

Parish Bulletin

The Most Holy Trinity

May 31, 2026 • Week 47

NOTE: The original printed bulletin incorrectly showed "June 7, 2026." The correct date is May 31, 2026.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son. — John 3:16a

The Inexpressible Mystery

The God of the universe is mysterious. Science has not been able to solve the mystery of how the universe came into being or explain exactly what continues to give it creative energy and masterful design. No religion asserts that it has found words to name fully the ineffable mystery of God, for no matter what name we use, God always transcends our limited ability to understand. God is a mystery to be believed, not known. And yet, we Christians believe that our name for God best expresses that inexpressible mystery: God is the Most Holy Trinity of three persons united in a communion of love, pouring forth that creative, saving, sanctifying love into the world. Today's scriptures celebrate the mystery of the Trinity and give us clues for living that mystery in our lives.

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Announcements

Mass Schedule

Sunday, May 31 — 9:00 AM & 12:00 PM (Spanish)

Monday, June 1 — 8:30 AM

Wednesday, June 3 — No Mass

Thursday, June 4 — No Mass

Friday, June 5 — 8:30 AM

Saturday, June 6 — 8:30 AM & 5:30 PM (Henry Messatesta†)

Sunday, June 7 — 9:00 AM & 12:00 PM (Spanish)

Parish Events & Notices

Totus Tuus VBS — Totus Tuus VBS will be coming to St. John on June 21–26. This is a free program for all children of the parish. Registration in the parish hall today after Mass. Please help us make this a success by signing up to volunteer during day or evening programs, to bring meals for our missionaries, and/or for additional items that are needed.

Knights of Columbus — The Knights of Columbus will meet Monday evening at 6:30. All men of the parish are welcome.

Baby Bottle Campaign — The Mother's Guild has partnered with In His Image Pregnancy Resource Center. Collect a baby bottle at the entrance or parish hall, fill with "Change for Life." Online donations at givebutter.com/babybottle2026. Return filled bottles by June 14.

Parish Yard Sale — Saturday, June 13, 7:00 AM–1:00 PM. 10'x10' space \$15; with 8' table \$20 (while supplies last). See Mother's Guild at end of Mass to register.

Welcome New Parishioners — Please fill out a registration form found in the hall or vestibule, and put it in the collection basket. You can also register online.

Ushers & Greeters — Please consider filling a ministry needed in our parish as an usher and greeter. Contact the office if you can help.

Mass Intentions — Mass Intention forms can be found in the vestibule and hall. If you fill one out, please put it in the collection basket.

Word Among Us — Pick up the June issue of the Word Among Us on the table in the hall or vestibule.

Online Giving — Use the parish QR code to make your donation online.

Holy Trinity

"The Father is my trust, the Son is my refuge, the Holy Spirit is my protection. O holy Trinity, glory to Thee." — Byzantine Horologion, Troparion at Nocturns, sixth century

Today's Readings

First Reading — The Lord, merciful and gracious, rich in kindness and faithfulness (Exodus 34:4b–6, 8–9).

Psalm — Glory and praise for ever! (Daniel 3).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Live with one another in peace, and the God of peace will be with you (2 Corinthians 13:11–13).

Gospel — God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but to give it abundant life (John 3:16–18).

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1–7; Ps 34:2–9; Mt 5:1–12

Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129-133, 135; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-18; Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

Reflecting on the Word

During retreats, I often ask the participants to close their eyes and tell me the first image that comes to mind when I speak the word “God.” Those who tell me that they see an old man with a long beard, very strong and stern, will typically respond to a later question (“Who do we know God to be?”) with words such as strict, the law, precise, etc. It has always fascinated me that adults tend not to notice the overwhelming number of times in the scriptures that God is spoken of as gracious and kind and loving—“slow to anger, full of compassion”—but rather see God primarily as a strict and punitive being. Their entire relationship with God is based on this understanding of God. But children tend to see their relationship with God as one that is based in joy and the dignity of partnership.

In the reading from Exodus, God self-reveals primarily as the One who embodies goodness and truth—*hesed* and *emeth* in Hebrew—both central themes in the Hebrew understanding of covenant. *Hesed* is almost untranslatable as it encompasses attributes such as mercy, loyalty, compassion, and love beyond all understanding, and is used to describe God’s contribution to the covenantal relationship that humanity is called into. *Emeth* is generally translated as “truth,” but it is also dependability and faithfulness. God reaches out to humanity with the promise of almost unlimited and unconditional forgiveness and the promise of walking with humanity through the consequences of human choices that damage the covenant.

Children see this face of God easily and the natural prayer response from children as young as three years old is a whispered “thank you” that is so full of awe that I am often left speechless and deeply touched. As Daniel sings his song of praise, the little child lives God’s praise in their ability to see God as the One with goodness and faithfulness who calls them into covenant and promises the fullness of life. And the child walks into this relationship with implicit trust in the One who has called them.

