

ABOUT US

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St Cecilia Catholic Church

June 12, 2022

The Most Holy Trinity



John 16:12-15

“Jesus said to his disciples: “I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you.” ...

PASTOR'S NOTE

This weekend we celebrate the Holy Trinity. The Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit.

Our minds can find it difficult to grasp the complexity of the Trinity and there really is no perfect analogy as they all fall short in some way. However, we can come to know the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Last week, we celebrated Pentecost (the Birthday of the Church). On this day the apostles were consumed with the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus told them:

“It is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convince the world of sin and righteousness.”

The Holy Spirit is consistently the most overlooked of the Trinity but is vital in guiding us along the narrow path to Heaven.

Who is the Holy Spirit? As we profess in the Nicene Creed: The Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

He is the Giver of Life who convicts and inspires us. How are we able to recognize the Spirit? Through the fruits of charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, chastity. When we see these fruits abundantly present in others, we see the consuming fire of the Spirit and it is contagious.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations

As baptized and confirmed Catholics, we have received the fullness of the Spirit and are living temples of the Holy Spirit. Through regularly attending confession we are clearing out our temples and inviting the Spirit to come dwell more abundantly in us.

The Spirit is Truth. It is our compass that guides us through the waves of life. He sometimes nudges us to go talk to that person, give so and so a phone call randomly or take us out of comfort zone to take on a new endeavor. Let's answer those invitations and ask for the grace to come to know the Spirit who wants to use us!

Come Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore you. Enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, and console me. Tell me what I must do. Inspire me with what I must say. Give me Your orders. I promise to submit myself to You in all that You ask of me and to accept all that You permit to happen to me. Let me only know Your will and do Your will. Amen.

In Christ, Justin Seidleck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **ARE YOU AN ALUMNI OF ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND?** In town for alumni weekend? Stop by to meet and greet the "Catholic Seahawks" of St. Mary's College after the 8am mass this Sunday, June 12th to hear about how our new (and growing) ministry serves the college today. Join our alumni list, meet our current students, and pick up some free Catholic Seahawks swag!
- ◆ **CARRY-OUT CHICKEN DINNER**— Will be held Sunday, June 12, 2022 from 11:30-4pm at the K. C. Hall, Ridge, MD . \$15 a dinner for 1/2 chicken, potatoes, veggie, coleslaw. Self-serve dining facilities available. Baked goods available. For more information call 301-872-4641.
- ◆ **MEN'S NIGHT OF REFLECTION** - MONDAY, JUNE 13TH, 7:00PM - ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH, St. Inigoes. This month's talk is "Under Attack - The Eucharist," given by Fr. Larry Swink. Evening includes Adoration, talk, Confessions and Healing prayers.
- ◆ **WOMEN'S NIGHT OF REFLECTION** - TUESDAY, JUNE 14TH, 7:00PM - ST. PETER CLAVER CHURCH, St. Inigoes. This month's talk is "Do You Seek Him? The Eucharist," given by Fr. Larry Swink. Evening includes Adoration, talk, Confessions(6PM), and Healing prayers.
- ◆ **HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS**- Join us as we pray before the Blessed Sacrament at the "Holy Hour for the Intentions of the Ordinandi" and an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life on Wednesday, June 15 at 8:00am at St. Cecilia's and/or Wednesday, June 15 at 6:30pm at St. Peter Claver's. Unite with parishes throughout The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington as we anticipate the Ordination of our Priests on June 18. The year's Ordinandi for the Priesthood—Deacon Gerald Andrews, Deacon Ryan Braam, Deacon Mattia Cortigiani, Deacon Carlos Rodrigo de Gutierrez, Deacon Peter Mlynarczyk (our own former summer seminarian in 2016), Deacon James Morgan, Deacon Grzegorz Okulewicz, Deacon Thomas Robertson, Deacon Kyle Vance, and Deacon Alexander Wyvill. "Every vocation every path to which Christ calls us, ultimately leads to fulfillment and happiness, because it leads to God, to sharing in God's own life." - Saint John Paul II.
- ◆ **CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION/BENEDICTION**—Please join us next Saturday, June 18, after the 4:30pm Mass as we have a vigil Corpus Christi procession. On Sunday, June 19, we will have benediction after the 8am Mass for the feast of Corpus Christi.
- ◆ **SANCTUARY CONSTRUCTION**—Please be aware that we will move **all Masses to St Peter Claver the week of June 20-25 (Monday thru Friday)** due to construction in our sanctuary. Weekend Masses still be held here as per our normal schedule.
- ◆ **DIRE NEED FOR ASSISTANCE**—We have a fully vetted family in dire need of help. Please see Father after Mass or call the Church office if you are able to provide assistance.
- ◆ **HOLY LAND TRIP**—Our Lady Star of the Sea travel club is hosting a trip to the Holy Land in December, 2022 and would like to invite your parish members to join us. Spend Advent in Bethlehem, as we walk in the footsteps of Jesus. Depart December 5, return December 13, 2022. Trip cost is \$999 pp and includes hotel, tours, daily breakfast and dinner. Airfare is additional. A \$300 deposit is all that is needed to hold your place. Please contact Mary Beth Brown for more information: marybeth@bytheseatravel.com or 443-623-6368.