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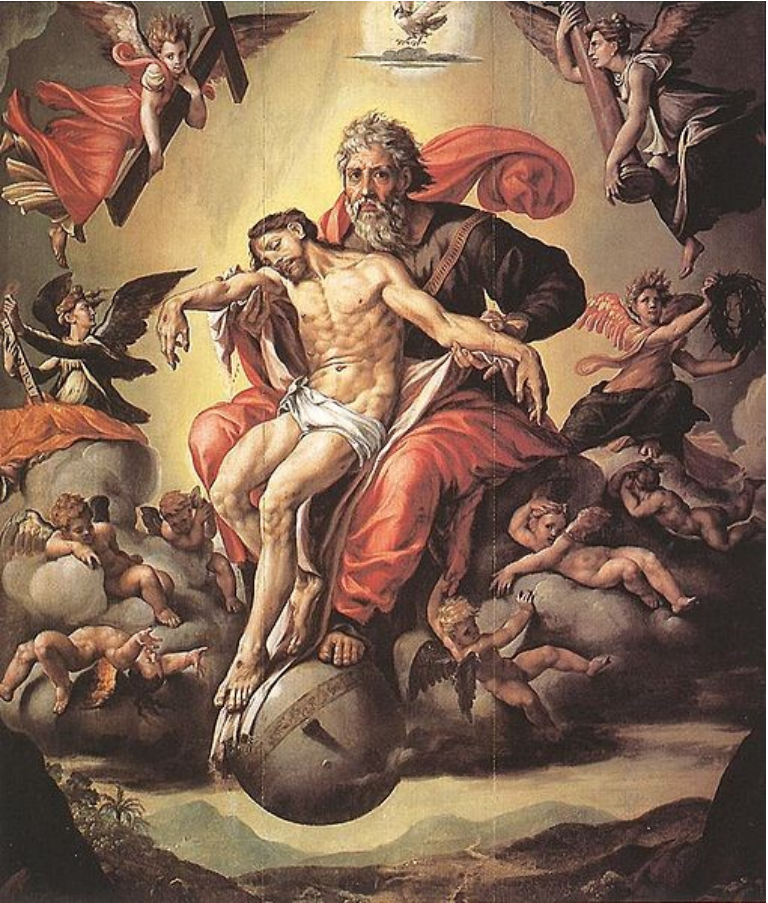
# The Lewis County Catholic Times

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The dogma of faith which forms the object of the feast is this: There is one God and in this one God there are three Divine Persons; the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God. Yet there are not three Gods, but one, eternal, incomprehensible God! The Father is not more God than the Son, neither is the Son more God than the Holy Spirit. The Father is the first Divine Person; the Son is the second Divine Person, begotten from the nature of the Father from eternity; the Holy Spirit is the third Divine Person, proceeding from the Father and the Son. No mortal can fully fathom this sublime truth. But I submit humbly and say: Lord, I believe, help my weak faith.

Why is this feast celebrated at this particular time? It may be interpreted as a finale to all the preceding feasts. All three Persons contributed to and shared in the work of redemption. The Father sent His Son to earth, for "God so loved the world as to give His only-begotten Son." The Father called us to the faith. The Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, became man and



spontaneously from Christian hearts. The feast of the Most Holy Trinity may well be regarded as the Church's Te Deum of gratitude over all the blessings of the Christmas and Easter seasons; for this mystery is a synthesis of Christmas, Epiphany, Easter, Ascension and Pentecost. This feast, which falls on the first Sunday after Pentecost, should make us mindful that actually every Sunday is devoted to the honor of the Most Holy Trinity, that every Sunday is sanctified and consecrated to the triune God. Sunday after Sunday we should recall in a spirit of gratitude the gifts which the Blessed Trinity is bestowing upon us. The Father created and predestined us; on the first day of the week He began the work of creation. The Son redeemed us; Sunday is the "Day of the Lord," the day of His resurrection. The Holy Spirit sanctified us, made us His temple; on Sunday the Holy Spirit descended upon the infant Church. Sunday, therefore, is the day of the Most Holy Trinity.

Excerpted from The Church's Year of Grace, Pius Parsch

died for us. He redeemed us and made us children of God. He ever remains the liturgist par excellence to whom we are united in all sacred functions. After Christ's ascension the Holy Spirit, however, became our Teacher, our Leader, our Guide, our Consoler. On solemn occasions a thanksgiving Te Deum rises

## Commentary for the Readings in the Extraordinary Form: Trinity Sunday

"Blessed be the Holy Trinity" (Introit) "in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" (Gospel).

The Most Adorable Trinity! "All things" good, in nature and grace, flow from and return to the Trinity; "from Him," God the Father, our Creator; "through Him" God the Son, our Redeemer; "unto Him," God the Holy Spirit, our Sanctifier (Epistle). May we ever be "on the alert" to the presence of the Trinity in our souls! At Baptism we became the adopted "sons of the Father," "co-heirs with Christ," "temples of the Holy Spirit!"

