



Our Lady of Sorrows Church
May 27, 2018

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

Today we celebrate the most basic belief of our Christian faith, the reality of a good and loving God, having one nature and three distinct persons. Notice two different concepts: nature and person. Nature answers the question, "What is this?" And person answers the question, "Who?"

This bulletin has a nature. We can ask, "What is it!" The bulletin does not have a person.

You, who read this, have one nature and one person. What are you? And who are you?

The next level of existence is God:

What are you? The Supreme Being.
Who are you? Father, Son and Spirit.

We want God to be like us and have one nature and one person. But God is infinitely above us, and we dare not presume to understand Him. He has a right to His mysteries!!! We are only to lift up our eyes to heaven and say, "If you say so, God, I believe it."

God is not just a Power or Force. He is so personal in three different ways and passionately in love with us in three different dimensions.

The Early Church could not reason philosophically to the Trinity (nor can we, today). The three Persons in the one God was a "Trinity Experience". Jesus kept talking about the Father being separate and, at the same time, one. Then there was the occasion in St. John's Gospel when Jesus said:

"All judgement is reserved to the Son, so that all men will know that the Son is equal to the Father."

Jesus also said that the Spirit would come to the apostles and teach them everything they needed to know, and the Spirit would get all of this from Jesus Himself. There are other references to the equality of the Persons.

When Jesus told them how to baptize, He put all three Persons on an equal plane in the formula for baptism.

This is the Trinity Experience. Jesus made many references to the Father as the Creator, Protective Parent, and Law Giver. He said the Holy Spirit was another advocate for them with the Father, the One who would give us wisdom and strength if we asked for it. Jesus made many references to Himself as the Savior for the sinful human race. Unlike the other Persons, Jesus joined Himself to our human nature in the Person of Jesus of Nazareth. We end our prayer ... Father...we say this through your Son, Jesus, in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

There is the narrative of a congressman under Teddy Roosevelt who was accused of not supporting the Monroe Doctrine. He defended himself and said, "I believe in the Monroe Doctrine, and I support the Monroe Doctrine. I simply said that I did not UNDERSTAND the Monroe Doctrine."

That is the way we are with the Trinity. The famous St. Augustine (4th Century) was contemplating the Trinity, trying to understand it. He was walking along the shore and found a child who had dug a hole in the sand and, with a little shovel, one after another, was trying to put the sea into the hole. When Augustine asked him what he was doing, the child (probably an angel) told him that it was like Augustine trying to put the immensity of the Trinity in his small head.

As St. John, in his letter, said:

"Let us love God for He has loved Us first."

Out of extreme goodness, the Father created us to HIS OWN IMAGE AND LIKENESS, and programmed us for heaven, if we stay on His side. The Son, in the light of humans using

their free will in a sinful way, came to offer the sacrifice for our sins and to leave us His presence in the Eucharist. The Spirit of God was sent to help the Son, as another Advocate with the Father, so that sanctifying us we can be “thrown back” into the arms of our heavenly Father. Then, the original plan of our happiness for all eternity might be fulfilled. If we could only study God more, we would know how much He really loves us. WE NEED TO LOVE HIM IN RETURN.

Let us spend this day (and the rest of our lives) glorifying the Father for His creation and the Son for saving us from our sins, and the Holy Spirit for giving us the necessary gifts to cooperate with Jesus’ and His loving Father’s plans for our perfect happiness after death.

