

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider: Everyone who is moved by God's Spirit is no longer a slave but a child of God. With renewed confidence we approach our God for what we need as God's people in God's world.

Reader: For a respect for the name of God.

All: We worship God—three yet one—who is Lord of all the universe. May our respect for God and our desire to live by the commandments mark us as God's faithful people in the world.

Reader: a sense of belonging to God's family.

All: Paul teaches us that we are moved by the Spirit to call God 'Abba, Father'. May we rejoice that we are no longer slaves but members of God's family, co-heirs, with Christ, of God's glory.

Reader: For a desire to spread the good news.

All: Jesus commands us to make disciples of all the nations. May we be faithful witnesses of the way of Jesus in what we teach and how we live.

Reader: For an awareness of Christ's presence with us.

All: May we rejoice in the constant presence of Jesus with his people. May we confess his authority in heaven and on earth observing the commandments given to us by the Son of God.

Presider: Creator God, may your name be held holy! May your kingdom come! Listen to the prayers we make this day through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Parish newsletter of the communities of St Francis of Assisi Paddington, St Joseph Edgecliff and the 8:45am Mass at Double Bay
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30 May 2021: The Most Holy Trinity Year B

Trinitarian Spirituality and Christian Community

Trinitarian understanding of God shapes our beliefs. The doctrine of God significantly impacts the way we live as community. The early Church by upholding the divinity of Christ affirm, that God loves us and entered human history to reconcile us. God's saving activity and God's inner life cannot be separated. Jesus prays, "May they be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I am in You. May they also be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me.

St Francis writes to lay people who desired to share in his Gospel vision. He uses relationships to describe relation to God through the incarnate Word.

Happy and blessed are these men and women when they do these things, and persevere in doing them because "the Spirit of the Lord will rest upon them," and the Lord will make "His home and dwelling place with them."

They are the children of the Heavenly Father whose works they do. They are the spouses, brothers and mothers of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We are his spouses when the faithful soul is united by the Holy Spirit with Our Lord Jesus Christ. We are brothers (and sisters) when we do the will of the Father who is in Heaven. We are mothers when we bear Him in our hearts and bodies with divine love and with pure and sincere consciences; and we give birth to him through a holy life which should enlighten others because of our example.

Christian community can be a place of encounter and experience of the divine. Jesus want us to enjoy the same relation to the Father that He enjoys. The Holy Spirit works to unite Christian community to God. Salvation is about fellowship and participation in God's life and work. I encourage all parishioners to think of ways in which we can gather and participate as a Church. We gather to worship which is central to our life. Hopefully we can create opportunities for dialogue and interaction in smaller gatherings, listening to hopes, concerns and needs of people in our area. Spiritual conversations help us in our discernment process.

On behalf of friars and parishioners, I thank Ruth Rawlinson for her dedicated service to our parish community. We wish her every blessing and pray God's blessing.

Fr Anthoni Selvaraj OFM

CONGRATULATIONS EMMANUEL

We offer heartfelt congratulations to St Joseph's Parishioner and volunteer Emmanuel Fajardo who was recently welcomed as an Australian Citizen. Emmanuel has been a dedicated volunteer in our COVID-Safe team throughout the pandemic—we are so grateful to have you as part of our faith community, Emmanuel.

COVID & OUR COMMUNITY

As we enter the colder months it is important we still remember to take reasonable precautions to ensure our community is safe. In the interests of your safety and safety of our community, we ask you to please stay home if you are unwell or experiencing even mild COVID symptoms. Please ensure you sanitise your hands on entry to the church, maintain appropriate social distancing and sign-in is still compulsory for our churches and other buildings. Masks are also available as required from the volunteers on the door.



JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA

St Francis of Assisi, Paddington, Wednesday 2nd June, 9:30am

Please join us after the 9am Mass on Wednesday 2nd of June for morning tea at the Friary/Parish Centre at St Francis of Assisi, Paddington. All are welcome. We hope to see you there!

EDGECLIFF ST VINCENT DE PAUL APPEAL

The Edgecliff St Vincent de Paul Appeal will take place this weekend. Envelopes will be available at all Masses and can be returned via the collection plates or mailed in over the next few weeks. Receipts will be issued before the 30th of June.

UPDATE ON THE PARISH OFFICE

Ruth Rawlinson will be leaving her role here as Parish Manager with her last day being Friday June 4th. Cate Stivala & Alanna Sparks will continue in the office however the hours and times the office will be open may change. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we manage this transition.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Are you a planned giver? Your 2021 envelopes will be available at Mass or the Parish Office from June 6th. If you are interested in joining the Planned Giving program please contact the Parish Office for more details. Tax Deductions on Planned Giving are available as required/requested.

