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SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. John 3:16

How God Loves



We often begin Mass with the prayer from today's Epistle: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you." We praise the God who has revealed himself as a Trinity, a communion of persons.

Communion with the Trinity is the goal of our worship - and the purpose of the salvation history that begins in the Bible and continues in the Eucharist and sacraments of the Church.

We see the beginnings of God's self-revelation in today's First Reading, as He passes before Moses and cries out His holy name.

Israel had sinned in worshipping the golden calf (see Exodus 32). But God does not condemn them to perish. Instead He proclaims His mercy and faithfulness to His covenant.

God loved Israel as His firstborn son among the nations (see Exodus 4:22). Through Israel - heirs of His covenant with Abraham - God planned to reveal himself as the Father of all nations (see Genesis 22:18).

The memory of God's covenant testing of Abraham - and Abraham's faithful obedience - lies behind today's Gospel.

In commanding Abraham to offer his only beloved son (see Genesis 22:2, 12, 16), God was preparing us for the fullest possible revelation of His love for the world.

As Abraham was willing to offer Isaac, God did not spare His own Son but handed Him over for us all (see Romans 8:32).

In this, He revealed what was only disclosed partially to Moses - that His kindness continues for a thousand generations, that He forgives our sin, and takes us back as His very own people (see Deuteronomy 4:20; 9:29).

Jesus humbled himself to die in obedience to God's will. And for this, the Spirit of God raised Him from the dead (see Romans 8:11), and gave Him a name above every name (see Philippians 2:8-10).

This is the name we glorify in today's Responsorial - the name of our Lord, the God who is Love (see 1 John 4:8, 16).



**We would like to invite
ALL PARISHIONERS
to join us for our annual
SPRING PICNIC
Sunday, June 11th - 1:30-3:00pm
St. Monica's Parking Lot
Please RSVP to Christine in the office
by *Monday, June 5th*
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**We'll provide the hamburgers and
hotdogs.**

**We are asking families to bring a lawn
chair, a side (green salad, fruit salad,
pasta salad, etc.), a dessert, or drinks.
Let us know when you RSVP.**



**Corpus Christi
PROCESSION**

Immediately following the 12:00pm Mass
St. Monica Church
Sunday, June 11th.



MOST HOLY TRINITY


The mystery of the Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith and life. God reveals himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The doctrine of the Trinity includes three truths of faith.

First, the Trinity is One. We do not speak of three gods but of one God. Each of the Persons is fully God. They are a unity of Persons in one divine nature.


Second, the Divine Persons are distinct from each other. Father, Son, and Spirit are not three appearances or modes of God, but three identifiable persons, each fully God in a way distinct from the others.

Third, the Divine Persons are in relation to each other. The distinction of each is understood only in reference to the others. The Father cannot be the Father without the Son, nor can the Son be the Son without the Father. The Holy Spirit is related to the Father and the Son who both send him forth.

All Christians are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Trinity illumines all the other mysteries of faith.



Bundle up Weekend





Serving Our Neighbours In Need

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul St Monica/St Lucy Conference is collecting your donations of Clothes, Shoes and Bedding only
Saturday, June 17th (9am-4pm) and Sunday, June 18th (9am-1pm) 2023.

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An SVDP truck will be located in the Parking Lot of St. Monica's Parish
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Contact

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PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

Gød	gave	eternal
loved	believes	Son
world	perish	save

oGd G o d

presih _____

noS _____

levod _____


geva _____

eetrnla _____

wrodl _____


bleevise _____

vase _____



MISSION

Read John 3:16-18 with your family. Thank Jesus for taking all of your sins away.



“The Rosary is the most beautiful and the most rich in graces of all prayers, it is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God ... and if you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family Rosary.”

Pope St. Pius X

The World Apostolate of Fatima in the Archdiocese of Boston cordially invites you to attend their Annual Meeting on Saturday, June 17, 2023 from 9:00am-3:00pm at Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, Holliston, MA.

There will be Mass, a talk on “Eucharist & Fatima” as well as lunch and praying the Rosary for world peace.

For more information or to register, please contact Mrs. Judi Scherba at Judith.Scherban@gmail.com.