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller



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Mass Intentions

Monday, May 28	Special Intention David & Jeannie Barranco & family Dorie Lou Cofer
Tuesday, May 29	Special Intention James B. Lorino Sadie Semk
Wednesday, May 30	Sp. Int. Don & Carmela Yeakle Anne Vickers Sp. Int. Philip Zicarelli
Thursday, May 31	Joe Alfano Victor Rumore Shay McNamee
Friday, June 1	Special Intention Vic DeJohn Carolyn Schifano
Saturday, June 2	Dr. Bill Stephens Peggy Lambie Victor Rumore
Sunday, June 3	People of the Parish Victor Rumore Vic DeJohn

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOR

The Chapel needs permanent Committed Adorers for:

Tuesday at 11 AM (With a Partner)

Tuesday at 1 PM (With a Partner)

Friday at 9 AM (With a Partner)

Friday at 11 AM (With a Partner)

Friday at 9 PM (With a Partner)

Saturday at 9 PM (Committed Adorer Needed this Hour)

Our goal is to have at least 2 people on each hour. These are the hours needed, but do select an hour that best fits your schedule.

Please call Mary Claire Brouillette at 871-2909 or Trudy Carpri at 643-0248.

U.S. Flag Retirement Ceremony

The OLS Knights of Columbus will be holding a flag retirement ceremony on Saturday, June 9. Older U.S. flags can be dropped off between noon and 6 p.m. at the parking deck. A limited number of replacement flags will be available for sale. The tattered U.S. flags collected will be properly retired at 6:30 p.m. in a patriotic ceremony with local scouts on the upper parking deck. The public is invited.

Our Lady of Consolata Feast

Wednesday, June 6

***Catholic Center of Concern
712 4th Court West***

***Eucharistic Liturgy at 11 a.m.
Lunch to follow***

The Consolata Missionary Sisters invite all priests, deacons, sisters and all the people to celebrate and give thanks.

The Avila Institute for Spiritual Formation presents the first annual **Avila Summit**. Join Catholics from around the world July 13-15 at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville. Speakers include Cardinal Francis Arinze, Fr. Cassian Folsom, O.S.B., and Dan Burke. Space is filling up fast! To

register or get more information, visit SpiritualDirection.com/Summit2018 today. Receive 50% off your ticket price using code AL2018.

What's Going on in Youth Ministry?

LifeTeen High School

Beginning June 6, we will meet every Wednesday! We will also attend Friday morning Mass together at 7:30 a.m. Find our full summer schedule with specific times listed on www.olsyouth.com/summer.

We will also have a weekly book study starting in June! Girls will read *Go Bravely* by Emily Wilson (a book focusing on how to be a better woman of God) and the guys will read *Man Enough* by Dom Quaglia (a book about St. Joseph).

Summer will kick off on June 6th with a Pool Party at HWD Pool! 6:15-8:15 p.m. Dinner will be provided. Modest swimwear only (no two-pieces).

Edge Middle School

Tuesday, May 29: Rising 6th-9th graders are invited to kick-off the summer with laser combat at Ultra Blast from 7-9 p.m.! Free admission, dinner, and multiple rounds of combat. Please visit <http://lasercombatcenter.com/waiver/> to complete a waiver. Meet us at 157 Resource Center Pkwy, Unit 107!

Summer schedule available at www.olsyouth.com/middle-school

May Bridge Winners:

- 1st Mike Millican
- 2nd Jean Holt
- 3rd Kathleen Kuehn



Trash and Treasure Needs You!

We are now accepting:

Household items	Toys
Collectibles	Bikes
Holiday Items	Art
Jewelry	Rugs
Camping Gear	Religious
Tools	Linens
Books	Appliances(working)
Gardening	Crafts
Luggage	Lamps
Yard Items	Electronics(working)
Clothing – clean, <u>gently used</u> , and on hangers if possible	

Donations may be dropped off at the school gym at the bottom of the steps. **Last day for pick-ups is June 26th and the last day for donations is July 1st.**

If you need a large furniture item pick-up, call Melanie Falconer at 281-9695 or Bill Miller at 478-6936.

Items we are NOT able to take at this time include:

- Broken/non-working items
- car seats past the expiration date
- mattresses
- Sleeper sofas
- cribs
- pianos
- Large tube TVs
- Large appliances

We appreciate everyone's time and donations. For questions, please call Melanie Falconer at 281-9695. Thank you!!

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 28, for Memorial Day.