

The Most Holy Trinity, Year A 6th - 7th June 2020

First Reading: Exodus 34:4-6,8-9

The Lord God, ruler of all, merciful and loving.

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud and Moses stood with him there. He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Dan 3:52-56. r. v.52

R/ Glory and praise for ever!

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: See Apoc 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. **Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 3:16-18

God sent his Son to save the world through him.

Jesus said to Nicodemus, 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer to the Holy Trinity

Glory be to the Father,
Who by His almighty power and love created me,
making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son,
Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell,
and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit,
Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism,
and continues to sanctify me
by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity,
now and forever. Amen.



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Drawn into the Life of the Trinity

Today, the Sunday after Pentecost, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity brings together all the mysteries that we have celebrated during the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter: the creative, saving, and sanctifying work of God that not only freed us from the powers of sin and death, but which also unites us as a community of faith - the Church. This Solemnity also reminds us that the God whom we adore is "one God in Three Persons" and invites us to consider that all of our relationships are reflections of that unique communion that exists within God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

By God's grace we are constantly being invited to be part of that relationship, to live in the love of God. In the Sunday and weekday Gospels in the days before Pentecost, Jesus talks about his relationship with the Father and the Holy Spirit, whom he promised would be given to his followers after his return to the Father. Jesus explains that the promised Spirit, "will take from what is mine and declare it to you" (J 16.14). What is Jesus', is also what the Father's is: "Everything that the Father has is mine" (J16.15). There is no 'yours and mine' in God, only 'ours,' as the Three Persons interweave in a communion of love in which there is no possessiveness.

In the end, our celebration of Trinity Sunday is an invitation for us to continue to move beyond ourselves and our own sense of "mine." In the Mystery of the Most Holy Trinity, God continues to bless us in the ongoing act of creation, in the freely given gifts of healing and redemption of Christ, and the life-giving Spirit that inspires faith, hope, and love, and invites us to receive the graces and gifts the Spirit so freely gives.

Conflicts between people who long for unity, community and a deep sense of belonging are rooted in feelings of rejection, resentment, jealousy and anger. The Holy Trinity is a model and source of inspiration for our human relationships and through Baptism we have been invited into this community of God. There we find what we long for and the grace to forgive each other. Today we are reminded that we are called to extend that invitation to others by sharing what we have received.



Office Hours:
Tues to Fri: 10.00am - 12.30pm

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This Week's Masses

Saturday 6th June

Sunday Vigil Mass, **5 pm**

Sunday 7th June

9am and 11 am (both English)

Monday to Friday

9.10am

There is a limit of 20 people (including children) to attend every Mass, therefore it is necessary to register by calling Fr Jan on mobile on 0400469540 or 9480 3398.

To All Readers and Communion Ministers

As we are slowly resuming our Mass celebrations and new rosters will be prepared, I would kindly like to remind and ask you to make sure that you have a valid Working with Children (WWC) card.

It is now compulsory that everyone "working as a volunteer" in the parish, is required by the government and the Church authorities to have a valid WWC.

We are happy to provide any assistance with obtaining a WWC, just contact Fr Jan in this regard. I trust that you understand that this is a requirement and will comply with it.

Reflection 12: Adoring the Trinity in Your Soul

<https://divinemeracy.life/2020/01/11/reflection-12-adoring-the-trinity-in-your-soul-2/>

Dates to Remember

- Sunday, 14th June:** Corpus Christi
- Sunday, 21st June:** Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Wednesday, 24th June:** Saint John the Baptist
- Monday, 29th June:** Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Praying during the COVID-19 lockdown

I invite you to a meditation prayer with Father Richard Shortall SJ. It takes about 24 minutes. You will find it here: <https://email.jesuitcommunications.com/t/d-l-mijyutk-qitudttu-p/>

Enjoy weekly Catholic Radio Reflections:



Visit www.jcr.org.au or <https://podcasts.apple.com/au/podcast/journey-catholic-radio/id970818039> where you can listen anytime

Online Masses

St. Patrick's Cathedral - Live Streaming at:

<https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>

Monday- Friday: 1pm, Saturday: 8am, Sunday: 11am

Recorded masses can also be viewed at:

www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass

Or: <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>

TV Masses

Channel 44 (31): Live telecast from St. Patrick's Cathedral, Sunday at 11am

Channel 10: Mass for you at home, Sunday at 6am.

