

**Blessed Be God, The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:  
The Mystery of the Holy Trinity**

It is said that Saint Augustine contemplated the Holy Trinity, wishing to understand the Mystery of the Godhead. As he contemplated, he walked along the seashore. After some time, he became distracted by a young boy who had dug a hole in the sand. The boy walked between the sea and the hole, scooping water into a shell and pouring it into the hole. Our Saint asked the boy what he was doing. The lad replied, "I'm putting the sea into this hole." Laughing, Saint Augustine said, "That's impossible!" The boy replied, "And it's impossible for you to understand the Holy Trinity."



2205). The Son is the perfect image of the Father. Theologically, a wife in marriage, as "bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh" (Gen. 1:23), is an image of her husband. The love and unity of the Father and Son is so great, He is the Third Person of the Trinity—the Holy Spirit! Likewise, the love and unity of husband and wife beget children as individual persons. In this way, marriage is a natural representation of the Trinity that provides a helpful analogy of the relationship between Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

In a manner beyond our understanding, God is both Three and One. He is Three Divine Persons, but only One God. God the Father chose to reveal the Trinity through the Incarnation of His Only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ. He revealed this mystery to help us understand the depth of unity and love for which each human person is created. The Holy Trinity is a perfect communion of infinite love. God wants us to participate in that same unity and love (c.f. Jn. 17:23).

God knew this revelation would be difficult to understand, so He gave guidance to our understanding in the Sacrament of Marriage. When a man and woman unite in marriage, they become a model of the Trinity (Catechism, no.

Within Sacred Scripture, Jesus' Baptism is the first explicit manifestation of the Trinity: the Father speaks, the Holy Spirit descends in visible form, and the Son receives His Father's blessing (Mt. 3:16-17). After the Resurrection, Jesus commissioned the Disciples to "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" (Mt. 28:19). Later, Saint Paul closes his Second Letter to the Corinthians with a blessing in the name of the Trinity. The same words are still used by the Church at Mass, expressing the fervent desire that we might partake in the love and unity of God. It may be impossible to comprehend the entire truth about the Trinity, but it is possible to live in the blessing of that truth.

**"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God [the Father] and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you" (2 Cor. 13:13).**



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**\* HARRISON COUNTY \*  
CATHOLIC CHURCHES**



**Sacred Heart Church  
Hopedale**



**St. Matthias  
Freeport**



**St. Teresa of Avila  
Cadiz**

**MAY 31, 2026  
TRINITY SUNDAY**

**FOR OUR VISITORS**

**RESTROOM FACILITIES**

**FREEPORT ST. MATTHIAS** - The restrooms in St. Matthias are located off of the gathering room behind the worship area.

**CADIZ - ST. TERESA** - There are no restrooms in the church itself. Restrooms are located in the Activity Center which is the building right next to the church at the back of the parking lot.

**HOPEDALE - SACRED HEART** - The restrooms are located in the basement of the church but you have to go outside and down to the front of the church to access the basement and restroom facilities.

**SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK**

**SUN** - Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9, Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 2 Corinthians 13:11-13, John 3:16-18

**MON** - 2 Peter 1:2-7, Psalm 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16, Mark 12:1-12

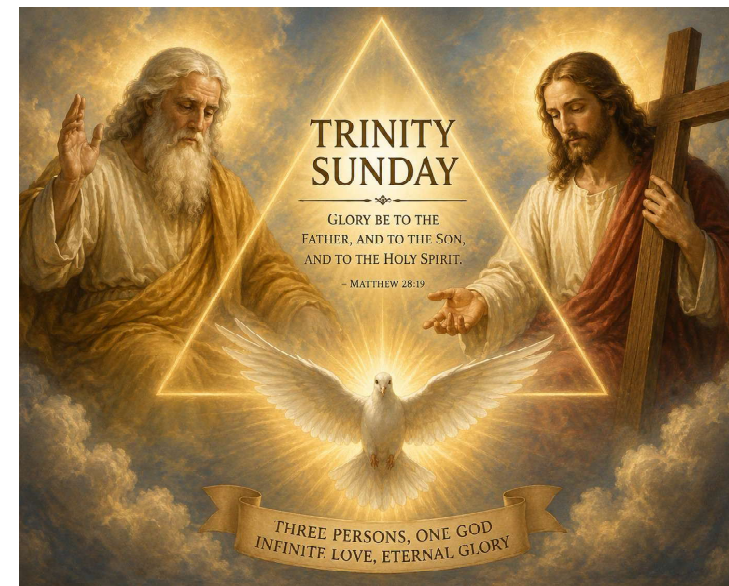
**TUE** - 2 Peter 3:12-15a, 17-18, Psalm 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16, Mark 12:13-17

**WED** - 2 Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12, Psalm 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef, Mark 12:18-27

