



Family Craft & Activity Pack

Aimed at families with Children
but fun for all ages!

WEEK 12

TRINITY SUNDAY - Year A

God is 3 in 1— Father, Son and Holy Spirit
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Visit YouTube to watch this cartoon explanation: (*from a Catholic School—its amusing!*)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ge-zRHVdBuA>

How to understand the Trinity

Christians believe that God is revealed to us in three ways: God the Father (the Creator of everything), God the Son (who is Jesus born of Mary) and God the Holy Spirit (Who was with God and Jesus at creation and was poured out upon the Church at Pentecost). Each person of the Trinity gives us a different way of getting to know the one God because they remain one.

Whilst Christianity is one of many faiths that believe in one God (monotheists), this belief in God as 'trinity' is a distinctive feature and marks a real difference from Judaism and Islam. Belief in the Trinity developed in the early church when Christians were struggling to explain their understanding that Jesus was God on the earth as a human being. They were able to use Jesus own words to explain God as Three in One: "... *baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*"

Trinity or 'tri-unity' (three in one) is a term to explain the relationship between God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. This belief in the Blessed Trinity was defined in the statement of faith at the Council of Nicaea in AD 325; the 'Nicene' Creed is still repeated by Christians in our worship—such as the Sunday Eucharist at St Mary's. At the Family Service we use this statement of faith (*from Ephesians 3*):

