



# ST MARK PARISH

602 Military Road, Rothschild, Wisconsin

**Pentecost Sunday**

**May 19, 2024**

## Liturgical Schedule

### **Monday, May 20**

*Saint Bernardine of Siena*

Sacrament of Reconciliation, 7:30-7:55 am

No Mass

### **Tuesday, May 21**

*Saint Cristobal Magallanes and Companions*

Sacrament of Reconciliation, 7:40 am

Mass, 8:10 am +Bonnie Andrus

### **Wednesday, May 22**

*Saint Rita of Cascia*

Sacrament of Reconciliation, 7:40 am

Mass, 8:10am +Margaret Juedes

### **Thursday, May 23**

*Saint Gregory VII*

Sacrament of Reconciliation, 7:40 am

Mass, 8:10 am +Helen Gronski

### **Friday, May 24**

*Saints Mary Magdalene de Pazzi*

Sacrament of Reconciliation, 7:40 am

Mass, 8:10 am +Gerald Geiger

### **Saturday, May 25**

*The Most Holy Trinity*

Sacrament of Reconciliation, 3:30 pm

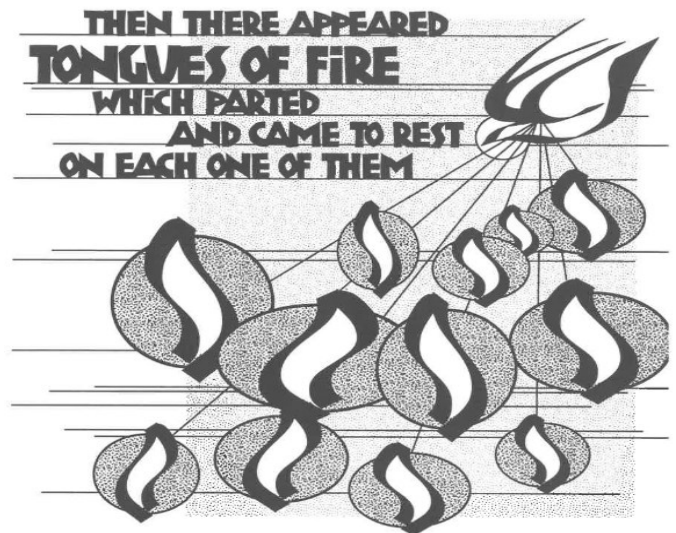
Mass, 4:30 pm +Donald Martin

### **Sunday, May 26**

*The Most Holy Trinity*

Mass, 8:00 am +John Pflieger

Mass, 10:00 am +Parish Family Members



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**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** - Contact the Parish Offices for baptism dates and to register for preparation sessions.

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING** - Celebrated in the Spring and Fall or in the home and hospital.

**RCIA** - A catechetical process to assist adults interested in becoming Catholic. Contact the Parish Offices.

**MARRIAGE** - Couples planning to marry are to notify the Parish Offices one year prior to the desired wedding date.

**FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH** with the parish, Contact the Parish Offices and ask for Father Albert.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** Friday 9:00 am to noon followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet

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**Deacon:** Patrick McKeough

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**Parish Phone:** 715-359-5206

**School Phone:** 715-359-9662

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Friday 9:00 am to Noon

### **Parish Staff:**

Director of Religious Education: Mary Hart

Pastoral Musician: Mary Martin

Primary Accompanist: Mikki Fronek

Bookkeeper: Les Huebner

Secretary to the Parish: Lynette LaQua

Pastoral Care to the Homebound: Susan Soriano

## SACRED WORSHIP

### Marian Shrine

Week of May 19, 2024

Robert Knishka



### Sacrament of Anointing

The sacrament will be celebrated at the Liturgies, May 25/26. Celebrate the sacrament with the understanding that sickness takes many forms. This is a sacrament that ritualizes the healing of the Risen Jesus who is in our midst. Sickness can be of a physical or emotional nature.

### Homebound Communion –Susan Soriano

Homebound visits for the week of, May 19, Team B : Mary N., Margaret T., Cecilia W., Bill S., Rosie V.

### Liturgical Ministry

SignUpGenius is available on the St. Mark Website May 25 and 26

#### 4:30 pm

Servers: Marie A. and Volunteer

Lectors: Al R.

Ministers of Hospitality: Don B.

Extraordinary Ministers: Kathy D., Jeanne Z., Denny B.

#### 8:00 am

Servers: Larry M. and Volunteer

Lectors: Ruth L.

Ministers of Hospitality: Larry S., Jerry W.

Extraordinary Ministers: Cecilia W., John P., Betty K.

#### 10:00 am

Servers: Aubrie and Addison P.

Lectors:

Ministers of Hospitality: **Volunteers Needed**

Extraordinary Ministers: Ann L., Sue S., Concetta G.

### Pastoral Music —Mary Martin

**Parish, Youth, and Handbell Choirs.** Thank you to all of our musicians who have shared their musical talents during liturgy throughout the year. St. Mark Parish has been blessed over the past 60+ years with a strong and vibrant singing congregation. We look forward to continue to grow our music ministry in the years to come.

**Pentecost.** The spiritual “Balm in Gilead” includes this verse: “Sometimes I feel discouraged, And think my life’s in vain, But then the Holy Spirit, Revives my soul again.” There are times in our lives when we need someone to be our advocate. How comforting to know that the Spirit is there teaching us, encouraging us, renewing our spirits, and leading us forward. Jill Maria Murdy, Sunday Word NPM.

### In the Liturgy of the Church Helen Ackermann

With this Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost which concludes the Easter Season. We hear from the Gospel of John. The evangelist John has all major events occurring at the same time, whereas Luke describes fifty days that occur before the final coming of the Holy Spirit. It is best to remember that within the second creation story, God breathes divine life into the human formed of clay. With our Baptism we celebrate our oneness with God by the power of the Holy Spirit. This is what we are celebrating today. It is fitting that we celebrate Confirmation on this day with the young people of St. Mark Parish. Being confirmed does not mean that this is when the Holy Spirit enters the lives of the young people, but rather it is a time when this reality is confirmed. Young people are already a part of the divineness of God,

Luke, the writer of the Acts of the Apostles, vividly describes the coming of the Holy Spirit through the symbols of fire and wind. Those who are gathered find that they can spread the good news of Jesus in various languages. Using the gifts we have, we too can rely on the Holy Spirit to enable us to go forth preaching the good news of Jesus Christ.

Since the Holy Spirit of God is already a part of who we are, we need to ask for guidance in seeking out the truth of who God is. The God who Jesus reveals is a God of mercy and love. This is the love that we are to share as disciples of Jesus Christ. We ask blessings on the young people of our parish, that they might move with confidence as they share this divine love with others,

**We remember this week,** Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,(Monday) Christopher Magallanes priest and companion martyrs (Tuesday) Rita of Cascia, religious (Wednesday) Bede the Venerable, priest, doctor of the Church, Gregory the VII, pope, Mary Magdalene de’Pazzi, virgin, (Saturday)

**St. Bede the Venerable, priest, doctor of the Church (672 -735)**

When he was only eight years old, Bede went to live with the Benedictine monks in an abbey in Jarrow, England. In his own words, he said, “I ever took delight in learning, teaching and writing.” He wrote on all topics; music, math, medicine and science. He educated over 600 monks in these subjects. He also wrote scripture commentaries. He is considered the first English historian. He was a simple man and spent time in prayer and song. In his old age he completed a translation of the Gospel of John. He said he did not fear death because “for we have a loving Lord.”

## **CATHOLIC EDUCATION/FORMATION**

### **Religious Education** —Mary Hart

**Congratulations** to the following young people who will be confirmed in the faith Sunday during the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. We pray that they continue to be open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit and they will be signs of the presence of God in the world.

*Allie Berndt, Lillian Bodenheimer, Davis Damrow, Lucas Erdman, Ian Geier, Tanner Henley, Madilyn Kittel, Makenna Koch, Jared Koslowski, Ian Krivoshein, Adeline Mandli, Addison Puent, Damien Puent, Everett Puent, Griffin Puent, Max Saari, Piper Schulz, Gabriel Simonsen, Will Van Ermen*

**2024 High School Graduates – Save the Date:** The parish community of St. Mark congratulates you on your accomplishment and would like to celebrate with you at the 10:00 Liturgy on Sunday, June 2.

### **This week in Religious Ed...**

**May 19:** 2:00 pm, Celebration of Confirmation at St. Mark Parish

### **Summer 2024 Youth Events**

#### **Wausau Deanery Trip to Noah's Ark Waterpark**

**WHEN:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024, depart St. Mark Parish at 8:15AM return by 8:00PM

**WHO:** Youth age 11-18 All are welcome! Invite your friends!

**COST:** \$55.00 per person which includes transportation and lunch! Be sure to bring money for extra snacks on the grounds and for DINNER on the way home.

**REGISTRATION & MORE INFO:** <https://wausaudeanery.weebly.com/noahs-ark-summer-trip.html>

#### **NCIS: (Neighborhood Catholics in Service) Wausau Stay-at Home Service Week**

**WHEN:** June 17-20, 8:30 AM-4:00 PM Daily, Hosted at St. Anne Parish, Wausau

**WHO:**

**Participants:** All youth ENTERING grades 6-8

**Counselors/Leaders:** All High School Youth ENTERING grades 9-12 and adults ages 21+

**COST:** \$30 per person; Register by Monday June 3, 2024 to let us know you are coming!

**ABOUT:** NCIS: Wausau (Neighborhood Catholics In Service) Youth Summer Work Camp is a four-day local service experience designed to bring you in contact with others while serving the community. Instead of just "talkin' the talk," you'll be "walkin' the walk." Each day focuses on a different emphasis: service, justice education, community and prayer. Show up every morning by 8:30 a.m. You'll be done at 4 p.m. Registration fees will cover your transportation to and from work sites, daily snacks and drinks, and an awesome t-shirt. To reduce costs, we ask that you bring

your own bag lunch daily. **REGISTRATION & MORE INFO:** <https://wausaudeanery.weebly.com/ncis-wausau.html>

St. Mark parish is offering scholarships to families for summer camps. Below are a few Summer camp opportunities that families from our parish have attended and recommend. Weeks fill up fast, so check your schedules and register soon. Contact Mary Hart at [maryhh@smproths.org](mailto:maryhh@smproths.org) or 715-359-5206 for information about summer camp scholarships!

\*Camp Tekakwitha located at W5248 LAKE DRIVE SHAWANO, WI 54166 run by the Diocese of Green Bay offers summer camp experiences for youth ages 6-14 and leadership camp experiences for youth ages 15-17. Check out their website <https://www.camptekakwitha.org/> for more information about what summer camp is all about and to register your child for a week that works with your schedule.

\*Camp Gray in Reedsburg Wi run by the Diocese of Madison offers summer camp experiences for youth entering grades 2-5, grades 6-8 and grades 9-10. Check out their website <https://campgray.com> for more information and to register your child for the week that works best for your family.

\*Adventure Camp 2024 for Grades 6-12 run by the Diocese of La Crosse in Delta, WI. The cost of the camp is \$420 and \$50 for the bus. Check out this link for more information and to register <https://diolc.org/vya/youth-opportunities/adventure-camp/>



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## Newman Catholic Schools

### **NCES: St. Mark**— Principal Shirley Heise

This past week we celebrated “Teacher Appreciation Week”. We have an amazing staff at NCES: St. Mark and I cannot thank them enough for their dedication and commitment to teaching their students in academics, their faith, and the importance of service to others.