**THU** - 2 Timothy 2:8-1, Psalm 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 1, Mark 12:28-3

**FRI** - 2 Timothy 3:10-1, Psalm 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 16, Mark 12:35-37

**SAT** - 2 Timothy 4:1-, Psalm 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 2, Mark 12:38-4



★ **HARRISON COUNTY CATHOLIC CHURCHES** ★

**St. Teresa of Avila (Cadiz) - Sacred Heart (Hopedale) - St. Matthias (Freeport)**

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*ST = at St. Teresa, SH = at Sacred Heart, SM = at St. Matthias  
The Rosary is recited one half hour before all weekend Masses.  
Confessions will be heard after Mass at Sacred Heart and St. Matthias and  
Tuesdays after 4:30 PM Mass at St. Teresa*

05/30/2026	SAT	4:30 PM	ST	Betty Fledderus (Mary Jane Wood) - 5637
05/30/2026	SAT	7:00 PM	SM	Chuck Wisvari & Susan Wisvari Weir (Jeanette Hamilton) - 5711
05/31/2026	SUN	9:30 AM	ST	People of Our Parishes
05/31/2026	SUN	11:00 AM	SH	Jerry Jackson - 98th Birthday in Thanksgiving (A Friend) - 5785

**TRINITY SUNDAY**

06/01/2026	MON			<b>NO MASS</b>
06/02/2026	TUE	4:30 PM	ST	Myron Fledderus (A Friend) - 5560
06/03/2026	WED	4:30 PM	ST	Sam Blagovich (Joseph W. Darios) - 5626
06/04/2026	THU	4:30 PM	ST	Donnie Sigler (John & Claire Bertucci) - 4011
06/05/2026	FRI	12:15 PM	SH	Intentions of the St. Joseph Foundation - 5734

06/06/2026	SAT	4:30 PM	ST	Tom Phillips (Jeanne Phillips) - 5784
06/06/2026	SAT	7:00 PM	SM	Louis & Elizabeth Prince (Ron & Jean Prince) - 5713
06/07/2026	SUN	9:30 AM	ST	Andy Vargo (Tom Vargo Family) - 5686
06/07/2026	SUN	11:00 AM	SH	People of Our Parishes

**PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION CLASS:** Special thank you to our PSR teachers, Barbara McCombs and Courtney Nign for preparing the children for the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. God bless you.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** to Rev. Peter Stetson and Rev. Ryan Budd who were ordained to the priesthood on May 30th. Rev. Stetson was a parishioner of Sacred Heart and was the CWC adopted seminarian. Keep them in your prayers as they offer their lives in service to Christ and His Church.

**SEMINARIANS BASKET RAFFLE:** If you are not going to the DCCW Convention, June 3rd, and would like to buy raffle tickets to support our Seminarians Assistance Fund call Diana at the rectory office or at home, 740-937-2941 for information. DEADLINE for the raffle is May 31st.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

**SYMPATHIES & CONDOLENCES:** Our deepest sympathy and condolences go to the family and friends of Claudia Martinette, Sacred Heart, who died this past week. May she rest in eternal light, peace and happiness. Amen.

**VACATION:** School is out and summer is around the corner; you and your family will most likely go on vacation. Remember-your parish's bills will still be coming in even if you are gone. So when you get back, please try to make up for those weeks that you missed. It will be greatly appreciated.

**D/PSC:** Thank you to everyone who has already given to the 2026 D/PSC so far. If you have not yet contributed, please consider making a donation. There are pledge cards in the church's vestibule, if you need one. Do not mail your pledge card to the Diocese; drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory office.



If everyone, everywhere, at all times and under all circumstances followed the teachings of Jesus Christ and His Church, the world would be so much more like heaven, and so much less like hell!

*Fr. Fred Kihm*

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Tammy Belon, Michael Beckler, Ginger Russell, Julie Meyer, Fr. Mark Moore, Richard Kidd, Sharon Leck, Lisa and Baylor Barger, Joyce Antol, Celeste Coelho, Irma Filippi, Jerry Jackson, Cherilynn Morgan, Dolly Ferraro, Joanne Raha, Ann (Fledderus) Crouse, Fr. Chester Pabin, Walter Carman.



**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH CHURCH IN YOUR WILL!**

**POPE LEO'S JUNE PRAYER INTENTION:** For the values of sports—Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

**YOUTH ENVELOPES:** There are youth envelopes in the back of the church for children to use. It goes without saying that generosity is a virtue that needs to be learned at an early age.

**K OF C ACCEPTING DONATIONS:** The Knights of Columbus Council # 4590 is accepting donations of non-perishable food items including laundry detergent, cleaning supplies and new or gently used clothing for the Cadiz Food Pantry. Please leave the items in the church basement (Hopedale) or in the Activity Center Lobby (Cadiz). Monetary donations will also be accepted and may be dropped in the collection basket. Make your check out to the Knights of Columbus Council #4590 and on the memo line write: "Cadiz Food Pantry". Thank you for helping the needy of Harrison County.



**Contributions & Donations**

**ST. TERESA**  
Regular: \$499.00  
Building Fund: \$730.00  
Cath. Communication: \$155.00

**SACRED HEART**  
Regular: \$220.00  
Building Fund: \$126.00  
Cath. Communication: \$120.00

**ST. MATTHIAS**  
Regular: \$310.00

**GOD BLESS EVERYONE WHO HAS DONATED TO THE SUPPORT OF OUR CHURCHES!**