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

2 Corinthians 13: 1-13

Brothers and sisters, put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

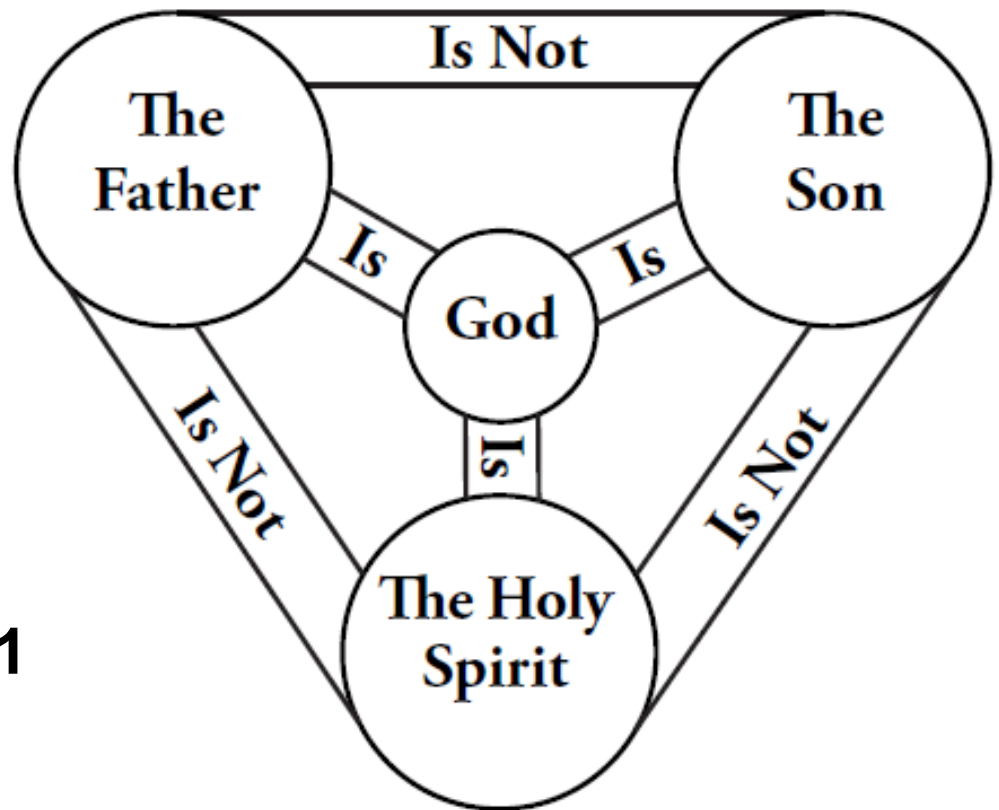
Prayer

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



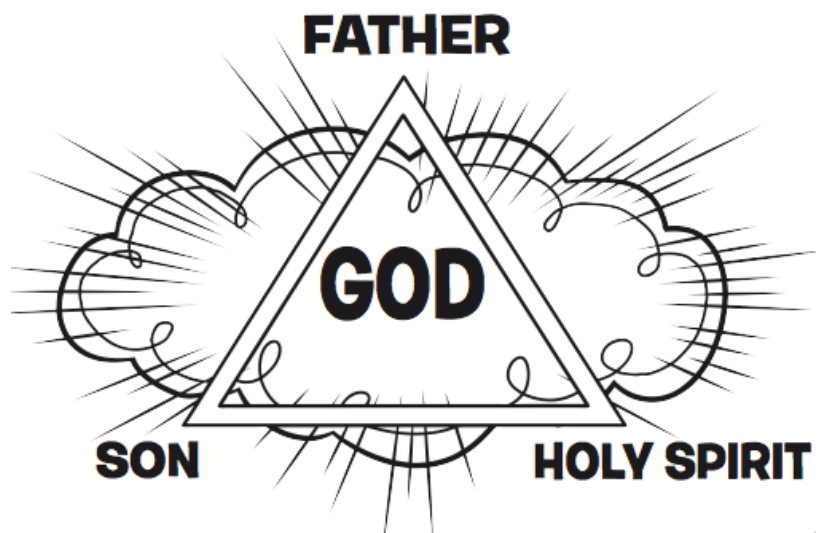
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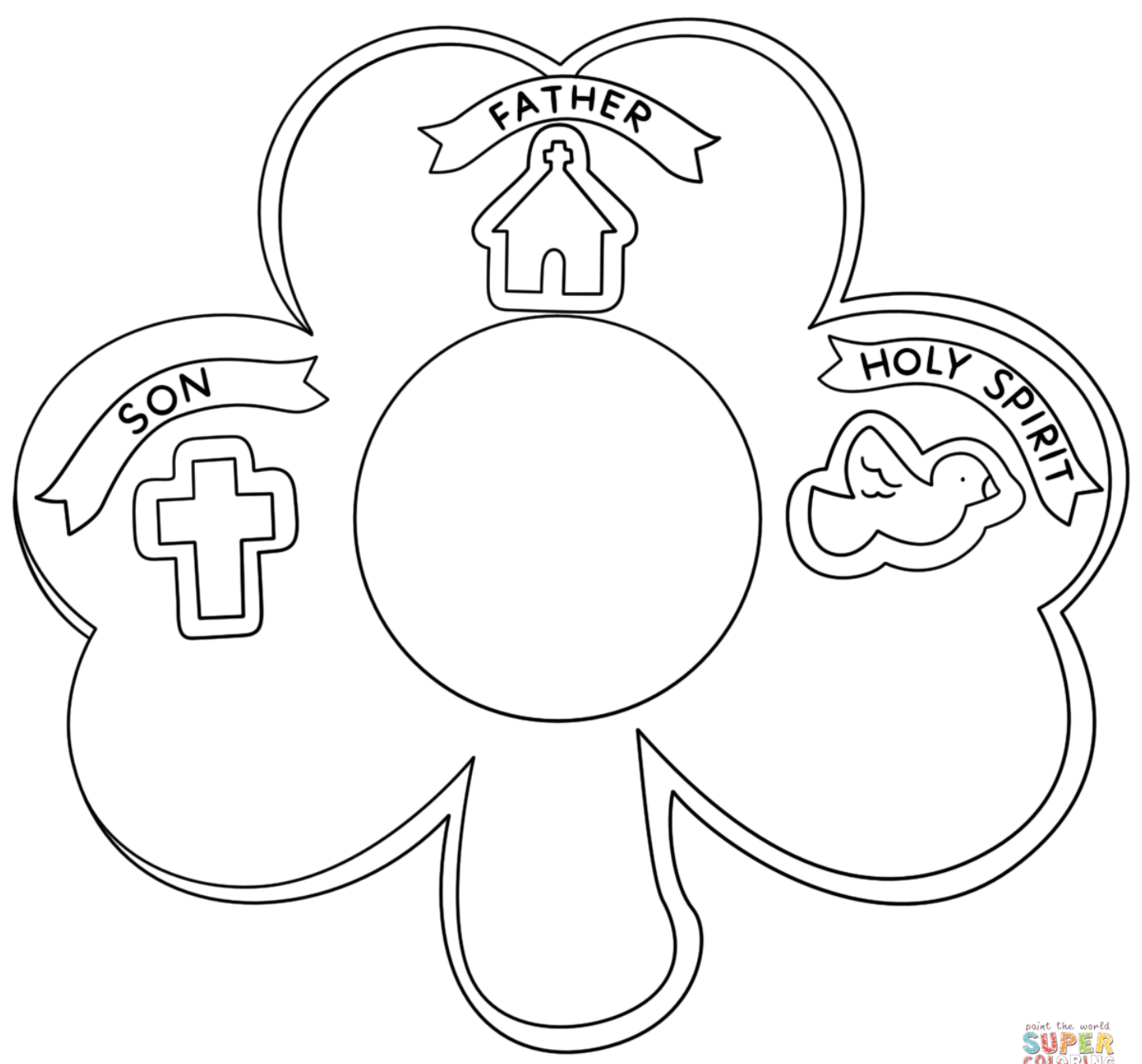
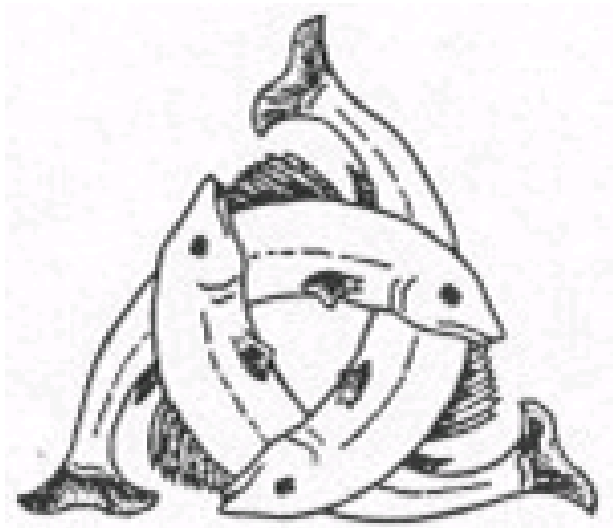
GOD IS 3 in 1



