

QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday

5:30 pm

Sunday

8:00 am & 10:30 am

Daily Mass

8:00 am: M, W, Th, F

Holy Days

Please see The Messenger



Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

**First Saturday to Honor
the Immaculate
Heart of Mary**
Mass 9:00 am

First Friday to Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition/Adoration
10:30 am-11:15 am
(Benediction follows)
Confessions
10:35 am-11:15 am
Mass 11:30 am

Confession

Sat. 4:00 to 5:00 pm
or by appointment

Baptism

4th Sunday of the Month
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The Mission of Queen of Angels Church is to:

Grow in our relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Strengthen our faith by living and teaching the Gospel.

Serve God's People in our parish, our community, and our world.

Church is Handicapped Accessible

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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT



GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS JUNE 6-14, 2020

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	
Saturday	6-June	5:30 PM	For the People
Sunday	7-June	10:30 AM	† Cheryl Ann Gaza
Monday	8-June	8:00 AM	† Frank Plotnik
Tuesday	9-June	7:30 AM	Rosary
Wednesday	10-June	8:00 AM	
Thursday	11-June	8:00 AM	
Friday	12-June	8:00 AM	
Saturday	13-June	5:30 PM	For the People
Sunday	14-June	10:30 AM	† Deane Holt



Continue to Keep in Your Prayers and Hearts those on our Healing and Deployed Military Lists.
Amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, It shall be granted to them by my heavenly father. Matthew 18:19



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The Most Holy Trinity

ALREADY BECAUSE BEEN
BELIEVE CLEARLY COME
CONDEMN DARKNESS DEEDS
ETERNAL EVERY EVIL
EXPOSED GAVE HATES
JUDGMENT LEST LIFE
LIGHT LOVED NAME
ONLY PERISH RATHER
SAVED SEEN SENT
TRUE WORLD WROUGHT

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Please Note: The Parish Office is still closed until further notice. If you need assistance with any church related issue please leave a message at 619.445.2145 as they are checked daily.

Baptisms We congratulate the newest member of our parish, who was baptized on May 31. **Olive Lynn Sutherland**, daughter of Joseph Edward Sutherland and Tina Lynn Kloack. We lovingly welcome her into our Queen of Angels Faith Community!



Preparing the Way to Resume Public Mass!

WEEKEND MASSES WILL RESUME BEGINNING THE WEEKEND OF JUNE 13-14.

Until that time the Church will be open for personal prayer as follows . . .

Weekdays 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Weekends Sat 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Sundays 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Reconciliation will be offered from 4:00pm until 5:00pm on Saturdays.

Please remember to follow the San Diego County guidelines when visiting the church.

Dear Parishioners,

I am happy to announce that public Masses will resume beginning June 13 and 14!

For now we will celebrate a vigil Mass on Saturdays at 5:30pm, and one Sunday Mass at 10:30am. To proceed safely, we will need to abide by the following safety guidelines:

HYGIENE

All parishioners above the age of 2 must wear facial covering.

The covering must be on for the duration of Mass. Please bring your own mask. Hand sanitizer will be available at all entrances and the restrooms. The church will be disinfected after each Mass. All holy water stoops will be empty.

All worship aides have been removed from the pews.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

As of today, we are limited to 100 people per Mass. This is our governor's stipulation and is subject to change. We plan to accommodate parishioners on a first come, first serve basis. Every other row will be closed and the available pews will be marked for distancing. Groups from the same household are permitted to sit together. The floor will be marked for proper distancing. The children's chapel will be unavailable for seating. No donuts. All faith formation activities are still suspended.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

The Sunday obligation is still dispensed. If you are in a high-risk category, or are feeling ill, you are encouraged to stay home. There will not be a collection but there will be a box for donations. Bulletins will be available but must be picked up on a table in the portico. Missals will be available in the donut room for families to take home. Personal use missals may be brought to Mass but must be taken home. Please refrain from handshaking and hugging.

LITURGY CHANGES

Mass time will be shortened to limit exposure. No Gloria, no Old Testament reading, no congregational singing, no procession of gifts, no sign of Peace. Holy Communion will be distributed under the form of consecrated bread only, and only on the hand. Please remove gloves to receive. Holy Communion will be distributed at the conclusion of Mass. To receive, maintain a six foot space, bow in reverence before the blessed sacrament, lower your mask, present your ungloved hand, consume immediately, and proceed directly to the parking lot.

Thank you for taking the time to read this long but necessary letter.

God bless you and keep you, and be assured of my continued prayers.

Thank you,
Fr. Timothy Deutsch

"...it is only through many tribulations that we will enter the Kingdom of God."

Acts 14:22

PASTOR'S PAGE

This Sunday we celebrate the **Feast of The Most Holy Trinity**. The Catechism of the Catholic Church [CCC # 261] teaches this as, *"the central mystery of the Christian faith and of Christian life."* In the Gospel [Jn 3:16–18 (*the famous football goalpost quote*)] we hear the beloved Apostle teaching us that God gave His Only Son, and that we must believe in Him (Jesus) as Savior in order to inherit eternal life. Those who do not believe will be condemned.

