



TRINITY



Sunday

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PENTECOST



SUNDAY



The Month of May and June We Celebrate the Great Liturgical Solemnities

Relationship with TRINITY

(Most Rev, Bishop Luciano Capelli SDB)

The Months of May and June invite us to celebrate great liturgical solemnities to help us to remember and most of all to experience our faith today, here in our domestic church and ecclesial community. We remember our relationship with the TRINITY:

The father loves us, He created us, and the beautiful world we live in...
We took advantage and often did not take care of this beautiful nature,
We even fail to respect human life and man and of the master of nature made in his image

Our lack of capacity to love nature and its Creator made evil come into the world
Evil exists because we fail to make the right decisions... too often we make wrong decisions because of failure, pride, corruption
We hurt ourselves and the people who love us...
Sin is indeed in the church as well, in all its members...
But the same Father send us part of himself to pay the price for our mistakes and to show us the way out
He invited us to follow him in the fight against evil and sin
He paid for us, he redeemed us... and yet we are so weak...

And yet he did not leave us alone, he gave us his Spirit of strength, wisdom, love
We can do it only with Him, through Him, in Him...
Alone we cannot win...

At the end of the fight there will be no fright, there will be victory
Victory is not in the final triumph but in the daily struggle

The solemnities of the ascension, Trinity, body and blood of Christ, the feast of the sacred heart assures us we are not alone
Let us lift up our hearts... put up a good fight and things will improve

With my blessings

Message from the Pastoral

(Vocation & Priestly formation)



God called us early in life but we didn't respond to the calling until later in life, after having spent several years in businesses. While material comforts are nice, there is no greater joy or happiness in this world than to do the will of God in your life. Be the man or woman God created you to be. Don't be afraid to seek Him first and foremost, above all else.



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TRINITY SUNDAY

Trinity Sunday commemorates and honors not an event, but a reality of the Holy Trinity. Trinity Sunday falls on the Sunday after Pentecost. In year 2010, Trinity Sunday falls on May 30.

It is officially "The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity," one of the few feasts of the Christian Year that celebrates a reality and doctrine rather than an event or person. On Trinity Sunday we remember and honor the eternal God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

As we are journeying together to achieve the value we are promoting this year; that is "UNITY", the word reminds us of our togetherness. Many of us think negatively, but trinity reminds us of thinking positively. And work cooperatively to achieve our ideal. Celebrating Trinity Sundays reminds us too, of being with the father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Reminder

We are Coming towards the end of The year of the Priest on June 27th this year. A letter was circulated around our diocese for the priests to write Pastoral Messages regarding Retreats and Events.

Any priests are welcome to write articles reflect on the "YEAR OF THE PRIESTS"

2010-Pastoral Services Programs.

focus: Training of Trainers.

" To strengthen the Pastoral Services & Structures of ALL our Parishes."

Family Life Apostolate Program

1. Marriage Enrichment & Commissioning Training
2. Ovulation Method & Moral teaching of the church training

Pastoral Training & Formation Program.

1. Catechists training for prayer leaders
2. "Hey Dad Program"
3. Liturgical Ministers training
4. Basic Bible Seminar
5. Christian Leadership Seminar
6. Come & See Program
7. Call to be a Catechist training

Women's Program

1. Women's Health Management Training
2. Women's Literacy training of trainers

Media & Communication's Program

1. Media Theme education training
2. Basic Media Education Seminar
3. Listening Skill Training

Education /Teachers Program

1. Teachers Retreat
2. Education Conference

Youth Program

1. Youth Leadership Seminar Workshop.
2. Youth Encounter.
3. Bishops Cup



"We give & re-give ALL the sense of the value of SOLIDARITY by promoting our being in UNITY with our brothers and sisters and with the nature around us"

Relationships and Partnership are the basis for UNITY, and Unity is the basis for both of these: as we grow in relationship and partnership our unity develops and grows; it reveals to us in our experience the reality of our unity as humans, as Christians and as citizens of our nation



**FR, Jacob Qetobatu
Parish Priest
St Joseph Parish, Moli**

**PRIESTS ONGOING FORMATION PAPUA NEW GUINEA
12-April/22May**

Good day the waves, how are you?

I have brought to your attention two reflections, first reflection is about Human Vessels Chosen and Gifted and second reflection is about Who am I?

FIRST REFLECTION: Human Vessels Chosen and Gifted

Dearest Catholic people of Gizo Diocese, Pope Benedict XVI opened last year until this year the year of Priests on the same day of solemnity of the sacred heart of Jesus as a one year preparation for the 150th Anniversary of the death of St John Mary Vianney Cure of Ars and Patron Saint of all Parish Priests. John Mary Vianney is presented as a model on how he configured himself to Christ Head and Shepherd, which is the basic meaning of the vocation to the Priest Hood, as we are told in the Pastores Dabo Vobis, the Pastoral letter written by the late Pope John Paul II.