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MOUNTAIN AUTHORITY HEAVEN
EARTH BAPTISE NAME
HOLY SPIRIT TEACH
OBSERVE COMMANDS END





LOVE ONE ANOTHER

TRINITY SUNDAY YEAR A

God is Three Persons with One unity.
Father (Creator)
Son (Jesus)
and Holy Spirit.



TRINITY FLOWER CRAFT ACTIVITY

You will need:

3 paper cake cases, 3 lolly pop sticks or strips of strong card, green paper or card for the leaves and other items for decoration—anything really that makes the flowers colourful.

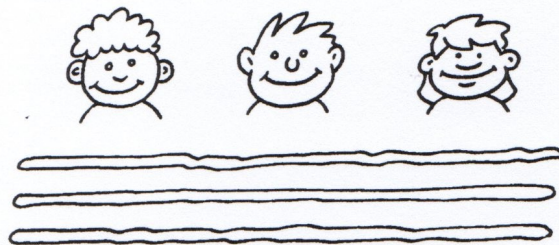
Glue stick, scissors (adults please assist your little ones).

Place the three flower creations together in a line to create your Trinity of Flowers.

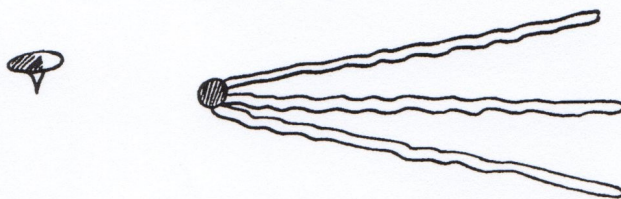
Each flower will be different—but they are also all the same.



To make "Friendship Bangles"
have three people each with
a long length of coloured wool.

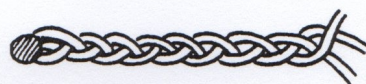


Tie the three lengths with a
knot and then pin down.

