



## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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### THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, YEAR A

Reading I: Ex 34: 4-6, 8-9;

Reading II: 2 Cor 13: 11-13,

Gospel: John 3: 16-18.

Revised Roman Missal: 474

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This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next, however, are designated as solemnities—special days that call our attention to central mysteries of our faith. Today on Trinity Sunday we celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity, one God in three persons.

Today's Gospel is from the beginning of John's Gospel. The passage we read follows Jesus' conversation with a Pharisee, Nicodemus, about what it means to be born of both water and the spirit. Nicodemus approaches Jesus at night and acknowledges Jesus as a teacher from God. Jesus tells him that only those who are born from above will see the Kingdom of God. Nicodemus misunderstands and questions how a person can be born more than once. Jesus tells Nicodemus that no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. Jesus is essentially explaining Baptism, which we celebrate as a sacrament today. Yet Nicodemus, we are told, still does not understand what Jesus is saying. Jesus continues by testifying to the need to be born from above so that one might have eternal life.

After the dialogue with Nicodemus, the author of the Gospel offers his own explanation of Jesus' words. This is what we read in today's Gospel, John 3:16-18. In the context of today's focus on the mystery of the Holy Trinity, the reading calls our attention to the action of God, who reveals himself in three persons: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. God the Father, out of love for the world, sent his Son into the world in order to save it. Through the death and resurrection of the Son, we have been given the gift of the Holy Spirit. As three persons, God acts always as a God of love; he does not condemn the world but acts to save it.

The Gospel also calls attention to the response that is required of us. God's love for us calls us to respond in faith by professing our belief in God's son, Jesus, and the salvation that he has won for us. This profession of faith is a sign of the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

#### Discussion Starters

1. I share in the work of the Holy Trinity when I ...
2. I felt the peace of the Holy Spirit once when ...
3. Is there a person of the Trinity that you have felt more connected to? Who do you pray to most often?

- **SECOND COLLECTION**

The second collection at all Masses is for the late Cardinal Sim's Relief Fund. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

- **TRIDUUM TALKS AND EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

"Would You Spend Some Time With Me?" In preparation for Corpus Christi, there will be Triduum Talks after the daily Mass, followed by Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> June and Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> June, from 7.00pm till midnight.

On Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> June, the last night of the talks will be incorporated in the Taizé night with the youth at 7.30pm, Eucharistic Adoration will continue until midnight.

A roster has been put up in front of the church for you to fill your names for the Eucharistic Adoration.

- **SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

There will only be **ONE MASS** on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> June, for the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ at 8.00am. Please note the change in Mass time.

- **VYD 2026 HOST OR FOSTER FAMILIES**

As part of the VYD 2026, we are looking for generous families to host participants from COLA and SPC during the event (5-7 June 2026). The deadline is today, 31<sup>st</sup> May. If you are able to host, please register using the link below: <https://forms.gle/yRp6fyqqCyUWpNhJA>

For more information, kindly contact your parish youth coordinator. Thank you for your kindness and support.

- **MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE (MPC)**

Couples intending to get married must attend the Marriage Preparation Course, which is a pre-requisite for a Catholic marriage. The next MPC will be on 18<sup>th</sup>—20<sup>th</sup> June.

**DONATION**

Cheque to be made payable to: **Vicar Apostolic of Kuching (KB)**  
OR bank in to Baiduri Bank Account: **03 02 110 426070**.

After payment, please WhatsApp us at +6738348855 and send picture of transaction. Thank you for your generosity.

**RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION**

It is available 30 minutes before Sunday Mass or you may request for an appointment through the Parish Office Admin at WhatsApp 8348855.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Meet Parish Priest SIX MONTHS before the intended date of marriage.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- ◆ Baptism and Confirmation Certificate.
- ◆ Marriage Preparation Certificate if you are from another Parish.
- ◆ Civil Marriage Certificate if applicable.
- ◆ IC's copy for both candidates and witnesses.
- ◆ Photo (Passport size).

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**REGISTRATION FOR INFANT BAPTISM**

Open for children aged 7 years old and below.

**SCHEDULE:** Every THIRD week of the month.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- ◆ Child's Birth Certificate.
- ◆ Parent's Sacrament of Matrimony Certificate.
- ◆ Godparent's Confirmation Certificate

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DATE	TIME	READINGS
<p><b>1 JUNE—Monday</b> 9th Week of Easter</p>	<p><b>5.30pm (Mass)</b></p>	<p>2 Pt 1: 2-7 Mk 12: 1-12</p>
<p><b>2 JUNE—Tuesday</b> 9th Week of Easter</p>	<p><b>5.30pm (Mass)</b></p>	<p>2 pt 3: 11-15, 17-18 Mk 12: 13-17</p>
<p><b>3 JUNE—Wednesday</b> 9th Week of Easter</p>	<p><b>5.30pm (Mass)</b></p>	<p>2 Tim 1; 1-3, 6-12 Mk 12: 18-27</p>
<p><b>4 JUNE—Thursday</b> 9th Week of Easter</p>	<p><b>5.30pm (Mass)</b> Followed by Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Talk</p>	<p>2 Tim 2: 8-15 Mk 12: 28-34</p>
<p><b>5 JUNE—Friday</b> 9th Week of Easter</p>	<p><b>5.30pm (Mass)</b> Followed by Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Talk</p>	<p>2 Tim 3: 10-17 Mk 12: 35-37</p>
<p><b>6 JUNE—Saturday</b> 9th Week of Easter</p>	<p><b>5.30pm (Mass)</b> <b>7.30pm</b> (Eucharistic Adoration, Talk &amp; Taize Night)</p>	<p>2 Tim 4: 1-8 Mk 12: 38-44</p>
<p><b>7 JUNE—Sunday</b> <b>THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)</b></p>	<p><b>9.00am (Mass)</b> <b>(ONLY ONE MASS)</b></p>	<p>Deut 8: 2-3, 14-16 1 Cor 10: 16-17 Jn 6: 51-58</p>