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June 12, 2022 Most Holy Trinity

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.

The fundamental dogma, on which everything in Christianity is based, is that of the Blessed Trinity in whose name all Christians are baptized. The **Solemnity of the Blessed Trinity** needs to be understood and celebrated as a prolongation of the mysteries of Christ and as the solemn expression of our faith in this triune life of the Divine Persons, to which we have been given access by Baptism and by the Redemption won for us by Christ. Only in heaven shall we properly understand what it means, in union with Christ, to share as sons in the very life of God.

The feast of the Blessed Trinity was introduced in the ninth century and was only inserted in the general calendar of the Church in the fourteenth century by Pope John XXII. But the cultus of the Trinity is, of course, to be found throughout the liturgy. Constantly the Church causes us to praise and adore the thrice-holy God who has so shown His mercy towards us and has given us to share in His life.

Trinity Sunday

The dogma of faith which forms the object of the feast is this: There is one God and in this one God there are three Divine Persons; the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God. Yet there are not three Gods, but one, eternal, incomprehensible God! The Father is not more God than the Son, neither is the Son more God than the Holy Spirit. The Father is the first Divine Person; the Son is the second Divine Person, begotten from the nature of the Father from eternity; the Holy Spirit is the third Divine Person, proceeding from the Father and the Son. No mortal can fully fathom this sublime truth. But I submit humbly and say: *Lord, I believe, help my weak faith*.

Why is this feast celebrated at this particular time? It may be interpreted as a finale to all the preceding feasts. All three Persons contributed to and shared in the work of redemption. The Father sent His Son to earth, for "God so loved the world as to give His only-begotten Son." The Father called us to the faith. The Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, became man and died for us. He redeemed us and made us children of God. He ever remains the liturgist *par excellence* to whom we are united in all sacred functions. After Christ's ascension the Holy Spirit, however, became our Teacher, our Leader, our Guide, our Consoler. On solemn occasions a thanksgiving *Te Deum* rises spontaneously from Christian hearts.



The feast of the Most Holy Trinity may well be regarded as the Church's *Te Deum* of gratitude over all the blessings of the Christmas and Easter seasons; for this mystery is a synthesis of Christmas, Epiphany, Easter, Ascension and Pentecost. This feast, which falls on the first Sunday after Pentecost, should make us mindful that actually every Sunday is devoted to the honor of the Most Holy Trinity, that every Sunday is sanctified and consecrated to the triune God. Sunday after Sunday we should recall in a spirit of gratitude the gifts which the Blessed Trinity is bestowing upon us.

The Father created and predestined us; on the first day of the week He began the work of creation. The Son redeemed us; Sunday is the "Day of the Lord," the day of His resurrection. The Holy Spirit sanctified us, made us His temple; on Sunday the Holy Spirit descended upon the infant Church. Sunday, therefore, is *the* day of the Most Holy Trinity.

—Excerpted from *The Church's Year of Grace*, Pius Parsch

Sacrament of Baptism please call the office: Rev. John Yake, I.V. Dei

Instructors for baptism:

Mary Fougere, SJB 902) 535-2699 Rose Pâté, SP (902) 302-7011 Vera Doucette, HGA (902) 785-4018

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call Fr. Yake six months prior to the wedding date. Call Family Service of Eastern Nova Scotia to register for upcoming courses 902-849-4772. Ask for Tasia Boucher, tboucher@fsens.ns.ca

Weekday Masses

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

SJB 4:00 PM

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

SP 9:00 AM

Friday, June 17, 2022
SP 11:00 AM
Mass of the Resurrection
+ Jessie (Adams) O'Handley

Saturday, June 18, 2022

SH 4:00 PM HGA 5:30 PM

+ Lawrence, Clara, Ralph & James Bona

Sunday, June 19, 2022

SJB 9:00 AM

+ Donald Richard

SP 10:30

* Special Intentions

Receipts

Holy Guardian Angels

June 4, 2022

Envelopes & Loose \$ 790.25 Candles \$ 33.75 Dues \$ 270.00

Total \$ 1,094.00

St. John the Baptist June 5, 2022

Envelopes & Loose \$ 865.00 Cemetery \$ 690.00

<u>Total</u> \$ 1,555.00

St. Peter's June 5, 2022

Envelopes & Loose \$ 1,035.00 Candles 7.00 Papal Charities 20.00 Cemetery Fund 395.00

Total \$ 1,457.00

COMMUNITY EVENTS

<u>Please note:</u> There will be no Mass at SJB on Tuesday, June 21, 2022 but rather will be on Thursday, June 23 which is the Nativity of St. John the Baptist and will be held at 4:00 PM in the church.

