

CLERGY

Fr. Anthony Oleh, MSP — Parish Priest
Fr. Ebuka Umekachikelu, MSP – Assistant Priest
Rev. Robert Beresford — Deacon

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Fr Anthony is available in case of an emergency or a pressing enquiry on 020 8546 4633. For non-urgent enquiries please email kingston@rcaos.org.uk

FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS AND MASSES

SUNDAY 7TH JUNE 2020

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (A)

Sunday 7th	The Most Holy Trinity
	Marie-Ann Xiberras RIP
	Sean McConvey RIP
	Leo & Elizabeth Dooley RIP
	Thanksgiving for the family of Theophile Kouadio and for continued blessings and protection
	People of the Parish
Monday 8th	People of the Parish
Tuesday 9th	People of the Parish
Wednesday 10th	People of the Parish
Thursday 11th	St Barnabas, Apostle, Memorial
	People of the Parish
Friday 12th	People of the Parish
Saturday 13th	St Anthony of Padua, Priest, Memorial
	People of the Parish
Sunday 14th	Corpus Christi
	Abbie O'Brien RIP
	McGinty Family RIP
	Frank & Rose Killy RIP
	People of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish: Christina Ward, Clare Horgan, John Sewter, Keith Fraser, Trish Taylor, Ryan Morrison, Philip Cockle and Melba De Silva. *Please let the Parish Office know in writing if either you or your relatives want to be mentioned on our sick list.*

ANNIVERSARIES

Mary Roath, Elenora Alexander, Donald Bird, Stephen Carrig, Kay Williams, Nora Willgoss, Henry Egan, Joseph McDonagh and Mary Brewer, Michael Bourke, Christopher Gray, Patrick Anthony Jarret, Modesta Divito, Sean McConvey, Rowland Stimson, Mary Ellen Lewis, Marisa Davies, Mother Brigid Taylor, John Trelfer, Denis Carpey, James Lamb, Anne Pettifer, Beatrice Heaton-Harris, Norah Chilton, Stella Patterson, John Hall, Patrick Hogan, Louise Wild-Smith, James Fitzgerald, Bridget Massie, Eileen O'Connor, Robert Stimson, Sylvia Lewis, Ernest Hopkins.

++ May they rest in Peace ++

LET US REMEMBER

Let us remember those who have died recently, those whose anniversaries occur at this time and all their families, with love and affection during this time of grief. May the Lord grant eternal rest to all who have died.

Please pray for Fr Edmund (Ed) Hartley and Fr Francis Hartley, both retired priests in our diocese, sadly, both have died this past week. Our thoughts and prayers are with their family and all those who mourn them, in particular their brother Fr John Hartley, also retired and also a resident in our diocese.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE...

Easing of Lockdown Measures and Our Archbishop's Letter to the Prime Minister

As the COVID-19 lockdown is eased gradually, questions are being asked about our churches re-opening. Archbishop John Wilson has written a letter to the Prime Minister (and to every Member of Parliament within the Archdiocese) making a passionate plea for the need to reopen our churches for prayer, and worship in some form, in the light of the Government's plan for progressive easing of the lockdown from the 1st of June. We would like to encourage all to pray for Archbishop John and other Church leaders as they continue to dialogue with the Government to facilitate the reopening of our churches. We await Diocesan updates, and we will keep everyone informed as we learn more ourselves. In the meantime, as schools start to re-open, we keep in our prayers teachers, staff, carers, children and their parents, that they are all kept safe and protected. Please continue to observe social distancing as advised and continue to pray for the eradication of this disease. Do your best and God will do the rest...

Our Masses will continue to be celebrated each day WITHOUT A PUBLIC CONGREGATION, so you will still be able to book Mass Intentions. Please post any Mass Intention envelopes through the presbytery door, or email via the parish email address kingston@rcaos.org.uk. Mass on Sunday will be celebrated at 12 noon and will be livestreamed from a Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/agatha.kingston.92> and our website. A leaflet has been provided by the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales: When Mass cannot be celebrated publicly. Please see our website.

