

Family of Love

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn

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Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; Psalm 33:4- 6, 9, 18-20, 22; Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20

Last Sunday, we celebrated the sending of the Spirit, which sealed God's new covenant and made a new creation.

In this new creation, we live in the family of God, who has revealed himself as a Trinity of love. We share in His divine nature through His body and blood (see 2 Peter 1:4). This is the meaning of the three feasts that cap the Easter season - Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, and Corpus Christi.

These feasts should be intimate reminders of how deeply God loves us, how He chose us, from before the foundation of the world, to be His children (see Ephesians 1:4-5).

Today's readings illuminate how all God's words and works were meant to prepare for the revelation of the Trinity and God's blessing in Jesus Christ - the blessing we inherited in baptism, and renew in each Eucharist.

By God's word the heavens and earth were filled with His kindness, we sing in today's Psalm. Out of love, God called Abraham and chose his descendants to be His own people, Moses says in today's First Reading (see Deuteronomy 4:20,37). Through the Israelites, He revealed to the nations that He alone is Lord and there is no other.

In Jesus, God's word took flesh as a son of Abraham (see Matthew 1:1). And Jesus reveals in the Gospel today that the one God is Father, Son, and Spirit, and that He desires to make all peoples His own.

As He led Israel out of Egypt, God freed us from slavery, Paul says in today's Epistle. As He adopted Israel (see Romans 9:4), He gives us the Spirit by which we can know Him as "our Father."

As God's heirs, we receive the commissions of Moses and Jesus today. We are to fix our hearts on Him, and to observe all that He has commanded. The Eucharist is His pledge - that He will be with us until the end, that He will deliver us from death to live forever in the promised land of His kingdom.

ANNOUNCED MASSES
May 30th – June 7th, 2015

Sat. May 30th
4:30 p.m.

Weekday
Roberto Lagman – RIP – by the family

Sun. May 31st
9:00 a.m.

Trinity Sunday
Maria and Jose Ponte – RIP – by Fatima
and Fernando Cardoso
Elsa Cardoza – Birthday Thanksgiving –
by Jerry and Ofelia Roy

Mon. June 1st

NO MASS

Tues. June 2nd
7:00 p.m.

Saint Marcellinus & Saint Peter
Leonarda Magtanong – RIP – by Anna
Jaronel

Wed. June 3rd
9:00 a.m.

Saint Charles Lwanga & companions
Patrick Leekam – Birthday Blessings – by
the Leekam family

Thurs. June 4th
9:00 a.m.

Weekday
For all the Souls in Purgatory – by Phil

Fri. June 5th
9:00 a.m.

Saint Boniface
Thanksgiving in honor of the Sacred
Heart – by Jerry and Ofelia Roy

Sat. June 6th
10:00 a.m.

Saint Norbert
Pauline Pinto – RIP – by the Alvares
family

4:30 p.m.

Angela Rosa Giuseppe – RIP – by the
family

Sun. June 7th
9:00 a.m.

Body and Blood of Christ
Manuel and Joaquina Tomaz – RIP - by
Maria Melo Ponte

11:00 a.m.

Ian – Birthday Blessings – by the
Leekam family

Collection:

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Counters:

May 31, 2015 – Betty Machny and Jim Kuhr

June 7, 2015 - Rose De Souza and TJ Sorono

Be My Disciples News

The **REGISTRATION** forms for Be My Disciples for **September 2015** are ready. **ALL children** of the Parish **must be registered in this faith transmission and education program.** The children who are currently in the Be My Disciples program are taking the new registration form home. All other parishioners, who have children between the ages of Kindergarten and Junior High, please inquire at the office or call Connie Kuhr for information. Please register immediately so that we can plan (order books, get Catechists, form groups, etc.) for next year. The **DEADLINE is June 28, 2015.** Registrations after that date will be charged a late fee of \$25.00 per person.

Date to Remember: June 6, 2015 –4:30 p.m. Mass – First Communion

My Genuine Gratitude and Appreciation

In a very simple but heartfelt way our parish community came together in a profound and expressive way as I gently touched the milestone 25 in priesthood.

As regards the "Jubilee Appeal," my hopes are surpassed and I am immensely grateful to everyone of you. Your valuable donations and prayers convey a deep and "caring sense of the faithful" which is very consoling to see. Believe me, I promise every cent of it is going to the deserving. And we will close all donations to the appeal by June 14th.

"To our everdearest Fr. Sunny"; "Sincerity has its rewards"; "We wish we had such gatherings every year"; "We love you from the bottom of our heart"; "You are a blessing and your ministry helps make the world a brighter place." These are some of the wishes and prayers echoed in the hall as we gathered for an agape meal cooked right in your homes. On a personal note it gives me some very needed oxygen to speed up our parish and keep it straight at its vision. *As the bard says:*

The woods are lovely, dark and deep.
But I have promises to keep,
and miles to go before I sleep." (Robert Frost)

May Christ our saviour and his beloved Mother and the community of the Trinity accompany us and grace along this pilgrim journey to the Kingdom here on earth and later in heaven. Thank you and may God bless you and your family.

Fatima Mini Spring Sale

The Ladies Auxiliary will be holding a **Mini Spring Sale** on **June 13th**, Saturday at 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. and on **June 14th**, Sunday, after both Masses, in the Parish hall.

We do not need any "jewellery", but still need house accessories for the kitchen, living room, bedroom etc. Also please remember not to bring in any electronics, furniture, clothing, bedding, shoes or purses. Everything must be saleable, if things are yellowed with age, they will not sell.

There will also be a **Bake Sale** and we are counting on your cooperation to make this table a success.

A "half-half" raffle will be held. The tickets will be \$2 or \$3 for 5, depending on what we collect. The winner will win half and the Church will receive the other half. We will also have a few other prizes, take a chance... no one loses. You take a chance and the Church gets some help. The set-up of the hall will be on Thursday night, around 7 P.M. We will need some men for this task and could also use some of the young people for this evening. INFO: Geri - 335-8683, Carolyn - 747-0735