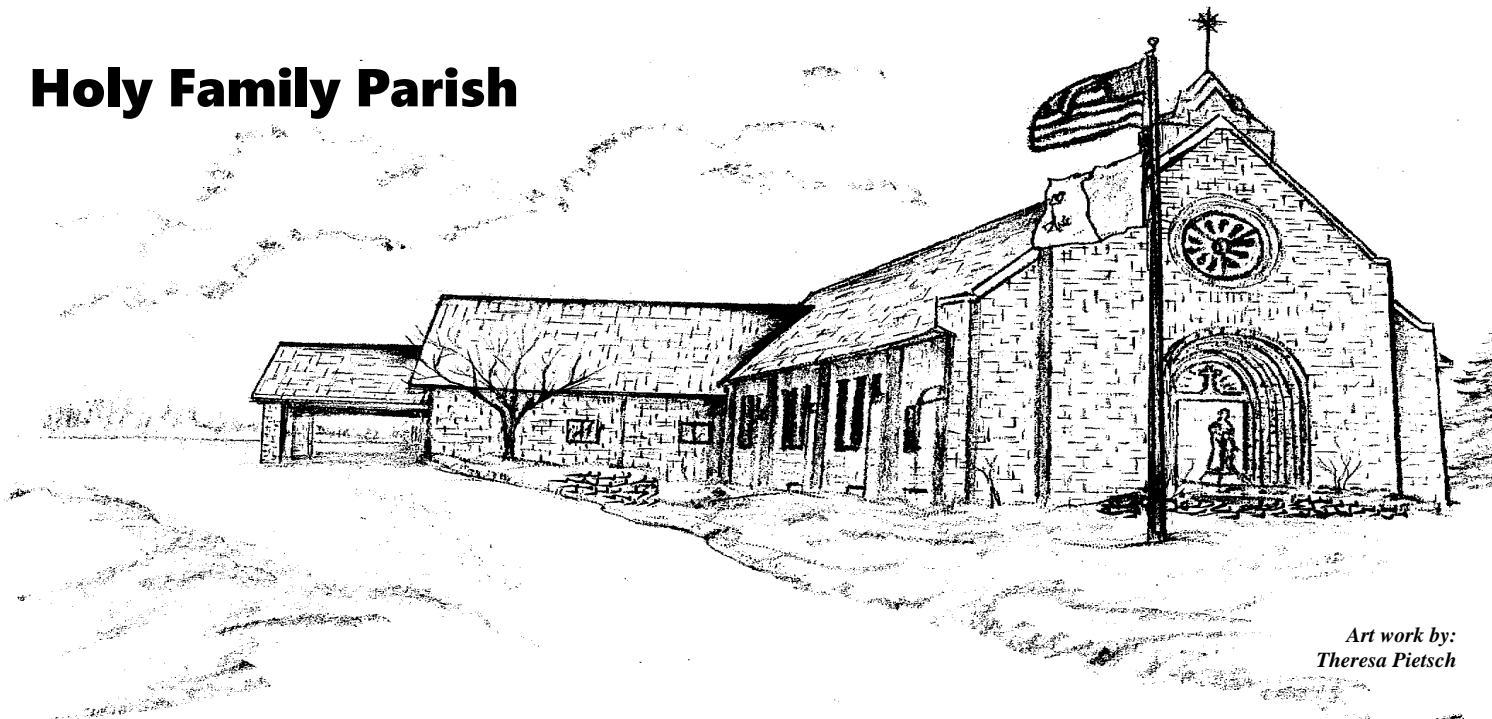


# Holy Family Parish



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## All Saints – November 1, 2020

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### Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

### REQUIREMENT FOR SACRAMENTS

The basic requirement for the sacraments of First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage is that you be a practicing Catholic. One parent must be a practicing Catholic to present a child for Baptism

### Sacrament of Baptism

Please notify the pastor during the pregnancy in order to schedule sacramental instruction, if necessary.

### Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 P.M.

7:15 am – 7:45 am and 5:15 pm – 5:45 pm  
before daily Mass or by appointment

### Sacrament of the Sick

The sacrament is for anyone you know who has any continuing or serious illness, or is having surgery and would like to celebrate this healing sacrament.

