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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



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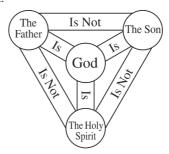
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NEWSLETTER

Believe in order to understand

The Doctrine of the **Blessed Trinity** is a **mystery**, and therefore something we can never fully understand. A mystery is not something which is totally unknown, but it is something which is only partially revealed by God, and yet much of it is beyond our understanding. As the diagram above explains, the Trinity is **three Persons in one God** - the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. There are not three Gods and neither do they share the one divinity among themselves. Rather, **each** of them is God **whole and entire**. The Father is God; He's not one-third of God. JESUS, the Son is God; He's not one-third of God. And the Holy Spirit is God, He's not one-third of God. So each of the three Persons possesses **fully** the one Divine nature.



We might think, "Well, what does it matter?" It matters because as Catholics we believe our Faith is not something we make up as we go along. Christianity is **revealed** by God. It is not the word of mere human beings. God has revealed to us **Who He is**, and so we are in error if we think we can believe whatever we like. Notice how in today's Gospel Our Lord says, "Teach them to observe ALL the commands I gave you" (Matthew 28:19). This means we can never water down the Faith or change it to suit the latest ideology or the mood of the day. We might not be able to fully understand the profound depths of the Church's doctrines, but every Catholic is called to firmly believe them, even when our understanding is lacking. As **St Augustine of Hippo** (354-430) famously said, "I believe in order to understand." So it is faith seeking understanding.

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St Augustine of Canterbury

Please pray for those who are sick

for those who have recently died

Bogumil Stabik Ishwar Macwan Arlinda Pinto May they rest in peace

and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Beryl Ward George Scrivens Scott Walker Giovanna Palmieri Pietro Lallo

PLEASE NOTE

Due to government regulations regarding personal data (UK-GDPR), we are not able to publish name details of Mass intentions for the living in this online version of the newsletter.

MASS INTENTIONS AT ST MARY'S

Sat 25th 6.00pm	Vigil Mass For the Parish
Sun 26th 9.00am 11.15am 4.00pm	The Most Holy Trinity (Solemnity) Leslie Parkin (RIP) Phyllis Harrison (RIP, Anniversary) Confirmations Italian Mass
Mon 27th 10.30am	St Augustine of Canterbury (Feast) Rogelio Gunhuran (RIP, Anniversary)
Tues 28th 9.15am	Feria Andres Bonifaccio (RIP)
Weds 29th 6.30pm	St Boniface (Memoria) Fr Bernard Nann IC (RIP Anniv) (Ordinariate rite)
Thurs 30th 9.15am	Feria Deceased members of the Pagani family
Fri 31st 6.00-6.25pm 6.30pm	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast) Confessions Michele Calabrese (RIP)
Sat 1st 10.00am 10.30am -12.30pm 2.30pm 6.00pm	St Justin (Memoria) Pietro Lallo (RIP, Anniversary) PUBLIC MASS Private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Confessions 10.30-11.30am & Benediction 12.20pm Baptism Vigil Mass: Antonietta Acierno (RIP, Anniversary)
Sun 2nd 9.00am 11.15am 4.00pm	Corpus Christi (Solemnity) For the Parish (RIP) Margot & Stanlislaw Trojan (RIP) Italian Mass

Rosary: Mon, Tues, Thurs after 9.15am Mass; Wed, Fri at 6.00pm; First Saturday of each month after 10.00am Mass

St Augustine was sent to by Pope Gregory the Great in 596 to evangelise the English. It was St Augustine who established the See of Canterbury. He laid the foundations for the later widespread conversion of England to Christianity.

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This is our Catholic Faith. Though we can never *fully* understand it, we are proud to profess it, because God Who is the absolute Truth, who can neither deceive nor be deceived has revealed it to us.

Fr Paul Gillham, IC

Congratulations to the 13 members of the RCIA group, who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 11.15am Mass this weekend. It is normally the Bishop who administers Confirmation, but he has given me the faculty to do so in this case. Fr Paul

First Holy Communion: Next weekend is the Solemnity of Corpus Christi and children will be making their First Holy Communion at each of the weekend Masses. There will be a short Corpus Christi procession (weather permitting) and Benediction at the end of the 11.15am Mass.

The Diocesan Education Service is seeking to appoint a highly professional, motivated Governance, Admissions, and Appeals Manager to join their small and friendly team. The post will start on 1st September, at a salary between £38k and £42k, and applications should be received by Monday 10th June. This is a full-time permanent appointment; part-time working will also be considered, in which case the governance role will be three days per week, and the admissions and appeals role will be two days per week. More details can be found at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers

Loughborough Food Bank/Your Store: The next collections will be on Saturday 15th, June and Saturday 13th. July in the car park 10.30/11.00. Once again small jars of coffee and hot chocolate are requested along with shower gel, toothpaste, soap and kitchen cleaning products. Thank you for your continued support.

Be scam aware: With an ever increasing number of scam emails circulating, please be wary of any suspicious looking messages you receive, even if they're from friends or people you know: under no circumstances click on links within them. You can report any such messages to Action Fraud to report@phishing.gov.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040.

Calling Foundation Governors. A virtual information session about being a foundation governor in one of our Catholic schools is taking place on Thursday 27th June from 7.00pm to 8.00pm. See the poster on the notice board, or contact: Julie Sweeney at julie.sweeney@nottinghamdes.org.uk

The Exaireo Trust is looking for one or two part-time supervisors for their ReUse Project. The role involves upcycling furniture and therefore experience of sanding and painting, or similar craft work, is required. See the notice board for further details of contact catherine@exaireo.org

Last Rites does not mean Last Minute! As soon as a person begins to be in danger of death because of illness, injury or old age, the time for anointing has surely already come. Fr Paul



The Visitation

Prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Leader: Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. Let us ask

God to give worthy Priests to His Holy Church and

Brothers and Sisters to Religious Orders.

All: O God, we earnestly beseech You to bless this

diocese with many priests, brothers and sisters, who will gladly spend their entire lives serving Your Church

and making You known and loved.

Leader: Bless our families. Bless our children.

All: Choose from our homes those who are needed for

Your work.

Leader: Mary, Queen of the Clergy!

All: Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain

for us many more. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Parish hall: Work on the refurbishment of the parish hall is nearing completion and is likely to be finished in about a week. Thank you for your patience during this time.

The Repository (Church Shop) has a plentiful supply of First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards and gifts. Cash and card payments accepted.

From the Saints

It is good that faith should precede reason, lest we seem to demand reasons from our Lord God in the same way that we might demand them of a man. How unworthy it would be to believe the human testimonies of another, and not believe the utterances of God Himself"

(St Ambrose of Milan, c. 340-397)



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Day: Saturday 22nd June at St Peter's, Hinckley. For further details email to bernard.p.monaghan@btinternet.com.

New look website: The new website is now live. We hope you enjoy browsing through it. There are still a few technical issues to resolve; thanks for your patience while we deal with them.

Scan the code to visit the parish website



Last Week's Finance

Collection: £976 (£133

gift-aided)

Standing orders: £698 @ 30/04 (£635 gift-aided)

Attendance: 631

Thank you

St Mary's bank account details for online donations

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