

THE HOLY TRINITY

One God in Three Divine Persons



OPENING PRAYER

- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

As it
Amen

- Holy, Triune God,
that is, all that was, and all that ever will be belongs to you alone.
have spoken to us through your Word made flesh, JESUS.
us into the truth by the gift of your Holy Spirit,
glorify you forever and ever.

all
You
Now guide
so that we may
AMEN (John 16:12-15 /TRINITY)

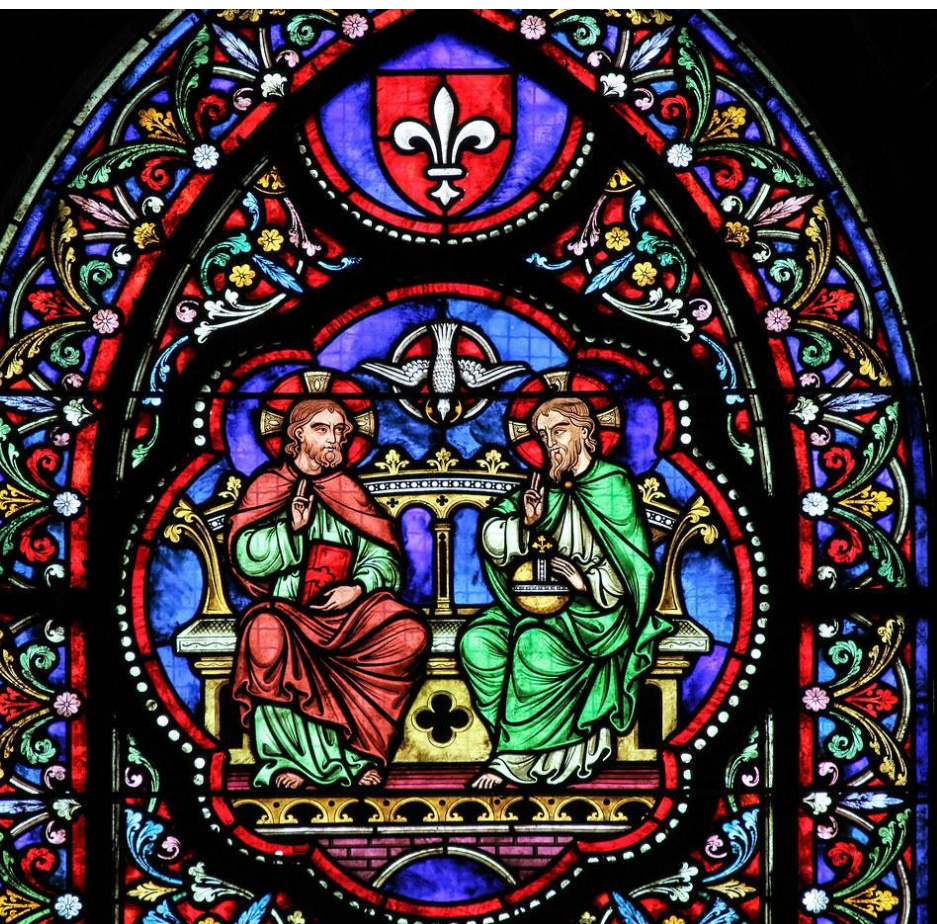
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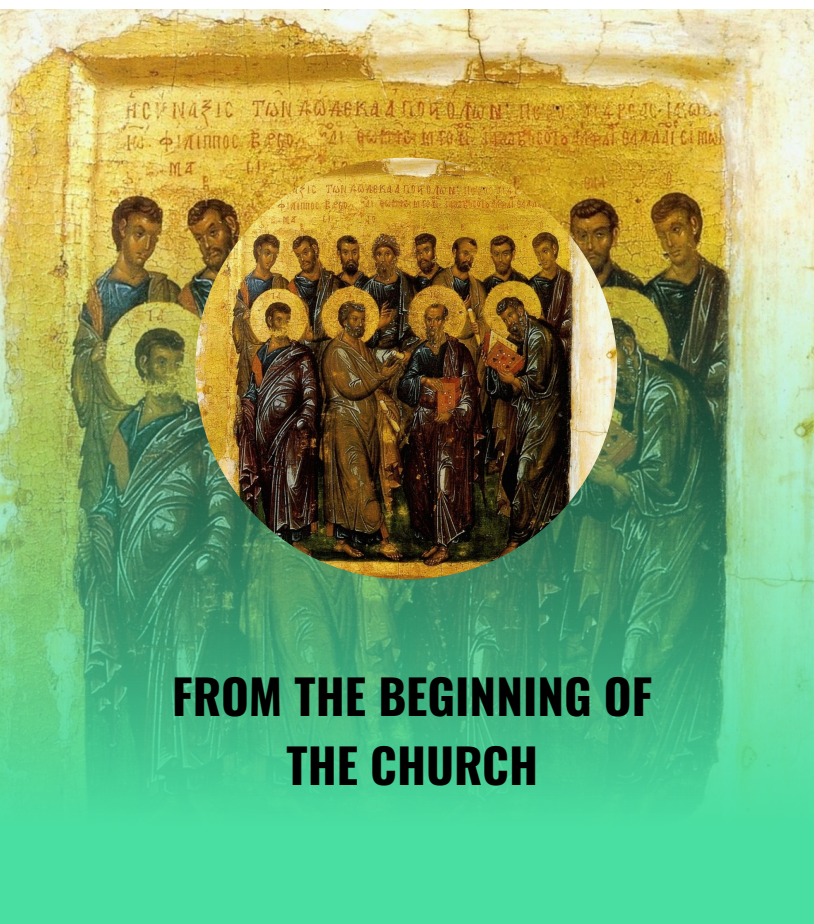
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- The Father is God,
- The Son is God,
- And the Holy Spirit is God,
- Yet they are **not three** but **one God**.
- Athanasius (AD 293-373)



