

# Are you ready for a virtual symposium?

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## *Symposium on the Triune God*

*July 27-29, 2021*

*Location: ONLINE!*

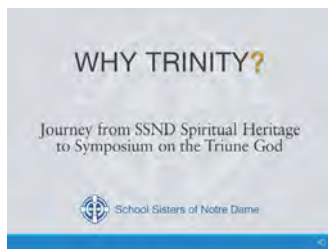
This year has called all of us to some deep soul searching and unexpected sacrifices. It has been a time of slowing down and focusing on priorities. One priority for those of us on the committee for the Symposium on the Triune God has been moving forward in our preparation of what is now a virtual event that will enable the whole community to benefit from this spiritually deepening experience.

The decision to offer the symposium virtually has both advantages and drawbacks. Although the opportunity to socialize and get to know others as at in-person gatherings will be missing, all Sisters and Associates will have the opportunity to participate at no personal expense.

You might also note that the symposium will be a day shorter than originally planned because of no need to travel. Make sure you have on your calendar the dates of Tuesday-Thursday, July 27-29, 2021.

Little by little, we are all getting more comfortable using the technology of computers for our meetings and gatherings. For the symposium, we are using the services of NIX Conference & Meeting Management to assure that the online platform, livestreaming and breakout sessions are user-friendly and managed professionally. NIX is the same company that facilitated the Leadership Conference of Women Religious (LCWR) assembly this past summer.

In preparation for this event, there are some wonderful resources available on the symposium website for both personal reflection as well as for local gatherings and group discussion. Sister Kathleen Cornell put together a 45-minute video that traces our SSND theological reflection on the Trinity from Mother Theresa to *You Are Sent* and through the General Chapter directional statements. It is an excellent presentation and can be found by clicking on “[Why Trinity](#)” on [ssnd.org/trinity2021](https://ssnd.org/trinity2021).



Another excellent resource is the “Theological Reflection on the Triune God” booklet prepared by the General Council in 2019, which is available from the General Council intranet and also the symposium webpage. In addition, on the webpage under Resources, there is an expansive bibliography of books on the topic of the Trinity that will pique your interest and leave you wanting more.

You will soon have a chance to decide if you want to: 1.) be a full participant in the symposium, which requires a commitment to attend all sessions including small group discussions in real time (9 a.m.-5 p.m. CDT or 6-11 p.m. GMT); or 2.) watch and listen alone or with others to the live-streamed presentations including the prayers and speakers. Recordings will be available within a week following the symposium. Full participants will need access to an individual computer, tablet or phone with internet in order to be placed in group discussions.

Registration will open February 1 and is open to all SSND and Associates. Watch for more updates at [ssnd.org/trinity2021](https://ssnd.org/trinity2021).

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