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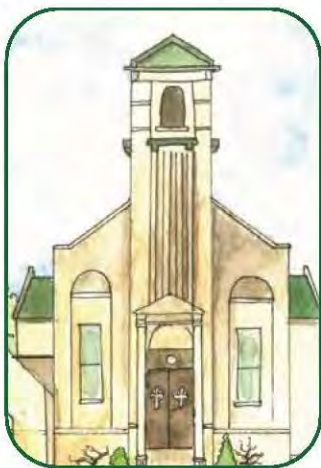
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2026 St. Patrick's Confirmation Class



OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
12:30 - 3:00 p.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

Monday - Friday
9:15 a.m. *in English*
7:00 p.m. *in Spanish*
Saturday Vigil Mass
4:00 p.m. *in English*
Sunday Masses
10:30 a.m. *in English*
12:00 p.m. *in Spanish*

HOLY DAY MASSES

Dates and times vary

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. *or by appointment; seasonal services*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (KINDERGARDEN - 8TH GRADE)

Sunday Classes 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

Sunday Classes 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM / EL SACRAMENTO DE BAUTISMO

Please call the Parish Office for more information. English baptisms normally are held on the 2nd Saturday of the month at noon, Spanish Baptisms on the 3rd Saturday of the month at noon. / Por favor llame a la Parroquia para mas información. Normalmente, los bautismos están celebrando los tercer Sabado cada mes al mediodía.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY (MARRIAGE) / EL SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Please call the office before setting a date for your wedding. The diocese requires a six month preparation prior to the wedding. / Las parejas pueden llamar a la oficina antes de poner una fecha para su boda o de hacer otros compromisos. La Diócesis de requiera un tiempo de preparación de un mínimo de seis meses entre la boda.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK / (UNCIÓN) DE LOS ENFERMOS

Call the Office if you know of someone in need of the Sacrament. / Contacte la Parroquia si alguien en su familia necesita el Sacramento.

FUNERALS / FUNERALES

Contact the Parish Office before placing any obituary notices.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP / ASOCIACIÓN DE PARROQUIA

Registration Forms are located in the Parish Office or in Church. / Las formas de inscripción pueden ser encontrado en la oficina.

May 30-31, 2026: Trinity Sunday

TRINITY SUNDAY

MAY 30-31, 2026



Readings from this week's Mass can be found in #922 of the Journey songs Book

Monday (St. Justin, Martyr)	June 1
9:15 A.M.	Communion Service
Tuesday (St. Marcellinus & Peter)	June 2
9:15 A.M.	Communion Service
Wednesday (St. Charles Lwanga)	June 3
9:15 A.M.	The Parishioners of St. Patrick's
Thursday (9th Week in Ordinary Time)	June 4
9:15 A.M.	† Souls in Purgatory
Friday (St. Boniface)	June 5
9:15 A.M.	The Priests of the Joliet Diocese
7:00 P.M.	Lennon & Archambeault Families
Saturday (St. Norbert)	June 6
4:00 P.M.	† Marilyn Peterson (Fr. Pete)
Sunday (CORPUS CHRISTI)	June 7
10:30 A.M.	† Rick Gall (Radmacher Family)
12:00 P.M.	† Audelia Alvarado, † Jose Guadalupe, † Ernesto & Concetta Mazzulla

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COLLECTION COUNTERS:

May 31, 2026 D. & C. Bramer
June 7, 2026 D. & C. Bramer



ST. ANNE'S PEW & CHURCH DEDICATION PROGRAM



The concept for our dedication program is simple - we are offering the opportunity to remember a loved one in a memorial dedicated for one of our church or chapel pews (\$2,500).

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER If you know of someone who is sick and in need of the sacraments or wishes a visit at a care facility, please contact the parish office at ☎ (815) 685-1359.



ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER LINE:

Please call Janice Gelino at
☎ (815) 263-6342

SANCTUARY CANDLE: To Dedicate

a Candle for a Loved One, please call the office at ☎ (815) 472-2864.



