

# SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

## June 7th, 2020



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Daily Eucharistic Liturgy: Monday - Friday at 8:00AM

Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy: Saturday at 4:00PM

Sunday at 9:30AM

Holy Days of Obligation: 8:00AM

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Sunday at 10:00AM

Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil at 5:30PM

TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED



# Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity

## Partners in Faith & Mission



June 7, 2020  
Trinity Sunday

A well-choreographed dance can be truly inspirational. Each movement and step are interconnected, each contributing a piece of the unfolding artistic story. The beholder is caught up in the rhythms, music, and gestures, realizing that none are dispensable and all are necessary. The same is true of the Divine Dance of the Trinity. Each Person plays a part, using unique gestures and movements that are connected to the other Divine Partners.

They tell a story of love. Every movement and step is born of love and flows on into eternity. The Divine Dance never ends. God the Creator powerfully, yet with gentle love, leads. Creating and recreating, birthing and sustaining, He dances with the compassionate incarnate Son, guided by the breath of the Holy Spirit. They are three distinct Persons but move as One. On one hand, the cascading flow of their Presence appears motionless, yet on the other, flows and moves with effortless attention. They share one heart, one goal, and one purpose and invite all of creation to join in their dance, their joy.

The energy of the Trinity flows through all created things. It is a dance of the heart, not of the mind. It has to be experienced, not dissected, and contemplated, not understood. We stand in awe of the Divine Dance and find ourselves watching in amazement all that God creates and sustains. The dance continues in the majesty of a mountain, the power and wonder of an ocean, and the vastness of the universe. It moves in the cry of a newborn infant and in the soul of one who has been forgiven. It flows in the cry for justice and in the wounds of the oppressed. It circles through the changing of seasons, the cycles of birth and death, and the wisdom that one acquires when they love God.

The Dance never ends. Its movements and rhythms go on forever. The Trinitarian Dance sustains all things, endures all things, and brings hope. You are invited to dance. Don't just watch as if you were simply a spectator. Join in the dance and move as they move.

### WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of June 7, 2020

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6-9/Dn 3:52-56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18 [Trinity Sunday]

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6/Ps 121:1-8/Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16/Ps 4:2-8/Mt 5:13-16 [St. Ephrem]

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1-11/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3/Ps 65:10-13/Mt 5:20-26 [St. Barnabas]

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9-16/Ps 27:7-14/Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Ps 16:1-10/Mt 5:33-37 [St. Anthony of Padua]

Next Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14-16/Ps 147:12-20/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58 [Corpus Christi]

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Sacramental preparation is required of the parents who desire to share the Catholic faith with their children and are held monthly throughout the City of Erie. Call the parish office to register to schedule your preparation. Godparents must be Confirmed and practicing Catholics with a letter of recommendation from their pastor to serve as a sacramental sponsor.

**Religious Education, First Holy Communion, and First Reconciliation** programs are hosted at Saint Luke's Church for all eastside Erie parishes. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.825.7105).

**Confirmation** preparation for all eastside Erie parishes is hosted at Saint John's Church. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.454.2873).

**Sacrament of Holy Orders:** God calls all people to holiness. Some men are called to fulfill this vocation as priests. If you are interested in the priesthood, or have questions about it, please contact a parish priest or our Diocesan Vocation Director, Fr. Michael Polenik, at 1.800.374.3723.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Before a date can be scheduled, a priest must be contacted at least six months in advance to complete the required documents.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Communal celebrations of Anointing the Sick are scheduled periodically. The sacrament can also be requested by any parishioner who is seriously ill or in danger of death. *Please note:* Federal law no longer permits hospitals or nursing homes to contact churches when a parishioner is admitted. It is important that family members notify the parish office if a loved one needs a visit, desires to receive Holy Communion, or needs to be Anointed.

**Leave A Legacy:** Consider Saint Stanislaus and Holy Trinity as you meet with your attorney or financial planner regarding your estate planning. Remember the needs of your parish family and leave a legacy of faith for future generations with your generous remembrance.

