

From Father Kirby...

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Happy Feast of the Holy Trinity, Team Grace! Following Pentecost with the descent of the Holy Spirit, Mother Church directs us to the central mystery of our faith, the mystery of God himself. Today, we rejoice in the revelation of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We celebrate that God in his innermost essence is not solitude, but family, and that we have been called into the fellowship of this Divine Family!

Please note that a new round of appeal letters was sent to you from the Bishop this past week. The letters repeated the request for your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA). As a reminder, all of the funds of the BAA go directly to charities and pastoral outreach. Your support is greatly needed!

Some things happening around the parish:

In response to several emails from parishioners asking for guidance and assistance with depression and anxiety-related issues, the parish is distributing free copies of the book, [The Catholic Guide to Depression: How the Saints, the Sacraments, and Psychiatry Can Help You Break Its Grip and Find Happiness Again](#). The book is written by a Catholic psychologist and provides helpful spiritual and clinical pointers and suggestions. Free copies are available in the narthex after all our weekend Masses.

Please note that our parish Bible Study, High School Formation program, and Middle School Formation program have all concluded for the year. They will resume in the early Fall.

Some other future events I'd like to highlight:

The parish is hosting a half-day [Day of Recollection](#) this coming Saturday, June 18, from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM, with noted author and speaker, [Gary Zimak](#). Gary will speak about how to address anxiety, stress, and worrying in our lives as Christians. The event is free. A nursery is available. No registration is needed. *All are welcome!*

For your future planning, please note that on Sunday, June 19, the Feast of Corpus Christi, we will have a Eucharistic Procession after our 11:00 AM Mass. The procession is strongly recommended by the US Bishops.

The recommendation of a Eucharistic Procession is a part of a three-year National Eucharistic Revival in our country. The Revival is sponsored by the US Bishops,

who are addressing the widespread disbelief in the Real Presence of the Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. More information on the National Eucharistic Revival can be [found here](#). On the website of the Revival, there is an opportunity to sign-up for weekly updates. Next weekend, I'll speak more about the Revival at all the Masses.

Be sure to read and review our revised and updated [Security/Safety Protocols for Parishioners](#) and [Church/Holy Communion Pandemic Protocols](#).

More updates next week! Oremus pro invicem (let's pray for one another)!

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