Fr. Matt Marshall, Pastor
The Most Holy Trinity—June 7, 2020

Holy Day Mass: Please check the bulletin for times.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass on Saturday; oth-
er times as announced or by appointment, request appointment
by calling Fr. Matt or via our website under the Sacraments
tab. https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments

New Parishioners: Welcome to our parish! Please introduce
yourself to Fr. Matt and contact the parish office for registra-
tion and information. https://www.stmarycv.org/visit-us

Sacrament of Baptism: Please
submit a Baptism registration
by mail, or e-mail to both stmaryscv@mwt.net AND
frmattmarshall@gmail.com. You will be contacted by the par-
ish office to finalize your requested date. The registra-
tion form can be found here: https://www.stmarycv.org/
sacraments.

Sacrament of Anointing / Visitation of the Sick: Please con-
tact the parish office when someone you know is in need of
either the sacrament or a pastoral visit, or call Fr. Matt. Re-
quests may also be made from our website under the Sacra-
ments tab. https://www.stmarycv.org/sacraments

Mass Intentions: Please use the Mass Intention envelopes
available in the back of church and at the side door.

Book of Prayer Requests:
Located in the back of church. Feel free to add your own prayer
requests. The requests will be included in the Mass inter-
cessions.
SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2020

1) Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9
2) 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
3) John 3:16-18

FOCUS: God is one and yet three – a Trinity of pure love.

Today’s feast is a celebration of God’s self-revelation to us through the mystery of the Incarnation. For it is in Christ that we come to know that within the Godhead there is a Trinity of three divine persons to whom belong all glory, praise, and honor, and from whom all life flows.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

On Mount Sinai, Moses encounters the God of Israel as a God of compassion and kindness. Saint Paul urges the Corinthians to live in fellowship and peace as brothers and sisters, children of the one God. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches that his mission is grounded in the total love of the Father for all of creation.

Intentions
Weekday intentions will be prayed for privately by Father Matt on the day scheduled, please add these intentions to your own, in your prayers from home.

June 6 ~ 4:00 PM - Don and Roxanne Weber Family
June 7 ~ 8:00 AM - †Frank LeJeune
June 7 ~ 10:30 AM - †Don Kammel
June 9 ~ Our Parish Family
June 10 ~ Our Parish Family
June 12 ~ Our Parish Family
June 13 ~ 4:00 PM - Larry and Myrtle Geier
June 14 ~ 8:00 AM - †Kylie Von Ruden
June 15 ~ 10:30 AM - †Verdel and Sara Holte

Giving Last Week

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Percent Pledged: 132.26%, Percent Received: 127.67%
Number Contributing: 41

Television Masses:
WXOW CH 19 La Crosse – Sunday: 9:30 AM
EWTN (cable/sat.) – Sunday: 7 AM & 11 AM Daily: 7 AM & 6 PM
FOX 25-48 Winona Diocese—7:00 AM

Catholic Broadcasting:
EWTN Catholic Cable Television Vernon Telephone Cable – Chan. 143
MediaCom Chan 15 – Coon Valley Chan 74 – La Crosse also available via satellite

Online:
La Crosse Diocese: https://diolc.org/sacredworship/televised-mass/ or live https://diolc.org/live. Daily at 8 AM, Sunday at 9:30 AM

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New Mass Time Schedule
starting May 30/31, 2020
-Saturday 4:00 PM (limited to 30 people)
-Sunday @ 8:00 AM (limited to 30 people)
-Sunday @ 10:30 AM (limited to 30 people)

Church will be open for private prayer Tuesday through Friday from 9 AM until 7 PM and Sunday Noon to 7 PM (please practice good social distancing and Maximum of 10 persons)
From Fr. Matt

- Friday evening, June 19th we will have 11 students visiting our parish from UW-Madison. They are doing a walking pilgrimage from Champion, WI (by Green Bay) to the Shrine of our Lady of Guadalupe. Our parish is their final stop before being picked up for home on Saturday morning. I would love to show some hospitality to these students, but could use some help. Would you please help? Call or e-mail me if you would be willing to prepare, serve, or clean up from that meal.

- Fr. Matt is in need of equipment and a person skilled with that equipment for recording a Mass once a week. Please let him know if you can be of help!

- In light of my homily this week, consider how you might stretch your appreciation for others. How can you stretch yourself to see other’s point of view?

- Reminder: Contact Fr. Matt each week to let him know 1) when you intend to come back to Mass and 2) if you have a Mass time preference. This will help our parish plan out Mass attendance for the immediate future.

Parish Announcements

Your Continued Support is much appreciated!