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Saturday, June 6 (Fr. Tom Conde) 4:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: S. Favre
Lector: B. Boicken
Ushers: K. Bukowski, R. Hess
D. Rademacher, S. Pansa
Altar Servers: A. Fuhrmann

Sunday, June 7 (Fr. Tom Conde) 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: M. Meyer
Lector: L. Meyer
Ushers: M. Dionne, J. Riemenschneider
Altar Servers: M. Facko

Sunday, June 7 (Fr. Uriel Martinez) 12:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: C. Andrade, E. Zagal
Lector: R. Dueñas, Y. Lozano
Ushers: G. Alvarado, M. Arellano
R. Camacho, G. Carreño, N. Viveros
Altar Servers: I. Falcon, G. Franco, N. Padilla

**THANKS TO FRs. TOM CONDE
AND URIEL MARTINEZ FOR
HELPING US CELEBRATE MASSES
DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE!**





NEWS & NOTES

FROM FR. PETE JANKOWSKI

Join Fr. Pete's mailing list at
pjankowski@yahoo.com.

As I stated in my homily last week, the problem with being charitable and telling people what you do results in a good number of comments across the board... and practically none of them are in the form of "thank yous" (which, unfortunately, is part of the way our society has been conditioned for centuries and certainly was depicted the same in the Gospels – Jesus did so much GOOD and yet was nailed to a cross for all the good he did).

As I have documented with our staff, I believe I have donated over \$200,000 personally in the last few years that could have been directed into my bank and instead is directed to the parishes I serve. A few years ago, I donated \$20,000 to purchase a truck for our maintenance man, who had no other means of travelling to the parishes without it.

As a result of those donations, one side of the ledger was chiding me by saying, "Father, you should stop giving away all your money and save some for the future." Mind you, the gospel tells me to do just the opposite ("sell all you have and follow me" (Mt 19: 21) and also gems like, "You cannot serve both God and money" (Mt 6: 24) and "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's but give to God what is God's" (Mt 22: 21).

On the other side of the ledger, I get folks calling me a "liability" to the diocese concerning my Christian Charity. As I have told you on numerous occasions, some in the diocese "watch" me, trying to figure out where I am getting all this money, as if this only can be done if one is nefarious, I guess. I reply to those who act in this way that if we are treating generous souls in the way I get treated for my generosity, we are not going to survive in the near future. To answer their question, I get these resources in one specific way, through *God's love*.

This is the way life works – our society is conditioned in believing that there is more evil than good in the world and there must be a "gimmick" or "reason" for why I live the way I do. We are conditioned this way in our society, as reflected in what is broadcast in our news, printed in papers and magazines and gossiped by those who do not have anything else better to do, I guess. There are

some that still "stalk us" in the area, which is why priests think they live in "glass houses."

Regardless of how people act, I shared with you last week my "Personal Mission Statement" by which I need to live my life is such: *To allow God to guide me, to follow humbly the Golden Rule and place the needs of those who are vulnerable ahead of my own needs*. For me, this is how the gospel message affects me. For me, this is my response to Philippians 2, which shows us how God willingly died on the cross for us and what I am obligated to do to be like Christ. No matter how others treat me or what others say, I have to be true to my Personal Mission Statement – I have to be true to the calling that our Lord asked me to live or else I would be nothing more than "A noisy gong or a clanging symbol" (1 Corinthians 13: 1).

I also believe in Wisdom 2: 12 – "The just one is obnoxious to us." In the world in which we live, for good or for bad, I am an obnoxious person; I am the squeaky wheel that often gets the grease. By doing so, we have been able to get outside donations to purchase for St. Patrick's video cameras, generators and parking lots, new tables and chairs for the hall and school, and renovated gym, rectory and church projects that normally would cost an arm and a leg but were done "by the grace of God." We have been the recipients of tens of thousands of cases of food, furniture, household supplies and all other a sundries that have assisted many in the area in need. In short, we have been the beneficiaries of hundreds of thousands of dollars of outside funds that are helping a parish that just eliminated its debt and has a bright future!

I also have learned a couple phrases from priest mentors that have served me well... "For those who understand, no explanation is necessary; for those who do not understand, no explanation will suffice" and "A priest is always in love and always in trouble – in love with God and in trouble with the world."

As long as I am at the parish, I will continue to serve the vulnerable and the poor, even when getting the "drive byes" that accompany the life I choose to live. For those who understand, I hope and pray you continue to support us. Hopefully, we can help those who do not to turn a corner, to turn a frown into a smile and to realize that God gave us a life worth living. I will not give up on you – I hope you do not give up on me. God bless all of you. – Fr. Pete



Embracing the Mystery

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

The Christian confession of a triune God cannot be explained, it can only be believed. It is not a cop-out to proclaim that this belief is rooted in mystery. Mystery is the essential language and experience of belief. We lose something when we try to explain a mystery instead of embracing it. It may make us uncomfortable; it may provoke more questions than answers. Regardless, it does not suggest the weakness of mystery but rather the beauty, the wonder, and the awe.

