



## 30 MAY 2021 TRINITY SUNDAY

### **INTRODUCTION:**

Today is known as ‘Trinity Sunday’ and is one of the most unusual days in the whole Christian calendar. It is the day when we are asked by the cycle of feasts to reflect on what we say about God. We believe that we are drawn into the mystery of God – who is Father, Son, and Spirit – by the Son coming among us as one of us, the human being named Jesus. Jesus opened for us the way to the Father and he sent the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. The Spirit dwelling in our hearts makes us call out to God: ‘Abba, Father!’ The set of relationships we are caught up in is a mystery and we give it the name: ‘the trinity.’

### **READINGS:**

**First Reading:** Deut 4:32-34,39-40

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 33:4-5,6&9,18-19,20&22

**Second Reading:** Romans 8:14-17

**Gospel:** Matthew 28:16-20

### **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:**

**Celebrant:** Having listened to the Word of God let us now call upon our Father who made us, the Son who redeemed us, and the Holy Spirit who renews us, as we bring our petitions:

Response: **Lord in Your mercy, hear our prayer**

For all the Christian churches in their search for unity, that their one-ness will show forth in the unity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (pause). We pray to the Lord...

For world leaders, that they may guide us with wisdom and truth, especially in these difficult and challenging times. (pause). We pray to the Lord...

For all who remain hesitant in faith, that the Spirit of God may move in their hearts and minds, encouraging them along the ways of discipleship. (pause). We pray to the Lord...

For all who are sick, injured or recently bereaved that they will know the healing touch of Christ in their lives. (pause). We pray to the Lord...

For the intentions we now pray, in the silence of our hearts. (pause). We pray to the Lord...

**Celebrant:** God our Father, have mercy on us and hear our prayers. May the love which unites the persons of the Trinity shape our lives and the lives of all people. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son, who celebrates life with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **PRAYER FOR RELIEF FROM THE CORONA VIRUS:**

Almighty and merciful God, who show Your love to all creation everywhere, hear graciously the prayers we make for all those affected by the Corona Virus in various parts of the world.

We come before You asking for an efficacious control of the outbreak, for a healing of those affected, for the victims and their families.

We thank You for blessing the efforts of our research scientists working on the development of a vaccine. We pray that these vaccines will be effective in combating the virus and its mutants, and in controlling the spread of the pandemic. We pray that the vaccine be available for all our people even the poor and those in rural areas.

We pray for doctors, nurses and health workers who are in the frontline of this battle, that they be kept safe and have the strength and courage to continue their heroic efforts.

We pray for the Government and health authorities that they take appropriate steps for the good of the people. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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