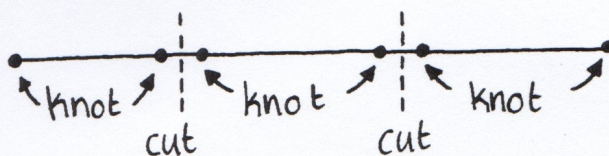


Plait the wool.

This means each person takes
their turn being the middle
strand.

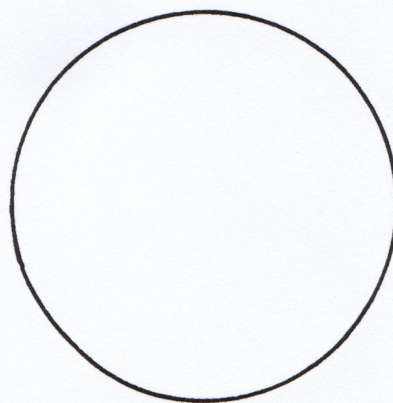
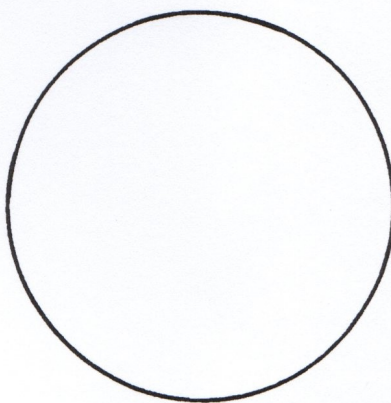
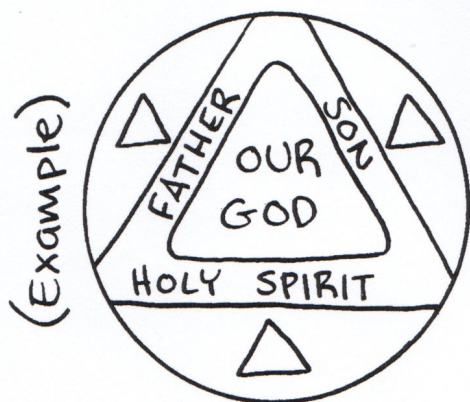


Tie knots in the length to
make three bangles.



Wear the bangles this week and pray to God for
your friends who made the bangle.

Design a badge as a sign of the Trinity.



PRAY

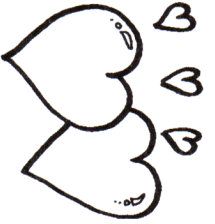
God our Maker, we thank you for our World.
Christ our Saviour, we thank you for your love.
Spirit of God, we thank you for your power



Draw a picture of yourself
in the picture frame and
write your name.