We are accepting donations through the mail and if you use online banking, please consider adding St. Mary’s Parish to your Bill Pay by setting up St. Mary’s Parish as payment and it will be mailed directly to the parish office (if possible, use your envelope number as the account number). Online services now available: diolc.org/st-mary-coon-valley.

Online Giving to St. Mary’s
https://diolc.org/st-mary-coon-valley/
(a 3% fee will be assessed by the provider of the giving portal, your contribution will be recorded for the full amount)

Bulletins—lets stay connected!
- The parish bulletin will continue to be available on our Website—www.stmarcv.org
- We are mailing the bulletin to those over the age of 80 (if their age is recorded in our database)
- Copies of the bulletin will also be available in the church for pickup during private prayer times.
- If you know of someone who does not have internet and could benefit from having the bulletin mailed to their home, please contact the parish office with the person(s) name(s).

Diocesan/Local Announcements

St. Joseph Community Blood Drive
June 8, 2020 from 1:00 - 6:00 PM at N1800 Town Hall Road, La Crosse WI. Walk ins welcome but appointments are highly encouraged. Schedule online at https://bit.ly/givejune8 or call 877-BE-A HERO. For more info go to Versiti.org

Cleaning Position Available
St. Joseph Ridge Parish is seeking to immediately employ a part-time cleaning person. Cleaner will be responsible for the Rectory, Church and School, totaling approximately 8 hours every two weeks. Must be able to pass a background check, be willing to be fingerprinted and complete Safe Environment training. Send letter or resume with references to: St. Joseph Ridge Parish, W2601 State Rd 33, La Crosse, WI 54601 or email sjr2601@gmail.com.

U.S. Bishop’s Statement on George Floyd and Protests
Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles, President of the USCCB, issued a statement on Sunday, May 31, addressing the senseless and brutal killing of George Floyd and the protests that have followed. You can read it at usccb.org/news/2020/20-84.cfm. Let us act and pray for an end to racism and for the peaceful expression of justifiable outrage, leading to the conversion of hearts and human solidarity.

Time to Turn to St. Joseph
Our diocesan Year of St. Joseph comes as our nation is in crisis, facing the COVID-19 pandemic and its effects on our economy, and more recently the brutal killing of George Floyd and the violence that has come in its wake. Who better to turn to than the man who protected and provided for Jesus and Mary as they faced dangers and hardships? In everything, St. Joseph sought to know and do the will of God. Noble, strong, quiet, pure: these are some of the traits he exemplified. For a beautiful prayer card and more on the Year of St. Joseph, visit diolc.org/year-of-st-joseph/.

Prayers and Blessings for Rural Life
As the growing season begins on our farms, the Diocese of La Crosse Rural Life Committee would like to share some pertinent prayers and blessings. Visit diolc.org/social-concerns/rural-life/.

Faith Walk is a free website and app for Catholics to strengthen their relationship with Christ and the Church; resources include Mass preparations, prayer guides, bible studies and small group prompts. https://www.myfaithwalk.org

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**Free Online Marriage Conference** – The Catholic Marriage Summit, June 11-13, includes some of the most trusted and loved Catholic marriage experts in the world. It will be filled with powerful and practical sessions on everything from finances, to prayer, intimacy, parenting, and more! To register, go to joyfuleverafter.org

**For Parents & Teens:** We have limited time free access (ends June 30) to brief, engaging videos to open up foundational parent/teen dialogue in the areas of relationships and sexuality, offering a clear understanding of the deepest desires of our hearts. Go to diolc.org/marriage/at-home-family-faith-building-resources/

**LifeTeen Catholic Youth Ministry Convention Scholarship – Date Extended** For the past several years, through a generous grant, people from our diocese who work with young people have been able to attend this convention for free. There are a few more scholarships available. The convention has been postponed to September 16-19, 2020. If you have not attended this convention, or know of someone who has not attended this convention, please email Andrew Brueggen, LifeTeen Area Coordinator at youthdir@stpatsonalaska.com

**Cathedral Live Stream Mass Schedule**
The Cathedral Live Stream Schedule is available at diolc.org/live
Live Daily Mass (Monday-Saturday) from the Cathedral Mass in English – 8:00am
Mass in Spanish – 8:30am
Live Sunday Mass from the Cathedral Mass in English – 9:30 am. Mass in Spanish – 10:30 a.m.

**A Virtual 50th Jubilee Anniversary Celebration** – The in-person 50th wedding anniversary Masses have been canceled. But a special Mass with Bishop Callahan will be held this year via live-stream at 1:00 pm on Sunday, July 12 from the Cathedral. You will be able to view the live stream or recording by visiting https://diolc.org/marriage/ on and after July 12.