FAITH + FITNESS CLASS

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Please fill out the information below to receive Legacy Foundation Information:

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THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, JUNE 4

- AA 7pm St. Lucy Lower Church Hall

MONDAY, JUNE 5

- Mass 9am St. Lucy Church
- Boy Scouts 7-8:30pm St. Lucy Lower Church Hall

TUESDAY, JUNE 6

- Mass 9am St. Lucy Church
- Rosary Prayer Group for Priests 6pm Gethsemane Chapel

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

- 8th Grade Graduation Rehearsal 8-9am St. Monica Church
- 8th Grade Retreat St. Monica House 9:00am-12:00pm
- 8th Grade Graduation Rehearsal 12:30-1:30pm St. Monica Church
- Eucharistic Adoration followed by Men's Ministry 6-7pm St. Lucy Church & Lower Church Hall

THURSDAY, JUNE 8

- Mass 9am St. Lucy Church
- School Mass 1pm St. Monica Church
- Rosary 6pm (Zoom)
- 8th Grade Graduation 6-7pm St. Monica Church
- SVDP Meeting 6:30-8pm St. Monica House
- AA 6:30-8:30pm St. Lucy Lower Church Hall

FRIDAY, JUNE 9

- Mass 9am St. Lucy Church
- Eucharistic Adoration 2-5pm Gethsemane Chapel
- Confessions 4-5pm Gethsemane Chapel

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

- Faith2Fit 8-9am Methuen Track and Field
- Mass 9am St. Monica Church
- Bettors Anonymous 2pm St. Monica SVDP Hut
- Confessions 3-3:45pm Gethsemane Chapel & St. Lucy Church



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
 WEDNESDAY 6:00-7:00PM
 FRIDAYS 2:00-5:00PM**

**June 7th | 6-8pm
 Adoration followed
 by Men's Ministry
 All are welcome!**

OFFERTORY MAY 20 & 21

St. Monica - \$7,037⁰⁰

St. Lucy - \$4,014.⁰⁰

Weekly Offertory needed to sustain parish operations: St. Monica - \$10,000 | St. Lucy - \$6,000

Thank you for your continued generous contribution to the mission of our parishes.



Yes, I CAN... We are in need of mashed potatoes, cereal, canned spaghetti, canned corn, canned fruit, canned pork & beans, and instant rice. Donations can be dropped off anytime at the entrances to St. Lucy Church and the side door of Gethsemane Chapel at St. Monica Church.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Mondays @ 10 am. Please email all bulletin notices to parishoffice.stlm@gmail.com.

<p>GETHSEMANE CHAPEL AT ST. MONICA CHURCH Open 7 days/week from morning rush hour until 7pm</p>	<p>CHAPEL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ST. LUCY CANDLE SHRINE Open Mon-Fri 9am-7pm , Sat & Sun 9am-5pm</p>
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BAPTISMS 2nd Sunday of the month, 2:00pm at St. Monica's | 3rd Sunday of the month, 12:00pm at St. Lucy's

MARRIAGES Please call the Parish Offices at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date and before booking a reception hall.

<p>MASS SCHEDULE</p> <p>SAT 4 pm (VIGIL) both parishes SUN 9 am & 12 pm St. Monica 10:30 am St. Lucy MON/TUES/THURS/FRI 9 am St. Lucy SATURDAY 9 am St. Monica</p>	<p>CONFESSIONS</p> <p>3 - 3:45 pm both parishes Sat 4 - 5pm Gethsemane Chapel Fri 6 - 7pm St. Lucy Church Wed</p>
<p>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION</p> <p>2 - 5 pm Friday Gethsemane Chapel 6 - 7 pm Wednesday St. Lucy Church</p>	

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit,
for he has shown us his merciful love.

ENTRANCE HYMN

O God, Almighty Father

1. O God, al-might - y Fa - ther, Cre - a - tor of all
2. O Je - sus, Word in - car - nate, Re - deem - er most a -
3. O God, the Ho - ly Spir - it, Who lives with - in our

1. things, The heav - ens stand in won - der, While earth your
2. dored, All glo - ry, praise, and hon - or Be yours, O
3. soul, Send forth your light and lead us To our e -

1. glo - ry sings.
2. sov - 'reign Lord. } O most ho - ly Trin - i - ty,
3. ter - nal goal.

1-3. Un - di - vid - ed u - ni - ty, Ho - ly God,
1-3. might - y God, God im - mor - tal be a - dored!

PENITENTIAL ACT - GLORIA

Refer to Pew Card

FIRST READING

Ex 34: 4b-6, 8-9

Early in the morning Moses went up Mount Sinai as the LORD had commanded him, taking along the two stone tablets.

Having come down in a cloud, the LORD stood with Moses there and proclaimed his name, "LORD." Thus the LORD passed before him and cried out, "The LORD, the LORD, a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity." Moses at once bowed down to the ground in worship. Then he said, "If I find favor with you. O Lord, do come along in our company. This is indeed a stiff-necked people; yet pardon our wickedness and sins, and receive us as your own."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56

R. Glo - ry and praise for ev - er!

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers, praiseworthy and exalted above all forever;
And blessed is your holy and glorious name, praiseworthy and exalted above all for all ages.

Blessed are you in the temple of your holy glory, praiseworthy and glorious above all forever.

Blessed are you on the throne of your kingdom, praiseworthy and exalted above all forever.

