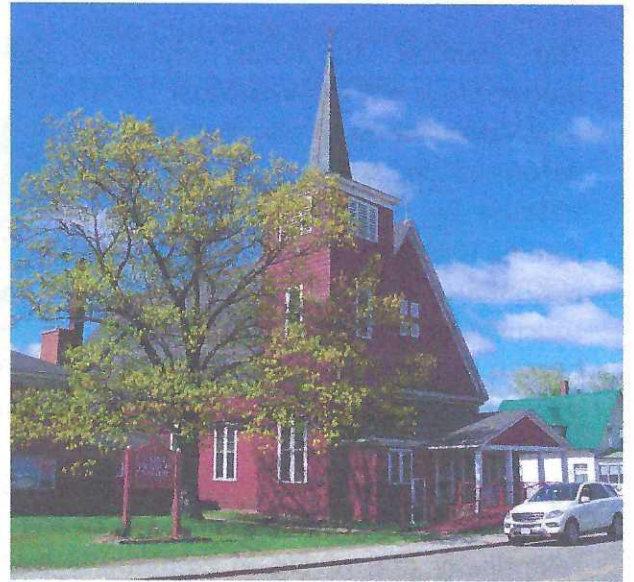


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Rev. Daniel R. Deveau

*Deacon:*

Rev. Mr. Michael Johnson

### EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

Sacred Heart	Sunday Morning	9:00 am
St. Francis	Saturday Evening	4:00 pm
	Sunday Morning	11:00 am

#### WEEKDAY

Wednesday thru Friday 9:00 AM (Check Parish Bulletin)

### PARISH OFFICE

Office Telephone: **636-1047**  
Office Secretary: Mrs. Tina Hunt

#### Office Hours:

Mondy - Thursday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

### SACRAMENTS

#### BAPTISM

Call Rectory for an appointment

#### MARRIAGE

Please contact the Rectory 6 mos.  
prior to your tentative date.

#### CONFESSIONS

St. Francis Xavier Church  
Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 pm (Also by appointment)



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St. Francis 636-1047

Christian Formation:  
Children ages 4-15 years

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sacred Heart 9:00 am Mass

St. Francis 11:00 am Mass

### GENERAL INFORMATION

*New Parishioners, WELCOME!* Please call our Parish Secretary as soon as possible to register.



# The Most Holy Trinity



May 31, 2026

The smallest functional unity of human life is not the individual. Every man and woman no matter how deformed in spirit or body, exists because he or she was born of the coming together of two human beings. No infant survives without acts of touching and feeding which are acts of human relationship. If we exist at all, we exist as the product of some form of human community.



We profess that we have been created in God's image. Our self-image is so clearly and relentlessly one of life in community that we cannot help but see in the scriptures suggestions and revelations of God's own life as life for and with the other. Though we will never come to know God as God knows himself, every sign of God's action in our world leads us to him as a God in interaction.

Creation itself is God's self-expression, the extension of his love to that which is other than himself. God's ongoing dialogue with creation reaches its climax in Jesus who is God-among-us. This Jesus is taken up into the fullness of the Father's glory and the fullness of their love is poured forth upon us in the gift of the Spirit.

Though we falter before the complexity of centuries of theology seeking to understand the unfathomable depths of God, we resolutely form the shape of our faith by our praying day after day to the Father, through the Son and in the unity of the Holy Spirit. As we enter into life with God through baptism. We shall enter into the fullness of that divine community through the gates of death. *(St. Andrew Bible Missal)*

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What marvelous clarity is found in this framework of the whole economy of salvation! Our faith begins with the Father as the primordial beginning and blessed end. The Creed does not begin with a confession of belief this One God (that was presupposed). It begins with the confession of this one God, who is the Father of the only-begotten Son. And this Son, who had an earthly name, Jesus. He was the Christ anointed by the Spirit—that same Spirit who is the God of my faith. In Christ, Father and Spirit have come to us. We shall know this with assurance as the resurrection of the body. We shall arise because of the Holy Spirit, the divine life of the Spirit, brought spiritual life through Christ to this earth and into that community



properly named the Church, the Body of Christ. Into that community which is the earthly reproduction of what the Spirit is in God.