The sacrament of reconciliation will be still be available but only on request, please contact Father by phone or email first.

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Our website will continue to be updated to help parishioners with their personal and family worship during this difficult time - please check on a regular basis.

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS

Some people have asked how they can continue to give their offerings to the parish. If you are able to, please either make an electronic transfer or set up a standing order to the Parish Bank account. (Forms are also available on the parish website).

Our account details are as follows:

Please pay: National Westminster, Kingston Marketplace

For the credit of: St Agatha's Roman Catholic Church

Bank details: Account number: 10317821

Sort code: 60-60-02

Please ensure you make the reference (that will appear on our Bank Statement) "your name" followed by "offertory".

We thank you for your continued generosity.

Fr Anthony would like to thank everyone for all the messages, cards and gifts he received for his Birthday on Friday; we was very touched and overwhelmed with joy by your love and thoughtfulness. Thank You!

**THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, CYCLE A
SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2020**

Gospel Reading

John 3:16-18

God sent his Son into the world to save the world.

Reflection

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.

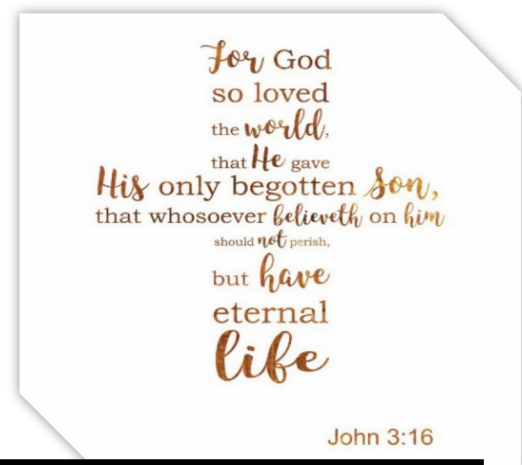
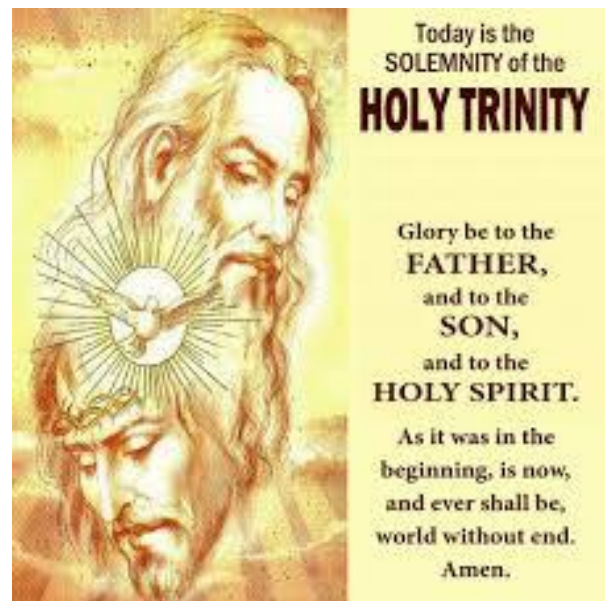
The Gospel also calls attention to the response that is required of us. God's love for us calls us to respond in faith by professing our belief in God's son, Jesus, and the salvation that he has won for us. This profession of faith is a sign of the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Family Reflection

Because of God's great love for us, he sent his Son, Jesus, to save the world. Jesus, in turn, sent the Holy Spirit so that our faith in God and his love would be strengthened. The nurturing experiences of family life also help us to understand and have faith in God's love.

Create a family poster together showing all the ways in which your family experiences God's great love. Use symbols, pictures, and words to show how you have seen God at work in your family life and in our history. Then read together today's Gospel, John 3:16-18. Pray together, thanking God for his gift of love. Conclude by praying the Glory Be to the Father or today's Psalm.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press



"An evangelising community gets involved by word and deed in people's daily lives: it bridges distances....and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others." ~

Evangelii Gaudium para.24