Priests as underlined by the first reflection are Human vessels chosen and gifted, meaning, they are human, subjected to limitation and mistakes, however, God called them from the many and ordained them for the service of teaching, sanctifying and governing that portion of God's people entrusted to them by the local Ordinary.

People do think that priests are being from heaven or the world of ideas, the abstracted world or in another version, people do think that priests are perfect beings, so much so, if there are limitations labeled on them that will be the THEME of that particular months, weeks and days.

Priest as far as they are concern, my dearest communities and personals, needed your prayers, supports and encouragements, that they will be faithful Servant in their Priestly life and Ministry. Your

corrections and advices are noisier than a fallen tree in the deep forest, not critics.

To conclude, as the year of the Priests descending to the horizon of the ocean, I would take this opportunity on my hand on behalf of my Presbyters, to thank you all, either personally or community, for being part of our journey through your prayers, supports, visiting us in our loneliness, tirelessness, rejections and innumerable in serving the Lord in our remote Parishes.

For the times that we are not attentive to your needs, not visiting you in your communities or houses, not respecting you or scolding you violently, I on my hand on behalf of my Presbyters, do regret and apologized and asking for your forgiveness.

Lastly but not the least, a very BIG THANK YOU to the Late Pope John Paul II, the author of the Pastores Dabo Vobis and our present Pope Benedict XVI for remembering us His Priest.

Second Reflection—Next issue

Catholic Diocese of Gizo

Turning **"GOLD"** 1960- 2010
"Dynamic Fidelity"

The Month of May

TRINITY
"May they be One"

**COMING UP
THE MONTH OF
JUNE**

My good people of God. We are asked to pray for the upcoming events on June -

- ⇒ Golden Jubilee
- ⇒ Closing of the year of the Priests
- ⇒ Renewal Commitment of the People of the Diocese

We beg your support and Contribution. Lets Build our Church

Reflections Around Our Diocese

Michael Tepaitera Tanentoa
Chairman—Nusabaruku Catholic Steering
and Strengthening Committee

Nusabaruku Catholic Community is pressing forward for the betterment of the Children. Its Steering and Strengthening Committee had set priorities for the development on spiritual, physical and psychological. There are so many works to be done in those fields of being fully grown and developed in my community. My committee will keep working hard for the sake of the people and the will of God.

Due to population growth and influences from out side of the community, there are so many challenges for the committee to consider and to find solutions best and suitable for the members of the community.

We are now involving our church members in building a Sunday School Class room for their children. It is good to see our youths enjoying and sharing their talents together, "Youth Serving Youths" - building the Sunday school building.

I appeal to parishioners colleagues to help my committee in your prayers.



Arnold Arabatu
Youth president Choiseul province
Moli parish

After the workshops, we have our on observations at the end, especially on evaluations.

Anyway, this Literacy Seminar which was held at Wagina parish on the 10 - 14th of May gave me some of the ideas of how we can fit in and involve to carry out the program. The program may benefit our kindergarten children and those who never had basic education at all. I think that English literacy can help train youths to know how to read warnings and other health issues. In fact, at the end of the Seminar I found out that the treasure that is hidden inside; represents one word, that is- SHARE to others what we learn.

our mothers who have attended the workshop have benefitted a lot, and in turn will help to teach their smaller ones in their communities.



Moses Velomama
Catechist & media Volunteer
Kavata parish

This year 2010, one of the aim of our Diocese is, "**Strengthening of the Parish Pastoral Services and Structures**" To me this year is a year of Challenge and Struggle, to build structures of each parishes that we can work on. Parish Priests (PP), the Parish Team Pastoral Animator (PTPA) and the Catechists must find ways to fit in the Diocesan program without giving much pressure. The programs will benefit us, But we must always consider some of the pastoral programs to be carry out in our parish,if not this may bring to a halt many usefull programmes.

We can build this church if we hear voices from the grassroots. As our evangelizing message for this month tells of a faith in a mission. "**Together in action we journey in faith**". Let's grow together in one body of Christ, in Unity we can build the Church of God.



Stanislaus Hotman Fafale
Media Volunteer
Nila Parish

Crying Youths— Some young people in our diocese to day seem to be isolated from meaningfully focusing their intentions in pastoral services and in catholic faith. They are scattered like sheep's without shepherd that needs guidance. Probably they have been left out for so long without giving them attentions. I think now that there are courses being conducted by our diocese, they now can come to understand their roles in the communities they live in.

Some Youth Coordinators in other parish said that the youth members in their areas are still waiting for possible assistance that will never come. I understanding that up till now there is still no one who is really concern about youth affairs in those areas. HOW LONG SHOULD THEY WAIT?

Let everyone take responsibility to kindly support our youths. And dont abandon them, to walk alone in the valley of tears .

So we leaders from every organization around our diocese should willingly and whole heartedly stand up and stir our future leaders into the rightful Christian path, so that they may grow stronger in faith and leave humbly according to the value of Good News.