The Church is the sheltering home (that abode where mankind's sanctification is accomplished through Christ) until the time for the Spirit-pervaded, glorious resurrection in the Holy Church. The Church is the mystical ring uniting the end to the beginning, leading us to the source of all—the Father from whose bosom the Son proceeds, gathering the "sons and daughters" who are "called together in the Church. The Church is the image of the Spirit, who brings the Father and Son together in love. *(Hugo Rahner, The Trinity, The Word, 1964)*

## PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

The Pilgrim Statue of our Lady of Fatima is ready to visit more homes in our parish. The explanation of the Pilgrim Statue of our Lady of Fatima, the Statue and Rosaries are found on the table behind the piano. Signup sheets are located there as well. Our Lady of Fatima is encouraging us to pray the Rosary for Peace.



# Bringing Home the Word

*The Most Holy Trinity (A)*  
May 31, 2026

## God Up There, God Down Here

*Fr. Joseph Juknialis*

**W**hich of these images best describes your God: gardener, friend, police officer, Santa Claus, magician, doctor, lover, parent, judge, the Force?

Theologically, God is both transcendent and immanent, up there and down here. In other words, God is powerful, majestic, awesome, and all-knowing but always close, caring for us, forgiving, and comforting. Most of us lean toward one or the other in our spirituality. Whichever image you choose will tell you

### Sunday Readings

#### **Exodus 34:4b–6, 8–9**

[Moses said,] “Pardon our wickedness and sins, and claim us as your own.”

#### **2 Corinthians 13:11–13**

Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

#### **John 3:16–18**

God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

something about how you usually relate to God. None of the images are necessarily right or wrong unless it locks us into relating to God in only one way.

Our tendency to relate to God as either transcendent or immanent may influence our preference for liturgical style. If we view God primarily as transcendent, we will tend to appreciate the Mass as a sacrifice, celebrated formally with processions, incense, and majestic music. If we tend to relate to God as more immanent, we will tend to appreciate the Mass as a eucharistic meal with the community gathered around the altar table, singing simpler music. As God is both transcendent and immanent, we should not have to choose. The ideal liturgical style would incorporate something of both transcendence and immanence.

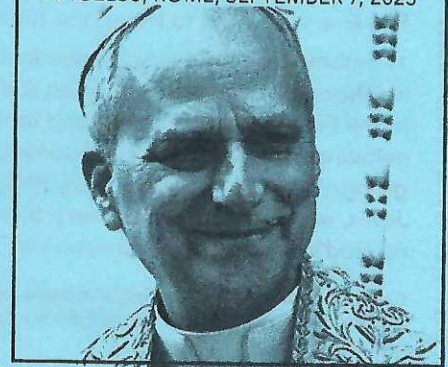
Today’s story of Moses, who climbs Mount Sinai and there bows down in worship before God, is a story of the transcendence of God—majestic, powerful, awesome to behold. Today’s gospel is of an immanent God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son not to condemn it, but to save it. †

***As God is both transcendent  
and immanent, we should  
not have to choose***

### ***A Word from Pope Leo XIV***

To those in power, I repeat: listen to the voice of conscience! The apparent victories achieved with weapons, which sow death and destruction, are in reality defeats and never bring peace or security! God does not want war, he wants peace, and he strengthens those who are committed to leaving behind the spiral of hatred and taking the path of dialogue.

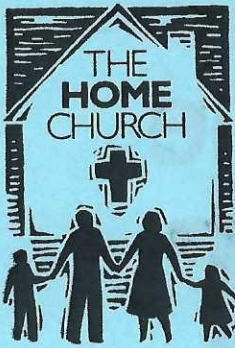
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### REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- Do you pray to God described as “transcendent” or “immanent”?
- Can you appreciate both styles of liturgical prayer?



# Called to Gratitude and Community

*The Redemptorists*

There is a story told about St. Augustine, who was strolling along the seashore, struggling to comprehend the mystery of the Trinity. He encountered a youngster with a little bucket. The boy walked back and forth, emptying bucket after bucket into a hole in the sand, which was a short distance from the shoreline. When Augustine asked him what he was doing, the lad replied that he was putting the ocean into the hole. When Augustine told him that was impossible, the boy responded that it was just as impossible for him to comprehend the mystery of the Trinity.

Augustine himself affirms that if we think we have understood the mystery of God, then what we have understood is not God. The challenge of faith placed before us by this feast is not one of comprehension; for, try as we might, we will never really understand the mystery of the Trinity. Rather, it is a challenge of acceptance. We are invited to believe in God's tender working in our lives, and such conviction should prompt us to live fully our faith.

This is more a day for humble gratitude and renewed commitment than for theological speculation, as important as such speculation may be. We have all been touched by God's grace, God's love, and God's fellowship, so we all have much for which to be grateful.

