



CONSOLATA SHRINE

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Year A

11th June 2017



FIRST READING

Exodus 34:4b-6.8-9

"The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious."

A reading from the Book of Exodus

In those days: Moses rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the Lord had commanded him, and took in his hand two tables of stone. And the Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him, and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness." And Moses made haste to bow his head towards the earth, and worshipped. And he said, "If now I have found favour in your sight, O Lord, let the Lord, I beg you, go in the midst of us, although it is a stiff-necked people; and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance."

The word of the Lord



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Daniel 3:29-30.31

Response. You are to be praised and highly exalted forever



Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers,
and to be praised and highly exalted forever,
and blessed is your glorious, holy name
and to be highly praised and highly exalted forever. ***(Response)***

Blessed are you in the temple of your holy glory
and to be extolled and highly glorified forever. ***(Response)***

Blessed are you upon the throne of your kingdom
and be extolled and highly exalted forever. ***(Response)***

Blessed are you, who sit upon cherubim and look upon the
deeps, and to be praised and highly exalted forever. ***(Response)***

Blessed are you in the firmament of heaven
and to be sung and glorified forever. ***(Response)***

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

“The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.”

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

Brethren, rejoice. Mend your ways, heed my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

The word of the Lord

Alleluia

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

Alleluia

GOSPEL

John 3:16-18

“God sent his Son that the world might be saved through him”.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. He who believes in him is not condemned; he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only-begotten Son of God.

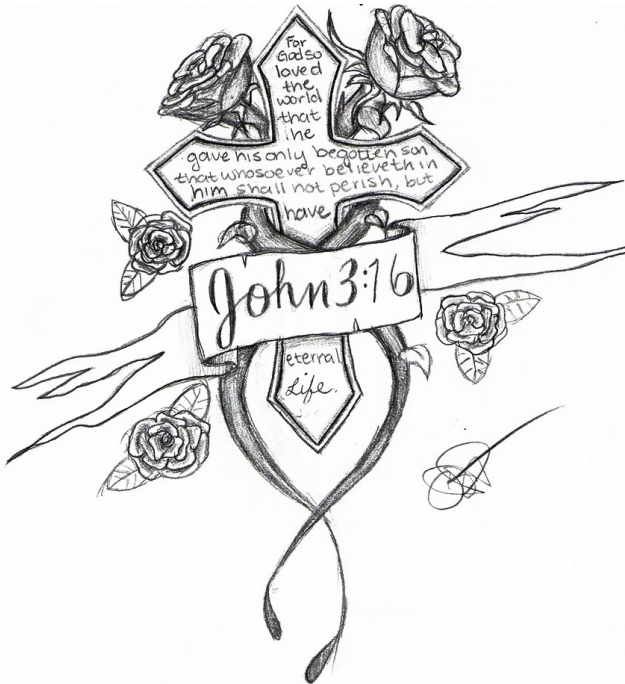
The Gospel of the Lord

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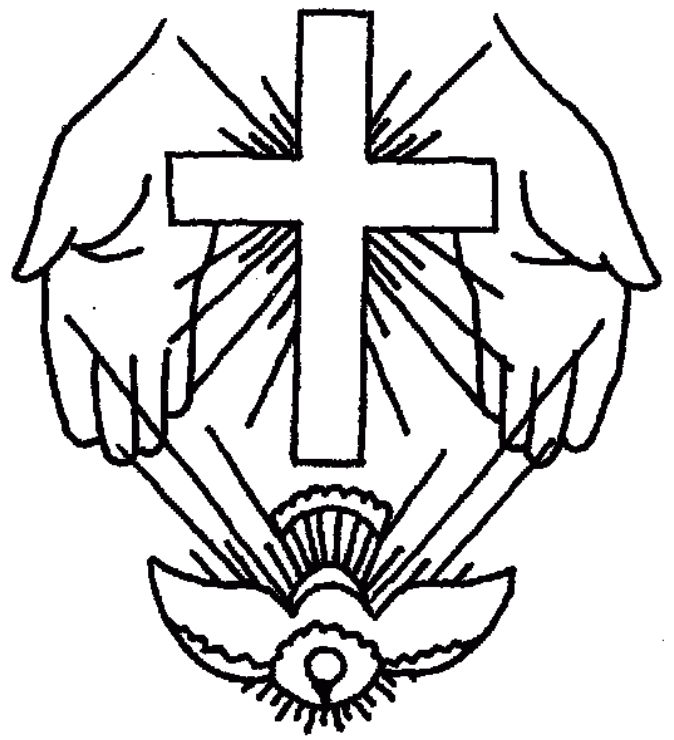
by Scott Hahn, Ph.D.