**Bulletin Information Deadline:** Please submit information to be included in the weekend bulletin by noon the Monday prior. Holiday bulletin announcements must be received by the parish office two weeks in advance.

*Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity  
Partners in Faith & Mission*

**“PRAYER, CARE, AND CONCERN” MINISTRY**

Those who participate in this ministry express the care and concern of our entire parish community to those who are ill, hospitalized, homebound, or in nursing facilities, through birthday and holiday cards, visits, and prayers. To request prayers, or to participate in this ministry, contact Rose Marie at 814.923.4438.

**“PRAYERLINE” MINISTRY**

These ministers devote themselves to prayer for any needs made known to them and any special intentions. To participate in this ministry, or to request prayers for a particular need, contact Kay (825-7328) or Shirley (452-3395) from Saint Stanislaus, or Kathy Benes (898-1091) or Kathy Smith (392-8974) from Holy Trinity.

**PCEP (Parish Catholic Education Program)**

Parishioners of Holy Trinity can receive a parish grant to assist with the cost of tuition for families who wish their primary or secondary school age children to have a Catholic education. To be eligible, families must participate in the program, attend Mass regularly, and be involved in the parish community. For more information, contact the parish office.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**

Parishioners interested in serving our worshipping community as an altar server, lector, Eucharistic minister, or music minister, please let one of your priests know.

**“PRAYER SHAWL” MINISTRY**

The enjoyment of knitting, crocheting, and sewing are uniquely combined with prayer to offer a deeply personal and meaningful spiritual ministry. Shawls are prayerfully made and freely given away to those suffering bereavement, those recovering from illness, the elderly, homebound, and those in nursing facilities. To join us in this ministry, please contact Linda at 814.864.8476.

**THE “ZABAWA COMMITTEE”**

Held on the parish grounds of Holy Trinity, Zabawa is the largest Polish heritage celebration in the region, drawing tens of thousands of people to our neighborhood. The Zabawa Committee organizes the festival through food preparation, donation solicitation, food and beverage service, and so on. The committee always welcomes any help they receive. If you would like to offer your time, and experience hands-on learning about these rich cultural traditions, contact Ray Luniewski at 882-1032.

**PROLIFE COMMUNITY**

This ministry advocates through for the protection of all human life from conception until natural death through prayer, education, and action.

**ST. STANISLAUS / HOLY TRINITY INITIAL PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM**

(please circle which parish)

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check:  New Registration  Change of Address  Change of Telephone Number

Change of E-mail  Moving out of Parish  Want Envelopes

*Place in offertory basket or mail to Parish Office. We will contact you to complete our Census Form.  
Welcome to our Parish Family!*

*A Community of Faith Built on Tradition, Where Everyone is Welcome*

# Saint Stanislaus Parish Community

## MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., June 8th, 8:00AM - V. & E. Gambill, & Linda Love (P. & R. Gambill)  
 Tues., June 9th, 8:00AM - Joseph Zawistowski (Stan & Betty Bialomilzy)  
 Wed., June 10th, 8:00AM - Helen Mikolajczak (Bob Glowaky & Family)  
 Thurs., June 11th, 8:00AM - Helen Justka (Justka Family)  
 Fri., June 12th, 8:00AM - Jean & Stanley Markiewicz (Family)  
 Sat., June 13th, 4:00PM - Helen Kurpiewski (Tom & Family)  
 Sun., June 14th, 10:00AM - For the People of St. Stanislaus (Pro Populo)

