

Holy Trinity Parish

Ascension of Our Lord, May 17, 2026

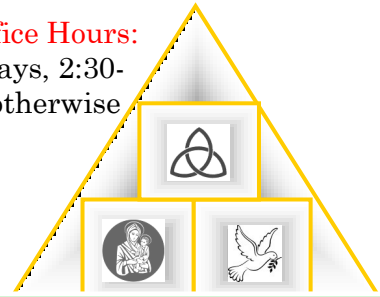
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When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted... Jesus said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." Mt 28:17-20a

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE					READINGS
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	May 16	+ Adam Harmon	Sun. Vigil Mass readings below
Ascension Sunday	8:45AM	SM	May 17	Parishioners	Acts 1:1-11; PS 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20
	10:30AM	SC		+Chuck & Peg Ryan	
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	May 18	+Albert Miller	Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3b 4-5acd, 6-7b; Jn 16:29-33
Tue.	8:00AM	HT	May 19	John & Doris McCabe	Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wed.	8:00AM	HT	May 20	Cathy O'Reilly family	Acts 20: 28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 30-36b; Jn 17:11b-19
Thurs.	9:00AM	SC	May 21	Sheila & David Sullivan Family	Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Fri.			May 22		Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20b; Jn 21:15-19
Sat.			May 23		Acts 28:16-20, 30-21; Ps 11:4-5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
	5:30PM	HT		Jack McCabe	Sun. Vigil Mass readings below
Pentecost Sunday	8:45AM	SM	May 24	Parishioners	Acts 2: 1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23
	10:30AM	SC		+ Henry Gorman	

Mission: We grow together in Christ.

Welcome to our Parish Churches!



Holy Trinity Church (HT)

211 4th Street North
Goodhue, MN 55027



St. Columbkil Church (SC)

36483 County 47 Boulevard
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St. Mary Church (SM)

221 Chester Avenue
Bellechester, MN 55027

From Father McCabe



My friends in Christ, with our human reason we can understand that there must be an all-powerful Creator. Sometimes we doubt this, but then we think: since all physical creation has a beginning and an end – even the stars like our sun are contingent beings – then there must be a Necessary Being, an All-Powerful Creator who has no beginning and no end who holds all creation in existence.

We can observe that a small oak tree must come from an adult oak tree that has a higher power to produce acorns. We know that a car comes from a higher being, a human being with the power to create things. We reason that since physical things cannot come into existence on their own, but must have a higher cause to produce them, then there must be the Highest Cause, God who is the All-Powerful Creator and who holds all things in existence by his love.

We also know from experience the law of stability within in nature. For example, ice melts at 32-degrees Fahrenheit. Can you imagine if suddenly steel began to melt at that temperature? There would be chaos. But thanks be to God, steel and all creation has a stable nature given by God. With our reason we can discover these physical laws, and we can also discover God's moral laws given to us who possess the power of reason and when we use it correctly.

For example, if we did not understand the stable nature of things like the laws of gravity and aero dynamics, we would not be able to fly planes. But we do, yet we also need civil laws that reflect the moral laws of God, like the law that prohibits people flying a plane or driving a car under the influence of alcohol or illicit drugs in order to avoid many tragedies.

I do not think that anyone doubts what I have said. What some people doubt is that God is an infinite Mystery of Life, Love and Wisdom. They doubt that God is an Eternal Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit who wants a personal relationship with them through Jesus Christ.

Even in today's Gospel we hear how the disciples went to Galilee, of which the Risen Lord Jesus directed them, but when they saw him, "they worshipped, but they doubted."

This "doubt" comes after they had walked with Jesus Christ for three years and witnessed his many miracles and acts of kindness. Although they saw Jesus crucified, three days later he appeared to them and continued to appear to them over forty days.

Jesus wanted them, and all Christian disciples, to move beyond doubt. We do this by asking appropriate questions, and then humbly accepting the answers that God gives us through his Catholic Church.

Sometimes I have doubted a teaching of Jesus' Catholic Church, but not in any serious manner, or obstinate manner, which would be a sin. In other words, I did not stop worshipping Jesus until I had all the answers.

