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-Reflections written by David Baranowski

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Saturday 3:30 pm → 6 pm 8 am → 1 pm

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE **SATURDAY** 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

> **SUNDAY** 8:30 am

10:00 am

12:00 pm

DAILY LITURGIES

Monday Friday Mass 12:10 pm

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

(Weather Permitting)

11 am → 1:30 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday thru Friday: 10 am - 4 pm Saturday | Sunday: closed Call for other urgent arrangements.

Saturday, June 11

This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday thru Friday

Sunday

5:00 pm + Anthony Amoruso

Sunday, June 12

People of the Parish 8:30 am

10:00 am + Margherita Vlacich

12:00 pm + Michael & Geraldine Andreano

Monday, June 13

12:10 pm + Victor & Nancy Svorinich

Tuesday, June 14

12:10 pm + Martino Scrivanich - 41st Anniversary

Wednesday, June 15 Mass of Remembrance

12:10 pm + Junior Casazza

Thursday, June 16

12:10 pm + St. Anthony

Friday, June 17

12:10 pm + Special Intention to St. Raphael

Saturday, June 18

5:00 pm + James Mucci

Sunday, June 19

All Living and Deceased Fathers 8:30 am

All Living and Deceased Fathers 10:00 am

12:00 pm + Corpus Christi

Baptism Ministry

See Dates & Details on Parish Website **Staff Contact:** Stephanie Panzariello Ministry Assistants: Muzzi John Roggio • Nic Vasil

Confession/Reconciliation

Contact the Parish Office.



Please consider helping us to defray the expense of these necessary items by donating: Hosts, Altar Flowers, Sanctuary Tabernacle Candle, Altar Wine.

The requested donation for each is \$25.00.

This Week, the Altar Flowers are provided Through the Generosity of Mr. Nic Vasil

This Week, the Altar Hosts are donated For the Repose of the Soul of **Mr. Leslie Hynes**

This Week, the Sacramental Wine is donated For the Health & Well-Being of **Noreen Stapleton**

The Sanctuary Tabernacle Candle is donated In Loving Memory of Michael & Geraldine Andreano

God Hess your generosity.





Annual Appeal

My Dear Parishioners,

We recently celebrated Pentecost Sunday marking the end of our Easter season. Pentecost is the birthday of our Church and is when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit. Just like the Apostles did, we become more knowing and understanding of the mysteries of the Gospel and our Mission to spread the Good News of the Kingdom of God.

As disciples, we are entrusted with bringing the Good News, the Gospel and Christ's presence to everyone, especially those who need Christ the most. The ministries and programs funded through our Annual Appeal serve a pivotal role in making this happen. Your participation in the Annual Appeal will ensure that we can put our Mission into action - to proclaim the Gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations, and to care for the poor and those on the margins.

As a Parish, we do our best to put that Mission of Jesus Christ into action. Your generosity throughout the year - whether it be in our regular Parish Collections, our Christmas Giving Tree, our Sandwich Sundays, our assistance to the local Shelter and Food Pantry, our support of Catholic Charities, or the many other spiritual and practical causes in which we engage and support—are genuine examples of your Christianity in having a heart for others.

Thank you to all those who have generously responded to this year's Annual Appeal.

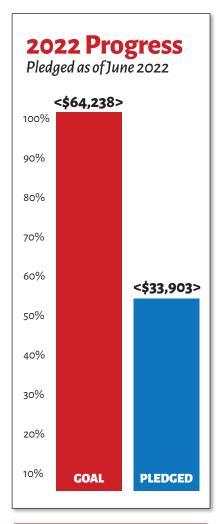
I invite those who have not made a gift yet to join me, your fellow parishioners, and thousands of parishioners across our Archdiocese to prayerfully consider a sacrificial gift.

To make a gift online, visit www.rcan.org/sharing. Please do not forget to select our Parish name when making an online gift. You are also invited to submit a prayer intention by going to www.rcan.org/submit-prayer-request. Thank you for all that you do for our Parish and for the ministries of our Archdiocese. You are in my prayers. I ask you to keep me, our Parish, and the success of this year's Annual Appeal in yours as well.

Prayerfully yours in Christ,

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When I was growing up, we were taught that God would be periodically testing us to check up on the strength of our faith and willpower: putting various temptations in front of us to see if we were strong enough to resist them and hold firm. I suspect some of the logic behind this comes from the Our Father, where we pray the words: "lead us not into temptation". As someone who is perhaps well described by Oscar Wilde's quip: "I can resist anything but temptation", I've been thinking about this quite a bit. Does God really lead us into temptation?

