

# Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

## Year C

Reading 1

*Citation:* Proverbs, Chap. 8, Verses 22-31  
Proverbs 8: 22-31

**The Son watches and follows His Father around as the world is created. He assures us of His eternal existence but that His humanity brought him the feelings of a human being. He identifies with humanity. Take your time; be very expressive. You feel the sensation of watching Creation unfold – be there -- and report back to us what you see and feel.**

### A reading from the Book of Proverbs

Thus says the wisdom of God:

"The LORD possessed me,

the beginning of his ways,

the forerunner of his prodigies of long ago;

(almost parenthetical)

(very short pause)

from of old I was poured forth,

at the first,

before the earth.

(very short pause)

When there were no depths

I was brought forth,

when there were no fountains or springs of water;

before the mountains were settled into place,

before the hills,

I was brought forth;

while as yet the earth and fields were not made,

nor the first clods of the world.

(voice goes up)

(voice goes down)

(voice goes up a bit)

(voice goes up a bit more)

(insistent)

(firm)

"

(very short pause)

"When the Lord established the heavens

I was there,

when he marked out the vault over the face of the deep;

when he made firm the skies above,

when he fixed fast the foundations of the earth;

when he set for the sea its limit,

so that the waters should not transgress his command;

then was I beside him as his craftsman,

(slow; insistent; firm)

(faster)

(still faster)

(faster again)

(fast)

(parenthetical)

(slower; firm) (short pause)

and I was his delight

day by day,

playing before him all the while,

playing on the surface of his earth;

and I found delight in the human race."

(increasing joy to end)

### The word of the Lord.

Proclaim the Word!

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Reading 2

*Citation:* Romans, Chap. 5, Verses 1-5  
Romans 5: 1-5

**Paul is defending his claim that mankind is saved from damnation through God's Love and our response of belief and faith in Jesus. He lists the strengths we gain from this faith. Take your time and let your conviction grow in intensity (although not necessarily in voice volume).**

### A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters:

(get listeners' attention)

Therefore,  
since we have been justified by faith,  
we have peace with God  
through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
through whom we have gained access  
**by faith**  
to this grace in which we stand,  
and we boast in hope of the glory of God.

Not only that,  
but we even boast of our afflictions,  
knowing  
that affliction produces endurance,  
and endurance, proven character,  
and proven character, hope,  
and 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.

(insistent)

[ A LIST ! ]

**The word of the Lord.**

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GOSPEL

*Citation:* John, Chap. 16, Verses 12-15  
John 16: 12-15

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:  
"I have much more to tell you,  
but you cannot bear it now.

(neither sad nor matter-of-fact) (short pause)

But when he comes,  
the Spirit of truth,  
he will guide you to all truth.

(NOT parenthetical)  
(short pause)

He will not speak on his own,  
but he will speak what he hears,  
and will declare to you the things that are coming.

(shaking your head?)  
(firmly assuring)  
(voice goes down)

He will glorify me,  
because he will take from what is mine  
and declare it to you.

(firmly insistent)

Everything that the Father has is mine;  
for this reason  
I told you that he will take from what is mine  
and declare it to you."

(matter-of-fact)

(voice very gradually goes down)  
"

### The Gospel of the Lord.