In our offering of Holy Mass, "we will give glory to" the Trinity (Introit), and God will show "mercy to us" (Offertory, Communion). On this Feast we should also renew our baptismal vows that this "profession of our faith. . . may be of profit to our health, in body and soul" (Postcommunion).

Excerpted from My Sunday Missal, Confraternity of the Precious Blood

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## **Parish Prayer List**

**Of your charity, please offer prayers for...**

- ◆ **Those who are sick:** Kent Wolford (Sandy Mick's cousin), Nick Bakas, Brad Curtis, Rose Determan, Anita Droppleman, James Shaver & Carl Ford (Lynne Shaver's dad and step-dad), Ed Hubbs, Jeff Linger, Fr. Leo Lydon, Frank Lydon, Sam McLaughlin (Matt's brother), Mary Ann Murray, Susan Murray, Emma Pascasio, Burke Riley, Mike Riley, Shane Rowan, Micki Snyder, Jane Taylor, Grace Turner (Fred Turner's mother), Sonny Walker, George Whelan, Jane White
- ◆ **Those who have died:** Lisa Decker Shaffer (Sandy's cousin), May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- ◆ **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**
- ◆ **All Military Personnel:** Alan Hamilton, Aaron Hamilton, Bobby Summers

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To be considered an “active” member of the parish (and thus eligible for Sacraments, sponsor eligibility, and the “Catholic tuition” rate at St. Patrick’s School), the parish takes into account family & individual involvement in parish life and ministries, and Mass attendance. Mass attendance is only able to be tracked accurately via collection envelopes. If you are not receiving envelopes currently, please contact the parish office. Parishioners over 18 are encouraged to register as their own household to help us keep records accurate and up-to-date.

1 Fri: No Mass  
3 Sun: 4pm, CDA picnic,  
Berlin park  
5 Tue: 7pm, K of C meeting,  
cafeteria  
12 Tue: 6pm, SoulCore,  
cafeteria  
17 Sun: 10:30am, Father's  
Day Brunch, cafeteria

Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15  
-18/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12  
-16, 22-26

St. Patrick's is looking to hire a Director of Catholic Outreach and Advancement. Job duties will include building a comprehensive plan of advancement and stewardship management for the parish and its various missions, coordinating stewardship databases, facilitating community relations and outreach. The successful candidate should have a background in Public Relations, Marketing, and/or Fundraising. Cover letter and resume should be sent to Fr. DeViese c/o St. Patrick Parish no later than May 30.

*External Solemnity of Corpus Christi*

5/28 St. Augustin of Canterbury, Bishop & Confessor  
5/29 St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, Virgin  
5/30 St. Felix I, Poe & Martyr  
5/31 Corpus Christi  
6/1 St. Angela Merici, Virgin  
6/2 SS. Marcellinus, Peter & Erasmus, Martyrs



## Weekly Devotions

### Wednesday

**4:55p** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**5:20p** Rosary and Miraculous Medal Novena

**5:45p** Benediction

### **Need Help? Get Help!**

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

AA - Tues., Thurs., & Sat.,  
8pm school basement.

#### **Narcotics Anonymous**

NA - Mon., 7pm school basement  
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facing the rectory for AA and NA meetings.*



## **Knights' News**

### **The Vocation Chalice Program**

This program is to encourage families to pray together for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The program will help to cultivate an increased awareness of God's plan for our lives and to help cultivate a positive environment to foster future vocations within our parish and Diocese.

The Knights of Columbus and Fr. DeViese are deeply committed to increasing awareness of how critical is it that more young people begin to turn their hearts away from the distractions of the world and to follow God in a more radical way. By God's grace, we pray that He will raise up from among the youth of our parish a new generation of priests and consecrated religious that will seek to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our Diocese and throughout the world! The Vocation Chalice Program will take a summer break and resume in September.

#### **Chalice Schedule**

- Saturday, May 19 - Tom Ruppert
- Sunday, May 27 - Dale & Micki Snyder

## **Mass Intentions**

Having the Holy Sacrifice of Mass offered is more effective than flowers or memorial gifts for your deceased loved ones or as a special intention for a living person or special occasion. Mass Intentions can be placed in a "Mass Intention" envelope and placed in the collection basket or dropped off to the parish office. Please indicate if the person is living or deceased and the date you would like the Mass to be said. Mass dates are filled on a "first come, first serve" basis.

## **2018 Catholic Sharing Appeal** *Almost Heaven*

We have reached 27% of our goal in the first couple weeks of the appeal. Sixteen donors have contributed \$5162 to our \$19245 goal. With the money raised through the Catholic Sharing Appeal in 2017, we were able to install a HVAC system in the gym. Coincidentally, it really came in handy when the gas was off for a few days in December. Last year we surpassed our goal by 477%. This year, funds returned to the church through the CSA will go to upgrade the schools kitchen. Donations can be made online at <http://csa.dwcministries.org/>.

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