



### A WORD OF THANKS!

I want to begin by offering a word of heartfelt gratitude to all who had a hand in preparing my 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations last week. They were absolutely wonderful. It was joy to see so many people from over the years and give thanks to God for his many blessing during the past 25 years. I was deeply touched by it all. Your presence, love, thoughtfulness, and kind words meant so much to me. I can't thank you enough, too, for the cards, generous gifts, and most of all your prayerful support. I feel very blessed indeed to be able to serve you as a priest and to be able to bring the joy and hope of the Lord to you in this ministry.

I pray that I may be able to serve you and the Lord well for many years to come. Thank you for your love of the Lord and your "partnership in the gospel." Let us continue to work together to bring the Lord Jesus, and his love, light, peace and hope to Redmond, Carnation, Duvall and beyond. Please be assured of my prayers for you. I hold you all in my heart.

### TRINITY SUNDAY

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, a mystery of the very nature of God which marks our lives as Christians. Every prayer we make begins with the sign of the cross, invoking the name of the Blessed Trinity. This is how God has chosen to reveal himself to us as, one God, yet at the same time three persons. A few years ago, Pope Benedict gave this meditation on the mystery and this calling we share in and through the Blessed Trinity:

*Today we contemplate the Most Holy Trinity as Jesus introduced us to it. He revealed to us that God is love "not in the oneness of a single Person, but in the Trinity of one substance" (Preface). He is the Creator and merciful Father; he is the Only-Begotten Son, eternal Wisdom incarnate, who died and rose for us; he is the Holy Spirit who moves all things, cosmos and history, toward their final, full recapitulation. Three Persons who are one God because the Father is love, the Son is love, the Spirit is love. God is wholly and only love, the purest, infinite and eternal love. He does not live in splendid solitude but rather is an inexhaustible source of life that is ceaselessly given and communicated. To a certain extent we can perceive this by observing both the macro-universe: our earth, the planets, the stars, the galaxies; and the micro-universe: cells, atoms, elementary particles. The "name" of the Blessed Trinity is, in a certain sense, imprinted upon all things because all that exists, down to the last particle, is in relation; in this way we catch a glimpse of God as relationship and ultimately, Creator Love. All things derive from love, aspire to love and move impelled by love, though naturally with varying degrees of awareness and freedom. "O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!" (Ps 8: 1) the Psalmist exclaims. In speaking of the "name", the Bible refers to God himself, his truest identity. It is an identity that shines upon the whole of Creation, in which all beings for the very fact that they exist and because of the "fabric" of which they are made point to a transcendent Principle, to eternal and infinite Life which is given, in a word, to Love. "In him we live and move and have our being", St Paul said at the Areopagus of Athens (Acts 17: 28). The strongest proof that we are made in the image of the Trinity is this: love alone makes us happy because we live in a relationship, and we live to love and to be loved. Borrowing an analogy from biology, we could say that imprinted upon his "genome", the human being bears a profound mark of the Trinity, of God as Love.*

POPE BENEDICT

May God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit surround you with his love!  
Blessings on your week!  
Fr Johnson

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Monday, June 16

9:00 AM Daily Mass  
10:00 AM Women of Faith  
4:00 PM Microsoft Confessions & Adoration  
5:00 PM Microsoft Mass & socializing after

### Tuesday, June 17

No Daily Mass

### Wednesday, June 18

8:30 AM Confessions  
9:00 AM Daily Mass  
7:00 PM House of Prayer

### Thursday, June 19

9:00 AM Daily Mass  
1:00 PM Rosary Cenacle  
7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

### Friday, June 20

7:00 AM Brothers in Christ Meeting  
9:00 AM Daily Mass  
9:30 AM Benediction then Adoration until 9PM

### Saturday, June 21

3:30 PM Confessions  
5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass

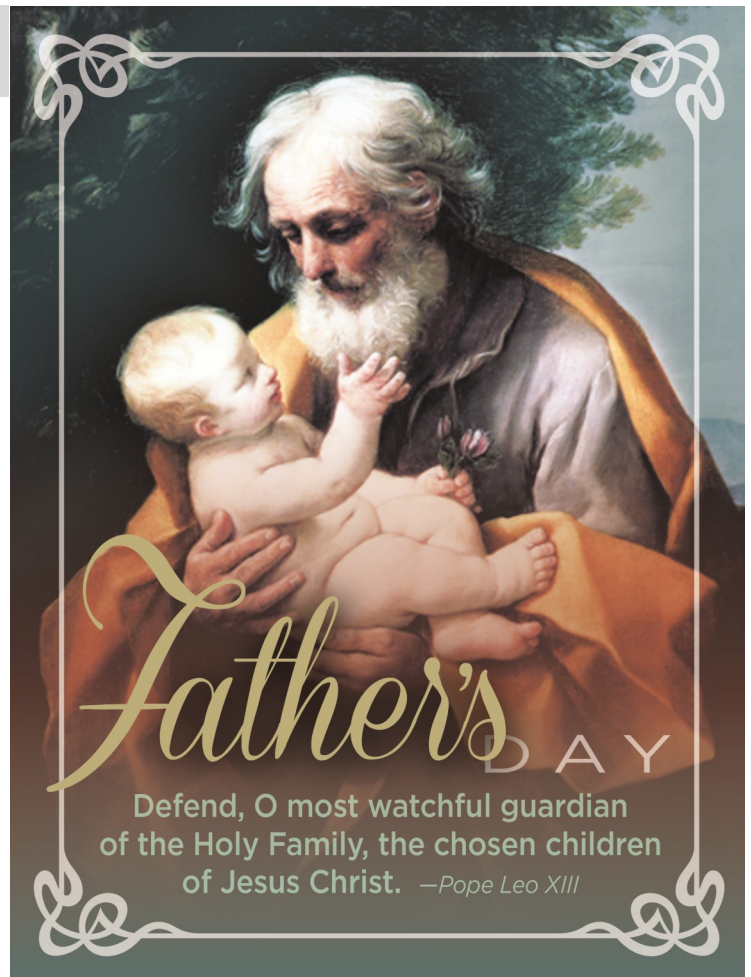
### Sunday, June 22

9:00 AM Sunday Mass  
11:00 AM Sunday Mass



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!

St Jude | Holy Innocents  
Mission Church of St. Anthony



## JUNETEENTH

**Juneteenth** is a federal holiday commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African Americans. President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, However, it wasn't until June 19, 1865 that an order was issued proclaiming freedom for slaves in Texas.

*Thankfully we praise you, O God, for your liberating power that broke shackles of oppression and restored humanity to the disenfranchised.*

*Makes us instruments of grace to resist slavery, in all manifestations, that no soul shall be denied the right to thrive and fully realize their divine purpose in you.*

*Help us to use our freedoms to bring justice among people and nations everywhere to the glory of your holy name through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*