As we look at this gospel passage, we may ask ourselves 'Why do we have to believe in The Son of God to be saved?' It is a little bit like asking 'why do I have to believe in a savior to be saved?' So yes, in order to be saved we must believe in Jesus Christ specifically as 'Savior', and we must correspondingly confess and repent of our sins, *"repent and believe"* [Mk 1:15]. However, what about this 'Trinity' teaching? Do we have to believe in the Trinity of Persons to be saved? The answer is that: without the understanding of the Holy Trinity we really cannot make sense of Who Jesus of Nazareth really is, nor can we understand the New Testament as a whole. Notice the Catechism quote above, it states, *"...the central mystery of the Christian faith and life."* It does not say "Catholic" faith and life, meaning the Trinity is necessary for all who claim to be Christian. You are not Christian if you do not believe in the Holy Trinity. The rejection of the Trinity leads to a rejection of Jesus as a Divine Person; moreover, if Jesus is not divine He cannot save us. Obviously only The Infinite Being (God) can acquit a finite sinner of his infinite transgression. Adam sinned and brought death into the world; Jesus came that we might be saved from that Original Sin, and our personal sins as well [Rom 5:15-17].

In the gospel passage, St John is saying that God is Our Father, and that He has sent His Only Son into the world in human flesh (incarnate) to save us. God here is seen as Father, because you cannot have a Son without a Father. The newness of Christianity is that God is revealed as 'Father' in a new manner – for God is *Eternally Father!* *"Jesus revealed that God is Father in an unheard-of sense: He is Father not only in being Creator; He is Eternally Father in relation to His Only Son, Who is Eternally Son only in relation to His Father [CCC 240]"*. Hence, God becomes known, in the language of Divine Christian Revelation, as "Father" and "Son". This is why Jesus can say, *"No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and any one to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him [Mt 11:27]."* Coincidentally, this is why a Christian cannot call God 'mother', because God did not reveal Himself as mother, only as 'Father' [CCC 239, 240]. Jesus, the only Son is also revealed in John's Gospel as "The Word" of God [CCC #241].

We see from the very start that John's Gospel reveals God as Father, and The Son as "The Word" of The Father. *"In the beginning was The Word, and The Word was with God, and The Word was God. [Jn 1:1]"*. Hence, in 'The Word' we first see Eternity, *"In the beginning was The Word"*; then Relation, *"The Word was with God"*; then Identity, (sameness of nature) *"and The Word was God"*. This Revelation of St. John as to the nature of God The Father, and His Divine Son, goes on to say that The Word of God (The Son) became man. He says, *"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the Only Son from The Father [Jn 1:14]"*. We can therefore see the Divinity of Christ, namely that Jesus is The Person of The Divine Son come in the flesh as man to be our savior [Mt 26:63–65]. We use the term 'person', because the Trinity is spoken of in personal terms; a person being an individual substance of an intelligent nature (i.e. God, angels, man).

Moreover, this 'God made man', Jesus of Nazareth, does what only God can do, He transmits grace to humanity, *"And from His fullness have we all received, grace upon grace [Jn 1:16]"*. We can therefore see that speaking of God as 'Father' and 'Son' is completely biblical and apostolic! Following this apostolic tradition, the Church confessed at the first ecumenical council at Nicaea (325) that The Son is "consubstantial" with The Father, that is, one only God with Him. The Nicene Creed confessed, *"...the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of The Father, Light from Light, True God from True God, Begotten not made, Consubstantial with The Father."* [CCC 242,



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, 465]. We can therefore conclude from Scripture and Tradition that God is 'Father' and 'Son', one mysterious nature: One God. The next question is, 'Well, what about the Holy Spirit? How does that fit in?'

We see in the New Testament the first mention of The Holy Spirit in the Annunciation to Mary that she would be the Mother of God. *"And the angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, The Son of God [Lk 1:35; Mt 1:18]"*. Next, we see that John the Baptist informs his disciples, *"I have baptized you with water; but He (Jesus) will baptize you with the Holy Spirit [Mk 1:8]"*. In these instances, we see that the Holy Spirit is 'divinizing', that is, making one to become holy, like God. Indeed, Our Lord Himself speaks about the coming Spirit, and how His Apostles will be *"... clothed with power from on high [Lk 24:49]"*. Moreover, the Holy Spirit brings about the forgiveness of sins, as Jesus says, *"Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained [Jn 20:22]"*. But only God can forgive sins; hence the Holy Spirit is God, the Third Person of the Holy Trinity. St. Paul agrees by saying, *"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God [I Cor 6:18]?"* But it is the prerogative of God to have a temple; hence the Holy Spirit is God. In fact, Jesus Himself gives the authoritative Name of God upon departing bodily into heaven at the Ascension, a name that includes the Holy Spirit. *"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of The Father and of The Son and of The Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age [Mt 28:19]"*. Notice it is name (singular), not names (plural). God is One, but mysteriously shares this one nature of the Godhead in Three Divine Persons [CCC 243]. Hence, from the earliest times Christians have signed themselves with the cross, in prayer, addressing God 'in the name of The Father and of The Son and of The Holy Spirit'. Therefore, in worship of The Most Holy Trinity, we follow The Church's Nicene Creed that states, *"I believe in The Holy Spirit, The Lord, the giver of life, Who proceeds from The Father and The Son, Who with The Father and The Son is adored and glorified, Who has spoken through the prophets."*

