

### **Gospel Meditation:**

In my experience, one of the peculiarities of being a man is the somewhat unlikely ability to look into the mirror, no matter how out of shape he may be, and declare with full confidence: "Looking good, buddy!" Ask a man. He'll probably confirm it.

Therein lies a mystery. You might think I refer to man's ability to deceive himself or his propensity toward vainglory. But in this case, I refer to the mystery of a healthy and proper sense of self-love. We human beings (both men and women) have the utterly weird ability to look at ourselves as if we were another. Then we tend to love this "other." Then, somehow, that love becomes a bond between the two. We are three and yet one.

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday. We ponder anew that God in His unity is a play of multiplicity: Lover, Beloved, and shared Love. Or, as we also proclaim, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If we allow it, this mystery heals our temptation toward self-hatred and destruction. We all know how awful it is to look into the mirror and not know the person we see, or, equally bad, to know and hate who we see. Jesus, the Son of God, draws us into the dynamics of authentic self-knowledge and self-love. Perhaps we could ask the Holy Trinity this Sunday to teach us to truly look at ourselves and to properly love who we see looking back.

— Father John Muir

### **Meditación del Evangelio:**

En mi experiencia, una de las peculiaridades de ser un hombre es la capacidad algo improbable de mirarse en el espejo, sin importar cuán fuera de forma pueda estar, y declarar con plena confianza: "¡Se ve bien, amigo!" Pregúntale a un hombre. Probablemente lo confirmará.

Ahí radica un misterio. Podrías pensar que me refiero a la capacidad del hombre para engañarse a sí mismo o a su propensión a la vanagloria. Pero en este caso, me refiero al misterio de un sentido sano y adecuado del amor propio. Los seres humanos (tanto hombres como mujeres) tenemos la extraña capacidad de mirarnos a nosotros mismos como si fuéramos otro. Entonces tendemos a amar a este "otro". Entonces, de alguna manera, ese amor se convierte en un vínculo entre los dos. Somos tres y, sin embargo, uno.

Este domingo es el Domingo de la Trinidad. Reflexionamos de nuevo que Dios en Su unidad es un juego de multiplicidad: Amante, Amado y Amor compartido. O, como también proclamamos, Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo. Si lo permitimos, este misterio sana nuestra tentación hacia el odio a nosotros mismos y la destrucción. Todos sabemos lo horrible que es mirarse en el espejo y no conocer a la persona que vemos, o, igualmente malo, saber y odiar a quién vemos. Jesús, el Hijo de Dios, nos lleva a la dinámica del auténtico autoconocimiento y del amor propio. Tal vez podríamos pedirle a la Santísima Trinidad este domingo que nos enseñe a mirarnos verdaderamente a nosotros mismos y a amar adecuadamente a quien vemos mirando hacia atrás.

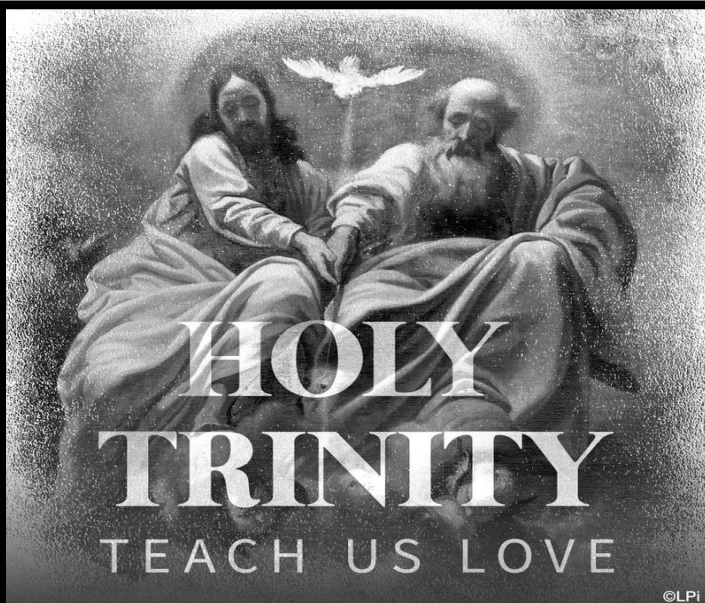
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### **YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

**May 28, 2023**

Sunday Collection .....	\$ 4,368.38
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 131.80
Facilities Improvement.....	\$ 72.00
Helping Hands.....	\$ 548.38
STM School.....	\$ 2.00
Father's Day.....	\$ 139.00
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 20.00
Donations.....	\$ 50.00

***Second Collection June 10 - 11:  
Facilities Improvement Fund***



**LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT MEETING**

On June 25, 2023 we will have a Parish Meeting /  
Leadership Development from 3 - 5 pm at Carolan Hall.

