

**St. Monica  
Catholic Church  
(Est. 1858)**

**June 11, 2017  
The Most Holy Trinity**



*Our Mission :To be a Home of  
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and Welcoming all to the  
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**THE INEXPRESSIBLE MYSTERY**

The God of the universe is mysterious. Science has not been able to solve the mystery of how the universe came into being or explain exactly what continues to give it creative energy and masterful design. No religion asserts that it has found words to name fully the ineffable mystery of God, for no matter what name we use, God always transcends our limited ability to understand. God is a mystery to be believed, not known. And yet, we Christians believe that our name for God best expresses that inexpressible mystery: God is the Most Holy Trinity of three persons united in a communion of love, pouring forth that creative, saving, sanctifying love into the world. Today's scriptures celebrate the mystery of the Trinity and give us clues for living that mystery in our lives.

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

It is often heard that today's observance is an "idea feast," and that it is somewhat difficult to grasp its meaning. Other great solemnities, such as Christmas and Easter, have an easily grasped core. Yet, even though the Trinity is at the heart of our faith, firmly declared in the Creed since the Council of Nicea in 325, we are used to having people shrug and say, "Well, it's a mystery."

Perhaps it is more helpful to think of this as a "relationship feast," since it unveils our deepest identity. Dorothy Day was a great social reformer, pacifist, and ardent lover of the Trinity. When people told her that she would certainly be canonized one day (the process is indeed underway), she protested dismissively by remarking that people were raising a fuss just because she was not afraid to talk about God. She loved the Trinity, and treasured the traditional icon for the feast, also known as "The Hospitality of Abraham," depicting the three angelic beings seated at a table tilted toward the viewer and laden with bread and wine. For her, the Trinity revealed the heart of the Catholic life, three C's if you will: community, communication, and communion. That was not an "idea" for her, but what it means to be created in the image of the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday Vigil 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**Weekday Masses - 8:30 a.m.**  
**First Friday Adoration/Sacred Heart Devotion**  
**and Other Fridays Holy Hour - 9:00 a.m.**

**Holy Day Masses**  
8 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Confessions - Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - Or by Appointment**

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD, merciful and gracious, rich in kindness and faithfulness (Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9).

**Psalm** — Glory and praise for ever! (Daniel 3).

**Second Reading** — Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Live with one another in peace, and the God of peace will be with you (2 Corinthians 13:11-13).

**Gospel** — God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but to give it abundant life (John 3:16-18).

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-9; Mt 5:1-12  
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129-133, 135; Mt 5:13-16  
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19  
 Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 5:20-26  
 Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-18; Mt 5:27-32  
 Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Mt 5:33-37  
 Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

### Next Week's Mass Intentions

Sat.	6/10	4:30 p.m.	+ Irene Roberts
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>6/11</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Parishioners</b>
Mon.	6/12	8:30 a.m.	<b>Families</b>
Tue.	6/13	8:30 a.m.	+ Fred Graves
Wed.	6/14	8:30 a.m.	+ Ernest V. Castle
Thur.	6/15	8:30 a.m.	+ Elizabeth Giemetti
Fri.	6/16	8:30 a.m.	+ Mylene Garcia
Sat.	6/17	4:30 p.m.	+ Alberto David

### Office Hours PARISH OFFICE

**Phone: 386-325-9777 • Fax: 386-329-1960**  
 Mon., Wed., Thur., and Fri. 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
 Tuesday 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
 114 South 4th Street  
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Nancy Tatum, Secretary/Bookkeeper  
 Diane Mutchie, Stewardship & Dev. Director  
 Joe Iovino, Church Sexton

## Liturgical Ministers Saturday June 17th & Sunday June 18th.

### Saturday June 17th

Altar Servers:  
Tommy Dobbs, Isabelle Brady, Amanda Phillips

Eucharistic Ministers  
Cris David, Ruth Boyette, Sandy Sharp

Readers:  
Mary Jo Perry, Janice Pounds

Ushers:  
JJ Nichols, Justin Brady, Fred Lininger, Sammy Sharp

Greeters:  
Betty Lininger, Cathy Dobbs

### Sunday June 18th

Altar Servers:  
Nicholas Motl, Matthew Webb, Benjamin Motl

Eucharistic Ministers  
Sharon Harris, Lillian Morgan, Catherine Webb

Readers:  
Harry Burrridge, Carol Burridge

Ushers:  
Dan Shepard, Andy Hall, Ernie Poupore, Eddie Dubeck

Greeters:  
Helen Hoffman, Sheryl Dailey

### May 28, 2017

Weekly Offering	\$ 3745.00	
Loose Cash/Visitor	\$ 531.00	
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 60.00	
Non-parochial	\$ 80.00	
Poor	\$ 45.00	
Catholic Education	\$ 25.00	
Children	\$ 11.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4497.00</b>	

May  
Non Parochial  
will be  
Catholic Home  
Mission Appeal

### June 4, 2017

Weekly Offering	\$ 4432.00	
Loose Cash/Visitor	\$ 547.41	
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 425.00	
Non-parochial	\$ 5.00	
Poor	\$ 0.00	
Catholic Education	\$ 150.00	
Children	\$ 2.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4302.23</b>	

Spec. Missions,  
incl. Black and  
Native Americans

### Baptism Reminder!

Individuals or families must be registered Parishioners and attending Mass for six months before requesting the Baptism of a baby.

*Save the Date*  
**Father Amar's Farewell Party**  
 Sunday June 25th 3:30 p.m.



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*Ansley Hall  
 Jorge Dejuk  
 Avery Gugal*

*Thank you Bishop Felipe J. Estévez for a wonderful Confirmation Mass! Thanks to all who made Confirmation such a beautiful Day!!*

Vacation Bible School is June 12th - June 16th, please pray for our teachers and children, that God will inspire them with his love and blessings!



Trinity Sunday Celebrates a central dogma of the faith: that there is one God with three distinct persons. Each of the three persons is distinctly divine. 'It is the Father who generates, the Son who is begotten, and the Holy Spirit who proceeds.'

Lateran Council IV: DS 804 as quoted in CCC # 253-254



**Cemetery Clean-up Day**  
 June 17th 8:00 a.m.

**St. Monica Cemetery,**  
 Osceola & Kirby



The St. Monica Video Club will continue viewing Father Michael Gaitley's (speaker at the Eucharistic Congress) new Divine Mercy video series on Tuesday, June 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the library.



**Rosaries and Rosary CDs are available in the back of the Church if needed!**

**Those needing "Anointing of the Sick" or in need of a Priest, please call these telephone numbers only:**

**During Business Hours: Parish Office—325-9777**  
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