

The solemnity of the MOST HOLY TRINITY is the MOTHER of all solemnities. Today we celebrate GOD revealed as Three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The first part of the Collect divulges this mystery thus:

“God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth (Jesus Christ) and the Spirit of sanctification (Holy Spirit) made known to the human race your wondrous mystery...”

The 2nd part accentuates our quest in this celebration:

“...grant, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty.”

This is exactly what we do at Mass -the Creed at the center of the Word and Eucharist. But if this is the mother of all celebration, how is it that the readings are very short – we are not reading the whole BIBLE? The answer is; it is a celebration of LOVE (A MYSTERY): God’s Merciful Love, Gracious Love and Steadfast Love. While the 1st and 2nd Readings end with prayers, the Gospel expresses that believe in God’s love grants us membership in the family of the Blessed Trinity. As God reveals himself as ‘the Lord and God’ to Moses in the 1st Reading, the only response from Moses is a prayer with one unique intention: ‘to be family with God.’

“If now I have found favour in your sight, O Lord, I pray, let the Lord go with us (Emmanuel). Although this is a stiff-necked people, pardon our iniquity and our sin and take us for your inheritance (family with God).”

This is like the structure of our Mass. A powerful prayer with penitential request and the most noble supplication we must always make when we knock on the doors of the Most Holy Trinity. Journeying with God guarantees eternity and family with God endows divinity.

Similarly, St. Paul in the 2nd Reading starts with the most touching exhortation, which if kept, will help us to achieve our quest in this celebration. He tells us,

“...put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of Love and peace will be with you (Emmanuel again).”

The ending is a doxology and a benediction that shows the Persons of the Trinity making a Home with us.

“The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.”

A prayer manifesting a happy ending for all believers.

From the Gospel, we must believe in God’s only begotten Son. Our membership in the Family of the Most Holy Trinity depends on this. **“...so that everyone who believes may not perish but may have eternal life”** likewise our non-membership **“...but the one who does not believe is condemned already...”**

From creation and through salvation history the only thing that stood at the center is LOVE. The love that is a communion, existing and persisting in the Three Persons; we are made partakers of that LOVE. The mathematics of that LOVE is 1+1+1 = 1 (UNITY) – **“GOD so loved the world...”** The only way to get connected to this LOVE (the PASSWORD) is Believe in Jesus Christ. The love was not reduced for us. As the body of Christ, we also partake in this unity, communion, and love through the sacraments of the Church. To constantly remind us of this Love/Unity, the Holy Mother Church uses the doxology by St. Paul. Our acclamation must always be;

“Alleluia, Alleluia. Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia”