

## Homily Helps and Petitions for the The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, Cycle C (June 15, 2025)

### Homily Helps

#### † Scripture Passages to Note:

**Proverbs 8:** Thus says the wisdom of God: "The Lord possessed me, the beginning of his ways, the forerunner of his prodigies of long ago; from of old I was poured forth, at the first, before the earth."

**Psalms 8:** When I behold your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars which you set in place — What is man that you should be mindful of him, or the son of man that you should care for him?

**Romans 5:** ...hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

**John 16:** Jesus said to his disciples: "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth."

#### † Comments for the Day:

The Holy Trinity of God the Father, the Creator, God the Son the Redeemer, and God the Holy Spirit the Sanctifier, one God in three divine persons, is revealed to us in their love for humans. We can know and experience the Trinity in so far as they reveal themselves to us in love. Love is relational. As human beings created in the image and likeness of God, we too are created to be relational, and are called to be in right relationship with God, with each other, and with all of God's creation.

The reading from Proverbs reminds us that the Wisdom of God was present before the universe was created, and poured into the earth before humans were made. The psalmist contemplates the heavens and is reminded of the vastness of the universe. He reflects on the immense honor and responsibility that God has bestowed on humans as stewards of creation.

The created world has value, not because of its usefulness to human beings, but by virtue of its being created by God. In *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis reminds us that we are not separate from the rest of creation, but are joined in communion with it. It is our challenge, with the help of the Spirit, to undergo the profound interior conversion that Pope Francis speaks of, leading to generosity and good stewardship of all God's creation

### † Passages from *Laudato Si'* to Note:

Love, overflowing with small gestures of mutual care, is also civic and political, and it makes itself felt in every action that seeks to build a better world. Love for society and commitment to the common good are outstanding expressions of a charity which affects not only relationships between individuals but also “macro-relationships, social, economic and political ones” (231)

‘The external deserts in the world are growing, because the internal deserts have become so vast.’ For this reason, the ecological crisis is also a summons to profound interior conversion. ... Living our vocation to be protectors of God’s handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience. (217)

This conversion calls for a number of attitudes which together foster a spirit of generous care, full of tenderness. First, it entails gratitude and gratuitousness, a recognition that the world is God’s loving gift, and that we are called quietly to imitate his generosity in self-sacrifice and good works. ... It also entails a loving awareness that we are not disconnected from the rest of creatures, but joined in a splendid universal communion. (220)

### Related Prayers of the Faithful

**Option 1:** That in contemplating the wisdom of God, we might recognize our responsibility to all of God’s creation that is necessary to sustain life, let us pray to the Lord...

**Option 2:** That we might seek the profound inner conversion that will compel us to be generous and humble stewards of God’s creation, let us pray to the Lord...

### Further Resources

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