St. John of the Cross Parish Served by the Carmelites

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> We, God's people, members of St. John of the Cross Carmelite Parish, and disciples called through baptism to be prophetic, priestly, and holy, have been chosen to serve, help, and guide each other on our Christian pilgrimage through life, to the Kingdom of God.

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Sunday

> Saturday: 5:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m. Sunday:

WEEKDAY MASSES AT THE CHURCH

Monday through Saturday: 9:00 a.m. Everv Wednesdav: additional mass 7:00 p.m. followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help First Friday: additional mass 7:00 p.m. followed by Adoration

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Other times by appointment.

BAPTISM

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Parents are required to attend the Baptism Preparation Class. They are also encouraged to attend the class prior to the birth of the baby. Godparents are also expected to attend this class. A registration package is available at the Parish Office or at our website.

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SCHOOLS

St. Albert of Jerusalem	905-785-9298
St. Elizabeth Seton	905-821-2277
St. John of the Cross	905-824-3058
St. Richard	905-826-5572
St. Teresa of Avila	905-858-3462
St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus	905-785-0066
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	905-824-1025

MARRIAGE

It is required that one of those to be married resides within the Parish boundary. Couples planning to be married must contact the Parish Office at least one year in advance of their proposed date. They are required to complete a Marriage Preparation Course.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the parish office if confined to home or hospitalization so sacramental care may be provided.

JOHN OF THE CROSS was born in 1542 at Fontiveros in Spain. He entered the Carmelite Community and was ordained a priest in 1567. Renowned for his wisdom and sanctity, he died at Ubeda in 1591. His writings are not only classics of spirituality, but also of Spanish literature. His best known books are The Ascent of Mount Carmel, The Dark Night of the Soul, and The Living Flame of Love.

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

1st Reading: Exodus 34.4b-6, 8-9 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 13.11-13 Gospel: John 3.16-18 *For God so Loved the World*

Building a Community of Love

This Sunday we celebrate the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity which is the "central mystery of Christian faith and life" (CCC 234). While the Trinity is a mystery our mind will never fully grasp we can still glean much spiritual fruit through prayerful reflection.

Firstly, we must remember that God is Love (1 John 4:16). In order for God to be Love itself, it stands to reason that He is "one but not soli-



tary" (CCC 254). This is because love requires a lover and a beloved. It is within the Trinity that an eternal exchange of Love exists. St. Augustine describes in his treaty "On the Trinity" that the Father and the Son eternally look at each other with pure Love, and this unadulterated love is the Holy Spirit, existing for all ages.

Hence, through reflecting on this mystery we come to understand the immense importance of community and the sharing of love. As stewards, we are called to imitate this divine life of the Trinity. We can do this by living with our brothers and sisters and fellow parishioners in a community of love. Love requires sacrifice and is expressed not just in words but in deeds (1 John 3:18). So let us offer up our time and talents for the good of our parish and the Church. If we strive to create this community of love, we can take great consolation in knowing that we are abiding in the Trinity, for St. John says "whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him" (1 John 4:16).

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	June 8	1 Kings 17:1-6; Matthew 5:1-12
Tue	June 9	1 Kings 17:7-16; Matthew 5:13-16
Wed	June 10	1 Kings 18:20-39; Matthew 5:17-19
Thurs	June 11	Acts 11:21b-26, 13:1-3; Matthew 10:7-13
Fri	June 12	1 Kings 19:9a, 11-16; Matthew 5:27-32
Sat	June 13	1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21; Matthew 5:33-37
Sun	June 14	Deut 8:2-3, 14-16; 1Cor 10:16-17; John 6:51-59

TRINITY SUNDAY: June 7, 2020



Living the Gospel by supporting married couples

Married for three years, Phil and Helen were expecting their first child when Paul revealed a secret: he had a son from a previous relationship. Feeling betrayed by Phil's dishonesty, Helen learned about affordable couples counselling at Catholic Family Services of Toronto. Over 10 weeks of counselling, they learned to take the risk of being honest rather then using deceit to keep the peace. Phil and Helen found a new sense of confidence as a couple and starting feeling excited about the arrival of their baby.

> Today is ShareLife Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE FALL SESSIONS

October 20–November 5, 2020 Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:00-9:00pm

CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR DETAILS AND TO REGISTER.



FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

Life Messages:

- 1. We need to respect ourselves and respect others. Our conviction of the presence of the Triune God within us should help us to esteem ourselves as God's holy dwelling place, to behave well in His holy presence, and to lead purer and holier lives, practicing acts of justice and charity.
- We need to be aware of God as the Source of our strength and courage. The awareness and conviction of the presence of God within us, gives us the strength to face the manifold problems of life with Christian courage.
- 3. We need to see the Trinity as the model for our Christian families: We are created in love to be a community of loving persons, just as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are united in love. From the day of our Baptism, we have belonged to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. How privileged we are to grow up in such a beautiful Family! Hence, let us turn to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in prayer every day. We belong to the Family of the Triune God.
- 4. We are called to become more like the Triune God through all our relationships. We are made in God's image and likeness. Just as God is God only in a Trinitarian relationship, so we can be fully human only as one member of a relationship of three partners. The self needs to be in a horizontal relationship with all other people and in a vertical relationship with God. In that way, our life becomes Trinitarian like that of God. Modern society follows the so-called "I-and-I" principle of unbridled individualism and the resulting consumerism. But the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity challenges us to adopt an "I-and-God-and-neighbor" principle: "I am a Christian insofar as I live in a relationship of love with God and other people."

Lead us Father, Jesus, and Holy Spirit, we pray.



HAPPY FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY!



If you know anyone who is interested to know about God and the Catholic Church, please let

them call the Parish Office for details. The next RCIA sessions will start in mid-September.



DAS! 19 to 29 year-olds



A friendly space to Discuss-Ask-Share. Thursdays, 7:00-8:00pm

> **Topic for June 11**: Surprise!

Email the Parish Office if you are interested to participate in this young adult gathering.



