

### Trinity Sunday - Year A

- (Start by blessing yourself) “In the name of the F, S, & HS”
  - Why do we do that? Because we believe in the Trinity
  - God’s plan is that we share in His life and glory
  - SO – we believe in the Trinity
    - How do we know about the Trinity?
      - Genesis “Let US make man in OUR image”
      - Tower of Babel “Let US go down and confuse their speech”
      - JC prayed to the Father
      - Baptism “This is my beloved Son, listen to Him”
      - JC command ‘Go forth and baptize in the name of ...’
  - We start our Mass in the name of the F, S, & HS
  - We baptize our children in the name of the F, S & HS (adults too)
  - We impart our blessings in the name of the F, S & HS
  - The Trinity is the central mystery of our faith
- Man in airport – nothing to do with religion – full of stuff you can’t understand
  - Like this 3 in 1 God – 1 God, 3 God’s, it makes no sense.
  - If I can’t understand it I don’t believe it
  - Do you believe in the sun?
    - Sun and rays both give warmth
    - Father    Son                      Holy Spirit
- There are many images like this to explain the Trinity (Egg, a Plant, St Patrick’s shamrock)
- Regardless of whether you use a shamrock, a plant, or the sun
  - Bottom line is that F sent the S, and S promises HS
    - The Holy Spirit that will guide them in all truth
- We are God’s beloved
  - Even after Adam and Eve sinned – still God’s beloved
  - Even after we sin – still God’s beloved
  - Our relationship with God is rooted in love – simple childlike love  
And to understand Trinity we need to be – simple, childlike, & loving  
So we draw upon images like clover, sun, and plants BUT  
In reality understanding God is beyond us  
**But we don’t stop trying**
  - Our 2<sup>nd</sup> reading is really saying:
    - May the partnership of the HS be with you
    - That makes a lot of sense
    - Jesus always partnered with HS in His ministry
      - LK 1 JC was conceived: by the power of the HS
      - MT 3 JC was empowered “
      - MT 4 JC was led “
      - ACTS 10 He healed people “
      - MT 12 He cast out demons “
      - ROM 8 He was resurrected from dead “
      - EPH 1 He was seated at right hand of God “
  - Every time we see J in the Gospel – hand in hand w/HS
  - If J needed this kind of HS partnership, so do we