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REFLECTIONS ON TRINITY SUNDAY

By Pope Francis

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Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, which leads us to contemplate and worship the divine life of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit: a life of communion and perfect love, origin and aim of all the universe and of every creature: God. We also recognize in the Trinity the model for the Church, in which we are called to love each other as Jesus loved us. And love is the concrete sign that demonstrates faith in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. And love is the badge of the Christian, as Jesus told us: "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (Jn 13:35). It's a contradiction to think of Christians who hate. It's a contradiction. And the devil always seeks this: to make us hate, because he's always a troublemaker; he doesn't know love; God is love!



We are all called to witness and proclaim the message that "God is love", that God isn't far and insensitive to our human affairs. He is close to us, always beside us, walking with us to share our joys and our sorrows, our hopes and our struggles. He loves us very much and for that reason he became man, he came into the world not to condemn it, but so the world would be saved through Jesus (cf. Jn 3:16-17). And this is the love of God in Jesus, this love that is so difficult to understand but that we feel when we draw close to Jesus. And he always forgives us, he always awaits us, he loves us so much. And we feel the love of Jesus and the love of God.

The Holy Spirit, gift of the Risen Jesus, conveys divine life to us and thus lets us enter into the dynamism of the Trinity, which is a dynamism of love, of communion, of mutual service, of sharing. A person who loves others for the very joy of love is a reflection of the Trinity. A family in which each person loves and helps one another is a reflection of the Trinity. A parish in which each person loves and shares spiritual and material effects is a reflection of the Trinity.

True love is boundless, but it knows how to limit itself, to interact with others, to respect the freedom of others. Every Sunday we go to Mass, we celebrate the Eucharist together and the Eucharist is like the "burning bush" in which the Trinity humbly lives and communicates; for this reason the Church placed the feast of Corpus Christi after that of the Trinity.

May the Virgin Mary, perfect creation of the Trinity, help us to make our whole lives, in small gestures and more important choices, an homage to God, who is Love. ☐

FEASTS FOR MAY

The feasts on the General Roman Calendar celebrated during the month of May are:

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| 1 Joseph the Worker, Opt. Mem. | 22 Rita of Cascia, Opt. Mem. |
| 2 Athanasius, Memorial | 25 Optional Memorial of St. Bede the Venerable, priest and doctor; St. Gregory VII, pope; St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, virgin, Opt. Mem. |
| 3 Philip and James, Feast | 26 Philip Neri, Memorial |
| 6 Sixth Sunday of Easter, Sunday | 27 Trinity Sunday, Solemnity |
| 10 Ascension of Our Lord; Damien de Veuster, priest; John of Avila (some places), Opt. Mem. | 31 Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast |
| 12 Nereus and Achilleus; Pancras, martyrs, Opt. Mem. | |
| 13 Ascension or the Seventh Sunday of Easter, Solemnity | |
| 14 Matthias, Feast | |
| 15 Isidore the Farmer (USA), Opt. Mem. | |
| 18 John I, Opt. Mem. | |
| 20 Pentecost; Whitsunday, Solemnity | |
| 21 Mary, Mother of the Church; Christopher Magallanes and companions; Eugene de Mazenod (Canada), Opt. Mem. | |

The feasts of Our Lady of Fatima (May 13), St. Bernadine of Siena (May 20) and St. Augustine of Canterbury (May 27) are superseded by the Sunday liturgy. The Solemnity of the Ascension (May 10) is celebrated on May 13 (Sunday) in most dioceses in the United States. □

THANK YOU

... a small and simple phrase that comes from a grateful heart!

Psalm 106:2

THE 2000 HAIL MARY DEVOTION

The Spiritual Army of God the Father acknowledges with thanks our generous May sponsors of the 2000 Hail Mary Devotion. We are grateful that we have merited their partnership and support in providing a venue of spirituality and fellowship for the devotees of God the Father.

Las Vegas, Nevada

May 26, 2018
Robert & Evelyn Pua

Los Angeles, California

May 19, 2018
Nonie Alapag | Marilyn Batino
Denise & Gerrard Gier | Bon & Ruth Mercado
Glecy Rosario | Marilyn Saraza

FOR PRAYERS HEARD AND PETITIONS GRANTED

THANK YOU, ETERNAL FATHER, FOR YOUR WILL THAT TRANSFORMED OUR SORROW INTO JOY, OUR TEARS OF ANGUISH INTO TEARS OF THANKSGIVING. OUR PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL RE-CREATION, THROUGH YOUR HEALING HANDS, KEPT US ENCLOSED AND REVIVED IN OUR HOPE FOR OUR RENEWED LIVES AS WE LOOK UP TO THE HEAVENS PRAISING YOU, IN JESUS' MOST HOLY NAME, THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF MARY, OUR BLESSED MOTHER, AND OF THE ANGELS AND SAINTS.

Eternal Father,

All glory, honor, and praise to you Almighty Father!! You have blessed me and my family SO MUCH and I cannot put into words how grateful we are!! I know we cannot see the plans You have for us, but I know You have always and will always take care of Your children. Thank you for G being offered a job, thank you for showering us with gifts for our next child's arrival (via Marilyn), and most of all thank you for entrusting with another child to love and care for. We offer this to child, ourselves, and our whole family for your greatest glory LORD! WE LOVE YOU SO MUCH LORD! And thank you for creating our Blessed Mother Mary for all of humankind! (And thank you Mama Mary for your intercession and constant devotion to all your earthly

children. Thank you for being my model and bringing me calm throughout my pregnancy.)