In the life of Jesus, as depicted in the gospels of Matthew and Luke, we see that after He was baptized in the Jordan River, Jesus is led by the Spirit into the desert where He fasts for 40 days. At the end of the fasting, at His weakest, Jesus is tempted by the devil in three different ways, all of which He resists. It's worthwhile to note that there is no mention that God the Father gives a heads up to the devil, to check up on the moral fiber of His son; to make sure that His son has what it takes to complete His mission in this world. Instead, being fully human (as well as divine), Jesus is subject, like all of us, to temptations from the devil. While the Father does not intervene, it does say in Matthew 4, that angels ministered to Jesus after the temptations.

As in pretty much every aspect of Jesus life, there's a message for us in what's actually going on here.

For us humans I believe, it's the actual temptation and our concomitant struggle to be faithful that are really important.

God loves us and doesn't tempt us to try and catch us in sin. Would a loving parent tempt their child? But instead He blesses our efforts to be faithful. Jesus told us that He came into this world for sinners! And given none of us know our role in God's plan, we need faith in God's mercy and love. Moreover, for all of us grappling with our various forms of sinfulness, whether it be our pettiness, selfishness, anger, addictions, impatience and so on, God uses those struggles and our often weak resistance to bring us closer to Him. Jesus tells us, God is constantly looking for the "lost sheep". Note: He doesn't expect the sheep to find Him...... But only to listen for His voice.

So for what then are we asking when we pray the Our Father if it's not to be led into temptation? Interestingly in both the gospels of Luke 11 and Matthew 6, when Jesus is teaching the apostles how to pray, He tells them to pray "Not to be put to the final test". What Jesus may be telling the apostles is to not pray for what you personally think you need, that which might well make your ego bigger and distance you from God, but to pray with confidence to the Father, knowing you will be given what you actually need. And that should your prayers appear not to be answered, not to give up, to give in "to the test" and lose faith; believing that it's all up to you. This was Judas' great sin, that he lost faith and believed he could not be forgiven. Unlike Peter who "wept bitterly" and was reconciled with Jesus.

So when you do make a poor choice, exercising the free will that our loving God has given us, be confident that He did not put that temptation in front of us. But instead, that regardless of our weaknesses, God will continue to call to us, patiently waiting like the father of the prodigal son, for us to respond to His call, and be re-united with Him in a joyful reconciliation.

2022-2023 RCIA Program

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To learn more about the process, please contact: Michael Duffy, Director of RCIA at swcoffee1@gmail.com

RCIA STAGE

INQUIRY/JUST LOOKING

In the inquiry stage, you're just finding out about Jesus, Christianity, and the Catholic Church. Your main task here is to explore and develop your faith enough so you can make an informed initial decision about entering the Catholic Church.

RCIA STAGE

LEARNING ABOUT THE FAITH

In the catechumenate, your faith has begun to develop. Now you need to learn and grow more. You focus on catechesis in this stage: learning about the faith, how to live as a Christian, and developing your interior life. Your job now is to come into closer contact with the Living God and learn more about the Catholic Faith.

RCIA STAGE

GETTING READY FOR REBIRTH!

This period of purification and enlightenment is the final stage before receiving the Easter Sacraments of Initiation into the Church at the Easter Vigil: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. (Those already validly Baptized in another Christian church aren't Baptized again.) This stage of intense reflection calls you to deeper conversion in preparation for your renewal at Easter. This is what the season of Lent is for, but it has a special intensity for you this year as you're entering the Church and receiving the Sacraments of Initiation.

RCIA STAGE

REFLECTING ON THE MYSTERIES OF THE MASS

This stage of mystagogy during Easter is for continued reflection on the Sacraments you have received at Easter, especially the Eucharist. Specific catechesis on the Mass, the Sacraments, and especially the Eucharist are the focus of this stage. The Mass and the Eucharist are the source and summit of the Christian life in the Catholic Church, and this period is designed to help you understand, appreciate, and live more deeply this center of Catholicism.

A Message from the Pope & the Catholic Church to LGBT Catholics...

God does not disown his children, pope tells LGBT Catholics

By Catholic News Service | May 9, 2022

ROME - Pope Francis said he wants LGBT Catholics to know that God is a father who "does not disown any of his children."

The pope's comment was among the short answers to three questions posed in a letter by Jesuit Father James Martin, editor at large of America magazine and a driving force behind its new website, outreach. faith, which provides news and resources for LGBT Catholics, their families and the people who minister with them.

Pope Francis's letter, in Spanish, is dated May 8; it was posted on Outreach the next day. And Vatican Media also published a translation in Italian.

Martin asked the pope, "What do you say to an LGBT Catholic who has experienced rejection from the church?"

