

# The Holy Trinity

## The Father

In the liturgy the Father acts in the following ways:

- as the person to whom the Eucharistic Liturgy is addressed
- as the source of all our blessings
- to help us remember important moments of salvation history in which the Father was at work
- to help us remember and celebrate the Father's gift to us of his Son

## The Son

In the liturgy the Son acts in the following ways:

- as the presence of Christ in the people assembled
- as the presence of Christ in the celebrating priest or bishop
- as the presence of Christ in Scripture
- as the presence of Christ, most especially, in the Eucharistic elements

## The Holy Spirit

In the liturgy the Holy Spirit acts in the following ways:

- to draw the community into oneness with Jesus Christ
- to reveal Christ present in the community
- to reveal Christ present in Scripture
- to reveal Christ present in the physical signs of liturgical celebrations
- to prepare us for the reception of Christ in the liturgy
- to make the saving work of Christ real

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