

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Exodus 34: 4b-6, 8-9; 2Cor 13: 1-13 John 3: 16-18

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The catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that the ‘mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith and life’

- It is necessary for us, within our Catholic faith, to have a strong ‘**theology of mystery.**’

The doctrine of the Triune God is ridiculed as a **fiction** and **absurdity** by the so called Christian cults.

It is **depreciated** and **discounted** by those opposed to the Faith.

Yes, as the Christian cults claim, it is true that Jesus did not spend time discoursing about the Trinity but he spent loads of time demonstrating, in very certain terms, his relationship with the Father on one hand and the Holy Spirit on the other.

Yes, the word “Trinity” is never used, nor is the doctrine of Trinitarianism ever explicitly taught in the Scriptures, but Trinitarianism is still the best **explanation** of the biblical evidence.

- Biblical evidence shows that in time God the creator called a people with whom he formed a covenant relationship: the people of Israel.
- And then in the fulness of time God gave his only Son Jesus to open up this covenant to all who call upon the Lord.
- ❖ On Trinity Sunday therefore, we seriously consider the community style of God’s nature.

We read in the opening line of the gospel that **“God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost”**

- He is a God who loves and a God who gives: “God is Love” and God acts in love.

Moses in the first reading addresses God as **‘The Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger rich in kindness and faithfulness’**

The readings reflect a God in relationship.

There is a theological relationship between God the Father and God the Son.

That’s why St Paul in the second reading urges us to be **‘United and to live in peace’**

“God is Love” and God acts in love.

As such, the Mystery of the Blessed Trinity calls us into a relationship of love with the One who is our creator and Lord but also in relationship with one another.

The Triune God: Father, son and Spirit is governed by three unconditional properties in the nature of God:

- a) Acceptance
- b) Understanding
- c) Appreciation

Remove any one of the three and the triangle falls apart.

The recent events that have led to demonstrations across cities in America are but an indicator that people who embrace the Blessed Trinity we have a mission to promote acceptance, understanding and appreciation inherent in the Blessed Trinity.

- ❖ We need to show humanity and ourselves that there is a better way. The way of a God who acts in love.

As we stand at this altar today, we pray that the triune God will heal Divisions among humanity.

No matter who we are, or where we come from, we are one family. And we are sinners, all of us in need of God’s mercy and redemption.