2021 FIRST RECONCILIATION (Parish Program)

Wednesday 23rd June at 6pm

Registrations are open for the 2021 First Reconciliation Program. The program is open to children who have been baptised in the Catholic tradition, are in Year 2 or above and who reside within our parish boundaries.

Please be aware if your child attends St Francis of Assisi Regional Primary School First Reconciliation will be celebrated separately and details will be sent via the school, you do not need to attend the dates below.

Program Dates:

Attendance by candidates & parent/carer is required:

Information & Formation Session #1

Wednesday 9 June

Registration from 530pm for 6:00pm start
St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Paddington

Formation Session #2 & Rehearsal

Wednesday 16 June

Registration from 530pm for 6:00pm start
St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Paddington

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 23rd June

Arrival at 5:30pm for a 6:00pm start
St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Paddington

If you would like to register your child for this years program please return the enrolment form directly to the Parish Office by Friday 4 June. Forms are available from the Parish Office or on our website at

www.stfrancis-stjoseph.com/2021-sacramental-program/

If your child attends the St Francis of Assisi Regional Primary they do not need to join this program. Details of the school program will be communicated via the school.

PLEASE ASSIST OUR VOLUNTEERS AFTER TODAY'S MASS

If you are able please assist to sanitise the church after Mass.

Many hands make light work.

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB SPIRITUALITY ON THE SOFA Wednesday 2nd June 2021, 7:30pm

Paddington RSL Club
or

Live from the comfort of your own home!!!

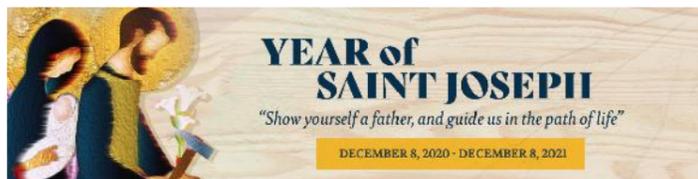
Spirituality in the Pub is returning to Paddington RSL!

Join us at Paddington RSL (220-235 Oxford Street, Paddington) or participate from your own home via Zoom to engage in some stimulating conversation with our panel of three dynamic women—Lyn Bannerman, Gillian Clarke and Cristina Gomez. The topic for this month is "Reconnecting with Purpose".

To join via zoom visit

www.stfrancis-stjoseph.com/spirituality-in-the-pub/
and click the blue button to take you to the meeting or in the zoom app use

Meeting ID: 876 5390 6849 and Password: 777815



Our faith community acknowledges and pays respect to the Traditional Owners of the Land on which we worship, the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation.



WELCOME

New to the parish? Please come and meet one of the Parish Team after mass to introduce yourself and find out more about our community. We also welcome you to contact our Parish Office.

OUR PARISH

Anthoni Selvaraj ofm - Parish Administrator
Francisco Basnayake ofm & Joseph Nguyen ofm - Assistant Priests
Ruth Rawlinson - Parish Manager
Alanna Sparks & Cate Stivala - Parish Secretary
Tanith Bryce - Cantor, Edgecliff
Noel Debien & Bransby Byrne - Music Dir. & Organist Paddington
Nicole Smeulders - Cantor Paddington
Emma-Gai Gold & Alanna Sparks - Safeguarding Support Officers
Louise O'Brien - Principal, St Francis of Assisi Primary School



WEEKLY SERVICES AND SACRAMENTS

No Bookings required. Contact free check-in is required at the door.

St Joseph, Edgecliff

Monday to Friday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9am, 11:00am & 5:30pm

Reconciliation prior to the Friday evening Mass (from 5pm).

St Francis of Assisi, Paddington

Monday to Friday: 9am

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8:30am & 10:00am

Reconciliation from 5pm Saturday prior to Vigil Mass.

Are you or a loved one unable to attend Mass at this time?
If you would like to receive a visit in your home please contact the Parish Office.

We remember those in need of our prayers: our deceased, those in hospital, nursing homes, the homebound and defence force personnel.