RAI: Italian Mass from the Vatican, Sunday at 8:30am



Letters to Parishioners

During these unusual times, with the church being closed for many weeks and parishioners unable to celebrate the Eucharist, we discussed as a parish council the options for supporting our elderly parishioners. It was decided that our Sacred Heart School students would be invited to write letters to our parishioners and let them know that they were thinking of them during these difficult times. About fifty parishioners were chosen and were sent letters from our students in Years Four to Six. Over the past weeks we have received many beautiful responses from the parishioners expressing their gratitude and explaining how much joy the letters gave them.

Mark Tierney
Principal

Help us support those IMPACTED BY COVID-19

TO DONATE
GO TO VINNIES.ORG.AU OR CALL 13 18 12

Your donation will help keep those hardest hit safe, fed and supported through the pandemic.

Please click on the following link for:

[A Word of Encouragement to the Catholic People of Australia from the Bishops of Australia](#)

Collections

1st Collection: \$1145.40
Direct Debit for May: \$1035.00
2nd Collection: \$638.00

Thank you for your kind generosity!



'Laudato Si' Year

Pope Francis announced a Year dedicated to the 'Laudato Si' encyclical, which runs from 24 May 2020 to 24 May 2021. Here is a special prayer for the Laudato Si Year:



Loving God,
Creator of Heaven, Earth, and all therein contained.
Open our minds and touch our hearts,
so that we can be part of Creation, your gift.
Be present to those in need in these difficult times,
especially the poorest and most vulnerable.
Help us to show creative solidarity
as we confront the consequences
of the global pandemic.
Make us courageous in embracing
the changes required to seek the common good.
Now more than ever, may we all feel interconnected
and interdependent.
Enable us to succeed in listening and responding
to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor.
May their current sufferings become the birth-pangs
of a more fraternal and sustainable world.
We pray through Christ our Lord,
under the loving gaze of Mary Help of Christians,
Amen.

Rivers do not drink their own water; trees do not eat their own fruit; the sun does not shine on itself and flowers do not spread their fragrance for themselves. Living for others is a rule of nature. We are all born to help each other. No matter how difficult it is...Life is good when you are happy; but much better when others are happy because of you.

Pope Francis

Joyful Ever After

If you are...

- Excited about making the good parts of your marriage great...
- Committed to making the weak parts strong...
- And open to renewing all the things in between...

The 2020 Catholic Marriage Summit will show you how to get the marriage you want from the marriage you have. Join thousands of couples from around the world for this virtual Catholic Summit featuring over 60 presenters. Registration free.
Summit opens Friday June 12th, 5am AEST.
Register FREE here:
<https://www.joyfuleverafter.org/a/27520/kFQnY467>

Resources for The Most Holy Trinity

Please share these online resources with your families. The [family resource](#) is designed for families with young children.

WE PRAY FOR:

The elderly and the sick
*Lopisoni Amato, Alan Castles,
Lilia Crupi, Nicola D'Orazio &
Vincent Sievers*

Those who have died recently

Louis Camilleri

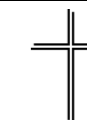
O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon her.
May she rest in peace. Amen.



A Prayer to St Joseph

You were receptive to God working in your life.
Help us by your prayers at the time of trial.
You kept Jesus and Mary under your watchful care:
may your prayers assist our local Church to respond to those in need.
You taught the Christ Child your trade and prayers:
help us to follow his example of love.
You were part of God's plan for all humanity:
assist us to be vigilant and responsible this day.
You spent your life in service:
May we be mindful of others, particularly the elderly and vulnerable, caring for them in these difficult days.
You trusted in the clear primacy of God over all history and every situation: help us grow in faith and pray to the Father, *thy will be done.*

Amen



#WeAreStillHere

With the COVID-19 pandemic headlining the news each day, and as we see Australia start to ease restrictions, it can be easy to forget that there are many countries around the world where the full extent of the impact has not yet been discovered.
Priests, sisters and missionaries around the world are doing all that they can to ensure that those in need are given the best practical and pastoral support, however these Church-run programs often rely on generous donations from people like you.
Will you join with us today to be there for those in need during this crisis?
For more information and to give generously to support vital mission programs through COVID-19, please go to catholicmission.org.au/mission.