

Daily Readings For The Week

Monday May 23rd - LABOUR DAY

8th Week in ordinary Time

St. Joseph the Worker

Reading 1: 1 PETER 1: 3-9

Responsorial Psalm: P S. 110{111}: 1-2,5-6,9-10

Gospel: MARK 10: 17-27

Tuesday May 24th

Reading 1: 1 PETER 1: 10-16

Responsorial Psalm: P S. 97{98}: 1-4

Gospel: MARK 10: 28-31

Wednesday May 25th

St. Bede the Venerable, priest & doctor; Gregory VII, pope; & Mary Magdalaene de' Pazzi, virgin.

Reading 1: 1 PETER 1: 18-25

Responsorial Psalm: P S. 146{147}: 12-15,19-20

Gospel: MARK 10: 32-45

Thursday May 26th

St. Philip Neri, priest.

Reading 1: 1 PETER 2: 2-5,9-12

Responsorial Psalm: P S. 99{100}: 2-5

Gospel: MARK 10: 46-52

Friday May 27th

St. Augustine of Canterbury, bishop.

Reading 1: 1 PETER 4: 7-13

Responsorial Psalm: P S. 95{96}: 10-13

Gospel: MARK 11: 11-26

Saturday May 28th

Reading 1: JUDE 17: 20-25

Responsorial Psalm: P S. 62{63}: 2-6

Gospel: MARK 11: 27-33

Announcements

1. A warm Welcome to all our visitors who are worshipping with us for the first time.
2. Happy Birthday and Anniversary to those celebrating their special day this week.
3. 2nd collection next week is for the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.
4. All are invited to the 80th Anniversary of the Founding of Madonna della STRADA—Society of Our Lady of the Way. Mass of Thanksgiving scheduled to be held on its Feast Day, Tuesday, May 24, 2016 @ Holy Cross Church, Half Way Tree Rd. @ 5:30 p.m.
5. Senior Citizens meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 25, 2016 @ 1:30 p.m.
6. The Feast of Corpus Christie & Children's Mass will be on Sunday, May 29, 2015.

**YOUTH CAKE
SALE
29/05/2016**

*Welcome to the Roman Catholic
Community of St. Elizabeth's Church
"A Catholic Community in the Passionist Tradition"*



The Holy Trinity

May 22, 2016

Theme: The Ineffable Mystery of God.

Last week we celebrated the Holy Spirit. This week we celebrate the Three Divine Persons in the One God. It is a mystery beyond our comprehension and yet we are invited to understand it just a bit from the Scriptures and from the words of Jesus Himself.

Celebrating the Eucharist

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Tue, Fri: 8:00 a.m.

Wednesdays: 5:30 p.m.

Rev. Fr. Richard Award, C.P.

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Office is closed on Saturdays & Sundays.

Pastor is available during office hours and by appointment.

The first reading, from the Book of Proverbs, speaks of Wisdom in such a way as to lead us to understand Wisdom as at least an aspect of God and perhaps even as personal. As with much that comes to us from the Jewish Scriptures, the notion of Wisdom needs meditation and contemplation from us. We moderns often want a textbook rather than to take the time to savour the rich variety of meanings in Holy Scripture. The Holy Trinity is one of those great mysteries of our faith in which we must find ourselves at rest. We can only do this if we take time to savour and to grasp a bit the connections throughout all of Scripture.

The second reading, from the Letter to the Romans, gives us a reference to God, to the Son and to the Spirit, all in the same reading. This is not the only place in the New Testament Scriptures that we find such a reference, but it is a clear reference to the Holy Trinity. Again, we need to take time to understand who God is, who Jesus Christ is and who the Spirit is—as given to us in our Christian Scriptures. If we don't take time, we will never know the richness of this doctrine and the wonderful gift that we have received in Jesus Christ.

The Gospel of John given to us today is another reference to each of the Three Persons of the Trinity and tells us, from the point of Jesus, a bit about the relationship of the Three Persons. First, the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Jesus and His role is to help us understand Jesus and live the mystery of Divine Life that Jesus gives to us. Jesus also tells us that all that the Father has is also possessed by Jesus because the Father has given it to Him. The Spirit takes from what is given to Jesus by the Father and gives it to us, declares it to us.

This is an incredibly powerful statement but the wording sometimes leaves us without understanding. From all the Jesus tells us, we know that He, Jesus, loves us with the same love as the Father loves Him. It would take us an eternity to understand this love, but in this life, we must come to believe this: God loves us and wants us to share His life. God does not reject us because of sin. On the contrary, because of sin, Jesus comes to save us. That is an on going and present action, not something that happened once and is over.

So we are invited today to share in the life of the Trinity, the very life of God. We are invited to live in a way that reflects this Divine Love in our lives. Let us walk with Jesus because only in Him can we begin to understand, however little, this immense mystery of God's love for us.

The Order of Mass

Gathering: No. 100 *"Gather, Christians"*

Lord Have Mercy

Gloria

Opening Prayer

First Reading: Proverbs 8: 22-31 {Christine Pratt}

Responsorial Psalm: 8: 4-9

Response: O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

Second Reading: Romans 5: 1-5 {Rosemarie Whittaker}

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Gospel: John 16: 12-15

Homily

Universal Prayer

Preparation of Gifts: No. 445 *"Too Much Hurt And Frustration"*

2nd Collection: No. 382 *"Take Up Your Cross And Follow Me"*

Presentation of Gifts: No. 380 *"Take Our Bread, We Ask You"*

Hosanna

Memorial Acclamation

Great Amen

Lord's Prayer

Greeting of Peace

Lamb of God

Communion: No. 185 *"If We Eat Of The Lord"*

Meditation: *Choir*

Sending Forth: No. 111 *"Glory To The Father"*

Today's Extraordinary Ministers:

Pearline Maxfield

Valrey Pratt