The Most Holy TRINITY- Year B

FIRST READING Dt 4:32-34. 39-40

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 32:4-6. 9. 18-20. 22. R. v.12

(R.) Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

- The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R.)
- 2. With his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars. He spoke; and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being. (R.)
- The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
- Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
 The Lord is our help and our shield.
 May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

SECOND READING Rom 8:14-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION See Rv 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 Mt 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Week: The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST (Corpus Christi)

Readings: Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

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ST GERTRUDE'S PARISH

St Benedict's Church

Corner Justin & Neville Street SMITHFIELD

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm; 8.00am (Italian): 10.30am; 6.00pm.

Weekday Masses:

9.15am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday; 7pm Wednesday

Weekday Public Holidays: 10.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Adoration:

Wednesdays after evening Mass with Novena to St Benedict till 7.30pm; Saturdays from 4.45pm—5.45pm; & Fridays after the 9.15am Mass

First Friday of the Month: 7pm Mass & Adoration

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tuesdays after Mass



Parish Priest Fr Jarek Zan OSPPE

Assistant Priest

Fr Wojtek Sliwa OSPPE

C 7.30am & 9.00

St Theresa's Church

Corner The Boulevarde & Stella Street FAIRFIELD WEST

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5pm (Vietnamese); 7.30am & 9.00am; 12 noon (Spanish); 5pm (Arabic)

Weekday Masses:

Mon - Fri 7.00am; Saturday 8am Weekday Public Holidays: 8.00am

First Friday of the Month:

First Saturday of the Month:

7am Rosary 8am Mass

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tuesdays after Mass

The Most Holy TRINITY

27 May, 2018



We pray for the sick of this parish

John Denniss, Santa Carbone, Santina Ponili, Maria Blanda, Max Hazmoth, Indu Vassallo, Kartia Grace Russell, Frank Trimboli, Gino Mifsud Rina Favotto, Neang Nep, Eric Pasquetti, Emely Jade, Sandra Roy, Patricia Battistel, Ivy Fernandes, Maria Perre, Tania Perre, Alina Przewoznik, Philomena Greenwood, Ernesto DiDomizio, Stella Zappacosta, Antoinette Jansen.

Bless our sick today so that they may bear their illness in union with Jesus' sufferings and restore them quickly to health

Please remember in your prayers

Allan Henry Neaves,
Fr Jose Maria Enedaguila, Nancy Phillips,
Josipa Yelenazza, Teresa Faccin,
Natalina Del Santo, Giorgio Mascia,
Giovanna Vurchio Natalina Dal Santo,
Giovanna Vurchio, Elio Forner, Joseph Furfara

Recently Deceased

And for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time :

Rita Colaiacolo, Maria Zasso, Maria Dos Anjos



PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office:

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Reconciliation/Eucharist/Confirmation

Liturgy: 9725 4317 Anna Kleibert liturgy@stgertrude.org.au

Adult Sacraments (RCIA) Mariola Herbert Every Sunday at 8.30am in the Crying Room (in front of St Benedict's) Contact Mariola: 0421 944 051.

Children's Liturgy Mariola Herbert

Reconciliation:

Smithfield - Sat 4.45—5.45 pm (or by appointment)

Baptisms: Parish Office 9604 1199 1st Sundays of the month during the 10.30am Mass at St Benedict's Church; & Every 3rd Sunday at 12noon St Benedict's

Marriages: Parish Office 9604 1199
By appointment only (6 months required)

Sick Calls: 9604 1199

Any Time

Novena to St Benedict

Every Wednesday after the 7pm Mass with Rosary & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



Reconciliation is available during this time.

Everyone is encouraged to participate!

Rosary for Vocation to
Religious life and
Priesthood.
After Mass on
Thursdays
at St Therese's
Church,
Fairfield West



Church Cleaners
Friday 1 June
Grace & Pina's Group

Parish Collections Week- Ending 20/5/2018

1st Collection \$1457.45 goes to Fr. Jarek & Fr Wojtek as well as the upkeep of their Order of St Paul the First Hermit.

2nd Collection: Envelopes and/or Credit Card payments: \$2438.50 and \$1161.20 Loose Money.

Thank you for your generous support & May God Bless you all!

The Most Holy TRINITY



Jesus says that he will be with us always. 'Always' is an interesting way of putting it because it can mean 'in every way' and it can mean 'in every moment'. If we are attentive, signs of God become apparent everywhere we look and whenever we look for them. Sometimes Godsign is tangible; but at other times it is as subtle as a whisper or a reflected colour.

Pauline Vocations Day

July 20th at St. Gertrude's Smithfield The Order of St. Paul the First Hermit is organizing a vocations day for young men discerning a vocation to religious life, as an opportunity to reflect upon what God is calling them to.

RSVP: vocations@paulinefathers.org.au

Book of Life

Please write your prayer intentions that will be offered at the end of the Walk with Christ Procession on 3 June 2018. (See Notice 'Walk with Christ') The Book of Life Petition books are kept in the Church Foyers at both churches.

ALTAR SERVERS MEETING

Tuesday 5 June 4.30 – 5.15pm St Benedict's Church

YOUTH GROUP ~ MUSIC REHEARSALS

Monday 11th June at 7.30pm Group 1 (Second Monday of the Month) Monday 28th May at 7.30pm Group 2 (last Monday of the Month

Smithfield YOUTH MASS

Held on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month at the **6pm evening Mass**

Next Mass: Sunday 3 June at 6pm

Youth Program is held on the 3rd Sunday of the month . 7pm - 8pm in the Montefano Hall. All Youth Welcome!