Retired Teachers' Organization

CHANGE OF DATE: The Richmond Branch of RTO will be holding a Members Breakfast on Tuesday, June 14, at the St. Peter's and Area Lions Hall beginning at 9:30 AM. There will be no charge for Breakfast but members are asked to make a donation. All proceeds will be donated to victims of domestic abuse at "Leaside Transition House". A short meeting will follow at 10:00 am.

Richmond County Budget 2022/23

Richmond Municipal Council passed its budget for 2022/23 themed "Investing in Communities, Infrastructure and Growth".

For the budget summary go to Richmond Municipality's website at www.richmondcounty.ca and see Budget 2022/23.

Regular Knights of Columbus meeting will be held on Thursday, June 16th at 6:30 PM in basement of glebe.

Knights of Columbus Yard Sale

<u>CHANGE OF DATE:</u> The sale will be on June 25th and 26th from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Donations of goods will be accepted and maybe some help as "Many hands make light work." <u>Will be held at glebe house parking lot.</u>

For all parishes: The Richmond Co. Men's Choir is actively singing again. The men sing in a different parish in Richmond Co. one **Sunday/Saturday** of each month (excluding July & August). If you love to sing, come join us! They practice in the Louisdale Church every second week from 7:15 PM till 8:15 PM.

Upcoming Events

Richmond County Strategic Plan ReFRESH: Have your Say!

If you're a resident of Richmond County, we want to hear from you! Join the Municipality of the County of Richmond for one of three upcoming Community Open House sessions June 14-16 and provide input on Richmond County's new strategic direction.

Open House Schedule:

- •Tuesday, June 14, 2022 | 6-8 p.m.| Isle Madame New Horizon Seniors Club, 2373 Hwy 206, Arichat
- •Wednesday, June 15, 2022 | 6-8 p.m. | Louisdale & District Fire Hall, RR#1 Hwy 4, Louisdale
- •Thursday, June 16, 2022 | 6 − 8 p.m. | St Peter's & Area Lions Club, 39 Lions Ave., St. Peter's

Can't make one of the in-person Open Houses? Fill out the online survey before June 24 at https://tinyurl.com/RichmondCountyStrategicPlan or provide your feedback by emailing refresh@richmondcounty.ca!



Join us for a Public Workshop to Review the Draft Planning Documents!

The Municipality of the County of Richmond is creating a Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use Bylaw for the areas without land use zoning in the municipality, and those areas that do not meet the Minimum Planning Standards

Join us for a Public Workshop near you! Learn more about the project, share your thoughts on the draft documents, and engage in small group discussions with members of your community.

Monday, June 27th, 6-8pm - Framboise, NS

Framboise Community Hall, 7690 St Peters Fourchu Rd

Tuesday, June 28th, 6-8pm - L'Ardoise, NS

L'Ardoise Community Hall, 206 Chapel Cove Rd

www.PlanRichmond.ca hello@planrichmond.ca

Love in the Kitchen: A Recipe for Holiness

The dinner table and the kitchen aren't just for making memories – they're where saints are created. This Corpus Christi weekend, June 18-19, Chalice is inviting everyone, from aspiring chefs to those who just like to eat (or enjoy a drink!), to a free online event, Love in the Kitchen: A Recipe for Holiness. Discover why our Catholic faith should have a place at every meal. Register today at chaliceevents.org/love-in-the-kitchen. Bon Appétit!

For more information: chalice.ca

'Mama's Faith'

A tribute to mothers and their faith in stories and song.