Embracing belief and living as a person of faith is a singular journey. You cannot believe for someone else, and that person, even one you dearly love, cannot believe for you. It is also important to understand that as singular as the journey of faith may be, it ultimately ends in community. Belief does not isolate a person, but rather invites a person to connect with others who also walk in faith.

The community/communion of the triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—is the perfect witness to the truth that mystery creates. One God, three divine persons. The Eucharist that we celebrate on this day proclaims the unity of our belief—to the Father, through the Son, by the power of the Holy Spirit. ●



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the love of God and the fellowship of
the Holy Spirit be with all of you.**

2 CORINTHIANS 13:13

Reflect

How does the mystery of the Trinity reveal God's nature as a communion of love?

Dear Padre,

During Mass, is it proper for the faithful to raise our hands when pronouncing the words, “For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever”?

When the priest and people offer the Our Father together to God, the presider assumes an ancient posture of prayer, known as the *orans*—with arms extended and palms opened upward. After the

Lord’s Prayer, the priest keeps his hands extended and says alone the embolism (“Deliver us, Lord...”). At the end, he joins his hands, and the people acclaim, “For the kingdom....” This acclamation is meant to be the people’s response to the embolism, and the priest remains silent for it. It would appear unnecessary for the faithful to now extend their hands during this acclamation—especially when it’s a response to an embolism prayer that just called for the presider to have extended his own hands and now has them joined together.

Although the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* doesn’t mention a specific congregational hand posture during this acclamation, it speaks in favor of “what serves the common spiritual good of the People of God, rather than private inclination or arbitrary choice,” stating that a common bodily posture “is a sign of the unity of the members of the Christian community gathered together for the sacred Liturgy: it both expresses and fosters the intention and spiritual attitude of the participants” (*GIRM* 42). ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org



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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.

ANGELUS, ROME, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday

June 1

St. Justin, Martyr

2 Pt 1:2–7

Mk 12:1–12

Tuesday

June 2

Weekday

2 Pt 3:12–15a, 17–18

Mk 12:13–17

Wednesday

June 3

St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

2 Tm 1:1–3, 6–12

Mk 12:18–27

Thursday

June 4

Weekday

2 Tm 2:8–15

Mk 12:28–34

Friday

June 5

St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

2 Tm 3:10–17

Mk 12:35–37

Saturday

June 6

Weekday

2 Tm 4:1–8

Mk 12:38–44

Sunday

June 7

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Dt 8:2–3, 14b–16a

1 Cor 10:16–17

Jn 6:51–58

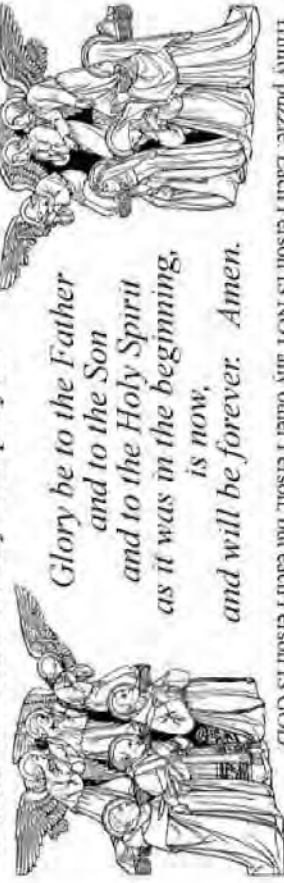
GOD, THE HOLY TRINITY



Jesus taught us that God is not just one Person, but three Persons in one God. The three Persons in God are God the Father, God the Son Who is Jesus, and God the Holy Spirit.

The three Persons in God know each other perfectly and all want the exact same thing. The Blessed Trinity is a mystery that we can't really understand. It is the three Persons of God loving each other so much we could never even measure or understand it! And God, the Blessed Trinity, decided to create us so that we could adore them and join in their love! That's what Heaven is: being with the Blessed Trinity in total happiness forever!

We pray that the Blessed Trinity will be glorified by all creatures when we say this prayer:



*Glory be to the Father
and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit
as it was in the beginning,
is now,
and will be forever. Amen.*

Answers: Dot to dot on front; a shamrock represents the Holy Trinity. Trinity puzzle: Each Person IS NOT any other Person, but each Person IS GOD.

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The Kids' Bulletin

Feast of the Most Holy Trinity



There are three Persons in God:

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

But there is still only one God!

Saint Patrick taught the Irish people about the BLESSED TRINITY by showing the people something else that is three-in-one. What is it? Connect the dots to find out!

