

Christ Child Catholic Church
***Dedicated to Growth in Christ and to the
Challenges of Loving Service***

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
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Unity and Trinity

Dr. Mortimer Adler was the originator of the 54-volume series entitled *Great Books of the Western World*. He was also the creative force behind a recent edition of *The Encyclopedia Britannica*.

One Sunday morning - surrounded by the great outdoor beauty of Aspen, Colorado - Dr. Adler was interviewed by television's Bill Moyers.

At one point Moyers asked him point-blank, "Do you believe in God?"

The 75-year old Adler surprised a lot of viewers by saying yes. He went on to say, and I quote:

"In the last two years I have become convinced that I had found reasonable grounds for affirming God's existence."

Moyers then asked him if reason could tell us about God. Adler answered:

"Reason alone can't make the bridge from an infinite supreme being... to a being that is merciful... (And) caring."

In other words, Dr. Adler is saying that reason can tell us that there is a God but it can't tell us very much about God.

If we want to learn about God, we must turn to the Bible.

And what the Bible tells us about God is something that no human mind could have ever imagined. The Bible tells us that God is a mystery of unity and trinity.

Put simply, the mystery of God is this: God is a single being, composed of a trinity of persons- Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The best-know biblical reference to the Trinity occurs at the very end of Matthew's Gospel. Before ascending to heaven, Jesus says to his disciples, "Make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of Holy Spirit."

The most graphic reference to the Trinity occurs at the baptism of Jesus.

At the conclusion of that memorable event, the Holy Spirit "descended upon (Jesus) in bodily form like a dove." And a voice from heaven said of Jesus, "You are my beloved Son." Luke 3:22

St. Luke used these three images – a dove, a voice, and Jesus himself – to present us with a Trinitarian perspective of God.

In the Old Testament era God is revealed not only by word but also by action.

God is revealed as a God of love, a God of mercy, and a God of compassion.

The post-gospel era begins with the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.

With the coming of the Holy Spirit, the followers of Jesus received a deeper appreciation of Jesus' teaching and, therefore, a deeper appreciation of God.

It is this deeper appreciation of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit that we celebrate today.

“Most Holy Trinity, who lives in me, I praise you, I worship you, I adore you and I love you.”
St. Francis Xavier

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By request or appointment

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Call the office for an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated biannually at Mass or individually

For Pregnancy Support:

Birthright 241-8444 or 800-550-4900

Prayer group in the Parish

Every Tuesday at 8:15 am. All women and men.

MASS INTENTIONS May 21 - 27

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Schaner family

Sunday 10:00 a.m. + David Anthony
Coppom – Family

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. + Theresia Krauss

Wednesday 8:00 a.m. Gina Boisvert

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Friday 8:00 a.m. + David Anthony
Coppom - Family

TREASURY REPORT

May 14 & 15, 2016

Plate.....	\$1,164.00
EFT.....	\$ 550.00
Total.....	\$1,714.00
Second Collection.....	\$ 578.00

Thank you and God the Father Bless you!

Parents – please continue to help your children to continue in union with JESUS CHRIST in the Eucharistic Bread! The Mass!

Men's Club Meeting

Our June meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. On Wednesday June 8th at the Community Center.

We are very good support for one another. Every man welcome!

All Women invited to the upcoming Sisters of Martha and Mary Meeting.

We invite all women of the parish to our next meeting, **Wednesday, May 25**, in the church community center, 7 – 8:30 pm. The first half of the meeting is always a friendly social get together and we conclude with a spiritual portion. We plan to start the first lesson in a new DVD series for parishes called "The Bible & the Virgin Mary." The first 27 minute DVD is "A Biblical introduction to Mary" which we will watch on our wonderful large new television. Please come and invite a friend! Questions, call Ruth at 353-1017

Women's Retreat

The women of Christ Child Church are cordially invited to a Women's Retreat Day, Sunday May 29, 2016 from 11 am – 2 pm. The Retreat is a time for Reflection and Relaxation and discussion. Lunch and childcare will be provided. Please RSVP to:

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Thomas (408) 348-9497
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CONGRATULATIONS

**Sydney Sofia Madrigal
Tyce Joseph Bowen
Antonio Lopez**

Alberto Trinidad Rios Sandoval

For your First Communion!
Come receive my Body and my Blood
and I will dwell in you. **Alleluia!**