- Denise

O, Eternal Father, we love You, honor You and know You as our loving, merciful, kind, generous and forgiving Father.

We thank You for the life and love you give us every day, especially, on our birthdays...celebrating in good health and surrounded by family, friends and Thy devoted faith community.

We are filled with the Holy Spirit with joy and trust in Thy beloved Son, Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

- Gary & Maria Sheets

GOD TOUCHED ME

COME AND SEE THE ABUNDANCE OF GOD

*Giveth unto me and your burden will be light.
- Psalm 55:22*

By Frank Lim, a devotee

The Spiritual Army of God the Father had been a blessing to us. We first met Victor and Alice in 2005. It was a time when the real estate industry was booming. Beth and I joined a real estate networking business driving twice a week to business meetings with our recruits. On Wednesdays, I drove to Victor and Alice's house, with Beth and Dorie, to be prayed over for some health problems. Dorie and I, through Victor's gift of locution, learned that we were under the influence of the spirits of low. The cause of our problems was spiritual. The messages we received from the Lord Jesus and Mother Mary gave us comfort and assurance. Soon, the symptoms of our problems gradually disappeared. What made us stay and continue to spend time inside the Sacred Room? (Some came for healing and left when they felt restored.) It was the place where we can receive personal messages from the Lord and Mother Mary. Where else can you have that?

But God is everywhere. Now we have a new place at the Sister Disciples of the Divine Master. It's not new anymore because we have been doing our devotion here for more than 10 years.

To many of our devotees it is the only "home" they know. We see people come and go but the true, dedicated ones continue to come. It helps that the cenacle is never boring of which the devotees are always appreciative and fired up by the Holy Spirit!

At last Saturday's 800 Our Father prayer devotion, Lord Jesus promised us three things:

One - For those who are true to the devotion to the Father, you will have peace and serenity in your household.

Two - You will not suffer a lingering illness when you are called home. Your body will be intact even when you are in an accident.

Three - You will be abundantly blessed.

Our foray into the real estate business was short-lived. It folded when the real estate market crashed in 2008. In the aftermath, we went through some difficult times financially. But the Lord gave us hope and strength. Beth and I retired in 2010. We are breathing easy and are comfortable in our present life. When you stay close to God you linger in HIS ABUNDANCE!. □

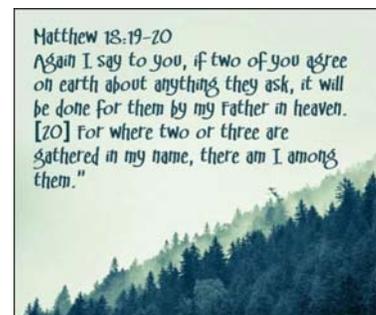
SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT RECOMMENDED

SEEKING INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THROUGH THE BIBLE

FORMING A PRAYER SYMPHONY

By Victor Araneta

My God assist me to look for believers with whom I can share my prayers on a regular basis. I pray that we will be in acquiescence about Your true Words and Spirit. You have said that one can render one thousand to flight and two can render ten thousand to flight. I ask you Lord to give me enough prayer partners and warriors to render all forces of evil attacking our lives to flight.



SPIRITUAL ARMY NEWS DISPATCH

THE MINISTRY GOES TO THE PHILIPPINES ON A MISSION



With our devotees, The Spiritual Army of God the Father ministry goes to the Philippines, specifically in Cebu and Leyte in the Visayan Islands. A good portion of the trip was sponsored by Ms. Dorie Cortes, a kind-hearted devotee of God the Father now in the Philippines.

We have anointed two chapels erected by our devotees in this part of the archipelago. Corollary to the blessing and anointing of the chapels, we have distributed toothpastes and toothbrushes as part of the Ministry's health and hygiene mission spearheaded by April Kristene Araneta, a Registered Nurse here in California.

The children do not only receive hygienic supplies but were given some treats like a bag of rice, cans of sardines, and spaghetti, bread, and juice for lunch.

By the way, the toothbrushes and toothpastes were donated by a civic-minded dentist here in Los Angeles.

We will prepare for two more chapels for anointing in the Visayan regions [again] in the months ahead in accordance to the plan of our Father in heaven. ☐

UPCOMING EVENTS

TOY DRIVE FOR THE LOS ANGELES CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

PLEASE DROP OFF
YOUR NEW UNWRAPPED TOYS
EVERY 1ST AND 3RD SATURDAYS
AT THE CONVENT OF THE SISTER DISCIPLES
OF THE DIVINE MASTER

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

JUNE 30, 2018
5:30 TO 8:30 PM
SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES
1111 MICHAEL WAY
LAS VEGAS, NV 89108

THE ARK ENCOUNTER IN LOUISVILLE, KY

SEPTEMBER 28 TO
OCTOBER 1, 2018

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WWW.SPIRITUALARMYOFGOD.ORG

.... I am your Mother Mary

My children this is the time that you must pray intently not only for yourself but for others and for the church. The church is faced with people who would like to see its destruction from outside and within. As people become less involved, others like Satan's snake swirl around it and ready to devour church's followers and her instituted heads and authorities.

*My children the strength of God's hands will be felt by your involvement and most especially your fervent prayers to DEFEAT SATAN!
Invoke all the Saints and Archangel Michael and his legions of angels.
My beads of rosary will be your instrument to repulse the venom of Satan's snake. Test the spirits that surround you.
My immaculate Heart will guide you in your prayers.*

Mary Your Lady of the Rosary
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