June 19, 4 pm (Atlantic time)

Virtual Nationwide Rosary for the Family

In preparation for the 10th World Meeting of Families (WMF), the CCCB Standing Committee for Family and Life is hosting a live and nationwide Rosary for the Family via Zoom Webinar. The virtual event will be facilitated by several families from across the country. It is the hope that this moment will be an opportunity to gather at the national level in prayer as well as to witness alongside other faith-filled families.

To register for the Zoom event:

https://cccb-ca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN R5OXeN5DRSuTDN6quptG4w

June 24

Global Rosary Relay for Priests

Worldpriest is inviting you once again to join us on June 24 (Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus) in the Global Rosary Relay to pray and offer the Holy Rosary for our Beloved Priests. On this special day, the entire globe will be united in prayer for our Priests.

Last year, Canada won a special award from Worldpriest for Outstanding Participation and Promotion of the Global Rosary Relay. We are hoping to multiply our numbers even more this year.

You may pray the Holy Rosary in your home, gather in your parish church, as a prayer group, etc.

For more information about Worldpriest/The Global Rosary Relay, please see:

www.worldpriest.com

If you are interested in joining us, please contact: Isabel Gillis (Canadian Worldpriest Representative)

4isabelgillis@gmail.com

902-870-3831

Now Open for the Season:

Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine

Gift Shop, Mabou

The gift shop is now open daily from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

Hours for the gift shop will be extended as of June 1 to 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The Shrine has been open for visitation throughout the winter, and remains open daily for visitation.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you again.

Inquiries: 902-945-2221

Nigeria slaughter hits home for African-Canadians BY MICHAEL SWAN, THE CATHOLIC REGISTER

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With 22 dead and about 50 people injured in a Pentecost Sunday massacre in a Catholic church in northwestern Nigeria, African Catholics in Canada are left shaking their heads and praying for peace.

Even if the African-Canadians who gather at the African Catholic Community in Holy Name Church along the Danforth in Toronto come from at least a dozen different countries, the situation in Nigeria touches the hearts of everyone in the parish, said African Catholic Community pastoral council chair Cleopas Leke.

"The concern is about all Africans, all Africa," Leke told *The Catholic Register*. "How come we Africans always feel that we are not secure?"

The security African immigrants feel in Canada is always shadowed by the insecurity they left behind, Cleopas said.

"We have family living there. We have brothers living there. All our soul is there," he said. "If they kill people in Africa, they kill us. When there's no security, there's no security for our friends, our relatives, our families. We cannot support living in a world now that is still on fire. We don't get that. We never get that."

Though the community that Fr. Alex Osei, national director of the Pontifical Society of St. Peter the Apostle in Toronto, pastors at St. Andrew's Church in Etobicoke is mainly Congolese, the attack in Nigeria still hits close to home for African Catholics from all over the continent.

"As an African, when you hear, especially as Christians, that this is happening — a shooting in a church during Mass — everybody is worried and talking about it," Osei said.

Aid to the Church in Need, which has highlighted violence against Christians in Nigeria for years, called on "political and religious leaders in the world to firmly and explicitly condemn this terrorist attack."

"The identity of the perpetrators remains unknown while the situation has left the community devastated," Diocese of Ondo director of communications Fr. Augustine Ikwu told ACN. "The bishop appeals that we remain calm, be lawabiding and pray for peace and normalcy to return to our community, state and country."

At an Aid to the Church in Need press conference a week before the shootings, Archbishop of Kaduna Matthew Man-Oso Ndagoso called on Nigeria's government to act on the root causes of out-of-control violence in Nigeria.

"The government has failed us completely. It is the absence of good government that is causing this. Bandits, Boko Haram, kidnappings — these are all symptoms of injustice, of the corruption that is in the system. Unless we can get to the root of the issue, we will be fighting a losing battle."

"Nowhere seems to be safe again in our country, not even the sacred precincts of a church," said Archbishop Lucius Ugorji, president of the Nigerian Catholic bishops' conference.

The Archbishop of Lagos placed the blame at the feet of the Nigerian government. "Security is in shambles, the economy has failed as the majority of Nigerians are living in extreme poverty, and even the trend in politics gives a lot of concern to the average Nigerian," said Archbishop Alfred Adewale Martins, calling on leaders to step up efforts to prevent similar attacks.