

# THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:16-17

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#### Parish Stewardship for 2022-2023

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### Pope's Intention for June

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



"Pray the Rosary everyday to obtain peace for the world." Join us in St. Joseph Church each Tuesday at 6 p.m.

# Baptism

## Baptismal Training June, July, August, September 2023

June 13 7:00 pm St. Leo Magnus, Ridgway 772-3135

July 6 7:00 pm St. Joseph, Force 787-4151

Aug. 7 6:30 pm St Mark, Emporium 486-0569

Sept. 5 6:30 pm Queen of the World, St. Marys 834-4701



Diocesan anniversary celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2023 will be held at two locations in

the Diocese of Erie this summer: Aug. 6 at Our Lady of Peace, 2401 W. 38<sup>th</sup> St., Erie at 2 p.m. and **August 20 at Saints Cosmas and Damian, 616 W. Mahoning St., Punxsutawney at 2 p.m.** Couples and/or parish staff may register by completing a registration form online at <a href="http://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html">http://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html</a>, or by calling their parish office or by contacting the Marriage and Family Life Office at 814.824.1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 21 for the Erie celebration and until Aug. 4 for the Punxsutawney celebration.

(Celebrating couples may pick up a form in the vestibule.)

#### **Our Eucharistic Revival**

There is an exciting Revival happening in the Catholic Church! I have mentioned in the recent past about a Eucharistic Revival that has already begun happening in our country and within our Diocese of Erie. The Eucharistic Revival can be explained in the following way: It is an opportunity and invitation for all Catholics to experience their faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, by understanding the Mass in a new way and especially in receiving Jesus in Holy Communion at Mass. Also, it is a time for us to experience Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration once a week.

The second Vatican Council in Rome from 1962-1965 wrote in their pastoral letter entitled, "Lumen Gemtium", No. 11, that the Holy Eucharist (the Mass) is "the source and summit of the Christian life". The Eucharist is the source of our spiritual nourishment in receiving the Body and Blood of Christ and the Grace for doing God's Will. The summit means that the Celebration of the Eucharist is the high point of our Catholic worship as the Body of Christ.

I will share with all of you in next weekend's bulletin the calendar of devotions and events that we will be doing in celebrating the Eucharistic Revival.



## The Most Holy Trinity Each New Day

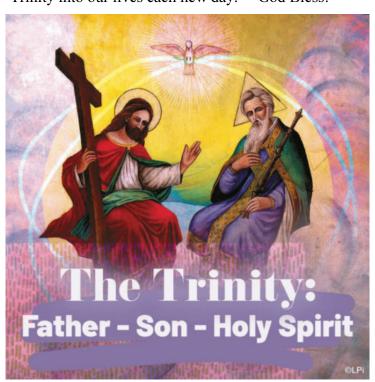
The Most Holy Trinity is Who we celebrate in this Most Holy Solemnity this Sunday: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We celebrate that the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit have been revealed in the human history of creation, salvation and of sanctification (to be made holy).

In the Book of Genesis we read about the creation story of our universe, world, all living things and man and woman who were especially made in God's Image and Likeness. We also read in Genesis about the fall of Adam and Eve and God as a loving Father who made a covenant through Abraham, Issac, Jacob, and Moses and the prophets in order to bring man and woman back into a right relationship.

We then read in the New Testament of the Bible that in the fullness of time, God sent His Son Jesus to teach us about God's Kingdom and through His Death on the Cross and His Resurrection, we now have free access to salvation and everlasting life. Also, by receiving the Holy Spirit through the Sacraments of the Church, we can live a holy life that will prepare us for life in Heaven after our life here on earth. We receive this new life of the Holy Trinity —Three Persons in One — at our Baptism.

In our Gospel Reading, Jesus says of Himself that; "God so loved the world that He gave His Only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life". (John 3: 16)

Our relationship with Jesus our Lord leads each of us to eternal life. May we truly invite the Holy Trinity into our lives each new day. God Bless!



# We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, June 5, 2023 8:30 a.m. Mass	Ron Bruni	Janet Pretti	Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr	Tb 1: 3, 2: 1-8 Mk 12: 1-12
Tuesday, June 6, 2023 8:30 a.m. Mass	Frank Michelini	Janet Pretti	Weekday	Tb 2: 9-14 Mk 12: 13-17
Wednesday, June 7, 2023 No Mass			Weekday	Tb 3: 1-11, 16-17 Mk 12: 18-27
Thursday, June 8, 2023 8:30 a.m. Mass	Irene Gregori	Hugo & Deb Cenni	Weekday	Tb 6: 10-11, 7: 1, 9-17; 8: 4-9 Mk 12: 28-34
Friday, June 9, 2023 8:30 a.m. Mass FIRST FRIDAY	Mary Morelli (birthday)	Family	Saint Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church	Tb 11: 5-17 Mk 12: 35-37
Saturday, June 10, 2023 8:30 a.m. Mass				Tb 12: 1, 5-15, 20 Mk 12: 38-44
Saturday, June 10, 2023 5:30 a.m. Mass	Matthew M. Lovenduski	Tim-father	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	(see below)
Sunday, June 11, 2023 9:15 a.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Parishioners		The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	Dt 8: 2-3, 14-16 1 Cor 10: 16-17 Jn 6: 51-58

### St. Joseph Church

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#### OFFICE HOURS

Church Hours: St. Joseph Church: Sun. 7:30 am — 4 pm; Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. 8 am—4 pm Sat. 9:00 am —7:00 pm

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#### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m; Sunday: 9:15 a.m; Holy Days: 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m; Daily: Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri. 8:30 a.m, No Mass Wednesday

#### **BULLETIN INFORMATION**

Groups or individuals wishing to have information published in the bulletin are asked to submit the information in writing, by email or by phone by Monday at 10:00 a.m.

#### SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

**Baptism** – A baptism preparation session is required of all parents wishing to have their child(ren) baptized. Parents must be registered parishioners. Sessions are held periodically at parishes throughout the Deanery. It is always preferred that baptisms be celebrated during a regular Sunday Liturgy. Call the Parish office for more information.

**Eucharist** – Children preparing for Eucharist (Gr. 3) and who are active in the Faith Formation process (including Catholic School children) are eligible to enter the sacramental preparation sessions.

**Confirmation** – High School youth who are entering the 11<sup>th</sup> grade and who are active in the Faith Formation process or attend a Catholic High School since 9th grade are eligible to enter the Confirmation preparation sessions.

**R.C.I.A.** – Rite of Christian Initiation for adults are initiated into the Church through this process. Any individual who may be interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church is invited. Please call the Church office.

#### SACRAMENTS OF VOCATION

**Priesthood/Permanent Deaconate** – Men who feel that they may be being called to the vocational life of Priesthood or Deaconate can contact the pastor at any time or call the Diocesan Vocation Office at 814-824-1111.

Matrimony – There is a required preparation process which normally includes 3 sessions with the pastor and an Engagement Encounter or Nova experience. Please notify the pastor at least 6 months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

#### SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick-Celebrated for all who are seriously ill annually at a parish Liturgy. The Sacrament is also available upon request.

**Reconciliation** – **The sacrament is celebrated weekly on Saturday from 4:45 – 5:15 p.m, or anytime by request**. Parish Penance services are celebrated during Advent and Lent. Children preparing for Reconciliation (Gr. 2) and who are active in the Faith Formation process (including Catholic School children) are eligible to enter the sacramental preparation sessions.

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