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

- “The Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life” CCC234
- A mystery of the Christian faith is not an unsolvable puzzle, but a deep truth or reality beyond anything we can completely experience, comprehend or understand in this world.
- We could never have discovered the Holy Trinity on our own. God, Himself, had to reveal it to us. CCC 237



FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE CHURCH

- The revealed truth of the Holy Trinity has been at the very root of the Church's living faith. CCC 249
- It finds its expression in the rule of **baptismal faith**: The risen Jesus said: "Go and make disciples of all nations, **baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.**" Matthew 28:19
- Such formulations are already found **in the apostolic writings** and taken up into the Eucharistic liturgy (The Mass): St. Paul said: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." 2 Corinthians 13:14.

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- I believe in **one God**, the **Father** almighty, **maker of heaven and earth**, of all thing visible and invisible.
- I believe in one **Lord Jesus Christ**, the only begotten **Son of God**, born of the Father before all ages, **God from God**, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, **consubstantial with the Father**; **through him all things were made**. For us men and our salvation **he came down from heaven**, and by the Holy Spirit was **incarnate of the Virgin Mary** and **became man**. For our sake **he was crucified** under Pontius Pilate, he **suffered death** and was buried and **rose again on the third day** in accordance with the scriptures. He **ascended into heaven** and is **seated at the right hand of the Father**. **He will come again** in glory to judge the living and the dead and **his kingdom will have no end**.
- I believe in the **Holy Spirit**, the **Lord** , the **giver of life**, who **proceeds from the Father and the Son**, who with the Father and the Son is **adored and glorified**, who has **spoken through the prophets**.
- I believe in **One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church**. I confess **one baptism for the forgiveness of sins**. And I look forward to **the resurrection of the dead** and the **life of the world to come**. **Amen**.