Please remember our sick in your prayers.....

***Brevyn Willford, Lincoln Noel, Bob Gascon***

Attention parishioners. We will start with our prayer list back in the weekly bulletin. If you have a family member or friends who are sick and in need of prayers, please call the parish office at 786-1209. This will be the new corner for the names. The Mass intentions are now listed in the weekly calendar.

# CATECHETICAL CORNER

## Holy Trinity (Cont.)

**Holy Trinity in the New Testament:** We have already seen in the previous lesson that there is no clear reference to the Trinity in the Old Testament. But in the entire New Testament we find the reference to the three distinct persons in God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Writing about the annunciation Luke says in chapter 1:26, “In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth.” To the question of Mary as how could she bear the Son of God, the angel says: **“The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called, holy, the Son of God” (Lk 1:35).** Here we have the mentioning of the three persons of God. The second incident of the presence of the three Persons of God happens at the time of the Baptism of Jesus, the second person of God. The Holy Spirit descended upon him in the form of a dove and the voice of the Father was heard from heaven, *“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased” (Mt 3:17).* In the gospel of John Jesus often mentions about his relationship with his Father and at the Last Supper, in his long discourse to the apostles, Jesus speaks clearly about the coming of the Holy Spirit. So no one can deny the existence of the three Persons of God, though the term **‘Trinity is not** mentioned in the gospels. St. Paul, in his letters writes clearly about God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Finally, at the commissioning of the apostles mentioned in Matthew 28:19, Jesus commands his apostles, *“Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”* Unfortunately, neither from Jesus nor from the Evangelists we have any clear explanation about the relationship of these Three Persons. In other words, how they are distinct and at the same time how they remain one. In our human reasoning and understanding it is hard to understand how three individuals can become one. That is why the Church comes to our help.

The early Christians didn’t have any doubt about the existence of three Persons in one God, though they may not have fully understood this mystery. Their faith alone was enough for them to accept the Trinitarian God. But eventually the heresies started from within the Church regarding the relationship between Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Way back in the 3<sup>rd</sup> century, Sabellius, a priest from Libya, while in Rome, came up with the idea that there is only one person in the Godhead, and the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost were just one person with different “offices,” instead of three distinct persons who are one. Eventually Sabellius was excommunicated. So the Church had to define clearly the mystery of the Holy Trinity. In 382 AD, Pope Damasus I, at the Council of Rome, declared the following: ***“If anyone denies that the Father is eternal, that the Son is eternal, and the Holy Spirit is eternal: he is a heretic. If anyone says that the Son made flesh was not in heaven with the Father: he is a heretic. If anyone denies that the Holy Spirit has all power and knows all things, and is everywhere, just as the Father and the Son: he is a heretic.”***

### The Relationship of the Three Persons to one another

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church the Father totally and eternally gives Himself to the Son and the Holy Spirit; the Son gives himself totally and eternally to the Father and the Holy Spirit; and the Holy Spirit likewise gives himself totally and eternally to the Father and the Son. The Son of God is eternally begotten, not made, by the Father as His Word. The third person the Holy Spirit proceeds from both the Father and the Son. The Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church continues to explain the Trinity this way: *“The Church expresses her Trinitarian faith by professing a belief in the oneness of God in whom there are three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The three divine Persons are only one God because each of them equally possesses the fullness of the **one and indivisible divine nature**. They are really distinct from each other by reason of the relations which place them in correspondence to each other. The Father generates the Son; the Son is generated by the Father; the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son. In other words, in Catholic theology, we understand the persons of the Blessed Trinity subsisting within the inner life of God to be truly distinct relationally, but not as a matter of **essence, or nature**. Each of the three persons in the godhead possesses the **same eternal and infinite divine nature**; thus, they are the one, true God in essence or nature, not “three Gods.”* Yet, they are truly distinct in their relations to each other. When we put three individuals together they cannot become one for the very reason that they have different essence and nature.

After all, the Holy Trinity is a profound and the most difficult mystery to comprehend. When something is a mystery we cannot understand it fully. Here the faith comes to our aid. But at the same time the mystery of the Blessed Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith and life. This mystery is not illogical, contradictory, or unreasonable, nor is it opposed to belief in the one God.