We appreciate the support given to us by St. Mark Parish and certainly, the guidance of Father Albert and Father Eric. Thank you to those who choose to teach children and help them to become good people.

Thank you to the members of the NCES: St. Mark Home and School Organization for their gifts of food, flowers, and fun snack bags for the staff during Teacher Appreciation Week. This group of parents works hard to celebrate staff and students, raise money for charitable causes, and keep the parents of St. Mark’s informed. What a blessing it is to have such a supportive group.

Our last school Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, at 8:10 a.m. We have been so blessed to share in God’s word and song with you, our parishioners, throughout the school year.

Thank you for joining us.

Immediately following the Mass on May 30<sup>th</sup>, we will have our Fifth Grade Promotion Ceremony. We will certainly miss these young people as they move onto Middle School, but we know they are prepared to do so. Not only are they more knowledgeable in their academics, but they have spent the past six years growing in their Catholic faith. Please join us for this celebration of success.

Enrollment for the 2024-25 school year continues. We are excited to have returning students, but certainly welcome those who would like to join us. Please contact the school office at 715-359-9662 or Jacci Lepak, the Newman Enrollment Specialist, at [jlepak@newmancatholicsschools.com](mailto:jlepak@newmancatholicsschools.com) for more information.

Until next time...God bless.

### **FAMILY LIFE**



The family of St. Mark extends sympathies to the family of: Robert Knishka who was passed on May 3, 2024. God, grant Robert the fullness of Eternal Life.

### **LADIES COUNCIL OF ST. MARK PARISH**

**Prayer Shawl Ministry.** Join us Thursdays from 12:30 to 2:00 pm in the Catechetical Resource Room. **Prayer Shawls are available in the Parish Office.** Donations of yarn (including partial skeins) are greatly appreciated!

## **SOCIAL CONCERNS**

### **March for Life Wisconsin - June 15 at the Capitol in Madison:**

Attend the annual March for Life Wisconsin and help us commemorate the anniversary of the Dobbs decision that overturned Roe. Join pro-lifers from around Wisconsin as we stand up for the culture of life and show our elected officials in Madison that life is worth defending. Free registration and more information can be found at [prolife.org/marchforlifewi](http://prolife.org/marchforlifewi), or by scanning the QR code to the right. Information on buses from Chippewa Falls and La Crosse will follow soon.

### **JUNE BUG '24**

**Your June Bug '24 Raffle Tickets** are available for pickup after Liturgies in the Church or during the week tickets are available in the Parish Office.

#### **JUNE BUG '24 ALL CASH RAFFLE DRAWING**

**WE ARE AT \$7,630.00 IN SALES**

**We are grateful for your support of buying or selling JUNE BUG '24 Raffle Tickets!!**

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Mary Martin	
Arthur & Mary Mallo	
Miles & MaryAnn VanSlyke	
Teresa & Jack Bobinski	
Larry & Susan Stoltz	
Norma Stuplich	

\*Next June Bug meeting is Tuesday, May 21, at 4 PM

## **PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL**

### **Budget Committee**

**Your tithe is greatly appreciated!** If you are interested in the automatic withdrawal feature, contact the parish office for the form.

#### **Operating Income**

	12 May.	1 Jul-12 May	2024	Balance
Adult	<b>7,299.00</b>	444,427.17	600,736	156,308.70
Offering	<b>328.00</b>	17,015.28	23,264	6,249.08
Debt Reduction	<b>150.00</b>	6,741.00		
Totals	<b>7,777.00</b>	468,183.45		

#### **Other Income/Transfers**

Circle of Joy	1,245.00
Votive Candles	905.83
Bequest/Memorials	3,523.00

#### **Adult Tithe Summary**

Tithe Budgeted Per Week	11,552.61
Received this Week	<u>7,299.00</u>
	-4,253.61
Received Weeks 1- 26	444,427.17
Budgeted Weeks YTD	<u>531,420.06</u>
Budget	-86,992.89

	May 11, 4:30 pm	May 12, 8: 00 am	May 12, 10:00 am
Mass Attendance		100	

#### **Inspired by the Spirit Campaign**

Goal:	\$735,000.00
Amount Received:	\$445,462.55

#### **2023 Annual Appeal**

Goal:	\$89,265.00
Amount Received:	\$34,800.00

## **PARISH OFFICE**

**Summer beautification:** Anyone interested in assisting with our church environment please contact the parish office. Volunteers are always welcome and appreciated.

