

God's dance of love for all

When studying subjects dedicated to The Most Holy Trinity during my seminary formation, I was introduced to the concept of perichoresis. This Greek word suggests: a cyclical movement or an interweaving of figures. Perhaps the simplest and most beautiful way of translating this Greek word is: 'dancing around'.

The early church understood perichoresis as a 'dance of love' and said: that's what the Trinity is like! The Trinity is a dynamic relationship of love, harmony and oneness in which there is mutual giving and receiving.

Sr Barbara Reid, OP says, "The point of this dance of love, however, is not the enjoyment of the divine dancers only. The dance is an open circle that invites all onto the dance floor, drawing them right into the midst of the energetic flow of divine delight. If some hesitate, preferring to sit on the sidelines, the Three-in-One circle back again and again, extending the invitation over and over to each and to all, changing the pace and the rhythm, so that even the clumsiest of us can learn the steps in the dance of divine love."

It would be much simpler if this dance of love was solely about the divine dancers and their relationship of mutual giving and receiving. But God's (the Trinity's) love is lavishly given, overflowing abundantly into creation. It would have also been simpler if God created the world and then 'walked away'. But God desired to draw creation into the dance of love (relationship). So, God sent the Son into the world to redeem and liberate us to live anew. God also sent the Spirit to sanctify us even if we continue to turn away from God's invitation into this relationship of love.

Similarly, life would be much simpler for us if we remained within safe and comfortable circles; to relate only with family, friends, and those of like mind. But being created in God's (the Trinity's) image and likeness of abundant 'pouring out', we too are to step out of the familiar and 'pour out' our lives for others in oneness, despite the differences and complexities of relationships.

Living fraternally as sisters and brothers within the life and communion of the Trinity, calls us to a greater awareness of others and a willingness to always remain outward looking towards them; ready to accept whatever the cost of participating in the outreaching, generous and unselfish love of God. There's no room for self-interest, selfishness, stinginess or an inward-looking mentality.

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity helps us to encounter God as a loving community and it is yearning for love and for community that are the deepest desires of every human heart. Today we celebrate the mystery and closeness of God, who invites us into a dynamic and life-giving 'dance of love'; a dance that reaches out to include and embrace everyone in the human community.

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Masses:

NEW Saturday Vigil:

5.15pm

(see Mass schedule)

NEW Sunday Mass:

10.30am

Novena Prayer:

Every Friday at 9am

Mass

Exposition:

Every Thursday

9.30am - 6.45pm

with Benediction at
6.45pm

Anointing Mass:

First Friday of each
month at 9am Mass

June 11 - Saturday Vigil

Mass - 5.15pm at MPH

June 12 - Sunday Mass

9am at St Ignatius &
10.30am at MPH

June 18 - Saturday Vigil

Mass - 5.15pm at
Sacred Heart College

June 19 - Sunday Mass

9am at St Ignatius &
10.30am at MPH

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HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY
Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 June 2022

Prayer to the Holy Trinity

*God for us, we call you Father.
God alongside us, we call you Jesus.
God within us, we call you Holy Spirit.
You are the eternal mystery that enables,
enfolds and enlivens all things,
even us and even me.*



*Every name falls short of your goodness and greatness.
We can only see who You are, in what is.
We ask for such perfect seeing.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
Amen*

Farewell Mass & Morning Tea

We will farewell **FR BERNARD TEO**
at 10.30am Mass on Sunday 19 June.

All Welcome!

We would appreciate you "bringing a plate" for the Morning Tea.

Use of MPH Parish Carpark

A filming company has offered to pay the Parish for the use of our carpark on Monday 13 June, Tuesday 14 June & Wednesday 15 June. There are no Parish activities on the Monday and Tuesday but on the Wednesday, there will be the 9.00am Mass. I will work with the hirers to make as much space as possible on the Wednesday morning. Please use only the Riddell Rd entrance at that time.

Apologies for the inconvenience but it is an excellent fundraising activity for the Parish

Peter Coakley



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

PARISH AGM MEETING



All parishioners are invited to attend the AGM meeting in the Parish Center on Sunday 3 July after Mass. This is your opportunity to hear about how our Parish has been doing in terms of events, finances, and policies, and to share any ideas you have for our Parish to grow or improve.

We would appreciate you bringing a plate of finger food to share.

Catholic Women's League Orakei cordially invites you to their High Tea Luncheon. A musical recital provided by Baradene College; supporting our charity Sweet Louise on **Wednesday, 22nd June** with Mass at 10.30am at St. Joseph's Church, Orakei and then our High Tea Luncheon at St. Joseph's Hall. Indulge in savoury delights and enjoy a decadent sweet selection of treats. All for \$30 includes raffle for quality prizes. Confirm to Tina Raines, 09-5212499/021 940 950. Email: tinaraines@orcon.net.nz Payment by online banking to ASB Bank Account No. 12-3073-0079278-00 using your surname as a reference. Or you may pay cash on that day.

We are very much in need of volunteers to do the Power Point at our weekend Masses. Please contact Maureen in the office if you would be interested in assisting with this ministry.
Training will be provided.

Sacramental Programme – Information Evening MPH & St Ignatius Parishes - New Date: Tuesday 21 June

If your child is in Year 4 at school this year, come along to our Information Session to enrol to your child into our 2 year Sacramental Programme on **Tuesday 21 June, 7:30pm at St Ignatius Parish Centre**. Please email Gina: stignatius.sacraments@gmail.com to confirm your attendance.

Remember your Mask!

We remember in prayer our parishioners whose anniversaries occur during June : John Connolly, Anthony Woolford, Robert Yates, Owen Hewitt, Lisia Taulepa, Bernadette Butel, George Paterson

Next Week: THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST 18 & 19 June

1.Genesis 14:18-20 2.1Corinthians 11:23-26 3.Gospel Luke 9:11-17

ROSTER	Saturday Vigil Mass 5.15 pm	Sunday Mass 10.30am
Greeters		Lietta Latu
Musicians		
PowerPoint		Louise Morton
Prayers of the Faithful	Heather Manickum	Altar Linen: Ingrid Coakley
Readers		Vanessa Thomas Mathew Bland
Ministers of Holy Communion		Angela Shields
Grace Joel	Gerard Murphy	
Cleaners	Malia Griffiths and Sue Rivalland	