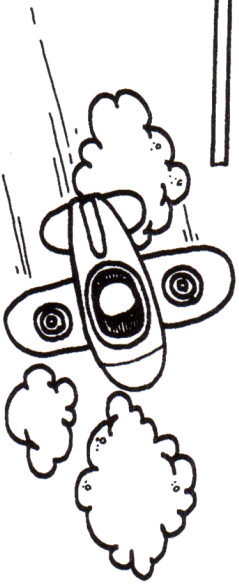
GRAVITY



LOVE

$$x^2 + y^2 = 2x + 2y$$

ALGEBRA



HOW AN AEROPLANE FLIES



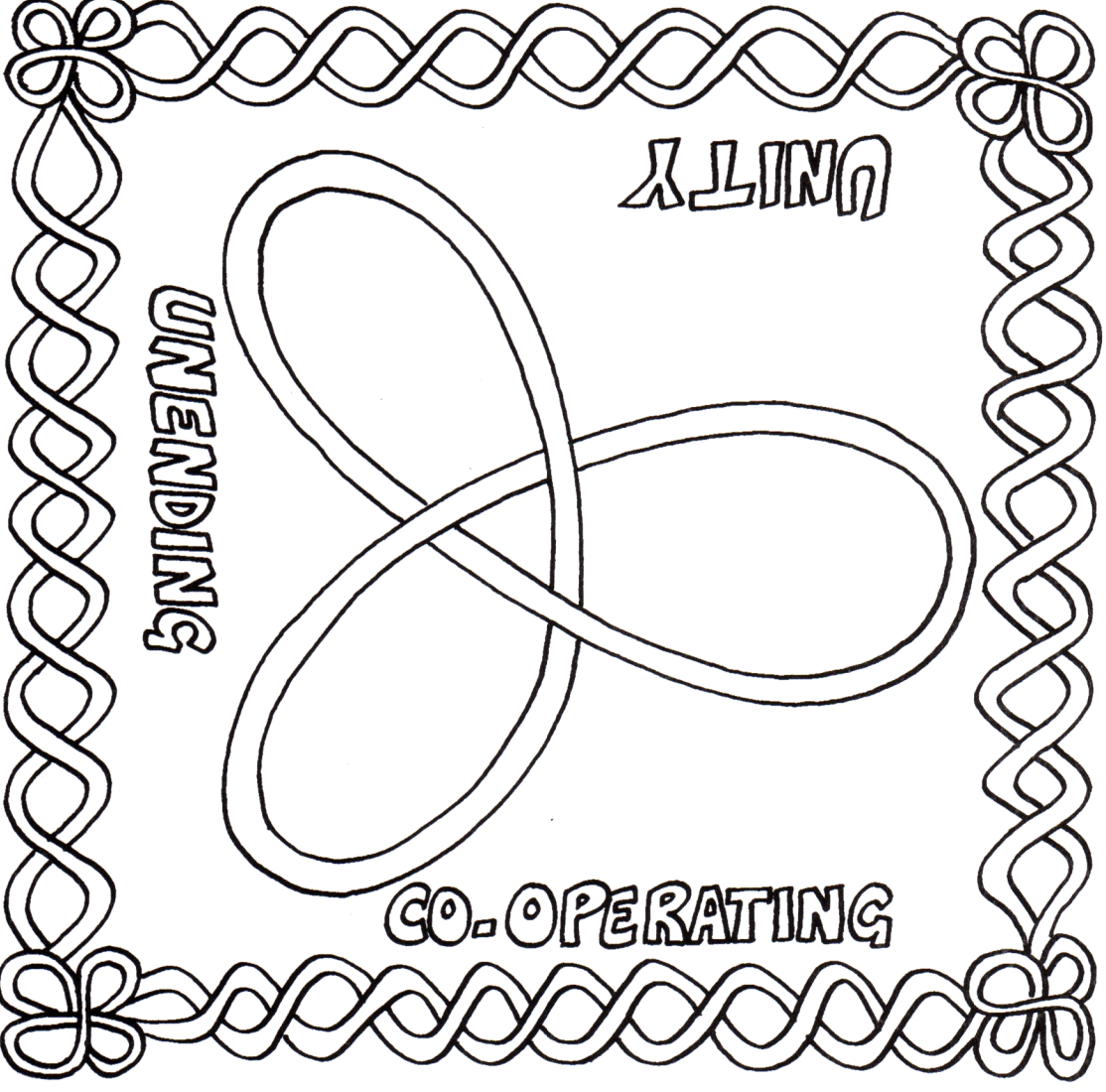
TYING SHOELACES

To pray this week

Holy God, greater than our knowing,
we worship you.
Holy God, more than we can understand,
we worship you.
Holy God, knowing all things,
yet loving each of us,
we worship you.

Mark off where you are for each thing

Understand already	Trying to understand	May understand one day but not be able to explain
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FATHER

SON

SPIRIT

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! LORD GOD ALMIGHTY!
MAY THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
AND THE LOVE OF GOD
AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
BE WITH US ALL EVERMORE.

— AMEN —

3 IN 1 AND 1 IN 3

DO WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD
OR THREE?

One God.

WHAT'S TRINITY ABOUT, THEN?

