

# THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

MAY 31, 2026



## *“The Trinity”*

Andrei Rublev, 1425 - 1427  
Icon in Trinity Cathedral  
Sergiyev Posad, near Moscow

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Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 12-Noon

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Please make arrangements by calling the Parish Office.

### **The Most Holy Trinity**

May 31, 2026  
Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9  
Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56  
2 Corinthians 13:11-13  
John 3:16-18

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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>May 30</b>
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Michael Tilson Thomas</i>
5:00 PM	<i>For the Intentions of Amelia Brynn Nolasco Tipping</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>May 31</b>
8:00 AM	<i>In Memory of Sara Yamarone</i>
10:00 AM	<i>In Memory of Margaret Anne Fitch</i>
12:00 PM	<i>In Memory of Ruth Barbee Johnson</i>
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>June 01</b>
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of H. John Riley</i>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>June 02</b>
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Osi &amp; Rose Peñaloza</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>June 03</b>
8:15 AM	<i>For the Intentions of St. Expedite</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>June 04</b>
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Cosmo Silverman</i>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>June 05</b>
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Mina Cinco</i>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>June 06</b>
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Grace Schunker</i>
5:00 PM	<i>In Memory of Frank Pincherli</i>

Pray For  
The Dead



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.  
Amen

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially:

Sean Aguirre, Gisele Hayek, Susan Ho, Angela Samona, Denise Loren, Marilyn Bencar, Leticia Romero, Alex Chalof, Carmel Rattigan, Kathy Molloy, Glenn J. Lawlor, Jr., Olga Oshiro, Maria Berreondo, Tanya Valazquez, Catherine Crews, Deana Domsten, Mary Ann Blee, Kerry Wyse, Louise Brancale, Charlie Ho, Jackie Ward-Smith, Ann Murcia, Rosemary Schreiber, Deb Marsdale, Linda Lucas, Vickie Council, Joan Gore, William Moulprie, Rose Bann, James Armstrong, Sr., Catherine Mwamba, Kathy Polk, Pat Yahnke, Linda Mauleon, Sandra Mitchell, Sharon Crigler, Samiee Nejad, Mary Bailey, Eric Duran, Tina McConnell, Patrick McDougall, Tish Mc Daniel, Nina Barnes, Jana Rattigan, Jezebel Todd, Lauren Britton, Jen Welch, Bob Dixon, Tony Guadagno, John Proscetto, Dexter Gray, Annie Salazar, Jim Earnhart, Joseph Stockert, Rose Ang, Sheila van der Veen, Leonila Siga-an, Jonathan Jacobs, Sammi Petri, Georgina Nicoletti, Lindsay Dean, Saverio Barbieri, Davis Weld, Kevin Hogan, Catherine Sweeney, Jeffrey Paynton, Tommy Fitzpatrick, Doris McNary, Marilyn Sidley, Karin Quinn Forward, Susan Maria, Kevin Patrick, Sean Kevin, Bruce Johnson, Virginia Johnson, Fran Hurton, Arnaud Gregori, Mary Henriksen, Dominic Mantei, Edith Reeves, Stefanie Gabler, Jake Patterson, Rose Rios, Anita & Austen Canzano, David Bell, Marie Schewe, Tom & Judy King, Jonathan Masse, Steve Dee, Darya Williams, Gus Calderon, Robert Willing, Josue Meza, Thomas Oliver, Philip Graber, and Blake Cline

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, 05/31	<b><i>The Most Holy Trinity</i></b>
Monday, 06/01	<i>St. Justin, Martyr</i>
Tuesday, 06/02	<i>Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs</i>
Wednesday, 06/03	<i>St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs</i>
Friday, 06/05	<i>St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr</i>
Saturday, 06/06	<i>St. Norbert, Bishop</i>

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## Retirement Fund for Archdiocesan Priests

June 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>

The Priest Retirement Fund is a vital annual appeal to support priests of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Together we commit to assisting our spiritual fathers as they enter retirement, many of whom are still working in our parishes today. Your gift will provide important resources for basic living expenses and medical care for approximately 130 priests, and planning for an estimated 300 retired priests who will enter retirement over the next 10 years. Let us bless those who have blessed us.

The Priest Retirement Fund offers a way for us to give back to our priests who have served us so faithfully. Your contribution will help archdiocesan priests live modestly and peacefully in retirement. Help us offer thanks for their years of devotion to the Lord Jesus, our eternal High Priest and to the Church. Your contribution to the Priest Retirement Fund helps provide essential funding for medications, nursing care, and other necessities for these priests who have been good shepherds and have served the faithful of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

The envelopes are in the pews and the collection for the Priest Retirement Fund will be taken on the weekend of June 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>.

## How Andrei Rublev's Troitsa Explains "*The Trinity*"

The Explanation of this famous icon on the bulletin cover by Garrett Johnson will help give you a deeper understanding of the Trinity.

A highly creative piece, Andrei Rublev's Troitsa (Russian for Triune or Trinity) hails from the summit of a more than thousand year old iconographic tradition. As you might have surmised, it is a Trinitarian interpretation of Gen. 18:1-16; The episode in which "three men" visit Abraham and Sarah, and promise them a son.

While no Christian would ever formally deny the importance of the Holy Trinity, it is always healthy to question whether this importance has the impact on our daily lives that it should. I once heard the story of a professor of Theology who asked his students: "If I were to tell you today that we have discovered new texts of the bible and of the Fathers of the Church that reveal that our One God is, in reality, two people and not three, how would you react? Would what change in your life?"

If the Holy Trinity is merely an object of abstract theological debate, then such a change would not change your life much. If, however, the Holy Trinity is not simply a concept for us, rather a referral to our living relationship with God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, then, in responding to the question, we should be jumping out of our chairs to defend the Three People that we know and love!