We often begin Mass with the prayer from today's Epistle: “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.” We praise the God who has revealed himself as a Trinity, a communion of persons. Communion with the Trinity is the goal of our worship - and the purpose of the salvation history that begins in the Bible and continues in the Eucharist and sacraments of the Church. We see the beginnings of God's self-revelation in today's First Reading, as He passes before Moses and cries out His holy name.

Israel had sinned in worshipping the golden calf (see Exodus 32). But God does not



condemn them to perish. Instead He proclaims His mercy and faithfulness to His covenant. God loved Israel as His firstborn son among the nations (see Exodus 4:22). Through Israel - heirs of His covenant with Abraham - God planned to reveal himself as the Father of all nations (see Genesis 22:18). The memory of God's covenant testing of Abraham - and Abraham's faithful obedience - lies behind today's Gospel. In commanding Abraham to offer his only beloved son (see Genesis 22:2,12,16), God was preparing us for the fullest possible revelation of His love for the world. As Abraham was willing to offer Isaac, God did not spare His own Son but handed Him over for us all (see Romans 8:32).



In this, He revealed what was only disclosed partially to Moses - that His kindness continues for a thousand generations, that He forgives our sin, and takes us back as His very own people (see Deuteronomy 4:20; 9:29).

Jesus humbled himself to die in obedience to God's will. And for this, the Spirit of God raised Him from the dead (see Romans 8:11), and gave Him a name above every name (see Philippians 2:8-10). This is the name we glorify in today's Responsorial - the name of our Lord, the God who is Love (see 1 John 4;8,16).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. In preparation to the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, we will have a triduum of Adoration from Wednesday to Friday at 4.30pm.
2. Next Sunday, Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, the 12 o'clock mass will be followed by a solemn procession with the Blessed Eucharist. Please put attention that the procession it will be after the 12 o'clock mass and not after 10.30am mass as it has been in the past.
3. Next Friday 16th, we begin the novena of Our Lady Consolata at all masses. Let us come and pray through the intercession of our Patroness for our families and the whole country.
4. Construction of the Allamano Centre to build a new block of pastoral offices, hall and parking has begun. We kindly request you to stop by the tables at the entrances of the church and get detailed information about the project. We also invite you to give your contribution or make a pledge towards the project.
5. Last week, 4 parishioners got the 4 prizes. Two smartphones and two fuel vouchers. New prizes are won every week! The whole of Last month we have been celebrating the winners and was crowned by winners of brand new Renault Kwid Sheila and Margaret. DONATE and WIN is still ongoing Consolata Shrine Raffle. The more you

participate the more chances of winning! Remember the code is *369*2# or M-pesa Pay Bill 804877 and Account WIN.

6. You can now make payment by VISA CARD in the Parish Office or at the Bookshop.

WEEKLY MEETINGS

- Charity Committee on Sunday 18th at 12 o'clock

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest your weary ones. Bless your dying ones. Soothe your suffering ones. Pity your afflicted ones. Shield your joyous ones. And for all your love's sake. Amen

PRAYER FOR THE ALLAMANO CENTRE

I lift up my eyes to the mountains: from where shall come my help? My help shall come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. (Ps 121:1)

All-powerful and all-merciful father, you have created all things through your Son and have made him the unshakable foundation of your kingdom. Through the gift of your eternal wisdom, grant that the undertaking we begin today for your glory and the benefit of the Parish may progress day by day to its successful completion. May the Allamano Centre be the expression of our faith and of our missionary zeal to reach more people and in a better way. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady Consolata, pray for us! Blessed Joseph Allamano, pray for Us!

DAILY READING

Monday: 2 Cor 1-7; Ps 34:2-9, Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22, Ps 119, Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11, Ps 99; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15- 4: 1.3-16; Ps 85; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15, Ps 116, Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21, Ps 103, Mt 5:33-37

SCHEDULES FOR MASSES:

Sunday: 7.30 am **Kiswahili**

9.00 am, 10.30 am, 12.00 noon
and 5.30 pm **English**

Saturday: English 7.00 am, 9.00 am
and 5.30 pm

Monday to Friday: English 7:00 am
and 1.15 pm, 5.30 pm **Kiswahili**

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