## LIMITED HOURS OF OPERATION

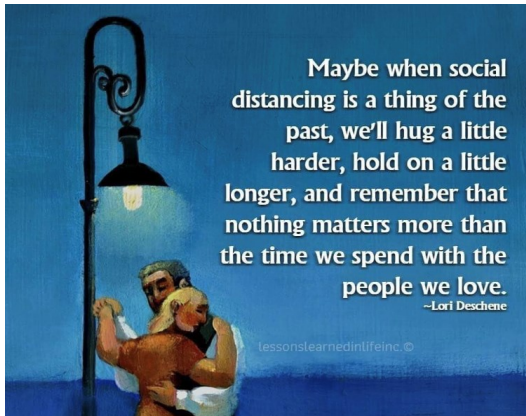
Our Parish Office is operating under limited hours. The Office will be open from 9:30AM - Noon. If you need to stop by, we ask that you call in advance. We are attempting to minimize interpersonal contact, as advised by the CDC. We prefer to conduct most business by phone, or by using the mailbox for pick-up or drop-off.



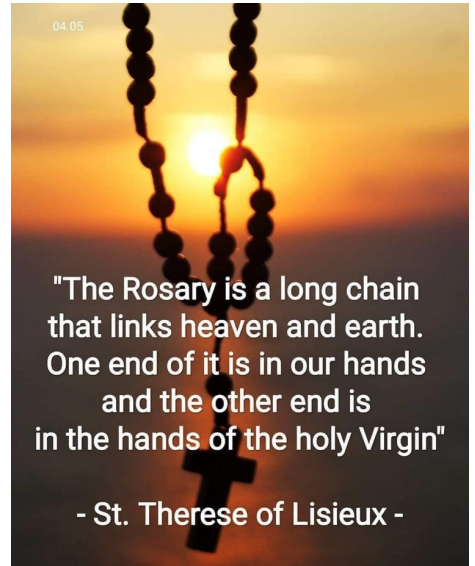
Our sanctuary candle burns for a **SPECIAL INTENTION** as gifted by Joan & John Oldenski

## SPECIAL THANKS

... to those who made and donated cookies to the Neighborhood Meal hosted by the Sisters of Saint Joseph. Even during this pandemic, the needs of the poorest among us are still being met through the generosity of People of God, the Church.



Just to be clear,  
 the Church has not been closed,  
 so it doesn't need to be re-opened.  
 We have simply stopped worshipping  
 in our buildings for a time  
 to protect the health & well-being  
 of our people & our communities.  
 The Church does not require a building  
 in order to be the Church.  
 What is required is love, compassion,  
 & the presence of God.



**CSA 2020: UPDATE**

Parish Assessment.....\$31,019.00  
 Pledges .....\$28,750.00  
 Paid To Date .....\$21,880.00

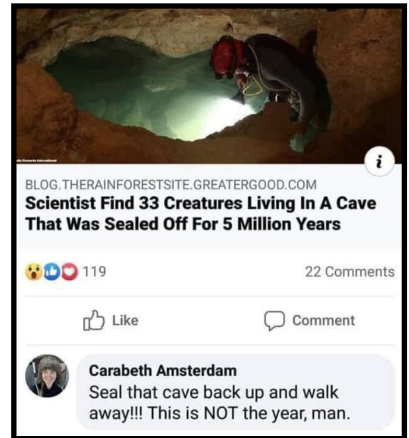
**Thank you** for the 83 families who have committed! We are only \$2,269 away from our goal! If you haven't yet pledged, please prayerfully consider doing so. Every little bit helps. Let's try to achieve our goal by the end of June!



**WEEKLY OFFERING (MAY 31, 2020)**

	This Week	July 1 to date
Amount we need	\$4,156.00	\$199,488.00
Amount Received	\$1,672.00	\$139,523.00
Net over/under	(\$2,484.00)	(\$59,96500)

Mass Attendance: N/A (Non-Public Mass Celebrated)



# Holy Trinity Parish Community

## LIMITED HOURS OF OPERATION

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., June 8th, 8:00AM - Members of the Daniszewski & Gorka Families  
 Tues., June 9th, 8:00AM - Members of the Warfel Family  
 Wed., June 10th, 8:00AM - Msgr. John Daniszewski  
 Thurs., June 11th, 8:00AM - The Living & Deceased Mothers of our Parish  
 Fri., June 12th, 8:00AM - Robert Akrus (Ed, Patty, & Anna Czulewicz)  
 Sat., June 13th, 5:00PM - For the People of Holy Trinity Parish (Pro Populo)  
 Sun., June 14th, 10:00AM - Weronika Maciulewicz (Lillian & Family)



The sanctuary candle burns in memory of **BOB & SHIRLEY KEMPISTY** as gifted by Mary Ann Merski.