**(Will be continued next week).**

***Thirty-First week in Ordinary Time***

**THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY**

Mon.	Nov. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b><i>The Commemoration of All The Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For All Souls'
Tues.	Nov. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b><i>Saint Martin de Porres, Religious</i></b> 6:00 P.M. - Mass –Marion Sodergren
Wed.	Nov. 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Ken Beauchamp 6:30 P.M. - Live Stream CCD classes for grades 1-12 & parents
Thurs.	Nov. 5 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Joe Gareau
Fri.	Nov. 6 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Gloria Gereau ----- Parish office closed 6:30 P.M. - Peeling Vegetables for Pasty Making
Sat.	Nov. 7 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 A.M. - Starting to make pasties 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Darlene Kelloniemi
Sun.	Nov. 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Tom & Dorothy Srock 10:00 AM - Mass –For the people of our parish

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

66 envelopes were returned Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

Adults.....	\$3,446.00
Loose.....	66.00
General Maintenance.....	45.00
Fuel.....	70.00
Votive Lights.....	200.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$3,827.00</b>

**Budgeted weekly Income & Expense... \$3,786.83**  
**Overage..... \$ 40.17**

St. Vincent DePaul Society..... 436.00

*Many thanks to the parishioners who have donated \$6,885 towards the new P.A. system so far.*

*This Monday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:00 AM we will have a special Mass for all those who have passed away Nov. 1, 2019 thru Oct. 31, 2020.*

**U.P. Catholic Services Appeal Update**

Parish Goal.....	\$40,139.00
Pledged to date.....	\$27,715.00
<b>Still needed.....</b>	<b>\$12,424.00</b>

Thank you to the 111 parishioners who have sent in their pledges. With 96 cards outstanding. We can do this!!

*Congratulations to Owen Trombley and Evan Chouinard who were confirmed at All Saints on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.*

*Wishing Fr. Sebastian a Happy Birthday on Saturday October 31<sup>st</sup>. May the Lord bless you with many more years!*



## SPIRIT LIFTERS

**Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>** - Lord, you are patient with me - even though I am slow to respond.

**Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>** - In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Prov. 3:6

**Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>** - In seeking happiness for others, you find it for yourself.

**Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>** - In labors of love, every day is pay day.

**Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>** - A poor listener seldom hears a good sermon.

**Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>** - He who shall introduce into public affairs the principles of primitive Christianity, will revolutionize the world.

**Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>** - Optimism is the handmaiden of faith. Together, they help us see the light at the end of tunnels yet to be built.

### 2020 St. Vincent DePaul Society Christmas Baskets

SVdP will be distributing Christmas Baskets on December 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> from the Ruth Butler bldg. We are looking for monetary or physical donations. Checks may be written out to SVdP and please specify on the check that the money is to be used for Christmas Baskets. Thank you. Call Julie at 906-280-1315 if you have any questions.



Would you like a yearly subscription to the WORD AMONG US? The Word Among us is a complete Catholic Mass and Daily Meditation book comes monthly. For \$20 a year you can get one through Holy Family which is about \$15 cheaper than a regular subscription. You can contact the parish office to be put on the

list. The new 2021 books will be mailed here to the parish sometime in the month of December.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

### **Monday**

Wis 3:1-9  
Rom 5:5-11  
Jn 6:37-40

### **Wednesday**

Phil 2:12-18  
Lk 14:25-33

### **Friday**

Phil 3:17-4:1  
Lk 16:1-8

### **Tuesday**

Phil 2:5-11  
Lk 14:15-24

### **Thursday**

Phil 3:3-8a  
Lk 15:1-10

### **Saturday**

Phil 4:10-19  
Lk 16:9-15

### **Sunday**

Wis 6:12-16 1 Thes 4:13-18 Mt 25:1-13

### Life of Saints

**Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> - ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO, bishop - -** Charles Borromeo (1538-1584), of the wealthy Borromeo family, was born near Lago Maggiore in north Italy. A lawyer, he was summoned to Rome by his uncle, Pius IV, and at age 22 was named a Cardinal in charge of Church affairs. Charles worked to complete the Council of Trent, and then in 1563 was ordained and named Archbishop of Milan. There he was the ideal Shepherd - visiting his people, establishing the first seminaries, correcting abuses, dedicating self in total service. His influence was great. He died at age 46, on November 3, and is buried in the Cathedral of Milan. Charles Borromeo was canonized a saint in 1610.

