

St. Gregory's Newsletter

Trinity Sunday

27th May 2018

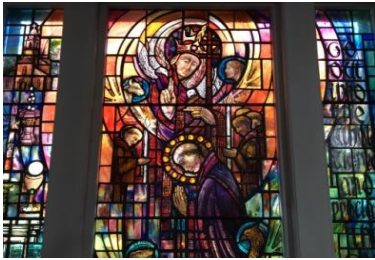
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TRINITY SUNDAY

When the Church celebrates the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, it is an attempt to summarise the whole mystery of our God into one day. This is not just a "theological feast" but a feast which should speak to us of this simple fact of faith: the Father loves us, has revealed that love in his Son, and has called into a relationship sustained by the Spirit. It is our joy that, as baptised members of the Church, we can somehow share in that divine life and love which is the Trinity~ becoming children of God. God has chosen us, and we are his own people, just as he chose the people of Israel long ago. The mystery of the Trinity is not meant to make this more difficult - on the contrary it is to clarify and summarise all that our faith is about: that we are children - with the Son, in the power of the Spirit - of the one Father.
 (From *Salford Liturgy* online)

Reflection

Because you are his sons, **God** sent the **Spirit** of his **Son** into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "**Abba, Father.**" So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.
 (Gal 4:6-7)

One thing is clear, the gift of the Holy Spirit is never just about ourselves. When we open ourselves to the Spirit we are propelled beyond ourselves, to become brothers and sisters to one another, children of God the Father - to become the reflection of Christ for the world. That involves transformation, personally, socially, politically, economically, in fact transformation in every way possible and particularly in the way we respond to that which is other. If we are called to be Christ in the world, we are to be like him, welcoming and inclusive. To be Christ for the world begs the question 'Can we love what is different to ourselves without judgement or condemnation?' I think otherness frightens us and often brings out the worst in us. That's one reason why we need the Spirit. So why not spend a bit of time reflecting in this post Pentecost period on what it means to be full of the Spirit. And if we can help you in any way, then do contact us.

Fr. Christ Thomas, Irenaeus Centre www.irenaeus.co.uk
 For more info on retreats, scripture mornings etc. see the new newsletter on the notice board or contact 0151 9491199 or Jenny@irenaeus.co.uk

Children's Corner

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SUPER-BUBBLES

Formed by The Holy Spirit
 (Blown by Father Graeme)

Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity

27th May

9:30am Bert Parker (A)
11:00am A Diamond Wedding (Kevin & Margaret Fishwick)
6:30pm Frank Wrennall (A)

Weekday Mass

Monday 10:00am Frank Smith
Tuesday 8:30am Don O'Riley
Wednesday 8:30am Charlie McDermott
Thursday 8:30am Harry Ainscough (A)
Doreen Ainscough (B)
Friday 8:30am Kathleen Marmion
Saturday 10:00am Vincent Bell



3rd June, Corpus Christi

9:30am Frigga Hayes
11:00am Joanne Gilgun (A)
6:30pm Thomas Halliwell Kevill (50th A)

Bank Holiday

St. Justin
SS. Marcellinus and Peter

Weekly Confession: after Saturday morning Mass

Rosary: Twenty minutes before weekday Mass

Please Pray for Our Sick Brothers and Sisters

Margaret Wood, Bill Burns, Margaret Bower, Winifred Calderbank, Hugh O'Daly, Victoria Mary Birkett, Lois Chiasson, Mildred Bridge, Robert Stretton, Bill Barnes, Maureen Jackson, Olive Farnworth, Theresa Kershaw, Gerard McGuigan, Julie Hurley, Thomas Moss, Paul Spedding, Maureen Hill, Fred Simpson, Thomas and Joan Woodruff, Nora Taylor, Marian Leyland, Margaret Wrennall, Harold Sutton

PARISH NEWS

First Holy Communion

A message from the parents: *We all just wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone, whether seen and unseen, who made the weekend so very special. The garden team, the choir, the food providers, the altar servers, the catechists, our School ... so many helped out and as a group we want to thank Father Graeme and you all, we are just so grateful for what everyone did and feel very blessed.*

Collection

Thank you for last week's collection of £903.41. Today we have a special collection for the Priests' Retirement Fund.

Beer Festival

This is a pay event £4 entry (including commemorative glass & programme, 16 beers and 4 ciders). Dates: Friday 13th July 7-11 pm and Saturday 14th July 1-5 pm & 7-11 pm. It will take place in the parish garden and hoping to raise funds for a new marquee. Please pass on the information. Tickets are available from the parish office.

Concert in the Park (Parish Garden!)

July 21st an afternoon of entertainment, 3 artists performing live from 1 pm, bring your own picnic if you want or enjoy food from our BBQ, drinks will be available or you can bring your own. Although this is a free event, donations are welcome and some idea of numbers would be helpful. Come along and enjoy yourselves with family and friends.

ADOREMUS Youth Congress

Young People aged 13 to 20 are invited to their own Eucharistic Congress on Saturday 8th September at the Arena Auditorium in Liverpool. The parish will pay for the tickets, more news about it will follow shortly.

Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2019

Depending on the number of participants the cost will be £1420 plus flight (15 – 20 participants) or £1250 plus flight (21 and more participants). The cost of flights can vary, the sooner we book, the cheaper they are. This year they ranged from £250 to £500. We need numbers by the end of June to guarantee the cheapest price. The date is 1st to 11th July 2019. If you are interested, please hand in names (as appears on the passport) asap.

FURTHER AFIELD

World Meeting of Families

Pope Francis has confirmed that he will be travelling to Ireland to take part in World Meeting of Families 2018, which is taking place in Dublin 21–26 Aug. 2018. Attending the Festival of Families in Croke Park on Saturday 25th August he will celebrate an open-air Mass in the Phoenix Park on Sunday 26th August. Tickets & Registration: <https://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Tickets/Tickets-Registration>

MINISTERING TO THE ASSEMBLY

Counting 28th May
S.A.S. 3rd June
Dial a Ride “
Readers “
Eucharistic Ministers

Denise and Bruce Conway
Janet and Pauline Critchley
TBA and Catherine Jackson
Margaret Scard
Jack Knight
Chris Huddy
Linda Walmsley

Daryl Hobin
Edward Brierley
Sharon Hobin
Barbara Slater

Helen Graham
Ulrika Yeomans
David Porter