

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity 2018

My beloved brothers and sisters: today we are celebrating the greatest mystery in the universe, greater than the universe itself, because we are celebrating the creator of all things, who created from nothing- God as He reveals Himself in the Trinity of Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit! It is Jesus who fully revealed this mystery to us; before Jesus, the prophets of the Old Testament, and wise philosophers throughout the ages learned about God from outside experiences, the ars artis, the works of God; or, in the case of the Old Testament writers, from God's unique but limited revelation to them. But, there is only so much we can learn about God from the beauty of creation; and God was not yet ready to reveal His mysteries until Jesus revealed them to us!

Jesus, was not satisfied with being known partially and doubtfully, the only way our limited human intellect can lead to speculation about Him. In Jesus, God desired to let us into the very Heart of God, to reveal Himself to us, to tell us about His nature, for His nature is love: "God is love! And He who abides in love, abides in God and God abides in him!" In Jesus, God wants us to know His nature, His essence, His thoughts and His desires for our salvation and the salvation of all men and women and children. He has given us the very intimacy that God has within Himself, and included us into that intimacy. Through Jesus, and our faith in Him, by our Baptism and our Confirmation, the Holy Spirit whose feast day we celebrated last week, enables us to know God, in the same intimacy that a husband and wife grow in their ability to know each other! By the gift of the Holy Spirit, we know that God is dynamic, personal and totally involved in our lives. Through the Holy Spirit, God guides us into His truth, and we can experience within ourselves the very intimacy of God Himself in a communion of life, light and love. God invites us into and enables us into His eternal and dynamic dialogue of Love between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit: Lover, Loved and Love itself!

The universe, and this world in which we love, in all its totality, is not God, as some would have us believe; but it is God's wonderful gift to us, His beloved children. The Church, the Word of God, the Sacraments shouts to us this dynamic

Love. The wonders of nature, its beauty, its perfection of symmetry and order at the deepest mathematical levels, whisper His love and invite us to admire His goodness and to fall in love with God's beauty. The more we listen to these whispers, the more we accept this invitation, the wiser and more joyful we become! It is by daily and substantial prayer, that we begin to hear, more and more, the reality of this love in His revelation to us. This is the ultimate meaning of the Feast Day that we are celebrating to day!