This feast also calls us to commit ourselves to communion with others. Once again, it is Paul who shows us what this means: "Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace" (2 Corinthians 13:11). The Most Holy Trinity is the perfect example of unity in diversity. We most resemble this God when we live in loving harmony with one another. †

**The challenge of this feast is not comprehension but acceptance.**

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## Wisdom from Catholic Update

From "The Trinity: Mystery at the Heart of Life" by Leonard Foley, OFM  
Five Everyday Ways to Honor the Trinity

- 1). Embrace the greatest commandment: to love the triune God and to love your neighbor as yourself.
- 2). Say often and reverently the Trinitarian prayer: "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit..."
- 3). Honor God the Father by imitating the first person's self-communicating love. We can do this by our own self-giving.
- 4). Honor God the Son by imitating the healing and evangelizing ministry of Jesus, who was God's missionary.
- 5). Honor God the Holy Spirit by seeking to build up God's kingdom and witnessing to Jesus' saving love wherever we go.

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## PRAYER

God of all—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—inspire us to live in loving relationship with each other that the world may know peace and harmony, we pray. Amen.

The Redemptorists

### WEEKDAY READINGS

June 1-6

**Monday, St. Justin:** 2 Pt 1:2-7  
/ Mk 12:1-12

**Tuesday, Weekday:** 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18  
/ Mk 12:13-17

**Wednesday, St. Charles Lwanga and Companions:** 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12  
/ Mk 12:18-27

**Thursday, Weekday:** 2 Tm 2:8-15  
/ Mk 12:28-34

**Friday, St. Boniface:** 2 Tm 3:10-17  
/ Mk 12:35-37

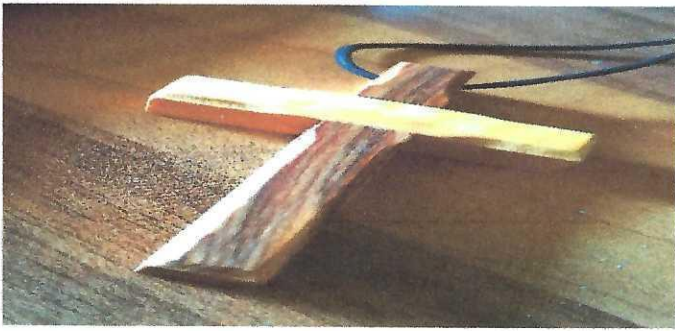
**Saturday, Weekday:** 2 Tm 4:1-8  
/ Mk 12:38-44



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**Mass Intention's**

**Sacred Heart**

**Sunday, June 7, 2026**

**9:00 AM † For the intention of all Parishioners**

**St Francis Xavier Church**

**Wed, June 3, 2026-No Mass**

**Thursday, June 4, 2026**

**9:00 AM † Peter & Virginia Catelli, 60<sup>th</sup>. Aniv.**  
req. by their daughter Ruth.

**Friday, June 5, 2026,**

**9:00 AM † Mass**

**Saturday, June 6, 2026**

**4:00 PM † Connie Bulduc- req. by Family.**

**Sunday, June 7, 2026**

**11:00 AM † Chester & Judith Ladd – req. by**  
Family.

**† Lillian Landry - req by Sharon**  
Guldin.

**† Lucie Vincent LeBlanc – req. by the**  
Champagne-Willis Family.

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The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in  
**Memory of James Gonyer**, from  
June 7, through June 13, 2026.

Requested by his family.



**The Church Remembers:**

June 1 – St. Justin, Martyr.

June 2 – St's Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs.

June 3 – St. Charles Lwanga &  
Companions, Martyrs.

June 5 – St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr.

June 6 - St. Norbert, Bishop, BVM.

June 7 – The Most Holy Body and Blood of  
Christ.

**New Hampshire Catholic Appeal**

We are grateful to all our parishioners who have given to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised \$ 605.00 toward our goal of \$15,440.00. 90% of the funds raised above this Appeal goal are returned to our parish this year. If you have not made your gift yet, please bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend or make your gift online at [www.catholicnh.org/nhca](http://www.catholicnh.org/nhca). Extra gift envelopes are available in the pews. We need the support of all our parish families to reach our parish goal. Every gift, no matter the size, is important to help strengthen the ministries that allow us to serve, comfort, and bring hope to those who need it most. **Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.**

**Parish Financial Report**

For the week ending 5/24/2026

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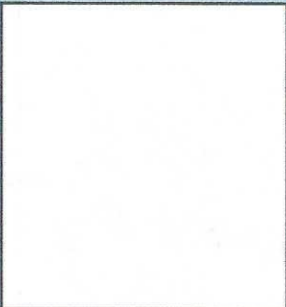
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