— *Excerpted from Living the Word*

Prayer Requests

Parishioners

Agustin Fernandez, Ray Neiner, Gordon McKay, Angelia Collins, Joe Walsh, John Rawe, Darey Galindo, Susan & David Brindle, Jan Knox, Alice White, Mike Hull, Chris Rupp, Gina Rupp, Peggy Turvey, Valerie Villafane, Jim Davis, Zippy Ribeiro, Mary Childress, Patricia Davis, Ian Roncskevitz, Diana Pomatto, Adriana Stoltz, Elaine Johnson, John Lademan, Nan Leonard, Kansas Veron, Lynda Skillington, Howard & Joan Eddins, Mike Saites, Julia Schklar, Harry Brandon, Dorothy Walsh

Family & Friends

Parents of Stephen Wilson: Richard & Francis Wilson

Daughter of John & Miriam Lademan: Elizabeth Lademan

Family & friend of Fr. Regi: Augustine & Aleykutty, Anaa Paul, Thomas Matthew, Dr. Josh Taylor

Family of Enid Fernandez: Frank Salinsky

Friend of Theresa Bailey: Billy Davis

Family of Remie Yumul: Candy Yumul

Friend of Katie Viazcan: Ruby Hardemon

Family of Jan Knox: Sydney, Emma & Rob Cribley

Family of Chit Hernando: Lucena Balino, Julie Dawson

Family of Ally Saites: Ben Mills, Mae Gardner-Mills

Family of Don & Betty Barker: Richard Lakvold

Family & Friend of Paula Lykins: Bill & Sue Aufermann, Sandra Wilson, Lisa & Roger Ellis

Friends of Angelia Collins: Alissa Joslin, Nia Greer & C. Davenport

Cole Family & Friends: Joy Kilpatrick, Gina Wiser, Cody Murdock, Bryce Haney

McKay Family & Friends: Lisa Cross, Gwen Gillium, Dwayne Adams, Michael McGuire, Richard Curtis, John & Peggy Pitcher, Emily Ross, Stacey Cothran, Jessica Stinnett, John Walker

Family & friends of Joe & Kim Stoltz: Todd Cashion, Liz Mealer, Anna Lassiter, Mike Hinson, Rebecca Russell, Jeff Cooper, Jessie Vasquez

Friends of Nan Leonard: Infant Thomas Lee Tice, Rhonda Ray, Geary & Elizabeth Land

Family & Friends of Lisa Jackson: Louisa, Wade, Lauri Hadley, Lois Conroy, Wade Wix, Kim Holder, Ben McCaslin, Bailey Allen, Evelyn Jefferson

Family & friends of Pat & Brenda Davis: Ryan & Alexandria Volk, Betsy Fox, Joseph Family, Mary Joyce Alms, Brent Davis, Larry Meyer

Family & Friends of the Eddins: Justin Jones, Mitzi Mangrum-Braun, Johnny Harrison, Terry Ring, Bill & Tony Eddins, Betsy & Mel Lane

Family of the Dearmans: Diana Hardey, Margaret Strobel, Sue Gossage, Linda, Terri & Mark Langdon, Bill Wiseman

Friends of Sandra Hull: Amanda & Mickey Adcox, John & Kayla Doble, Donald, Mason & Lorrion Hobby, Tammy & Paul Hicks

Brother-in-law of Patty Beckman: Marvin Beckman

Friend of Mary Holton: Brad Burrow

Birthdays & Anniversary

Birthdays

June 1 — Jackson Davis

June 4 — Paola Batres

June 4 — Erick Marquez

June 4 — Ediva Terry

June 5 — Julie Hernandez

June 5 — Dominic Viazcan

June 6 — Don Hackstock

Anniversary

June 2 — Bryan & Kathy LaBrec

Mission Statement

We, the members of Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church, recognize and respect our diverse and multicultural character. By the grace of God, we will nurture our spiritual community through prayer, service, and example to become one family in Christ.

Ministry Schedules

May 31, 2026

Lector: Mary Bale

Eucharistic Ministers: Terry Bailey, Wesley Trahan, Nick Saites

Altar Servers: Castro Astrologo & Aaron Lopez

June 7, 2026

Lector: Knights of Columbus

Eucharistic Ministers: Knights of Columbus

Altar Servers: Anthony Brindle & James Wilson

Financial Report

Week of May 24, 2026 — Week 47

Category	This Week	Year-to-Date
Envelopes	\$2,020.00	\$108,747.94
Offerings	\$326.00	\$19,325.25
Spanish	\$457.00	\$24,619.05
Total	\$2,803.00	\$152,692.24

Catholic Communication Campaign: \$736

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Sacramental Preparation

Baptism — contact pastor

OCIA — contact pastor

Reconciliation & Eucharist

Confirmation — 2-year program in Faith Formation

Marriage — begins 6 months prior to anticipated date

Faith Formation

10:15 AM Sundays, August — May

Adoration

8:00 AM, 1st Saturday of the month

7:00 PM, 1st & 3rd Friday (Spanish)

Sacramental Reconciliation

30 minutes before Masses