (Eph 1, 18).

In our first reading, Moses reminds us, of the wonderful and mysterious nature of the works of God. In other words, that

it takes a loving and mysterious God to accomplish such a wonderful and mysterious task of salvation. Hence, he encourages us to strengthen our faith in God by simply obeying his commandments.

In the second reading, though without offering any systematic teaching on the Holy Trinity, Paul presents the three divine persons in their concrete forms and actions: "Led by the Spirit, we are sons of God...And we are heirs with Christ." It is the same spirit that proceeds from both the Father and the Son that helps us to call God Abba Father.

In today's the gospel, Christ himself revealed the mystery of the three divine persons to us. He revealed this with a mandate: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the son and of the Holy Spirit." This is the trinitarian formula. So, any sincere prayer offered in the name of the Holy Trinity bears a mark of excellence.

Today, the church reminds us that the three divine persons are not divided in their actions of grace. Instead, they work and walk together. They have the same mission, which is, the salvation of the world. The Father sent the Son to redeem the world (Jn 1, 1-3). And the Father and the Son sent us the Holy Spirit as our Counselor and Advocate (Act 1, 8. 2). None of them have absolute dominance of a particular period or time. This is because, in spite of being three distinct persons, they have one essence. They are eternally one and united.

So, the prayer of Christ to the father: "May they be one, as we are One" (Jn 17:22), is a prayer that arises from Trinitarian love. Therefore, the whole church, and each family that forms the universal Church is the sacrament of the Trinity, and as such must be characterized by love and unity. Therefore, what we celebrate today is a model for our unity. We have many lessons to learn from the Holy Trinity. The most important is that, like the Holy Trinity, we can live and work together as one family of God. This is because, we bear one and the same image of God, and were baptized by the same Spirit of God whose mark we bear (Eph 4, 30). So, in spite of our individual personalities and differences unity is possible and a fundamental option.

Hence, today's celebration has much to teach us about unity in our relationships, friendships, marriages, families, communities. It also reminds us that in spite of our different talents, gifts, social, and economic levels, we can live and work together for our salvation and the salvation of the world.

Finally, the celebration of the Holy Trinity reminds us that if we remain united, our different personalities would become our strength, rather than our weakness or the cause of our disintegration. For their love and unity, let us praise the Most Holy Trinity: *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, Amen.* <https://frcanicenijoku.com/2018/05/24/homily-for-holy-trinity-sunday-year-b/>



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