Recently Deceased: Francis Domingo Gorostiza, Geoff & Megan Cliff, Jacqui Ingram, Ester Carmen Fernandez, Sr M. Ignatius Killeen RSC, Norman Hing, Elvin Richard Newsome, Enid Hampshire, Margaret & Pat Quade, Michelle Robyn Nicholls, Tess Hooper, Emil Jug, Joan Mulligan, Bramwell Wright, Jim Alivia, Marcelo, Marika Gubasci, Jose Herrera, Eva Beck, Wilga Wilschefska, Sue Gherdovich, Ken Finn, Patrick Donovan, Carol Ashford, George Farah, Betty Byrne, Peter-John Young, Maureen Marston, John Ryan, Sandra Soady, Ian Johnstone, Kholofelo Dzvukamanja, Sesarina Bau RSC, Elaine Boys, Aquino Lanojan, Mary Cook RSC, Marie Arakelian, Maria Orner, Tina Chen Visage, Pauline Babicci OSC, Frances Spicer, Bessie Leadbeater, Holy Souls.

Mass Intentions: Michael Donovan, Pat & Ned Theodore, Bryan, Ashleigh & Elle Paton, Margaret Austin, Janice Hui, Dudley Williams, Nick Williams, Christopher Von Kaisenberg, Gregory & Patricia McCue, Lena Kaine & Violet Kiernan, Veronica Henderson, Sandy De Souza. Peg Kelly, Michael, Jane, & James Carnel, Peter Meagher, Trader Falkner, Giuliani family, Maria Luisa Arnaiz, Tino Ordonez, Diane Geffen, Jeanette & John Rawlinson, James Alexander Adamovitch, Penny Hing, Stan & Rata Hing, Dionisio Solis, Geraldine Levins, Adalgisa Levins, Rev Neville Gawler, Diane Geffen, Shirley Nield, Jim Evans, Jalil Tanous, Marion Orr, Jack & Maureen Brett, Patricia Brett, Nan Kelly, Molly & Herbert Odillo Maher, Terry Bostock, Nell Atkinson, Elizabeth Considine Conley, Jacques Bernard Pienovi, Holy Souls.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, contact the police. You can also contact the *Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office*: safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org or on 93905810. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.



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Our faith community demands that the Christian Churches including the Catholic Church provide full and meaningful reparation for those who have suffered clerical and institutional sexual abuse.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. 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 Mt 28: 16-20

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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.
R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED
Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.
P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Sanctify by the invocation of your name, we pray, O Lord our God, this oblation of our service,

and by it make of us an eternal offering to you. Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. Lift up your hearts.
R. We lift them up to the Lord.
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
R. It is right and just.

PREFACE OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.
All: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Gal 4: 6

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May receiving this Sacrament, O Lord our God, bring us health of body and soul, as we confess your eternal holy Trinity and undivided Unity. Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
P. Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.
R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

THE MYSTERY OF GOD'S SHARING

The feast of the Trinity reminds us that the mystery we celebrate today is the mystery of God's sharing in our story through the ages. It is an invitation to remember the story of God among us and the task that has been entrusted to all of us who have been baptised in the name of the Father, Son, and Spirit.

The scripture readings for today lead us to explore the nature of God from a number of different perspectives. First of all, Moses asks the people to take stock of what their experience of God has been. He asks them, and us, to reflect on our experience of God's graciousness and faithfulness. For the people of Israel, the time in the desert was their opportunity to discover the living God as one who cared for them; it was a time of discernment and decision.

Secondly, Paul speaks of the meaning of our baptism in Father, Son, and Spirit. While some members of the community were convinced that they were closer to the Lord on the basis of their spiritual gifts Paul sees that all who are baptised share in the same dignity as children of God. Furthermore, every Christian is called to share in the same inheritance, and even more importantly, to be united in sharing in the suffering and glory of Jesus. Thirdly, the Gospel calls us to remember that we have been baptised into the Father, Son, and Spirit. As such we are given a mission; to share what we have experienced with others.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY / B

30 MAY 2021

CHOSEN TO BE GOD'S OWN. On this feast of the Holy Trinity we pause to reflect on the great mystery of God, 'by whose word the heavens were made, by the breath of whose mouth all the stars' (Ps 32). What is perhaps most marvellous is the way this God of majesty and power has drawn so close to us. In Jesus, God assumed our human condition. In the Spirit, we have become God's children able to address God by the intimate title, 'Abba, Father!'

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

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

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (striking the breast) through my fault, through my gift, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

V. Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the

sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

COLLECT

P. God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Deut 4: 32-34, 39-40

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy
The Lord himself is God in heaven above and on earth below: there is no other.

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.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PS

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



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

1. 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. By 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.**

3. 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.**

4. 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

You have received the Spirit that makes you God's own children, and in that Spirit we call God: Father, our Father!

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.

R. Thanks be to God.