Please RSVP with Martha Guerra  
at (210) 655-5070 or  
MGuerra.st.thomas@gmail.com

**REUNIÓN DE DESARROLLO DE LIDERAZGO**

El 25 de junio del 2023 tendremos una junta parroquial  
(Desarrollo de liderazgo) a las 3 - 5 pm  
en el Salon de Carolan.

Favor de inscribirse con Martha Guerra  
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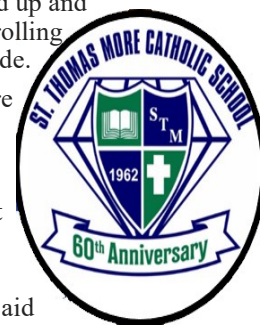
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**MAKING YOUR GRIEF COUNT**  
**Bereavement Support Group**

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one?

You are invited to join us for an eight-week program designed to create a safe place to:

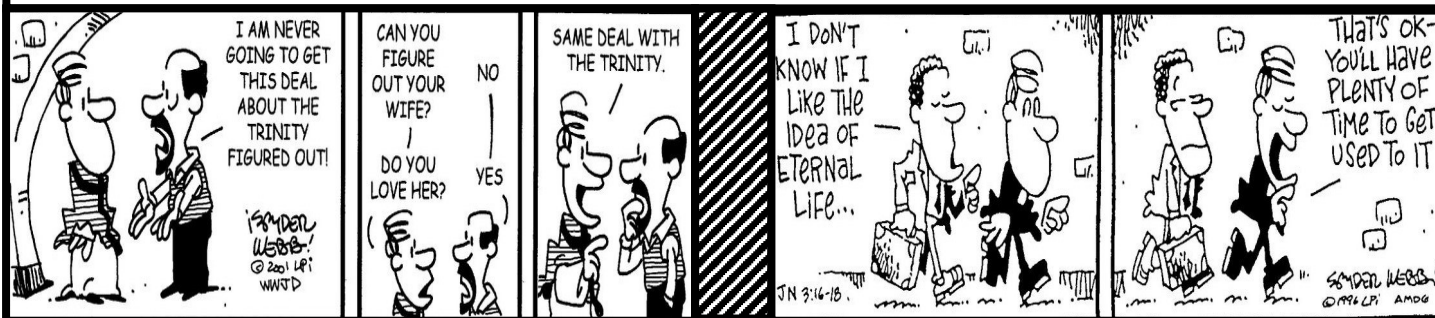
- Embrace your grief and learn to bear it.
- Discover how your loved one can live on into your life story.
- Strengthen your characteristics of resilience.
- Plan for how you will continue to heal and live a meaningful life.

We will meet on 8-consecutive Wednesdays from 1:15 - 2:45 pm beginning July 19th.

There is no cost associated with this event.

Mark your calendars!

*More information to follow...*





Today... we celebrate the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity...

Next week we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus (*Corpus Christi*)...

and we celebrate Father's Day the Sunday after that.

I know I'm a bit premature on this but I want to talk a bit about Father's Day and share something with all our dads out there.

First and foremost we should **all** look to, and celebrate, our Heavenly Father (*not only on Father's Day... every day!*). Next we must celebrate and honor our own earthly father... as the Commandment says... *Honor thy Father and thy Mother*. Finally, men, we have to look at ourselves as fathers (*or simply as men*) and our roles within (*and outside of*) the family.

I hate to say this, guys... but a lot of us have kind of 'fallen down' on the job (*I'm just as guilty as the next guy...*).

Our traditional role is that of Head of the House (*HoH*) (*no offense, ladies - I know many of you are also Head of the House... that's why I said 'traditional'*). Being HoH means more than just 'bringing home the bacon!'

