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**Obituaries**

**Jane Adair Richards**

Jane Adair Richards, 82 of Heppner, passed away on Sunday, June 7 at her home. She was born July 15, 1937 in Portland, lived her early years in Salem and attended high school in Gold Beach where she was a cheerleader and played trumpet in the school band. She joined the Army with her two best buddies right after graduating in 1955.



Jane Adair Richards

variety of settings including ER, OR on the ambulance team at Meridian Speedway (Idaho) and in Seattle's renowned Harborview Burn Center.

Her grand passion was always medieval and ancient history. She was an amateur archaeologist, earned her geology degree from Southern Oregon State College and published a novel set in ancient Egypt, "Tombs, Temples & Thrones."

In the early 2000s, Jane settled again in Heppner with Gary, who passed away in 2007. She spent her final years enjoying genealogy and the companionship of her oldest grandson, Justin for whose constant, loving care the family is so grateful.

Jane is survived by her daughters and son; grandsons, Justin, Ian, Sean and Frank; great-grandsons Brandon and Caiden; and great-great grandson, Isaac. "Our mom was a feisty, one-of-a-kind gal and will be forever loved and missed," said her family.

A private family graveside service was held on Wednesday, June 10 at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in care of arrangements. You may sign the online condolence book at [www.sweeneymortuary.com](http://www.sweeneymortuary.com).

**Preschool pre-registration scheduled**

The Heppner Day Care is currently taking pre-registrations for three- and four-year-old preschool children for the 2020-21 school year on their website. The link to the pre-reg-

istration form can be found at <https://www.heppnerdaycare.com>.

Staff will contact the families who pre-register in August to complete the registration process and

provide updates on the preschool schedule. For additional information contact Lindsey Roy, preschool teacher, at [lindseyans@gmail.com](mailto:lindseyans@gmail.com).

**Spiritually Speaking**

**Holy Trinity: Embodiment of Relationship**

By Fr. Thankachan Joseph SDB, St. Patrick Church

On the Sunday after the Pentecost, the Catholic Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity. We believe in the Triune God: The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit - three distinct individuals having different functions to fulfill. "Holy Trinity" explains the plurality of godhead and the one-only God.

When I think of explaining the dogma of the Trinity, what comes to mind is an experience of St. Augustine: Augustine was walking on the seashore studying how to comprehend and explain the truth of Holy Trinity in human terms. An angel appeared to him in the form of a little lad playing on the seashore. The lad was trying to dig a small hole, picking a shell from the shore, and playing with the water. Augustine watched as the child went back and forth several times. Later, Augustine walked towards the little boy and asked him what he was trying to do. The boy said, "Trying to fill that hole with the ocean." And Augustine said, "You'll never fit the ocean in that hole." And the boy said, "Neither will you be able to fit the Trinity into your mind."

Let us split the word "Trinity" into "tri," which means three, and "unity," which makes God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit into one.

It is a bit confusing isn't it? When I was young, I was confused. All I knew about Trinity was Father, Son and Holy Spirit. So, I went to my mum and asked her what it means by "one-God-in-three-persons." She told me that to understand this concept better, think of water. When we open the tap, we have running water. If we take that water and freeze it, it becomes ice. But it is still the same water, and if you heat that same water, there will be steam, which is also the same water. So, too, God is the same in three forms - each one is the same.

And if we search for "Trinity" on the internet, we will be shown an equilateral triangle - all three sides are the same and it has three corners, which can be interchanged - because our God-in-three-persons is the same. This is how I as a child came to understand "Trinity."

Let us reflect on the Holy Trinity from the Scriptural perspectives. The Holy Trinity from the Scriptural perspectives is Triune - three but one. From the first letter of St. John: "For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one" (1 John 5:7). The scriptures present God as one, Co-eternal, Co-existing, Inseparable. I am sure this is rather difficult for our human minds to comprehend. God is, in fact, beyond all comprehension and understanding. We can in human terms only speak of the "Trinity" in terms of analogies and allegories. As I said before - Trinity is like water, which can be in three forms. An Egg is like the Trinity: Shell-White-Yoke, three parts in one egg. God is the same. Another example is the use of the shamrock - a trifoliate leaf - by St. Patrick to explain about the Trinity to the people of Ireland.

