

Most Holy Trinity

JUNE 12, 2022



THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

First: Proverbs 8:22-31

Second: Romans 5:1-5

Gospel: John 16:12-15

FOCUS: Come, Holy Spirit!

We believe in one God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Just as Jesus assured the Apostles that the Spirit of Truth would guide them, we, too, can count on the Holy Spirit to strengthen us in faith, hope and charity.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

The Wisdom of God declares her existence as before all things, of being brought forth before the beginning of time, delighting in all of creation and the human race. Paul assures the Romans that their faith will sustain them even in the face of afflictions, saying, "Hope does not disappoint." In the Gospel, Jesus promises the disciples that the Holy Spirit will guide them to all truth.



MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: Mary & George Olsen, Nancy Wood, Frank Valenti and the Valenti Family

10 a.m.: Frances Hernandez, Luella Faso, Julio Seda, Mary Manza and Michael Mont

TREASURER'S REPORT

May 29- June 5: Totaled \$ 6,582.23

Envelopes: \$ 3,936.00 – Online: \$ 2,646.23

THANK YOU

THE PATRON SAINT OF LOST ITEMS

Saint Anthony, whose feast day is June 13, was born Fernando Martins in 1195 to a wealthy Portuguese family. He ultimately joined the Franciscan friars after entering the priesthood. While preaching in Morocco, he became extremely sick and eventually convalesced in a Franciscan hermitage in Tuscany.

It was there he was asked by his superior to speak as guided by the Holy Spirit before his community and visiting Dominican friars. Though he objected at first, Anthony finally agreed and delivered an articulate and moving homily that impressed both groups. Soon, news of his eloquence reached Francis of Assisi. In Anthony, Francis found a friend.

In 1224, Francis entrusted his friars' educational pursuits to Anthony. Anthony had a book of psalms that contained notes and comments to help when teaching students and, in a time when a printing press was not yet invented, it was something he greatly valued. When a novice decided to leave the hermitage, he stole Anthony's treasured book. When Anthony discovered it was missing, he prayed it would be found and returned to him. The thief not only returned the book, which is preserved at a Franciscan friary, but he returned to the Order as well.

Anthony was 35 years old when he died, and he was canonized within a year by Pope Gregory IX. His body was exhumed more than 30 years after his death. It had completely decomposed – except for his tongue, which remains incorrupt to this day.

"By preserving St. Anthony's tongue from corruption, God has shown us that He approved the saint's mission and, in particular, his preaching, which he performed mainly through his tongue and vocal apparatus," said Fr. Enzo Poiana, former rector of the Basilica of St. Anthony in Padua.

St. Anthony is typically depicted with a book and the Infant Jesus. He is commonly referred to today as the "finder of lost articles" and is also credited with many miracles involving lost people.

PRAYER TO ST. ANTHONY

*O Holy St. Anthony gentlest of Saints,
your love for God and charity for His creatures,
made you worthy, when on earth,
to possess miraculous powers.
Encouraged by this thought,
I implore you to obtain for me (request).
O gentle and loving St. Anthony,
whose heart was ever full of human sympathy,
whisper my petition into the ears
of the sweet Infant Jesus,
who loved to be folded in your arms.
The gratitude of my heart will ever be yours.
Amen.*



MULTI-PARISH RAFFLE

What would you do with an extra \$30,000?

On August 13, a lucky someone will be answering that question – and it could be you!

Heeding the advice of our Finance Council, we are participating in an Archdiocese-approved, multi-parish raffle for 23 American Express Gift Card prizes totaling \$68,000. Along with the top prize, there's a \$10,000 second prize, \$8,000 third prize and 20 additional \$1,000 prizes.



Registered parishioners will receive an envelope soon from St. Roch Church in Greenwich, CT, the raffle orchestrator, which will include five \$25 raffle tickets to buy and/or sell to family and friends. (We were told there was a delay in mailing, which is being corrected.) Additional tickets will be available through the office.

And St. Paul's will receive half of our total ticket sales!

Ticket stubs, payment and unsold tickets have to be returned by August 1. The drawing can be viewed live at 8 p.m. August 13 at www.parishraffle.com.

Remember, you've got to be in it to win it – and it's for a good cause, too!

MASS INTENTIONS

Several years ago, the Archdiocese suggested increasing the donation to schedule an announced Mass from \$10 to \$15. We did not follow suit at that time, although other local churches did.

However, given the financial strain caused by COVID-19 – and upon the advice of our Finance Council – we have to seek other ways to increase income. The multi-parish lottery is one avenue. This is another and will go into effect this Tuesday, June 14.



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CALL TO JUSTICE



Judy Principe, a certified spiritual director and an associate of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Philadelphia, reflects on how the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit – wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord – are at work in her against the backdrop of the current world situation.

"No matter what one's political, philosophical or religious views, I think we can all agree that we are called to navigate daily through an environment of fear and divisiveness that seems to have permeated all aspects of life. We may have even experienced rifts and broken relationships among family members and friends because of differing perspectives. Certainly, the long months of COVID-19 isolation have contributed to and intensified a feeling of disconnection, aloneness and loneliness," she writes.

To access her full reflection on how the Holy Spirit is enlightening her, which was published in Global Sisters Report, go to www.stpaulsbullville.org, our website, click on "Read More" under "A Call to Justice" on the home page and then double click on the article you wish to read.

IN THE LOOP



We have an active **Prayer Chain** at St. Paul's, with prayer warriors awaiting your requests. Simply call the office at 845-361-3107 or email Kim Porpora at kpporpora@gmail.com.



If your child will be entering first grade in the fall, he or she is also ready to begin our religious education program. Or if your family has just relocated from another parish, this is also **the time to register your children**. Please contact Jessica Carpino, religious education coordinator, at 845-361-5816, for an appointment.



Why register? When we do not have a record of membership and participation, delays and hard feelings can result when documentation is requested to be a Godparent or sponsor at Confirmation that we are unable to provide. If you are not registered with us, consider doing so.