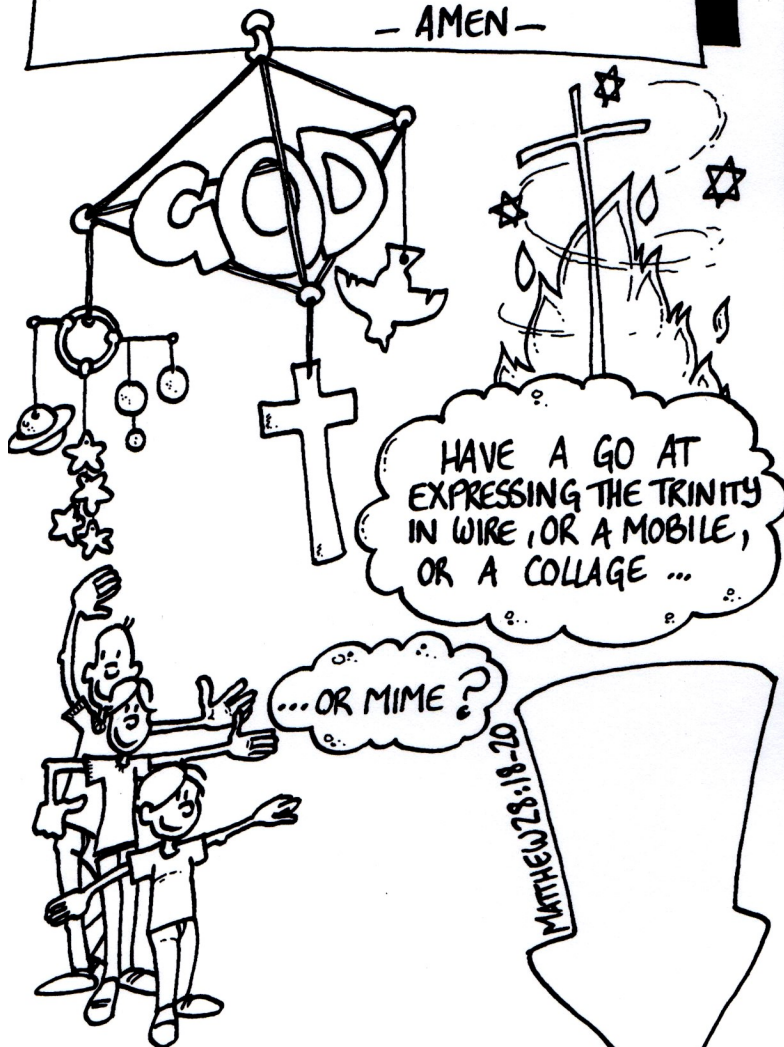
Trinity is us as humans trying to understand what the nature of the One God is.

LIKE ONE FOOTBALL GAME IS PLAYERS,
PITCH, RULES AND FOOTBALL?

Yes, in a way. The one true God is Creator,
Jesus the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit
— God's living power. But you can't ever
have one on its own, because God is a
co-operative loving relationship.

DOES IT MATTER IF I DON'T
UNDERSTAND?

Part of being the ultimate reality of God
means we can't understand; our minds
are not able to. What matters is trusting
God to be who he is.



THE ONE
GOD

JOHN 1: 1-4

ROMANS 8: 3-4

EPHESIANS 3: 14-19

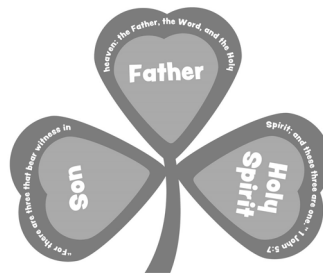
GENESIS 1: 1-3



HOW DO THESE
REFERENCES HELP
OUR UNDERSTANDING
OF GOD?



Just like the leaves on the
shamrock I see, there are
three parts to the Holy
Trinity! First is God the
Father, then Jesus, His
only Son, and the Holy
Spirit together
as One!



F	M	Y	S	T	E	R	Y	S	P
A	H	O	L	Y	A	S	O	T	A
T	W	E	D	R	R	N	H	I	R
H	Y	O	Y	E	T	Y	T	R	T
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Word search Word Bank!

Father Son Holy
One Three God
Clover Saint
Mystery Faith Spirit
Parts

Matthew 28: 16-20 - Jesus calls us to baptise in the name of the Trinity!

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TRUTH
MAKE
GLORIFY

FATHER
SPEAK
COMES

RECEIVE
BELONGS
TRUTH

KNOWN
SPIRIT
HEARS

GUIDE
MINE
TELL