

Trinity Sunday - Year B

- (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 (St Patrick’s shamrock)
- Fr. Murray and the plant
- 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
- BECAUSE
- 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**
- The Gospel of MT ends with a CLAIM, a COMMISSION, and a PROMISE
 - Jesus claims “All power in heaven & on earth has been given to me”
 - THEREFORE
 - The commission “Go and make disciples of ALL nations baptizing ...”
 - Why? Because JC has all power in heaven & on earth
 - Nope Because JC loves us, it’s not about power, it’s love.
 - That’s why there’s a promise
 - “I am with you always – till the end of the age”
 - Making disciples of all nations is scary business - but
 - WHY FEAR?
 - Jesus says “I am with you always – till the end of the age”
 - We have Jesus with us.**
 - We have the Holy Spirit to guide us.**
 - We have a Father that loves us.**
 - What can stand against us!**
 - The evil one may try – but he is already defeated

Let us rejoice and be glad