Like the early disciples I still worshiped Jesus, but I had questions, and then I trusted in what Jesus taught me through his Catholic Church because he said: "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 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." Mt. 28:18-20

These faithful disciples did their best to teach what Jesus taught. They kept the Church moving forward while waiting for the Holy Spirit to come down upon them at Pentecost to further enlighten them, and to guide them into all truth. We are called to do the same, as we wait to celebrate Pentecost this coming Sunday.

Can you imagine if the Apostles had said, "I am not going to teach what Jesus taught until I understand everything about it." That would be a sign of mistrust of God. They would not be able to move forward and continue learning.

That would be like us saying, "I will not take a car or fly in a plane until I know everything about it. How the steel is made, how the engine works." Instead, we know the basic nature of a car and plane and we trust in the company that makes them. In time, we can learn how to drive them and how they operate.

My friends, on this Solemnity of the Ascension, Jesus Christ wants us to trust that he is truly God and the divine Head of the Catholic Church – the divine teacher and vehicle of traveling to heaven.

Jesus Christ, the Lord of the universe, wants us to live our Catholic faith and, by staying open to the Holy Spirit, teach it to others. In this way we can move forward in understanding our Catholic faith in order to fly with Jesus to the fullness of heaven, where our Heavenly Father awaits us.

Peace in the Risen and Ascended Lord,

Fr. Thomas McCabe

Catechism of the Catholic Church: Par. 2088 "The first commandment requires us to nourish and protect our faith with prudence and vigilance, and to reject everything that is opposed to it. There are various ways of sinning against faith: *voluntary doubt* about the faith disregards or refuses to hold as true what God has revealed and the Church proposes for belief. *Involuntary doubt* refers to hesitation in believing, difficulty in overcoming objections connected with the faith, or also anxiety aroused by its obscurity. If deliberately cultivated, doubt can lead to spiritual blindness."

In today's Gospel, the faithful apostles overcame their involuntary doubt! With God's grace we can do the same!



Behold the Lamb of God!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays at St. Mary from 6:30-9:00PM, Wednesdays at Holy Trinity from 9:00AM-2:00PM, and Thursdays at St. Columbkil from 8:00AM-9:00AM (unless otherwise noted). Spend some time with Jesus!

News/Events New Office Hours, generally Mondays, 2:30-5:30 PM

Holy Trinity/St. Columbkil CCW: (Council of Catholic Women) meeting will be Wednesday, May 20, 7:00PM at the Third Place. Members will be voting on proposed By-laws.

May Crowning celebrated at all Masses May 9 & 10: The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to three young shepherds beginning on May 13, 1917, near Fatima, Portugal, and asked that all Catholics pray the Rosary daily for the end of war and the conversion of hardened sinners, that peace would reign in our world. In the Glorious Mysteries, the last mystery is the Crowning of Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth. This mystery reflects the truth found in the Book of Revelation: Chapter 12:1,5: *“A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars... She gave birth to a son, a male child, destined to rule all the nations with an iron rod. Her child was caught up to God and his throne.. The serpent, however, spewed a torrent of water out of his mouth after the woman to sweep her away with the current. But the earth helped the woman and opened its mouth and swallowed the flood that the dragon spewed out of its mouth. Then the dragon became angry with the woman and went off to wage war against the rest of her offspring, those who keep God’s commandments and bear witness to Jesus.”* But do not fear, we follow Christ to victory!

Assisting Veterans: The emergency room at the VA hospital in Mpls is in need of new or like new men’s shoes for veterans in need. The program in through Closet 54 part of the Red Wing auxiliary post. If you can help contact John Huneke 651-764-0223

Thank you CCW of St. Mary: for the box of goodies, thank you for thinking of us. Ray and Gloria Poncelet. And Fr. McCabe thanks you as well! I know my mom enjoyed her box of chocolates and she was happy that I received some treats, too!

Thank you HT/SC/SM CCW: We sincerely thank you for your two \$100.00 donations. We were humbled by your generosity and hospitality toward us and our presentation. Your financial contribution makes it possible for us to continue creating an environment where people with mental and health issues and substance use disorders will be accepted... (507) 458-7349.