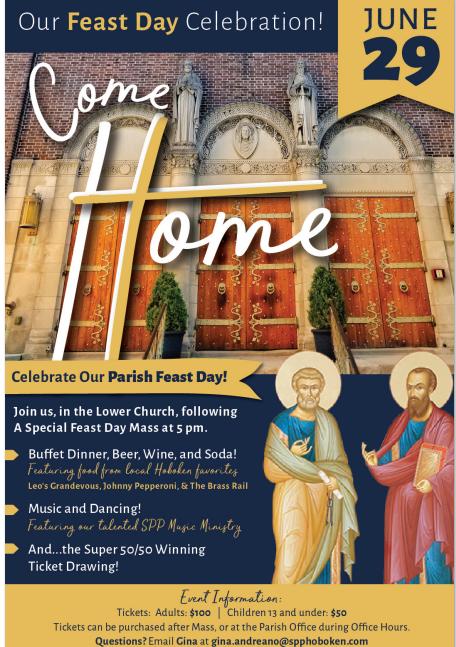
"I would have them recognize it not as the 'rejection of the church,' but instead 'of people in the church," the pope responded.

"The church is mother and calls together all of her children," he continued. "Take for example the parable of those invited to the feast: 'the just, the sinners, the rich and the poor, etc."

A church that is "selective," or makes some pretext about who is "pure," he said, "is not the Holy Mother Church, but rather a sect."

Asked what the most important thing LGBT people should know about God, Pope Francis responded, "God is Father and he does not disown any of his children. And 'the style' of God is 'closeness, mercy and tenderness.' Along this path vou will find God."

Martin also asked the pope what he would like LGBT people to know about the church, to which the pope responded that they should read the Acts of the Apostles. "There they will find the image of the living church."



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+May 28, 2022

The Honorable David Roberts, Former Mayor

Mr. Ryan McEnerney Mr. Chris Roberts & Staff of East LA Restaurant 508 Washington Street Hoboken, NJ 07030

Dear Gentlemen, and Ladies & Gentlemen of the Staff of East LA:

Peace and all God's Blessings!

I write to thank you myself, and on behalf of the Staff and entire Parish of Saints Peter & Paul, for your tremendous generosity towards us in the fundraiser you provided on Monday, May 16, 2022. Despite the dire tornado-weather predictions (which, thanks be to God, never came our way!), the evening was an overwhelming success!

You provided not only a needed financial assistance, but also the opportunity for so many of our Parishioners and the wider Hoboken Community to gather for much needed social interaction, especially after these years of pandemic restrictions. The success and appreciation of the social gathering was only rivaled by the excellent and abundant provision of Food and Drink, so efficiently and kindly setup and served by the East LA Staff.

We are humbled and so very thankful of your generosity and support. I pray that you, your Families and loved ones, will always know the peaceful and abiding Presence of the Lord Jesus accompanying you every Day of your lives.

Gratefully yours in the Lord,

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Reverend Monsignor Michael A. Andreano

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The Fascinating History and Symbolism of **Trinity Sunday**

I nitially this feast wasn't celebrated after Pentecost and took a few centuries to find its place in the calendar. After the celebration of Pentecost, the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church continues to meditate on the great mystery of God through the feast of Trinity Sunday. The Sunday following Pentecost has been dedicated to the Holy Trinity for many centuries, but was not always celebrated by everyone in the Church.

According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, initially this Sunday was known as a Dominica vacans, with no specific focus or theme. At that time there was no particular feast celebrating the Holy Trinity, but soon enough there arose a need for the Church to further define her beliefs in God.

A heresy known as the Arian heresy began to spread in the 4th century, disputing the traditional Christian belief of one God in three divine persons. The bishops of the Church decided to compose a Mass in honor of the Trinity to reaffirm the belief, but it was not given a specific date in the calendar.

By the 8th and 9th century, however, the Church found a perfect place. The St. Andrew Daily Missal explains how Sunday was the most fitting day. Sunday is consecrated throughout the year to the Holy Trinity because God the Father began the work of creation on the "first day," the Son made man rose from the dead on a Sunday morning, and the Holy Spirit came down on the Apostles on Pentecost Sunday.

Besides celebrating the Trinity in some fashion on each Sunday, there also grew a need to fill the "vacant" Sunday after the feast of Pentecost. This need was heightened by the fact that ordinations occurred during this time and there existed no specific liturgy. As the St. Andrew Daily Missal explains, "The feast of the Holy Trinity owes its origin to the fact that the ordinations of the Ember Saturday, which took place in the evening, were prolonged to the next day, which was Sunday and had no proper Mass at that date ... [a votive Mass of the Holy Trinity] was celebrated in some places on this Sunday; and since it occupied a fixed place in the liturgical calendar, this Mass was considered as establishing this Sunday as a special feast of the Blessed Trinity."

Celebrating Trinity Sunday after Pentecost also allows the Church to further reflect on the mystery of God after receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit. This helps us see the connection that if we truly want to understand the Trinity, we need to have the gift of the Holy Spirit. We can never fully understand who God is on our own and desperately need his guidance and inspiration.

The Trinity is one of the most fundamental beliefs of the Catholic Church and so it is fitting that we dedicate a particular Sunday to that mystery.

Source: Written by Philip Kosloski via aleteia.org





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