

HOLY TRINITY: Divine Family

The Church this weekend celebrates the feast of the Holy Trinity, the mystery of three Persons in one God. If you search the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), it's index under TRINITY offers quite a few paragraphs that expand on this revealed truth.

Rather than trying to discuss or explain the dogma, I invite you to see the Holy Trinity as the Holy Divine Family. In this Family we see that there reigns infinite, eternal Love, because "God is Love" (John 4:16).

"God is not solitary", but relational: there is an ongoing eternal act of love within the Holy Trinity. The Christian Family should reflect this Trinitarian love, since in its role as "domestic church" she is called to be "a sign and image of the communion of the Father and the Son in the Holy Spirit" (Catechism par.2205).

The Trinitarian Love created the universe and human beings. In his merciful love for the fallen humanity, the Father "gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life" (John 3:16).

At Pentecost "the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given to us" (see Romans 5:5) so that we may be empowered and enabled to be another Christ and to live, think, speak and act like Him.

Today's feast also reminds us that at our Baptism we become adopted children of the Father and Temples of the Holy Trinity; when we receive the Eucharist in holy communion we become ONE with Jesus, and when we receive the sacrament of Confirmation the Holy Spirit anoints us to boldly witness and proclaim Jesus in the world.

Let us pray:

We thank you, most Holy Trinity, that through the sacraments of the Church, you grant us a share in your Divine Life. May our will be united to your Divine Will, so that we may please you in our thoughts, words and actions, for the Praise and Glory of your Holy Name. AMEN.