# The Trinity: A Mystery for Eternity

Doctrine of Holy Trinity seems incomprehensible to many, including Christians. Some Catholics might admit it's a mystery to them, as the Church teaches.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life" (CCC 234), known only through divine revelation (CCC 237). It's a truth about God that cannot be grasped by reason alone.

Belief in the Trinity—one God in three Persons—is central to Christianity. The early Church faced many controversies over this doctrine. While it can't be proven in the usual sense, it isn't contrary to reason; it's simply beyond human understanding, as St. Augustine noted: "If you understood Him, it would not be God" (CCC 230).

Today's readings hint at the Trinity. Proverbs speaks of God's wisdom, which the New Testament attributes to the Son (1 Cor 1:24, 8:6). The full revelation of the Trinity came with Jesus' baptism and teachings. Jesus explained the relationship between the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, as seen in John's Gospel. The Father sends the Son, and the Spirit conveys God's love to us, ensuring our justification.

St. Augustine summarized the Trinity's essence: "If you see charity, you see the Trinity." God is one, yet three Persons, offering divine life and love to believers (CCC 257). The Trinity is not just a mystery to us but also for us.

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# **Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar**

May 27 – Rev. Mark Gatto

May 28 – Rev. Peter Robinson

May 29 – Seminarians

May 30 – Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil C.Ss.R.

May 31 – Consecrated Life Candidates

June 1 – Rev. Kevin Upendran

June 2 – The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

#### **Vocations**

# Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity - May 26, 2024

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, call: Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations 905-528-7988; vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

# **Mass Intentions May 25, 2024 – June 2, 2024**

Tuesday, May 28, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.

+ Leon & Genowefa Ziolkowski - Ken & Betty

Wednesday, May 29, 2024 - 8:30 a.m.

+ Peter Richard – Jane Richard

Thursday, May 30, 2024 – 8:30 a.m.

For the Deceased & Living Members of the Tom Paleczny Family – Doris Paleczney

Friday, May 31, 2024 – 8:30 a.m.

+ Ludwig Ceh – Family

Saturday, June 1, 2024

9:00 a.m. + Brian Reidel – Sandra Nakluski 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 2, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish

# Stewardship Report - May 19th, 2024

Sunday Offerings	\$2,	524.00
Votives	\$	34.00
Building Fund	\$	120.00
Special Donations	\$	60.00
Flowers	\$	50.00

We are most appreciative of your ongoing prayerful and financial support for our parish, St. Teresa of Avila.

Donations to the parish can be made through the use of Sunday Offertory envelopes, Pre-Authorized Giving, E-Transfer, and CanadaHelps.

If you require any further information, please contact the parish office.

# **Parish Announcements**

# **First Communion Schedule**

The celebration of First Holy Communion will take place on June 1<sup>st</sup>, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, June 8<sup>th</sup>, and June 9<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.

# Serra Club Meeting: May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

The Serra Club of Kitchener-Waterloo is hosting a meeting on Wednesday, May 29th at St. Teresa of Avial Church to revitalize and increase membership. The event begins at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please contact: Bill Zister at 519-578-2019 or ma zister@hotmail.com.

# **Marian Night**

Join us on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. for a special celebration of the Liturgy to venerate Blessed Mother Mary during the Month of May.

# **Notice: Foyer Glass Door Handles**

We will be replacing the door handles on the center foyer glass doors during the first week of **June**. Until then, please use caution when using the current door handles, as they can pinch!

# **Sanctuary Cleaning Team**

We are looking for volunteers to join our Sanctuary Cleaning team. Teams are made in pairs, and cleaning takes place on Fridays. To join, please contact the parish office or enter your name on the sign-up sheet in the church foyer.

# Catholic Women's League Mass and Dinner: Save the Date!

Tuesday, June 11th, St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Women's League, Elmira has invited our parish to 5:00 Mass at the Carmelite Monastery and dinner at Kennedys. We will carpool from St. Teresa Kitchener parking lot. Numbers are needed to make dinner registrations. Please call 519-578-2019 or <a href="mailto:steresacwl@gmail.com">steresacwl@gmail.com</a> to register.

# **Baptisms**

Please note that baptisms will be scheduled for the last Sunday of the month. Please contact Fr. Stefano Lee to schedule individual baptisms.

# New Parish Photo Directory – Join Us in Creating a Lasting Memory at St. Teresa of Avila!

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We are excited to embark on a special project—a new parish photo directory! This cherished keepsake will capture the spirit and faces of our parish family at this moment in time, and we need your participation to make it a success! It is a wonderful way to celebrate and remember our parish community.

# Sign Up Today!

You can sign up for your photo session by contacting the parish office or at the sign-up table in the narthex of the church before and after Mass on weekends. Don't miss this opportunity to be included in our parish family album.

# **Dates to Remember**

Photographers will be available on the following dates:

- June 24th 26th from 2:30 PM to 8:30 PM
- July 5th 6th from 2:30 PM to 8:30 PM

### **Call for Committee Volunteers**

Many hands make light work, and we need your help! If you are interested in contributing to this historic endeavor, come join the Parish Photo Directory Committee! For more details or to sign up, please contact the parish office or speak with Arinze at 548-333-2015.

Thank you for your participation and support. Let's come together to make the St. Teresa of Avila photo directory a beautiful reflection of our vibrant parish community!

### **Diocese Announcements**

# **Young Adults Night - Stoney Creek**

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night starts at 6: 30 p.m. and includes a Holy Hour, social with food, praise night with vocations testimony, and Compline on Saturday, June 1st at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (934 Highway #8, Stoney Creek, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <a href="https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/">https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/</a> For more information, please contact: <a href="mailtondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/">https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/</a> For more information, please contact: <a href="mailtondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/">https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/">https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/</a> For more information, please contact:

#### Wisdom of the Saints

"Aspire not to have more but to be more."

-- St. Óscar Romero

# Pope Francis' Prayer Intention May 2024

Please join Pope Francis in praying for the formation of religious and seminarians during the month of May.