Thus, more than an explanation of the Trinity, in today's post I would like to try to invite you to, in some fashion, open yourself up and experience the fact that the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are indeed real and insistingly call us to participate in their loving communion.

The Catechism 253 is clear in saying: The Trinity is One. We do not confess three Gods, but one God in Three Persons, the "consubstantial Trinity". The divine persons do no hare, the one divinity among themselves but each of them is God whole and entire. In the words of the Fourth Lateran Council (1215), "Each of the person is that supreme reality, viz., the divine substance, essence or nature".

Symbolizing the fact that the three divine persons are of equal essence, we see:

- All three angels are the same in form and size
- All three carry the same staves in their hands
- All three sit on the same type of throne
- Each figure is clothed in the same types of garments – chiton & himation – which are individually distinct
- The characteristic tone of the garments works with a limited palette of colors: purple, pale green, and the one color that is common to all three – an intense blue

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## How Andrei Rublev's Troitsa Explains "The Trinity"

### The Desire for God

So often when we think of the Holy Trinity, we prepare ourselves for an onslaught of complicated concepts. Instead, before making attempts at understanding the Trinity, we should desire the Trinity.

In the words of Oliver Clement: "God is absolute beauty because God is absolute personal existence. As such, God awakens our desires, sets it free and draws it to Himself." Whenever speaking of desire, we must always remember that it is God who first desired (and continues to desire) us and our own desire originates in God.

The beginning, thus, of all spiritual life is an intensifying desire, in stoking the flame, in asking the Holy Spirit to make it burn.

"Blessed is the person whose desire for God has become like the lover's passion for the beloved." (John Climacus)

Again Oliver Clement: "It is not a question of thinking about the Trinity, but in it, starting from the Trinity as the unshakeable foundation of all Christian thought."

### A Prophetic Foreshadowing

Prudence recommends that we note the fact that in the New Testament, the Father and the Son remain hidden behind signs of symbols such as "voice" or "dove." The inner workings and dynamic between the Three Persons is, of course, the mystery of mysteries and utterly unknown to us. As such, when contemplating the emblems and holy signs of the Old Testament, we are not looking for them to reveal the Holy Trinity, as such, but serve rather as a "prophetic foreshadowing of the way in which the divine persons make themselves accessible now to the faithful, and indeed only then." What is depicted is, therefore, only – and that "in an image" the economic Trinity; its being for us."

That we mean when we say that God is a Trinity is that there is one divine nature, one divine substance.

A "substance" or "nature" is what something is. God, as a Trinity, exists in Three Persons.

A person is "who" someone is. In our experience, one human person each possesses one human nature.

A husband and wife, no matter how closely united, are still two separate beings.

In God, however, Three Persons possess the same divine nature.

If you were to ask each Person in the Trinity, "Who are you?" each person would answer something differently:

"I am the Father." "I am the Son." "I am the Holy Spirit."

If you were to ask each Person, "Who are you?" you would get the same answer from each Person:

"I am God." Not, "I am a God," as a human would say, "I am a human."

Rather, each divine person, while not identical to the other divine persons, is one in being with the other two divine persons and is fully God. The word we use to describe this in the Nicene Creed is *consubstantial*.

While we say in the Nicene Creed that the Son is consubstantial with the Father,

it is also true that the Spirit is consubstantial with the Father and the Son.

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen***

### Did You Know?

#### Respecting Boundaries

A child's need to establish a boundary must always be the priority, even over an adult's desire for affection or connection. If a child does not want to give a hug or even a high five, it is up to the adult to accept that boundary and respect the child's comfort level. This is an easy way to help a child determine what feels safe and what does not, and can help protect him/her from potential abuse.

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**“The Shroud of Turin: An Immersive Experience”**

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A visit to the Shroud of Turin Immersive Experience takes at least 90-minutes. It is intended for guests 10 years old and above, as well as people of all faiths. The privately funded, \$5-million museum opened in Fall 2025 on the Christ Cathedral Campus (formerly known as the Crystal Cathedral), down the street from the Anaheim Resort District.

The Shroud of Turin Immersive Experience is presented by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Orange in partnership with Othonia and Papaian Studios. Othonia is part of the Institute of Science & Faith of the *Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum* in Rome. The Mission of Othonia is to encourage people to examine the Shroud through the eyes of both reason and faith. Through its educational materials, exhibits and speakers, Othonia invites people to answer for themselves the question that Jesus asked His followers: “*Who do you say that I am?*”

**What is the Shroud of Turin?**

The Shroud of Turin is a blood-stained cloth bearing the image of a crucified man. It is believed by some to be the actual linen burial cloth that wrapped the Body of Jesus Christ after His Crucifixion, a practice common among the 1st-century Jewish people. Its name is derived from its long-time home in Turin, Italy, where it has been since 1578.

There has been such extensive interest in the Shroud, that there is a name for the formal study of it: *Sindonology*. It is considered the most studied artifact in the world, with more than 100 different disciplines closely examining it. The original Shroud — kept in a state of careful preservation and not currently on display — has been in the formal possession of the Holy See since 1983. Its history prior to 1354 is not well-documented.

It is important to note that the Catholic Church has not taken an official position on the Shroud of Turin’s authenticity, but recognizes its importance as an object of veneration and reflection. The Church acknowledges the ongoing scientific investigation into the Shroud’s origins and properties, entrusting scientists with the task of finding satisfactory answers to questions surrounding it. Popes have consistently recognized the Shroud’s significance as a powerful image that points to the Passion and Death of Jesus Christ, inviting believers to deeper contemplation and conversion.

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