If you have lilacs, hydrangeas, peonies or any long-stemmed garden flowers in bloom, and willing to share, a parish volunteer will come to your home to cut the flowers Saturday mornings after 9:30 a.m.

#### ***God is greater than our hearts and knows everything***

Calling all adult parishioners families and teenagers. Your help is needed at St Mark Parish to assist those who are preparing to worship God at Sunday Mass. In particular, 10 a.m. Mass needs Ushers.

Requirements of the position: a “spirit of hospitality”, making everyone feel welcome and comfortable as we gather for Eucharistic celebration. Duties: Greet people at entrance ways and watch over the assembly in case of

special needs, medical assistance, etc. Take a people count when needed. Distribute bulletins, help pass collection baskets at offertory and select someone to bring up the gifts. Depending on the amount of people at Mass, ushers may help control procession at communion. Attire: Business Casual. If interested, please call the parish office.

**The Parish is in need of Volunteers** to help clean the church the weeks of May 19 & May 26 and the school one day on May 28th. If an individual or group is available to help please contact the Parish Office.

The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day.



The flower gardens at the parsonage need tending. If any group or individual is interested in maintaining them please call the Parish Office.



## **FROM THE DIOCESE**

### **Corpus Christi June 2, 2024 “Walking with Jesus in the Corpus Christi Procession”**

The annual solemnity of the most holy body and blood of Christ (also called Corpus Christi, “Body of Christ”) finds many parishes around the world celebrating a procession in which a host consecrated at Mass is then carried in a monstrance in a solemn way through a city’s streets—June 2 in 2024. Like the Blessed Sacrament itself, there is more to the Corpus Christi procession than meets the eye. It is an occasion to profess our faith in the sacrament of the Eucharist, to thank Jesus for the gift of His cross and presence in this sacrament—and to walk with Him toward the promised land of heaven. This is the eighth in a series on key themes for the eucharistic revival written by Chris Carstens, Ann Lankford, and Christopher Ruff. Visit this website or use your smartphone to scan the QR code to the right: [diolc.org/eucharist/learn](http://diolc.org/eucharist/learn)

### **A Minute with Jesus: The Holy Spirit and the Eucharist**

Even after the Apostles had experienced the Risen Christ, they were afraid. They gathered with Mary on the day of Pentecost and prayed behind locked doors, waiting as instructed for the Gift of the Holy Spirit. After the Holy Spirit descended upon them on Pentecost, the Apostles were no longer afraid and were equipped to fulfill their mission. It is the same for us today. When we receive the Eucharist, we also receive God the Holy Spirit, to abide in the depths of our hearts. If we allow Him, the Spirit of Truth will transform us and we will no longer be afraid, but be equipped with peace and strength for our mission.

Let us then prepare for each Eucharistic encounter in the same way the Apostles prepared for Pentecost, "in prayer ... with Mary ..." (Acts 1:14).

**How does God speak to me?**

Have you ever wondered how God may be speaking to you? Perhaps you are waiting to hear a loud, booming voice come from the heavens to tell you what to do or which way to go. While this isn't completely out of the question, often God takes a much subtler approach. In 1 Kings, we have the account of the Prophet Elijah standing at the entrance of a cave, waiting for the Lord to appear. As he waits, he encounters a strong, violent wind, a powerful earthquake, and a consuming fire, yet God was not revealing Himself in any of those powerful examples. Finally, as Elijah waited, he heard a soft, quiet whisper. At that, he knelt to the ground and prayed. God often speaks to us, not in grand and impressive ways, but in the silence. When we can still our hearts, that's when we begin to hear His voice, calling us into relationship and to follow Him. Sometimes that invitation is to follow the Lord as one who lovingly serves others in the priesthood. If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this call to the priesthood, please contact me at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!