News In Bits



Youth Serving Youths Training, kavata (Max Visukesa, Kavata)

Youth Serving Youth training held in 3 separated areas from 25th April to the 3rd May. The areas are from Kadova, Voruvoru and Sariana. A total of 70 youths successfully attended the seminar. Many were touched by the sessions as it was informative, at the same time they benefitted from the training..

However, there are areas that needs to complete the training. But this may happen when finance is available.

Disaster Awareness Workshop Moli (Simon Telovaka, Media Volunteer)

Moli parish had a privileged to attend the two days Seminar from 2nd to 4th May at its Mission station. The program, mainly to give knowledge to the parishioners on how to handle disasters when it strikes.

The parishioners appreciated the team from the Choiseul Province for such program.



Sunday School Bring & Buy, Moli (Simon Telovae, Media Volunteer)

Moli Parish School Division had hosted a Bring and Buy at Moli Camp on the 7th of

May. Purposely for preparing the children for the up coming Children's Day Program. A Diocesan program which bring the parishioners to have more concern on the children in our parish. Thanks also for parents who gave support for their own children.

Women's & Youth Literacy Seminar Wagina

35 participants representing their parish (Wagina, Moli, Sirovanga, Nila, Gizo and Noro) have completed a 5 days seminar from 10th to 14th May at Wagina Cookson Parish. Those who attended were females and some of them are youths and kindergarten teachers. The Seminar mainly was to teach participants on sounding of the letters and constructing words out from those soundings. However, it was a Pidgin spoken seminar and many words are spelled in Pidgin rather than English. During the seminar they were put in groups to - practice teaching the class.

The Program was facilitated by Sr. Evangeline DMI from Diocese of Auki with the help of Janet Burabura.



Media awareness focus on Popes WC Message

As usual, Popes World Communication Message for the Catholics around the world gave the parish of Gizo a privilege to reflect on his

message on Ascension Sunday 16th May; Parishioners have time to listen to the Popes World Communication Message. And many contributed and gave suggestions for the betterment of the Media in our diocese.

Children's Day Celebration Moli Parish (Simon Telovae Media Volunteer Moli)

Children's Day Celebration at Moli Mission station highlights the Children development in our community. The program commenced on the 21st-23rd May, which gathered the parishioners to witness the program's activities. The program ended with the thanksgiving Mass which everyone took part and also witnessing the Pentecost Sunday Celebration.

The program was coordinated by PTPA, with the help of Fr. Calistus op, Sr. Maria Tom op, and Sr. Rita op and also the Sunday school teachers.



Prayer leaders Workshop, Southern Deanery (Sr. Saniele Sapu OP)

20 participants successfully participated the Catechism training for Prayer Leaders on the 27th to 31st May.

A 5 days training which focused mainly on their roles as prayers leaders to serve their own respective parish. Many were committed and new some of the impacts to improve prayers in their own community.

The program was facilitated by Jerome, George, Moses and Sr. Rita OP.

Pictures Around our Diocese



Dishing out money destroys our Country

Buying of voters is not a good practice for a good leader, who wants to represent his or her constituency in the National Parliament for the next four years. The attitude will ruin the future of our children and their grandchildren.



EDUCATION 4 LIFE

From April issue

FOR AN EDUCATION TO VALUES AGAINST HIV/AIDS

Sexuality and God's Will

1 WHAT IS SEXUALITY?

- The words sex, sexuality, sexual intercourse, sex education, sexual diseases, sexual love... and others are used in everyday language. At home, in school, in talks, on the radio and TV, in films.. You hear things about sex. You are growing up now and would like to know about those things.

His or her sex is what makes an individual masculine (Being a man) or feminine (or a woman) .

- A human being cannot be part one thing and part another. The **whole** human being has to be either female or male

- **Physically:** The bodily differences are easy to see. A man's skin and hair are different from a woman's.

- **Psychologically,** human males and females differ (unlike) but other animals do not.

- This difference makes it possible for males and females to "**complement**" one another (which means that they fit together to make life **complete** for each of them in every way).

- **Sexuality affects the whole person.** Sexuality cannot be limited to the body, to sexual relations or to genitality (= the sexual organs and their use). Sex education has to take **the whole person** into account.

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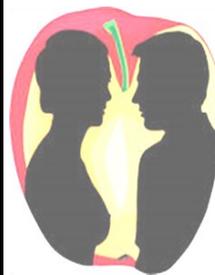
SEXUALITY AND GOD'S WILL

- The Bible teaches us God's plan concerning human sexuality through two stories about the creation. (Gen. Chs 1-2)

The first story from the Bible (Gen 1)

- **Man and woman are created in the image of God.** A human being does not come originally from the animal world but from God, who is Spirit and Love. He has not just developed from an animal, as some people think.

- God set man and woman apart and called them to protect creation through **procreation**, which means the making of new life by having children.



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