## THANK YOU

A **HUGH THANK YOU** for all of the support that has been shown so far for the pasty sale that will be this Friday & Saturday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>. With so much support we have decided to make 2000. So with that being said, we are still looking for donations and more workers for the different shifts. If you would like to help or donate please contact the parish office 786-1209 or there are sign up sheets at the back of church.

**PLEASE HAVE ALL DONATIONS HERE BY  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>!!!!**

**THANK YOU**

**ALL SAINTS' DAY Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 2020**  
**Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; 1John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12**

Dear Sisters & Brothers,

The feast of All Saints teaches us that holiness comes in all sizes and shapes. The saints are rich and poor, young and old, warriors and peacemakers, hermits and organizers of charities, parents and celibates, scholars and illiterate and every era has its saints as does ours. The struggles may change; the heroes are still among us. It is part of our Catholic teaching that all of us are called to be saints. Yet, most of us don't take this message seriously and we think that the call to sainthood is meant only for certain selected people; after all, saints are very special people, and we can never be like them. Honestly, if we can just make it into heaven by the back door, we will be satisfied. But we have a wrong concept of sainthood.

Of course, there are almost 10,000 saints in the Catholic Church, who are either canonized or beatified. But there are millions of Holy men and women, though their names are not in the official list of the saints, still sharing the glory of God in heaven. The Feast of All Saints refers not only to the canonized men and women but also to all those baptized Christians who have led a holy and virtuous life and died, and are now with God in glory, though they are not canonized or beatified. Our celebration here today is just a dim reflection of the celebration of the saints in heaven. Imagine all the angels and saints gathered around the throne of God, united in praising and worshipping Him, enjoying the Beatific Vision! In the first reading today from Revelation chapter 7 John recounts a vision he received of that celebration in heaven.

*"After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb." (Rev 7:9-10)*

*Then John is told why they are in heaven, "These are the ones who survived the time of great distress; washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb." (Rev 7:14)*

These saints in heaven have been faithful to Jesus despite all the difficulties of living the Christian life and being the followers of Jesus while they were on earth. That is why they are now given white robes as John saw in his vision. These men and women didn't become saints by their effort alone rather it was through the Grace of God working in them. That is why Paul writes in **1 Cor. 15:10**, "...**what I am now I**

**am through the grace of God...**” These saints’ lives of faith and endurance were made possible by God working in them and that is why we gather today, to thank God for what He has done in the lives of all the saints of all ages who are now gathered in heaven. It is God’s victory in their lives that we celebrate today. Jesus’ victory over evil on the cross has been reproduced in the lives of these saints. The saints, whether famous and canonized, or unknown and not canonized, have led exemplary lives and they are our great role models and great intercessors in heaven.

Of course we give great respect and honor to the canonized saints for their outstanding holy and vitreous lives. They are given special day of celebration in the Mass. But you and I can become saints just remaining faithful to God always, in whatever we do. First of all, we should keep in mind the great truth that **no one is born as saint**, but eventually through his/her faithful life and by the Grace of God becomes a saint. We should not think that the saints, from the very beginning of their lives, never committed any sin, never lost their patience. We also have the examples of most unworthy and unexpected people becoming saints. Before our own eyes we have the lives of Saul who became Apostle Paul later and St. Augustine who was a pagan who even led an immoral life. We also see saints like St. Theresa of Infant Jesus and Maria Goretti who lived only a very short life, but achieved outstanding holiness. But they too are considered to be great saints. Besides these great men and women, there are thousands of simple people living and lived in this world whose virtues and sacrifices are not known to many and as a result they are not considered to be saints in the strict sense. But they too are saints in heaven.

So it is not impossible for you and I to become saints. But at the same time we need not look for our picture or statue to be venerated in the local churches. The only quality needed to become a saint is to remain faithful to the Lord always in our trials and challenges. It is not necessary that we should be outstanding in our contribution to the Church and humanity. Even our simple prayers and holy life, like that of Theresa of Infant Jesus, can contribute many good things to the Church and the community members, which will make us great before God.