In addition to caring for the family's physical needs it means, and in my mind more importantly so, caring for their spiritual needs!

If any of you have ever been to one of my Baptism-Preparation sessions you've heard me ask what a persons '*primary mission in life is*'. ... **Answer:** *Get to heaven!* Then, if married, I explain that their '*primary mission*' has expanded and ask the question again. **Answer:** *Get yourself and your spouse to heaven!* Then, as a parent, I explain that their '*mission*' has expanded even further and again ask the question. By this time they see where the question is heading so they answer: **Get yourself, spouse and children to heaven! BINGO!!** Nothing else really matters in the long run!

Guys, we are called to set the example for our family! If, by our actions, we show that our Faith isn't that important to us... guess what... it won't be important to our spouse or children either!

We promise by our Baptismal Vows (*ours and our children's*) that we will raise them in a faith-filled environment.

We want the best for our children... our spouse... for ourselves... what could possibly be better than eternal life with our loved ones?

I know this really doesn't apply to you... you're here...

But maybe you know somebody who could use the reminder. Pass it on...

I'd love to 'discuss' this further but space limitations prohibit it. However, if you'd like to talk more... so would I.

'till next time... *Happy Trinity Sunday... Happy Father's Day* coming up God Bless- DT



If some day, you misplace your Bulletin or just don't get one some week... You can always go to the Church's web site and check it out there.

It's simple enough... from your browser just type in (*and save for future reference*) the address: [www.ThomasMoreSATX.org](http://www.ThomasMoreSATX.org) (*and, don't worry about upper / lower case when typing the address. It doesn't matter - I do it because it's easier for me to 'pick out' words.*)

There's a lot of good information out there... check it out.

**Question:** *If it isn't only for people who are dying, when should someone receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick?*

**Answer:** One of the unfortunate realities in the Church today is that so few people understand the meaning and value of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, largely because so many people still mistakenly think of this sacrament as "Last Rites" or "Extreme Unction."

In his life and ministry, Jesus healed the sick. In this sacrament, the Church continues the healing mission of Jesus and, in hope, prays that God will grant healing to the person who is suffering. But even if there is no physical healing, the sacrament offers spiritual healing through the Holy Spirit's gifts of peace and courage.

And so, anyone who is living with serious illness (*including emotional or psychological illness*) and the elderly are encouraged to celebrate this sacrament when it is needed.

The ritual for Anointing of the Sick does also include special prayers and blessings for those who are facing death, including viaticum (*communion given to the dying, trusting that the Lord Jesus will be their companion along the way, as they make their final journey*).



**This Week at Our Parish****Sunday, June 4, 2023****KC 3rd Degree - BBQ Ticket Sales (after 8am & 10am Masses)**

10:00 am KC Corporate Mass  
 1:30 pm VBS General Mtg - Carolan Hall  
 3:00 pm Festival Mtg - Carolan Hall

**Monday, June 5, 2023**

7:00 pm Guadalupanos Board Mtg - Rectory Mtg Room

**Tuesday, June 6, 2023**

5:30 pm Divine Mercy - Rectory Mtg Room  
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Choir Practice - Rectory Mtg Room  
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - Church

**Wednesday, June 7, 2023**

10:30 am Charismatic Core Grp Mtg - Rectory Mtg Room  
 6:30 pm KC 3 Degree Officers Mtg - Carolan Hall  
 7:00 pm Guadalupanos Choir Practice - Church

**Thursday, June 8, 2023**

6:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Grp - Church  
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion (Men's Retreat Prep) - RMR

**Friday, June 9, 2023**

7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion - Church

**\*\*\* Holy Land Wood Crafts after All Masses this Weekend \*\*\*****Saturday, June 10, 2023**

6:00 pm CDA Tea Party Setup - Carolan Hall

**Sunday, June 11, 2023**

1:00 pm CDA Tea Party - Carolan Hall

**Sanctuary Light Intention:****Anna Maria G. Castillo****Lecturas de la Semana del 5 - 11 junio**

**Lunes:** Tob 1:3; 2:1-8; Sal 111:1-6; Mc 12:1-12  
**Martes:** Tob 2:9-14; Sal 111:1-2,7-9; Mc 12:13-17  
**Miércoles:** Tob 3:1-11,16-17; Sal 24:2-9; Mc 12:18-27  
**Jueves:** Tob 6:10-11; 7:1,9-17; 8:4-9; Sal 127:1-5;  
 Mc 12:28-34  
**Viernes:** Tob 11:5-17; Sal 145:1-2,6-10; Mc 12:35-37  
**Sábado:** Tob 12:1,5-15,20; Tob 13:2,6-8;  
 Mc 12:38-44  
**Domingo:** Dt 8:2-3,14-16; Sal 147:12-15,19-20;  
 1Co 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