June 9 – Edith Luniewski;  
 June 11 – Connie Knecht;  
 June 12 – Cheryl Meabon;  
 June 13 – Norbert Wagner & Brianne Misoff



## THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Today we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Trinity. The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that the Holy Trinity is the “central mystery of the Christian faith” (261). The concept of the Triune God — Three Persons in one God — is truly a mystery, almost too lofty for us ordinary people to even begin to grasp. Can the truth of the Holy Trinity teach us anything as everyday Christian stewards? Actually, yes! St. John Paul II described the Holy Trinity is a “Divine Family,” a community of Persons Who give themselves completely to each other and Who wishes to share Itself, Its life, with us. These concepts are at the very heart of the stewardship way of life. As stewards, we too, are called to share ourselves and our lives with others. Our Gospel passage from John reminds us that the stewardship way of life is nothing more and nothing less than the imitation of our Most Holy Trinity. “God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes might not perish but might have eternal life.” He gave Himself, in the person of His Son, for love of us. We must love this God back now by giving our-selves, our lives, to Him. Amazingly, the more we give of ourselves to God in love, the more we will find the “grace of the Lord, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit within us.” The God of the universe — this mysterious, Triune God — invites us to an ever-deepening intimacy with Him when we make our lives a loving gift to Him and to others through the stewardship way of life.

## God So Loved the World

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 3:16-17

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J G O D B M A M R Y F N I L O
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## WEEKLY OFFERING (MAY 31, 2020)

Regular Offertory: \$1,615.00 (22/146 mailed)

	<u>THIS WEEK</u>	<u>JULY 1 TO DATE</u>
Dream Goal:	\$3,000.00	\$144,000.00
Budgeted:	\$2,365.00	\$114,570.00
Total Offertory:	\$1,615.00	\$112,720.00
Net (over/under):	(\$750.00)	(\$2,600.00)

## CSA UPDATE

Assessment: \$12,425.00  
 Pledges: \$23,107.00  
 Paid: \$21,062.00  
 Balance: \$2,045.00  
 \* 63 families have contributed to the 2020 CSA

“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son...”

## News for Our Partnership

**ALL PARISH MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND GATHERINGS ARE CANCELED OR POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. WE APPRECIATE YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO LOOK AFTER ONE ANOTHER DURING THESE UNPRECEDENTED TIMES.**

### **CONGRATULATION FR. JASON ON 18 YEARS OF PRIESTHOOD**

June 7th, 2002... Ordained to the Priesthood  
2002-04... Parochial Vicar, Notre Dame Church, Hermitage  
2005... Parish Administrator, Notre Dame Church, Hermitage  
2005-07... Advanced Theological Studied, St. Mary's Seminary & University (Baltimore) & Catholic University (Washington, DC)  
2007- Present... Teaching Faculty, Gannon University  
2007-2014... Chaplain, Edinboro University of PA/Teaching Faculty, Gannon University  
2017-2020... President, Kennedy Catholic Family of Schools, Hermitage/Teaching Faculty, Gannon University  
2020-Present... Pastor, St. Stanislaus & Holy Trinity, Erie/Teaching Faculty, Gannon University



### **PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot receive you at this moment sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