**IN THE AREA**

**St. Vincent de Paul** is seeking volunteers for assistance with various tasks in our Thrift Store. We could use help with receiving donations and with placing merchandise on display on our sales floor. Hours are available between 9 am and 7 pm Monday thru Friday and from 9 am to 4 pm on Saturdays. If interested, please complete an application by visiting our website at SVdPWausau and select the Volunteer option under the Ways to Help tab. Thank you and God Bless.

**Good News Project:** Does someone in your life need assistance with home medical equipment? A loved one, friend or neighbor? The Health Equipment Lending Program at Good News Project offers loans of gently used equipment such as walkers, canes and wheelchairs. Call for more information 715-843-5985.



**St. Joseph Annual Picnic**  
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**June 1 & 2**

**June 1** 4pm Mass  
 5pm All Events Open  
 Concessions, Music, Kids Games, Cherry Tree, Country Store, Refreshments, Pull Tabs, Sweepstakes, Basket Raffle (drawing at 8:30pm)  
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**June 2** 9:30am Corpus Christi Procession  
 Begins at St. Stephen, processing to St. Joseph  
 10:30am Polka Mass with the Choraleers and Old Time Brass  
 11:30am All Events Open  
 Concessions, Cherry Tree, Country Store, Kids Games, Refreshments, Pull Tabs, Basket Raffle, Sweepstakes.  
 Fun for All Ages!  
 11:30am until 4pm continuous music with The Old Time Brass  
 4pm Basket Raffle & Sweepstakes Drawing.  
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## **SCRIPTURE TEXTS - May 26, 2024:**

### **The Most Holy Trinity**

Opening Prayer: Lord God, assist me as I try to understand the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity. I know that I am to go out into the world and spread the good news. Your son, Jesus, promises that he will be us all until the end of the age. I make this prayer in his name, he who is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

#### **DEUTERONOMY 4:32-34, 39-40**

Moses said to the people: "Ask now of the days of old, before your time, ever since God created man upon the earth; ask from one end of the sky to the other: Did anything so great ever happen before? Was it ever heard of? Did a people ever hear the voice of God speaking from the midst of fire, as you did, and live? Or did any god venture to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, with strong hand and outstretched arm, and by great terrors, all of which the LORD, your God, did for you in Egypt before your very eyes? This is why you must now know, and fix in your heart, that the LORD is God in the heavens above and on earth below, and that there is no other. You must keep his statutes and commandments that I enjoin on you today, that you and your children after you may prosper, and that you may have long life on the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you forever."

#### **PSALM 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22**

**R. (12b) Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

Upright is the word of the LORD,  
and all his works are trustworthy.  
He loves justice and right;  
of the kindness of the Lord the earth is full.

**R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made;  
by the breath of his mouth all their host.  
For he spoke, and it was made;  
he commanded, and it stood forth.

**R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him,  
upon those who hope for his kindness,  
To deliver them from death  
and preserve them in spite of famine.

**R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

Our soul waits for the LORD,  
who is our help and our shield.  
May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us  
who have put our hope in you.

**R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

#### **ROMANS 8:14-17**

Brothers and sisters: For those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

#### **MATTHEW 28:16-20**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they all saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

#### **Reflection Questions:**

1. What does your Baptism mean to you? Does your Baptism empower you?
2. How do you understand the meaning of the Holy Trinity?
3. With these three ways of being God, which appeals to you the most?
4. To whom do you pray when you take time to have a conversation with God?

Concluding Prayer: Lord God, you surround me with your great love. Help me to understand your love because of the Mystery of the Holy Spirit. Enable me to share with others your great love for me. I make this prayer in unity with the Jesus, he who is Lord forever. Amen.

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