30-31 Mayo 2026: La Solemnidad de la Santísima Trinidad

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En Uruguay se celebra la fiesta patronal más grande durante el mes de junio. ¡Celebran a san Cono, un santo italiano del siglo doce! En el siglo diecinueve los inmigrantes italianos que vivían en Uruguay deseaban tener una capilla para honrar la memoria de este santo, oriundo de la provincia de Salerno, Italia.

En junio de 1885, las campanas de una modesta capillita anunciaron el recibimiento de una imagen de san Cono que llegó en procesión. Desde entonces esta costumbre italiana se fue haciendo parte integral de la devoción cristiana en Uruguay.

Cono fue el hijo (mico de una pareja anciana que vivía en la ciudad de Teggiano, Salerno. Según la leyenda, una noche mientras dormían, esta pareja soñó un cono de luz que brotaba de la madre. Al nacer el niño decidieron llamarlo Cono. Desde muy niño, Cono mostró un afán por las cosas de Dios y a los dieciséis años ingresó a un monasterio benedictino siguiendo el consejo de una voz interior que lo invitaba a consagrarse al Señor. A los dieciocho, su monasterio se llenó de luz y una voz anunció su muerte, y al día siguiente falleció.

- Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM,
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MISTERIO INEXPRESABLE

El Dios del universo es misterioso. La ciencia no ha podido resolver el misterio de cómo el universo surgió ni explicar exactamente qué es lo que continúa dándole energía creadora y diseño magistral.

LAS MISAS EN ESPAÑOL



7:00 p.m. por los Viernes

12:00 p.m. los Domingos



EL ROSARIO Y CATECESIS

Todos los Miércoles a las 6:30 p.m..

Ninguna religión afirma que ha encontrado las palabras para nombrar plenamente el misterio inefable de Dios, ya que no importa que nombre usemos, Dios siempre trasciende nuestra limitada capacidad de comprensión. Dios es un misterio en el que se cree y que no se conoce. Y, sin embargo, nosotros los cristianos creemos que el nombre que usamos para Dios es el que mejor expresa ese misterio inexpresable: Dios es la Santísima Trinidad de tres personas unidas en una comunión de amor, que se vierte en amor creador, salvador y santificador sobre el mundo. Las Lecturas de Hoy celebran el misterio de la Trinidad y nos dan las claves para vivir ese misterio en nuestras vidas.

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“Porque tanto amó Dios al mundo que dio a Su único Hijo...” Jn 3: 16 ¿Tu amor es condicional? ¿Hay algún precio que otros tienen que pagar para recibir tu amor? ¿Eres generoso con tu tiempo, dinero y posesiones? Si le das algo a alguien, ¿esperas algo a cambio? ¿Donas libremente tu tiempo o lo “enajas” cuando te queda cómodo? Ora por un corazón agradecido y generoso.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera Lectura - Moisés subió al Monte Sinaí y luego el Señor pasó delante del (Éxodo 34: 4b-9).

Salmo - ¡Gloria y alabanza por siempre! (Daniel 3)

Segunda Lectura - Trabajen para ser perfectas, animense, tengan un mismo sentir y vivan en paz. Y el Dios del amor y de la paz estará con ustedes (2 Corintios 13: 11-13).

Evangelio - Dios mandó a su Hijo (mico al mundo para salvar el mundo por él. (Juan 3: 16-18).

“Esta presencia de las Tres Personas... traigo en el alma.”

- Santa Teresa de Jesús

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 2 Pd 1: 2-7; Sal 91; Mc 12: 1-12

Martes: 2 Pd 3: 12-15a; 17-18; Sal 90; Mc 12: 12-17

Miércoles: 2 Tm 1: 1-2, 6-12; Sal 123; Mc 12: 18-27

Jueves: 2 Tm 2: 8-15; Sal 25; Mc 12: 28-34

Viernes: 2 Tm 3: 10-17; Sal 119; Mc 12: 35-37

Sábado: 2 Tm 4: 1-8; Sal 71; Mc 12: 38-44

Domingo: Dt 8: 2-3, 14b-16a; Sal 147: 12-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10: 16-17; Jn 6: 51-58

El efecto de recibir el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo es transformarnos en aquello que recibimos. - Papa San León Magno



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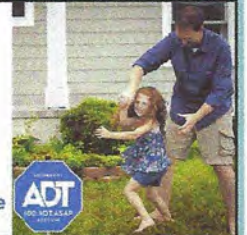
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