Blessed are you who look into the depths from your throne upon the cherubim,
praiseworthy and exalted above all forever.

SECOND READING*2 Cor 13: 11-13*

Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the holy ones greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*Rev 1: 8*

☩. Glory to the Father, the Son, and the *Holy Spirit*; *
to God who is, who was, and who is *to come*.

GOSPEL*Jn 3: 16-18*

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

CREED*Refer to Pew Card***COMMUNION ANTIPHON***Gal 4: 6*

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son,
the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle,
be our protection against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about
the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN*Beautiful Savior*

1. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of Cre - a - tion, Son of
2. Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in
3. Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the
4. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



1. God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love thee, Tru -
2. flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je -
3. spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je -
4. God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise,



1. ly I'd serve thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
2. sus is pur - er; He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.
3. sus shines pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.
4. ad - o - ra - tion, Now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

RECESSIONAL HYMN*Holy God We Praise Thy Name*

1. Ho - ly God, we praise thy name; Lord of
2. Hark! the loud ce - les - tial hymn An - gel
3. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly



1. all, we bow be - fore thee! All on earth thy
2. choirs a - bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and
3. Spir - it, Three we name thee; While in es - sence



1. scep - ter claim, All in heav'n a - bove a - dore thee;
2. Ser - a - phim, In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing;
3. on - ly One, Un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee;



1. In - fi - nite, thy vast do - main, Ev - er -
2. Fill the heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly,
3. And a - dor - ing, bend the knee, While we



1. last - ing is thy reign. In - fi - nite, thy
2. ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!" Fill the heav'ns with
3. own the mys - ter - y. And a - dor - ing,



1. vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.
2. sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
3. bend the knee, While we own the mys - ter - y.

ST. MONICA PARISH

Saturday, June 3

9:00am FIRST SATURDAY MASS
 4:00pm Vincent Minicucci
 Gerard & Mattia D'Andrea

Sunday, June 4

9:00am Francis T. Roberge
 Deceased Members of the
 DiNoto Family
 John Christopher O'Callahan
 George Abdulla
 Dave Credit
 12:00pm John & Alice Langley

Saturday, June 10

9:00am Richard Pantaleo
 4:00pm Julie Ahles

Sunday, June 11

9:00am Leo Hamel
 Gerard Hamel
 James Miner
 Antoinette & Nemetallah Khalife
 Donald & Patricia Leslie
 12:00pm Guy Beninati

ST. LUCY PARISH

Saturday, June 3

4:00pm Joseph & Gertrude Sarro

Sunday, June 4

10:30am For the Parishioners of
 St. Monica & St. Lucy Parishes

Monday, June 5

9:00am Sr. Mary Anthony, OSC

Tuesday, June 6

9:00am Joseph & Mary Augeri

Thursday, June 8

9:00am George O. Ferguson

Friday, June 9

9:00am Yvonne & Roland Soucy

Saturday, June 10

4:00pm For the Parishioners of
 St. Monica & St. Lucy Parishes

Sunday, June 11

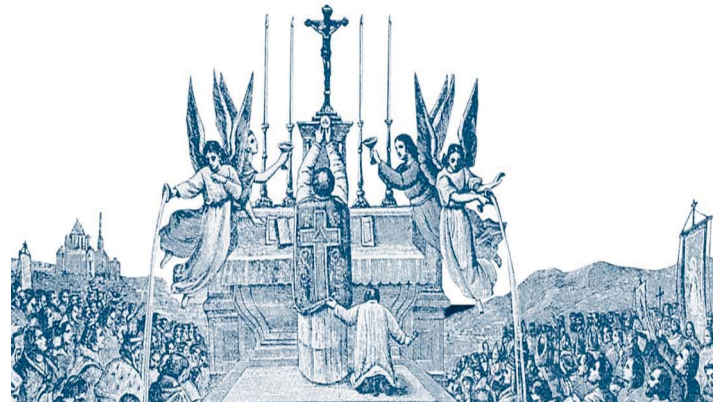
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Tues	06/06/23	Fr. Desmond Tynan	Thomas Rashid
Wed	06/07/23	Fr. Frank Silva	Fritz Anacreon
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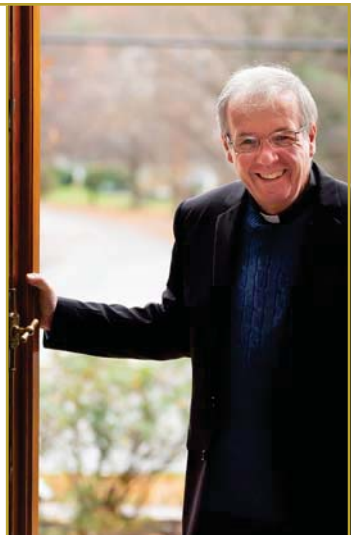
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