**"YOUR PASTOR HAS NEVER PASTORED A CHURCH THROUGH A PANDEMIC BEFORE.**

**WHEN HE OPENS, PEOPLE ARE GOING TO SAY HE SHOULD HAVE CLOSED. WHEN HE CLOSSES, PEOPLE ARE GOING TO SAY HE SHOULD HAVE OPENED.**

**WHEN HE DOES NOT SHAKE HANDS PEOPLE ARE GOING TO SAY HE NEEDS FAITH. WHEN HE SHAKES HANDS PEOPLE ARE GOING TO SAY HE'S FOOLISH.**

**HE'S GOING TO MAKE SOME DIFFICULT DECISIONS TO PROTECT THE FLOCK CONSIDERING EVERYTHING FROM YOUR SPIRITUAL GROWTH TO LEGAL LIABILITIES THAT YOU AREN'T EVEN THINKING ABOUT.**

**EVERY PASTOR BELIEVES THAT THEY PASTOR THE MOST AMAZING GROUP OF PEOPLE.**

**REMEMBER THIS:**

**NO ONE WANTS THINGS TO GO WELL AT CHURCH AS MUCH AS YOUR PASTOR. YOUR PASTOR NEEDS YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT RIGHT NOW."**

### **Prayer in Time of Pandemic**

Lord Jesus,

You came to bring salvation to our world.

You humbled yourself to accept death on a cross.

Be with us as we confront the spread of the coronavirus with courage and hope.

Be present to the sick and to those who accompany them in their suffering.

Strengthen our medical professionals and caregivers;

comfort families who are separated from one another.

Protect those who are at risk of the virus in their work.

Grant wisdom to our civic officials and perseverance to scientists.

Spare us from the ravages of this illness and console us in our uncertainty and fear.

Unite us in hope, enlighten us in faith,

and give us the grace as a Church to love one another as You have loved us.

Through the intercession of our Heavenly Mother,

we make this prayer as we place our trust in You.

Amen.

**When sanitizing your hands, remember to also sanitize your hearts against hatred, envy, anger, gossip and jealousy. They kill too.**

**I PRAY THAT JUNE, JULY, AUGUST:**

**ARE MONTHS FILLED WITH GOOD NEWS, MANY BLESSINGS, GROWTH, NEW OPPORTUNITIES, HEALING & LOVE.**

AMEN

### **THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS**

6/8) Steve Rimpa, Stephanie & Bill Wycech; 6/ 9) Marcia Nitczynski & Rose Marie Radomski; 6/10) Tony Jankowski & Eleanor Walker; 6/11) Sandy Kempisty & Ray Przybyszewski; 6/12) Edie Luniewski & Debbie Oldenski; 6/13) Deacon Tom Matusiak, Shirley & Stan Widomski; 6/14) Julie Slomski & Katherine Krainski; 6/15) Dorothy & Mead Carlson, Nancy & Art Kujawinski, & Carol Clark

### **PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS**

Please keep Fr. Jason in your prayers this week as he celebrates his 18th Anniversary of Ordination.

Also, pray for him as he guides us through the Coronavirus pandemic.

Pray for Fr. Dan's & Fr. Jason's continued health.

### Sunday, Jun 07, 2020

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

#### The power in three

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

*"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you."*

Faith, hope, love; body, mind, spirit; life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness; executive, judicial, legislative: There's something satisfying and complete about a list of three. Good things come in threes, too: from "bacon, lettuce, and tomato" to "Peter, Paul, and Mary." Alert to the power of three, scripture uses it as the sum of completion. The prophet Jonah spends three days inside the fish to fully absorb a lesson in obedience. Jesus exits the tomb on the third day. We encounter God three ways: as Creator, Restorer, Sanctifier. O God of many faces—recreate, restore, bless our community!