**HEALING: Bringing the Gift of God’s Mercy to the World**
The Conference by Dr. Mary Healy held at Mary Mother of the Church on June 13, 2020 has been cancelled.

**Queen of the Americas Guild Annual Conference**
July 31-August 1, 2020 at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Join us for this two day conference/retreat examining Our Lady of Guadalupe's relationship to Human Life and Its Cradle in the Family Formed by Marriage. Enhance your faith and learn more about the miracle of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and the history of our Faith. Visit: queenoftheamericasguild.org, call 630-584-1822 or email staff@queenoftheamericasguild.org. Flyers are also in the back of church.

**Adventure Camp UPDATED TIMES:** Here are the dates for Adventure Camp this summer! We hope that you will bring a group and join us. This is for youth in grades 6-12. To register and get more details, please visit: http://diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities/adventure-camp/

**Save the Date: August 29th Witnesses for Christ Conference – Virtual**
Amidst the ongoing concerns of spreading the COVID-19 virus, the Witnesses for Christ Conference on August 29th will be VIRTUAL! Fr. Timothy Gallagher will present on “Overcoming Spiritual Discouragement.” Learn to find freedom from one of the greatest obstacles in life – the “cage” of everyday discouragement we all experience. This is such a timely topic in light of the current state of affairs, so we are moving forward with a Virtual Conference. The presentations will be live-streamed by ZOOM webinar. Participants may engage as individuals or groups. Further details to follow.

**Weekday Readings**

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Greeting

We name our God: the God who gives the Name to us, and gave us the power to name…

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you always. And with your Spirit.

God is love, God is life. Indeed God reveals love as life. So now standing in need of more life, we confess or need to give and receive more love:

God, you are love…Lord, have mercy: Lord, have mercy.
God, you are life…Lord, have mercy: Lord, have mercy.
God, you are communion…Lord, have mercy: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, who hast form’d me out of mud,
And hast redeem’d me through thy bloud,
And sanctifi’d me to do good;

Purge all my sinnes done heretofore:
For I confesse my heavie score,
And I will strive to sinne no more.

Enrich my heart, mouth, hands in me,
With faith, with hope, with charitie;
That I may runne, rise, rest with thee.

(Trinity Sunday by George Herbert, 1593 - 1633)
(Herbert was a Welsh, Anglican priest and poet)


Let us pray:

God, we praise you! You reveal yourself in the depths of our being, beckoning us to share in your own life and love. Help this people formed in your image and likeness. May this world your love has brought to life recognize more fully our unity, holiness, and wonderful dignity. In you we live and move and have our being forever and ever. Amen.

Readings

Exodus 34: 4 - 9 2 Corinthians 13: 11 - 13  John 3: 16 - 18

Reflection

I’m someone who has benefitted enormously from chiropractic care. Besides some issues with my legs that I’ve had since birth, I’ve also suffered some pretty serious physical traumas. I’ve been trampled more than once by rather large llamas (yep! no kidding!), been in a very serious car accident, CPR once broke my sternum and all my ribs, and I’ve also broke my tailbone twice and every single one of my fingers at least once. Whew! Chiro has helped so much! I can always tell when its coming time for another visit because my neck and shoulders really start to lock up. Actually, I usually don’t notice that
as much I start getting irritable, and am having trouble doing shoulder checks in the car. Then I notice! So I go in to the doc, there’s some adjustments made, some stretching, and I walk out feeling oh, so much better. Often better than I realized I could feel!

And that brings me to think about our readings today. Moses talking about a stiff-necked people. Ah! the perpetual challenge of us human beings. We get locked up, and then we get ornery. Sometimes downright mean! And God has been nagging at us to get it checked out since the beginning. Maybe like our spouse! *When are you gonna quit whining and do something about it! Go to the doc!*

I have always loved that spiritual description in the Scriptures: *a stiff-necked people.* It’s made sense to me. Made sense to me at the level of both my body and mind. We’re made to move! Made to engage with the world. Yet for a whole host of reasons, sometimes we get stiff. Locked up. Locked in. Doesn’t make for happiness. Doesn’t make for much freedom or joy. I think of a stiff neck and I think of a person, or a people, who can’t see or do even a half of what their whole being aches to do.

This painfully clear imagery is a wonderful pick for Trinity Sunday. Today we celebrate God who is love. God who is a community of persons, people living together in peace. God, a people as it were, who does nothing but love and create, welcome and have compassion. Listen to that prayer of Moses after he saw the sinfulness of his people, *yet pardon us, Lord, and receive us as your own.* And God does! God always receives us! Because God is always open to life. God is stiff-necked in no way at all. The Father is open to the Son, and the Son to the Father, and the Spirit to them both. So too, God is always open to this world made from nothing but love and friendship.