Perhaps the foregoing has helped one understand Who Jesus of Nazareth really is: He is God The Son, Who saves us in the flesh by the power of God The Holy Spirit, by sacrificing Himself on the cross to God The Father for our redemption. The acceptance of the Holy Trinity makes sense of the terms of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, found in Sacred Scripture. Without the Holy Trinity we would be lost to myriad number of faulty interpretations as to the nature of Christ and God, we would not have the truth of Divine Revelation. So, while Sacred Scripture is inerrant, its interpretation is not. This is why we are Catholic.

In conclusion we can certainly say this is the Catholic Faith that has been held from the beginning by the Apostles, transmitted through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition, and has not, and will not, change. That many people may call themselves Christian who do not believe in the Most Holy Trinity, we can understand. For only through The Catholic Church do we have the fullness of the Truth of Who God is, and what God calls us to believe (faith) and to do (morals). "Believing is an ecclesial act. The Church's Faith precedes, engenders, supports, and nourishes our faith. The Church is the mother of all believers. This makes St. Cyprian say, **'No one can have God as Father, who does not have The Church as Mother'**" [CCC 1821].

"Now this is the Catholic faith: We worship one God in the Trinity and the Trinity in unity, without either confusing the persons or dividing the substance; for the person of the Father is one, the Son's is another, the Holy Spirit's another; but the Godhead of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one, their glory equal, their majesty coeternal".
CCC 266

COVID-19 GOVERNMENT MEASURES: 'DEATHS OF DESPAIR' COULD REACH 150,000

foxnews.com/science/covid-19-deaths-of-despair-could-reach-150000-new-study-suggests [abridged version]

Alcoholism. Drug overdoses. Suicide.

These "deaths of despair" could reach 150,000 in the U.S. if more isn't done to provide access to mental health care, increase emotional well-being, mitigate social isolation and blunt the impact of an economic downturn that has wiped away at least 40 million jobs, researchers warn.

"More Americans could lose their lives to deaths of despair, deaths due to drug, alcohol, and suicide, if we do not do something immediately," the executive summary of the study released in May by Well Being Trust states. "Deaths of despair have been on the rise for the last decade, and in the context of COVID-19, deaths of despair should be seen as the epidemic within the pandemic." According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' National Survey on Drug Use and Health, there were 57.8 million Americans living with mental and/or substance use disorder in 2018, a number that doesn't reflect the impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

"Currently, suicide is the 10th-leading cause of death in our nation," said Elinore F. McCance-Katz, the HHS assistant secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, in a statement. "We know the stressors that are accompanying this pandemic – job loss and financial instability, anxiety, grief, depression and other factors – can lead to suicide and suicide attempts." The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration announced on May 13 a \$40 million grant program for suicide prevention efforts as part of the government's response to the pandemic.

The Well Being Trust study estimates anywhere from 27,644 to 154,037 additional deaths of despair in the U.S., depending on how quickly the economy recovers. However, the study's authors note that their projections are based on data from the 2008 Great Recession – many economists believe this downturn is much worse – and don't take into account developments in telemedicine and other forms of digital social connection. Therefore, the study's numbers should be seen as estimates and not foregone conclusions.

Due to social distancing measures that have slowed the spread of the virus, many health care programs and well-being services aren't as accessible. "Many of the hospitals with dedicated beds for client detox had to reassign them to treat the influx of COVID-19 or critical patients, which limits the available treatment for those clients in acute withdrawal," said Ellery Tarife, a certified nurse practitioner who oversees the outpatient withdrawal management program at CarePlus NJ. "Many private substance use disorder treatment facilities have limited their capacity and decreased their admissions, while some have even closed their doors for the time being."....

"In addition to the social isolation, skyrocketing unemployment rates and the fear and uncertainty surrounding the virus can serve as triggers to continued or increased substance use," explained Tarife. "Clients can relapse, or increase their current usage while isolated, and without the appropriate checks and balances associated with treatment and support groups, things can escalate."

CarePlus' Addiction Recovery Services program takes what it calls a "holistic approach" to addiction treatment by offering a wide range of outpatient services, as well as psychiatric evaluations, support groups and therapy, based on the needs of each person.

As of Monday afternoon, there were almost 1.8 million infections and at least 104,584 deaths in the U.S. from COVID-19.