### Monday, Jun 08, 2020

#### The cure for what ails us

1 Kings 17:1-6; Matthew 5:1-12

*"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."*

Pope Francis said that living the Beatitudes means "going against the flow" of the world. What the world tells us—that wealth brings security, that power gives us strength, that pleasure makes us satisfied—is the opposite of what Jesus says. Francis asks us to let the Beatitudes "unsettle us . . . challenge us, and . . . demand a real change in the way we live." We've clearly been upended in this sense by the current pandemic, and we have learned firsthand that nothing exempts us from vulnerability. Jesus was, is, and always will be our only hope. Live accordingly.

### Tuesday, Jun 09, 2020

MEMORIAL OF EPHREM OF SYRIA, DEACON, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

#### Rise and shine!

1 Kings 17:7-16; Matthew 5:13-16

*"Just so, your light must shine before others."*

Leave it to Saint Ephrem to derive beauty from pain. As we feel the ripple effects of coronavirus, let's learn from a man who died in 373 during a plague—from contracting the disease of the people he was ministering to. Ephrem, named a doctor of the church for the poetic nature of his theology, wrote: "We give glory to you, Lord, who raised up your cross to span the jaws of death like a bridge by which souls might pass from the region of the dead to the land of the living." Seek and share beauty today.

### Wednesday, Jun 10, 2020

#### Most fulfilling of all

1 Kings 18:20-39; Matthew 5:17-19

*"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill."*

As children, many of us were required to memorize the Ten Commandments. It's likely we can still recite them and have a sense of their importance. However, the catechism teaches that it is the *Beatitudes* that "fulfill, refine, and surpass the old law to its perfection." And how many of us can recite *them* from memory or even know where to find them in the Bible? (Hint: For all eight, try Matthew 5:3-12.) In these difficult and, for some, tragic days, as we seek God's presence in our midst, we ask for the grace to comfort those who mourn.

### Thursday, Jun 11, 2020

MEMORIAL OF BARNABAS, APOSTLE

#### Make history

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Matthew 5:20-26

*"They sent Barnabas to go to Antioch. When he arrived and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced and encouraged them all."*

What was it like during the times of the apostle Barnabas, whose memorial is today? Thousands of people at a time were becoming Christians with no real formality or infrastructure yet in the church. There was the "grace of God" and "firmness of heart" at work, today's first reading tells us, but persecution and internal conflict too. Every era has its challenges and opportunities. How are you building the Body of Christ during your moment in history?

### Friday, Jun 12, 2020

#### This most amazing day

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-16; Matthew 5:27-32

*"Go out and stand on the mountain... the LORD will pass by."*

Tucked within Muir Woods, a national memorial park in California, is a beautiful space called Cathedral Grove. Hikers are asked to maintain quiet as they behold the old-growth coastal redwood trees. Though not a "cathedral" in the ecclesial sense, the grove reminds us that nature is one of the surest places to experience the power and tenderness of God. Pope Francis writes in *Laudato Si'*: "The entire material universe speaks of God's love, his boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountains: everything is, as it were, a caress of God." How do you experience this "caress of God," even in the potted plant in your own home?

### Saturday, Jun 13, 2020

MEMORIAL OF ANTHONY OF PADUA, PRIEST, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

#### Treasure the baby and the Bible

1 Kings 19:19-21; Matthew 5:33-37

*"Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes,' and your 'No' mean 'No.'"*

The traditional depiction of Saint Anthony (1195-1231) holding the infant Jesus began with a 1580 painting by El Greco showing the Franciscan priest with a large open Bible in which one can see the very tiny baby emerging from the text. Over time in Christian art the image of the baby grew to become a life-size child in the arms of the saint, sometimes standing on a much smaller book and sometimes with the Bible missing all together. In times of quarantine and isolation, when we may not be able to enjoy the consolation of Jesus in Holy Communion, we can experience the Lord's presence in the Bible, which may have gone missing in our lives. If that is the case, you can invoke Saint Anthony for a return of your lost Bible!

**THE HOLY TRINITY  
WITHIN US WILL MAKE  
US LIVE THE VITAL  
WARMTH OF HIS LOVE  
AND GIVE US NEW LIFE**