Our work continues... We encourage you to like us on Facebook: Ripple Drug Education Awareness, webpage: <https://www.rippledrugeducationawareness.org>. - Malia Fox

Please pray for: Bob Eppen, Margaret Wagner, Ann Merry, Ed Heppelmann, Ray & Gloria Poncelet, Dave Buck, Scott Cyert, Jerry Joe Majerus, Louise Heppelmann, Brent Hokanson, Anne Skalicky, Neil Stehr, Jen Berg, Marge Majerus, Shawn Frederixon, Gabe Ryan, Ryan Zorn, Beth Carlson, Chuck Havrilla, Randy Nardinger, Amy Feely, Alan Gadiant, Wilma Seither, Susan Brown, Jocelyn O’Reilly, Marci Dillworth, George ZanMiller, Dave Huneke, Paul Huneke, Donny Strauss and Paul Ryan.

Holy Trinity is dedicated to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Volunteers serving with minors and vulnerable adults must complete requirements before engaging in ministry. Contact, Zach Siebenaler parish Safe Environment Coordinator, at: holytrinitygoodhue@gmail.com.

Calendar/Events			
Sat., May 16	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., May 17	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Mon., May 18	SM	6:30-9:00PM	Eucharistic Adoration
Mon., May 18	HT	7:00-8:30PM	Pastoral Council Mtg.
Wed., May 20	HT	9:00AM-2:00PM	Eucharistic Adoration
Thurs. May 21	SC	8:00-8:45AM	Conf./Euchar. Adoration (9:00AM Mass)
Sat., May 23	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., May 24	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Mon., May 25 *Memorial Day Masses	SC	8:30AM	*Memorial Day Masses
	SM	9:45AM	
Mon., May 25	SM	10:45- 12 Noon	Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction
Tues., May 26	HT	7:00-8:30PM	Finance Council Meeting

Pope Leo XIV’s Prayer Intention for May 2026:
Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food. Amen.

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Weekend Ministry Schedule			
Church	Role	May 16/17	May 23/24
HT: Saturday 5:30PM May 16 & 23	Musician	Eileen Frischmon	Cindy Eppen
	Cantor	Laural Seither	Michelle Matthees
	Lector	Leeta O’Reilly	Judy Ramboldt
	Servers	Aubriel, Oleena, Stuart O’Reilly	
	Ushers	Mike Zorn	Mike Zorn
SM: Sunday 8:45am May 17 & 24	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
	Cantor	Cathy O’Reilly	Wanda Schafer
	Lector	Mary Majerus	Patricia Mensink
	Servers	Will Poncelet, Isaac and Maybel Ryan	Henry Keller, Cooper Utley
	Ushers	Steve Welscher, Jake Letsinger	Brian Majerus, Randy Nardinger
SC: Sunday 10:30am May 17 & 24	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Cindy Epene
	Cantor	Denise Voth	Joel Hernke
	Lector	Oleena O’Reilly, Brooke Lodermeier, Ellie Nardinger	Michael Poncelet
	Servers	Patrick, Francis, Phillip and Michael O’Reilly	Brady & Liahna McNamara, Josie O’Reilly
	Ushers	Bruce McNamara	J.J. & Chris O’Reilly

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Fr. McCabe and Deacon Mitch will give a series of children's homilies on the week-ends from May 16/17-June 6/7. God bless!



Confirmation, Cathedral of St. Paul, Thursday, May 14, 2026

Congratulations to our confirmandi, disciples of Jesus Christ and his Catholic Church!

(Left to right) (Confirmation name): Brooke Lodermeier (Joan of Arc), Brenna Buck (Kateri), Oleana O'Reilly (Casilda), Ellie Nardinger (Marie of the Incarnation), Ben Gadiant (Michael the Archangel), William Peterson (John the Evangelist), Ben Schefler (Raymond of Pentafort), Duncan Poncelet (Anthony of Padua), Corbin Jaeger (John the Apostle), Greyson Ryan (Paul), Fr. McCabe, Jackson Lodermeier (Sebastian), Bishop Michael Izen, Nathan Mirsbeger (Hubert)

Thank you parents and Carrie O'Reilly Confirmation catechist!