



BLD Trenton



Community News

This Sunday's Counsel

THEME:

We journey to a life of perfect love, unity and peace when we believe and adore the Blessed Trinity.

PROMISE:

"...everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." (Jn 3: 16b)

WORD:

Ex 34: 4b-6, 8-9/
Dn 3: 52, 53, 54,
55, 56/ 2 Cor 13:
11-13/ Jn 3: 16-18



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BLD TRENTON

22nd Anniversary

Praise the Lord!

First Friday Mass
June 2, 2023 | 8:30 pm

St. William the Abbot
740 Lakewood Allenwood Rd.
Howell, NJ 07731

Wear red or white
Fellowship after Mass



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Attached To The True Vine

REFLECTION:

On the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity we celebrate the Trinitarian mystery of "One God in Three Divine Persons... the central mystery of the Christian faith and of Christian life" as described by the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 234). The love of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit is perfect as to make the three Divine Persons equal in majesty, though distinct from one another but undivided, into one single Divine reality – the Blessed Trinity. In our lifetime, we may never be able to fully comprehend said mystery, except to know that it is the perfect sense of communion and unity of our Triune God that we must emulate as a way of life for Christian believers.

The Solemnity allows us to discover and learn more about how the Three Divine Persons work in perfect communion of perfect love and perfect harmony with each



other, a community in itself, a community of God. Every community should conscientiously strive to follow the perfect relationship of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in perfect unity and love. As no human being is perfect, it follows that there is no perfect community. But we should continue to persevere to work for unity despite our diversity and difference, and allow God to be present and work continuously amongst us, as a family, as a community. Yet, even in our different cultures, diverse values and various ways, we can still attain a semblance of perfect love through acceptance, tolerance and understanding. While we live as different "branches," we should remain attached to the True Vine – our Triune God.

Our theme for this week tells us – We journey to a life of perfect love, unity and peace when we believe and adore the

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Tending the Flock

A Triune God Of Love

In the First Reading (Ex 34: 4b-6, 8-9) we heard a biblical text that presents to us the revelation of God's Name. It is God himself, Eternal and Invisible, who proclaims it, passing before Moses in the cloud on Mount Sinai. And his Name is: "The Lord, a God merciful, and compassionate, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness". In the New Testament St. John sums up this sentence in a single word: "Love" (cf. I Jn 4: 8, 16). Today's Gospel also testifies to this: "God so loved the world that he gave his Only Son" (Jn 3: 16). Consequently this Name clearly expresses that the God of the Bible is not some kind of monad closed in on itself and satisfied with his own self-sufficiency but he is life that wants to communicate itself, openness, relationship. Words like 'merciful', 'compassionate', 'rich in grace' all speak to us of a relationship, in particular, of a vital Being who offers himself, who wants to fill every gap, every shortage, who wants to give and to forgive, who desires to establish a solid and lasting bond. Sacred Scripture knows no other God than the God of the Covenant who created the world in order to pour out his love upon all

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An Invitation

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND
JUNE 9 - 11, 2023

Ave Maria Retreat House
The National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa
654 Ferry Road Doylestown, PA 18901

Free Registration
Meals and Accommodation To Be Provided

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Toms River, NJ 08754

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May 26, 2023

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God's Blessings

Birthday

Connie Cipriaso	6/2	Ernie Doropan	6/5
Toto Lemon	6/2	Ramon Cuasay	6/6
Chris Cabrera	6/5	Fr. Tito Ignacio	6/6
Lenny Palao	6/5	Kevin Palencia	6/6
Ronald Rebong	6/6		

Anniversary

Hector & Anna Zayas	6/2
Chito & Aileen Ciocon	6/3
Jomar & Teena Janolo	6/3
Eric & Arlene Tan	6/5
Mark & Lilia Senter	6/8
Dennis & Jasmin Zulueta	6/8

Who Are You Gonna Call (or Text)?

For Mama Mary's visit - Beth Felibrico 732-995-7407
For Prayer Service - Mary Anne Arias 732-688-3962

The Soul's Tonic

Prayer is the medicine for faith, it is a tonic for the soul. However, it needs to be constant prayer. If we must undergo a treatment to get better, it is important to follow it well, to take the medicine consistently and regularly in the right way and at the right times. This is necessary in all of life. Let us think of a houseplant: we have to water it consistently every day. We cannot soak it and then leave it without water for weeks! Even more so with prayer. We cannot live only on strong moments of prayer or occasional intense encounters, and then "go into hibernation". Our faith will dry up. We need the daily water of prayer, we need time dedicated to God, so that he can enter into our time, into our lives; consistent moments in which we open our hearts to him so that he can daily pour out on us love, peace, joy, strength, hope, thus nourishing our faith.

~ Pope Francis

We praise you, O Lord,
God of our fathers, and exalt your
holy and glorious name.

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creatures (cf. Roman Missal, Eucharistic Prayer IV) and chose a people with which to make a nuptial pact, to make it become a blessing for all the nations and so to form a great family of the whole of humanity (cf. Gn 12: 1-3; Ex 19: 3-6). This revelation of God is fully delineated in the New Testament through the word of Christ. Jesus showed us the Face of God, one in Essence and Triune in Persons: God is Love, Father Love - Son Love - Holy Spirit Love. And it is precisely in this God's Name that the Apostle Paul greets the Community of Corinth: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God [the Father] and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all" (II Cor 13: 14).

~ Pope Benedict XVI
Homily, May 18, 2008

Last Week's Prophecy



• I have bestowed numerous spiritual gifts on you given mostly during your baptism in the Life in the Spirit seminar. I urge you to use them daily. Heal those who need healing. Minister to all who manifest and glorify Me.

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Blessed Trinity. We are exhorted to deepen our faith in the Most Holy Trinity with whom we can share the same love, unity and peace in our relationship with one another. Especially in our community life, let us lift our activities and aspirations to the Lord and be motivated by our spirituality, obedience and oneness, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to bring us to a greater height in serving God.

We are true disciples of God when the unity of the Most Holy Trinity is manifested in us. Union with God must show not only in one's faith but, above all, in the person's love for his brethren, in serving our brothers and sisters, in bringing the love of

God to those who are last, least and lost.

As a community, we can be empowered to serve others by keeping the bond of love and unity. Then we will be motivated to focus on our mission works. We are commissioned to proclaim the Gospel of love to all men, through God's word that is manifested in our life and by being a true witness to God's goodness and love.

As we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity, let us ask God to bless our family and our community, that we may imitate the love and unity of the Three Divine Persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit; that as we

reach the destination of our faith journey, we may be one with our Triune God for all eternity. For the Lord promises, "...everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." (Jn 3:16b).

Furthermore, let us ponder upon what the Catholic Catechism tells us: Christ bestowed unity on His Church from the beginning. He gives His Church the gift of unity, but the Church must always pray and work to maintain, reinforce, and perfect the unity that Christ wills for her... The desire to recover the unity of all Christians, is a gift of Christ and call of the Holy Spirit (CCC 820).



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