THE CHURCH IS ONE BECAUSE OF HER SOURCE

- “The highest exemplar and source of this mystery is the unity, in the Trinity of Persons, of one God, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.” (CCC 813)
- For this reason, the Christian and the Church begin each day, prayer, liturgy and activity with the Sign of the Cross: “In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.” (CCC 2157)
- The Blessed Trinity is the **center of our faith**. Making the sign of the Cross places us before God and reminds us of that Center.
- “Every time we make the sign of the cross, we **draw closer to the great mystery of the Trinity.**” Pope Francis
- The Sign of the Cross answers two questions: **Who is God?** God is the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **How does God save us?** By His Holy Cross.



THE HOLY TRINITY IN CREATION AND HISTORY

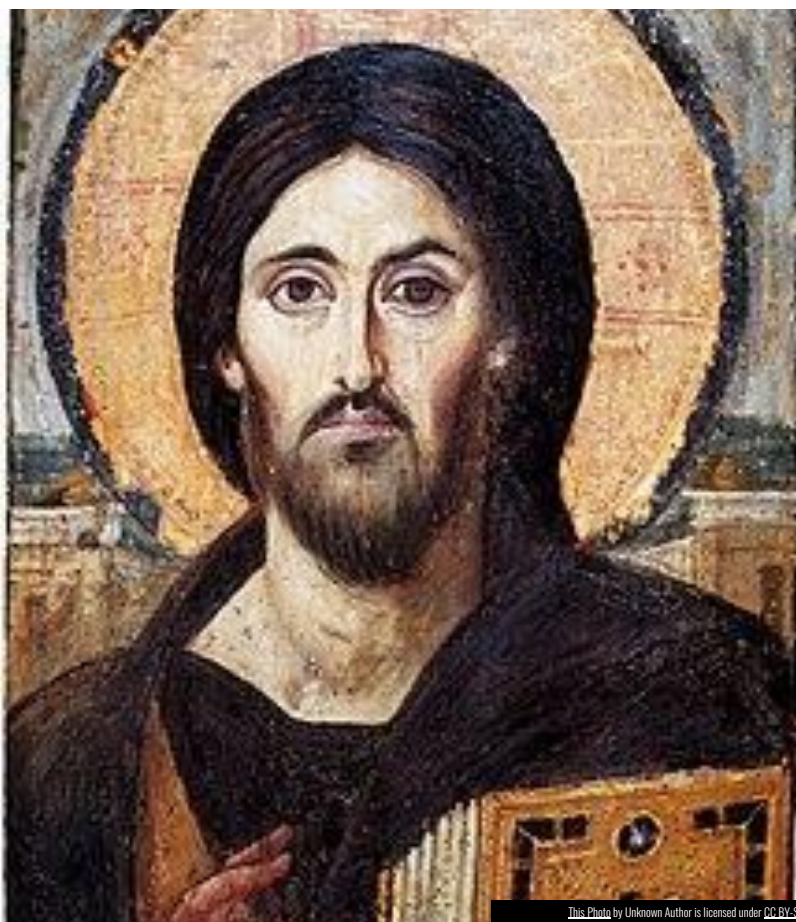
- Our ultimate goal is the entry of God’s creatures into the perfect unity of the Blessed Trinity. CCC 260
- We receive this call to share in the life of Divine Love “by the grace of Baptism ‘in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit’” CCC 265
- God has revealed his inmost secret: God himself is an eternal exchange of love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and he has destined us to share in that exchange. CCC221

GOD IS LOVE

- The Love of God in the Holy Trinity is the central fact of reality upon which we can rely: “God is Love” and love is his first gift, containing all others. (CCC 733)
- Love is at the center of the universe and all reality.
- “God is love. . . In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.” | John 4:8, 10
- How has God revealed himself to us?



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JESUS

QUESTIONS

- 1. There is(are) _____ God(s). Three One Many
- 2. There are (is) _____ Person(s) in the One God. Three One Many
- 3. God is an eternal exchange of _____. Money Blood Love
- 4. Through _____ we see God revealed. Glasses Jesus Dreams

CLOSING PRAYER

- Lord God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Holy and undivided Trinity,
You know all about me. Help me to learn about You,
so that I may know You, love You, and serve You in this world and be happy with you forever in the next.
- Amen
- **Our Father** who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
- Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.
- And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
- Amen