What the Feast of Trinity Teaches Us:

The Solemnity of the Holy Trinity teaches us the following facts of life:

**Ione American Legion members replace veteran's headstone**

For years the Ione American Legion has honored WWI veteran John Wagner with a flag on Memorial Day, but never knew exactly where he was buried. In 2019 two Legion members found his headstone lying in an unused part of the cemetery. Incomplete and conflicting information made it difficult to know where he was buried. Research by Legion members, the Wagner family and the Ione and Heppner



Legion members present were (L to R): Steve Palmer, Kerry Peterson, Gene Crowell, Bill Monagle, William DeBoer, Conrad Tworek and Aaron Butler.

Cemetery boards showed that he was in fact buried in Ione and Sexton Shaun Wright was able to locate Mr. Wagner's grave. Prior to Memorial Day,

Dwelling inseparable - Father, Son and Holy Spirit are inseparable, and the feast of Holy Trinity teaches the aspects of this communion. This scriptural passage describes their unity, "But when the Comforter comes, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceeds from the Father, he shall testify of me" (John 15: 26). What is happening around us is something different. This is communion that we need to acquire for our family life, as well as in the society we live. We need to uphold everyone with respect and enrich them by our ways of living and we need to become models after the example of the Trinity.

Trinity as the model for our Christian families: We are created in love to be a communion of loving persons, just as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are united in love. When a new family is formed through the sacrament of marriage, this peculiarity of the Trinitarian God begins to exist. Two different people come together to live in intimacy, their conjugal love brings children into the family. All the children also have their own identities and individualities, but everyone begins to appreciate, love and forgive one another. That is an example of a Trinitarian family. How privileged we are to grow up in such a beautiful family. We belong to the Family of the Triune God. The love, unity and joy in the relationship among the Father, Son and Holy Spirit should be the supreme model of our relationships within our Christian families. Our families will become truly Christian when we live in a relationship of love with God and with others.

Maintain the Trinitarian relationships. We are made in God's image and likeness. We read in the book of Genesis that "God said, let us make man in our image, after our likeness" Gen. 1: 26. Just as God is in the Trinitarian relationship, so we can be fully human only in our relationships with others. The self needs to be in a horizontal relationship with all other people and in a vertical relationship with God. In that way, our life becomes Trinitarian like that of God. Modern society follows the so-called "I-and-I" principle of unbridled individualism and the resulting consumerism. But the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity challenges us to adopt an "I-and-God-and-neighbor" principle: "I am a Christian insofar as I live in a relationship of love with God and with other people."

Man is a social animal who needs the model of the Trinitarian relationship to see mutual love, care and affection for one another. The individualities of each person are respected. No one is a hindrance to anyone else and there is perfect union. Our human relationships should be built in this pattern. Like God the Father, we are called upon to be productive and creative persons by contributing to the building up of the fabric of life and love in our family, our Church, our community and our nation. Like God the Son, we are called upon to reconcile, to be peacemakers, to put back together that which has been broken, to restore what has been shattered. Like God the Holy Spirit, it is our task to uncover and teach truth and to dispel ignorance.

2020, Legion members assistance from the Ione and Heppner Cemetery Boards, the Wagner family and Shaun Wright in completing this project.



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**EL COMITÉ DE IMPACTO DE VÍCTIMAS DEL CONDADO DE MORROW SE HA CANCELADO**

El Comité de Impacto de Víctimas del Condado de Morrow programado previamente para el martes, 16 de junio del 2020 ha sido cancelado debido a no tener espacio en una instalación que permita el distanciamiento social adecuado. El Comité de Impacto de Víctimas se programará de nuevo para otra fecha de este otoño. Se le pide a cualquier persona que se haya programado a participar en el Comité de Impacto de Víctimas del Condado de Morrow que se ponga en contacto con Julia Finch a la Oficina de la Fiscalía del Distrito del Condado de Morrow (Morrow County Prosecutors Office) y que solicite notificación de una nueva fecha y hora del comité. Se puede comunicar con Julia Finch vía telefónica al (541) 676-5665, o vía correo electrónico: [jfinch@co.morrow.or.us](mailto:jfinch@co.morrow.or.us).

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