**Readings for the week of June 5 - 11**

**Monday:** Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 12:1-12  
**Tuesday:** Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2,7-9; Mk 12:13-17  
**Wednesday:** Tb 3:1-11a,16-17a; Ps 25:2-9; Mk 12:18-27  
**Thursday:** Tb 6:10-11; 7:1,9-17; 8:4-9a; Ps 128:1-5;  
 Mk 12:28-34  
**Friday:** Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2,6c-10; Mk 12:35-37  
**Saturday:** Tb 12:1,5-15,20; Tb 13:2,6e-8;  
 Mk 12:38-44  
**Sunday:** Dt 8:2-3,14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15,19-20;  
 1Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-5

**Mass Intentions****Saturday, June 3, 2023**

8:00 am †Deacon Jerome & Maura Ciarrocchi by Volpenhein Family  
 5:00 pm †Christina C. Dominguez by Dominguez Family  
**STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**

**Sunday, June 4, 2023**

8:00 am †Rafael Garza by Mrs T.S.Garza  
 †John Evancho by Evancho Family  
 10:00 am †Juan Urbano & Mike Urbano by Urbano Family  
 †Medardo E. Morales & Evangelina G. Morales  
 by Morales & Briseno Families  
 12:00 pm †Kathryn Marie Sweet by Maria T. Sweet  
**Souls in Purgatory** by Villegas Family

**Monday, June 5, 2023**

8:00 am †Theodore Willingham by Margie Murray  
 †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen

**Tuesday, June 6, 2023**

8:00 am †Ann & Ed McCarthy by Norma Aguirre  
 †Joaquin de la Sancha

**Wednesday, June 7, 2023**

8:00 am †Jose Luis Samaniego Zavala by Family  
 †Rosie Reyes & Suzell Waller by Eddie Reyes

**Thursday, June 8, 2023 (Communion Service)**8:00 am **Ordained Clergy and Religious****Friday, June 9, 2023**

8:00 am †Theresa Hoi by Kim Nguyen  
 †Joaquin de la Sancha by Norma Aguirre

**Saturday, June 10, 2023**

8:00 am †Joaquin de la Sancha by Norma Aguirre  
 †Mr. Thephtuan by Volpenhein Family  
 5:00 pm †Rafael D. Garza by Richard & Dorothy Perez  
**Continued Good Health - Olga Weich**

**Sunday, June 11, 2023**

8:00 am †Viola de la Rosa by Sylvia Roman  
 †Rafael Garza by Klar Family  
 10:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and †Deceased**  
 †Salome H. Briseno & Carolina B. Briseno  
 by Morales & Briseno Families  
**Special Intention for Fernando Aguirre**  
 12:00 pm †Elisa and Jose Valencia by Maria Rojas  
**Souls in Purgatory** by Villegas Family

**Liturgical Roles****Saturday, June 10, 2023**

5 pm Altar Servers - (None)  
 Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn John, Dcn Tim, R.Alvarado, S.Chapa,  
 T.G.Garza, R.Saldiva  
 Lector - M.Fisher

**Sunday, June 11, 2023**

8 am Altar Servers - (None)  
 Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn John, M.Nguyen, T.S.Garza, (+1 Vol)  
 Lector - P.Klar  
 10 am Altar Servers - A.Mata, Z.Ramirez, J.Cantu  
 Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn John, Dcn Rolando, W+M.Torres,  
 E+M.Cantu, A.Fuentes  
 Lector - W.Torres  
 12 pm Altar Servers - A.Gomez, S.Obregon, Volunteer  
 Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn John, Dcn Rolando, R.Borrego, T.Sweet,  
 A.Chavez, H.Gomez, E.Obregon, R.Gomez  
 Lector - I.Hernandez / M.Rodriguez