

The Most Holy Trinity

In years gone by, the good sisters who taught in Catholic schools everywhere used a wonderful tool, the Baltimore Catechism, to impart basic knowledge of the faith to their students. In this book, questions and answers led the student through the mysteries of the faith to an understanding that God is one, yet somehow within the Godhead exists three divine and distinct Persons. The geometric shape of the triangle helped children envision the meaning of three in one.

The scriptures reveal an image of God the Father by describing Him as the Master Artist, who brings about everything in creation and crowns it with humanity. This masterpiece reflects the Artist in its original and innocent form, we actually can see a glimpse of the Creator Himself.

In His wisdom, God reveals Himself further in the incarnation of the Son. Even those closest to Him fail to understand that when they see Him, they are seeing the Father because the Father and the Son are one. The mission of the Son is to restore what was broken in the beginning. God's plan was interrupted and the world from that moment needed a Savior. God in His love doesn't merely send a savior but comes Himself as the Savior.

When His mission is completed, He returns to the Father with the promise to remain with us always. That promise is fulfilled in the sending of the Holy Spirit whose purpose is to reassure and strengthen his newborn church by His abiding presence.

You and I all these centuries later profess faith in that same Trinity. Without seeing, we believe. This faith starts a fire in us and beckons us to share with all those around us the message of new life because of Him who came to save us.

Peace,

Fr. Robert