YOUTH PROGRAM: 17 June 2018

Everyone Welcome!

Solemnity of The Most Holy BODY and **BLOOD of CHRIST (Corpus Christi)** ~ 3rd June~

After the 10.30am Mass there will be a **Eucharistic Procession.**

New Liturgy rosters are now available to pick up from the Church foyers.

Safeguarding Training

If you were unable to attend training on the 17th May, please contact the Parish office on 9604 1199 and leave a message for Helena or email psso@stgertrude.org.au to find out what to do next.

The Archdiocese of Sydney requires EVERY Parish Volunteer to sign a Code of Conduct regardless of whether or not you directly work with children. If you are unsure whether you have met this requirement or you need to sign the code of conduct, please contact the parish office to make an appointment to meet with Helena/Maria as soon as possible.

By the end of May 2018, it is expected that ALL VOLUNTEERS have signed the Code of Conduct in our Parish. If you have not signed by the end of May, you will need to cease in your ministry until this requirement has been met.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office on 9604 1199 or email psso@stgertrude.org.au.

Thank you for your cooperation Helena & Maria - Parish Safeguarding Support Officers.

Safeguarding Training for all Volunteers of Italian Mass. including Organist, Readers, Acolytes etc.

9:00 am on Sunday June 3 (after the Italian Mass) In the Parish House.

Please bring your Working With Children Certificates if you have one. If you have not applied for a WWCC please bring your ID.

CONFIRMATION 2018

Important dates for your diary:

- SMALL GROUP SESSIONS continue for 1 more week.
- RETREAT Tuesday 12th June from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **RECONCILIATION TIME** please refer to email or check with the Sacramental Office.
- REHEARSALS:
- Ceremony 1 Thursday 14th June at 7 p.m.
- Ceremony 2 Friday 15th June at 7 p.m.
- CONFIRMATION MASSES:
- Ceremony 1 Sunday 17th June at 2 p.m.
- Ceremony 2 Sunday 17th June at 4 p.m.

CHANGES TO SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Due to the restructuring of the Sacramental programs in St Gertrude's Parish, the following changes will be taking place:

From 2019, the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will now be taking place together in the first half of the year. Children who have been Baptised and are in Year 3 and above will be eligible to enrol. Accordingly, there will be NO First Reconciliation sacramental program (for Year 2) at St Gertrude's Parish in 2018, to allow for this change.

Enrolments for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion 2019 (for current Year 2 students) will take place in November 2018.

From 2019, the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in the second half of the year.

Families with Baptised children in Year 3 and above who have not made their first Reconciliation, will need to make an appointment with the Sacramental Office before the end of July, to discuss options for 2018/2019.

First Holy Communion 2018 enrolments for children in Year 3 and above, who have made their First Reconciliation, will take place 23/24 June and 30 June/1 July. Enrolment forms will be distributed early next month.

For more information, please contact the Sacramental Office Tuesday/Friday 9725 4317 or email sacraments@stgertrude.org.au.

Ordination to the Priesthood



You are invited to the Ordination of

Br Deacon Joseph Maria Buckley OSPPE 11am on Saturday 9th June 2018

At Marian Valley, Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians Canungra Queensland.

> Celebrated by **Bishop Columba Macbeth-Green OSPPE**

Please remember Br Joseph in your prayers.

40 YEARS OF SERVICE

On the 3rd June 1978, Bishop Cremin instituted the first group of Acolytes in our parish at St Benedict's Shrine.

They were to assist at Mass and act as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, including taking Holy Communion to the sick and housebound.

George Andrew was one of the Acolytes of this first group and has faithfully served as an Acolyte for the last 40 years.

Congratulations George!

God Bless you and thank you for your service to this ministry for all these years.

Walk with Christ - 3 June 2018

All are invited to participate in this year's Walk With Christ Eucharistic Procession on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday 3 June 2018.

Participants will gather at the corner of Pitt St and Martin Place in the CBD at 2:30pm. The procession will follow the Blessed Sacrament through the Sydney CBD, finishing at the St Mary's Cathedral Forecourt with Adoration and Benediction. If you are unable to join us for the Procession, you are more than welcome to join us for Adoration and Benediction from approximately 3.30pm in the St Mary's Cathedral Forecourt. The event will conclude at approximately 4:30pm.

The procession will help mark the 200th anniversary of a little known, but most heroic and faith-filled time in the history of the Australian Church. In 1818, the Government forcibly removed the only Catholic priest in Australia, Fr Jeremiah O'Flynn, from Sydney. Fr O'Flynn's last pastoral act was to leave the Blessed Sacrament reserved in a faithful Catholic's home so that the colonists and prisoners could come to adore Christ present there. For two years, the Blessed Sacrament, in this lay Sydney home, was the source and centre of worship and consolation for the priestless Catholics of the Australian colony.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on ph 02 9390 5812.

Fairfield Active Maltese Seniors

Tuesday **29 May @ 10.00am.** St Theresa's Church Hall Cnr Stella St & The Boulevarde, Fairfield Heights. Guest Speaker from Dementia Australia on Healthy Brain Ageing.

Members & Parishoners welcome.

Talk will be in English.

Contact Marisa Previtera on 0414 863 123 This is a Welfare Service of the MCC



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