How timely for us to remember our belief in the Trinity as we mourn the death of George Floyd. We mourn his death, and the torrent of sadness and anger that flows from centuries of racism and discrimination in our country.

This is our illness still. We are stiff-necked. We can’t turn to see anyone else sometimes. We can’t see squat, and it doesn’t improve our attitudes either. All that we don’t see, the people you or I can’t face, can make us bitter, and ornery, and at last violent. On this Trinity Sunday, our whole nation wracked with pain, God says to us, *Get to the doctor! Find healing, get an adjustment.* We are meant to be able to move about. All of us are meant to be free, and to be able to face one another, see one another. This personal attention characterized early Christians in a way that baffled the world. We greeted even strangers in our Sunday Eucharists *with a kiss!* A gesture usually reserved for friends, family, and those you knew you could trust. Like St. Paul said today, we greeted everyone that way.

If you had a pulse, and you were an early Christian, you turned and faced your neighbor at Mass, you looked them in the eye, smiled, and kissed them on the cheek. We don’t do that anymore! Not most of the time. And I’m not talking about the kissing! I’m talking about what lay beneath that action, that choice. A life of trust, a life of faith and love. Our God shows us, and our times (our times!), scream at us that we are meant to live with love and trust for others. God did not come in this world to condemn, to pass judgement, we are reminded by the Gospel today. Neither should we! Regarding every single, every single person we meet, we ought to consider:

They know things I don’t know
They bring life I can’t bring
They have sadness I cannot see
They complete me
We would do better, feel better to live this way.

Words of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. come to mind. The concluding passage of his *I Have A Dream* speech:

*When we allow freedom to ring-when we let it ring from every city and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual, "Free at last, Free at last, Great God a-mighty, We are free at last."*

Let us remember on this Trinity Sunday that no human being is truly free, until that person, and every person, can really turn their head about and see, and move towards, one another with love, compassion, and humility. God, almighty, set us free! Set us free at last…all of us. ‘Cause it’s time for an adjustment.

**Petitions**

*Nothing can separate the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Nothing can separate God from us. So we can pray with confidence…*

For the Church that within our walls and lives all people may find they have a place…we pray to the Lord:  *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For our nation so wounded by prejudices old and new.  May we accept the peace God offers by accepting our neighbors…we pray to the Lord:  *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all those who have died or suffered trauma on account of any form of bigotry…God, heal the hearts of those who have suffered such terrible wounds.  We pray to the Lord:  *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That all people will recognize that racism and exclusion deny the sacredness of each and every human life…we pray to the Lord:  *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For Don and Roxanne Weber, Frank LeJeune, and Donnie Kammel for whom we offer this time of prayer…help us to stay connected with each other until all things are united in your Kingdom.  We pray to the Lord:  *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Sending**

We remember our common origin and destiny as we pray what Jesus revealed for all:  

*Our Father…*

*God of all, your mystery is revealed in Creation, the work of you loving hands. Help us to offer you true worship by acknowledging your image in every person. Through Christ our Lord.  *Amen.*

The Kids' Bulletin
Feast of the Most Holy Trinity
June 7th, 2020

What does the word "Trinity" say about God?
Use the code to find out!

God So Loved The World
Cross-Word

___ (3d) so ___ (10a) the world that he ___ (3a) his ___ (15a) Son, so that ___ (2d) ___ (11d) believes ___ (14d) him might not ___ (13a) but might have ___ (7d) ___ (8a)

God did ___ (12a) ___ (1a) his Son ___ (9d) the ___ (4d) to ___ (6a) the world, but that the world might ___ (5a) saved through him.

The Holy Trinity

Today we are celebrating the feast of the Holy Trinity. "Trinity" means "three" and tells us that there are three Persons in God. There is only one God, but God is a relationship of the Father and the Son (Jesus) and the Holy Spirit.

Each of the Persons in the Holy Trinity is really God, so the Father is really God, and Jesus is really God, and the Holy Spirit is really God. But they are not all the same Person. Each of the Persons in the Holy Trinity is also equal to all the others. So the Father is not greater than the Son or the Holy Spirit; they are all equal.

Sometimes we can understand the Holy Trinity as if it were like a family. Each of the persons is different, but the family wouldn't really exist if any one of them were missing. The Holy Trinity is also a relationship of love. Because God is so full of love He wanted to share it with others, so that is why He made us! When we live the way God wants us to we are joining in the life of the Holy Trinity. Isn't that amazing?