The Saving Word

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY / A

07 JUNE 2020

FIRST READING Ex A reading from the book of Exodus

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.

Ex 34:4-6, 8-9

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.

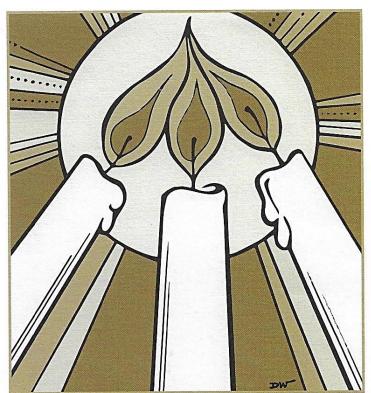
The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Dan 3:52-56. R. v. 52

- You are blest, Lord God of our fathers.
 R. Glory and praise for ever!
 Blest your glorious holy name.
 R. Glory and praise for ever!
- 2. You are blest in the temple of your glory.R. Glory and praise for ever!You are blest on the throne of your kingdom.

R. Glory and praise for ever!

3. You are blest who gaze into the depths.
R. Glory and praise for ever!
You are blest in the firmament of heaven.
R. Glory and praise for ever!



SECOND READING 2 Cor 13:11-13 A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

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

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

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

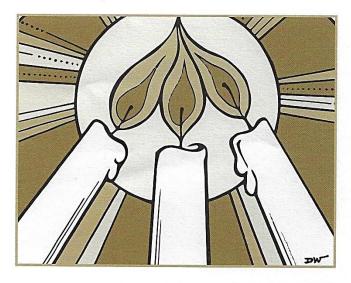
not to condemn the world,

- 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.'

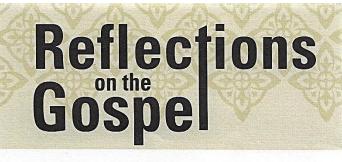
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GOD OF LOVE

The feast of the Holy Trinity brings the whole long sweep of Lent and Eastertide to an end. It invites us to sit back, as it were, and reflect upon the God who has been revealed in the full scope of the paschal mystery.

As sometimes presented, the doctrine of the Trinity can appear to be nothing but an arid theological puzzle. For the early Christians it was nothing of the kind. They held firmly to the Jewish belief that there was only one God. Yet as they reflected upon what they had experienced in all the events surrounding the person of Jesus Christ and the subsequent gift of the Spirit, they could only conclude that they had been addressed and drawn into a divine communion of love.

Today's feast, then, celebrates the nearness, rather than the remoteness, of God.

Each of the readings explores this in some way. But the Gospel, drawn from the concluding section of Jesus' conversation with Nicodemus, most clearly brings out the continuity between the act of Christ in the paschal mystery and redemptive love of the Father.

The Father sent the Son, not to 'judge' (= condemn) the world, but to rescue it from its captivity to sin and death, and draw human beings into the communion of life and love that is the Godhead.

Judgement is not so much a future prospect as something that human beings determine for themselves by the way they respond to the revelation of God that comes to us through the life of Jesus and the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Brendan Byrne, SJ



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SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY YEAR A 7 JUNE 2020

MASS TIMETABLE FOR WEEK COMMENCING 7 JUNE

TUMUT		COUNTRY MASS		SACRAMENTS	
Saturday	5PM VIGIL MASS	BATLOW	8:30AM 1 st & 3 rd Sunday	Confession	By appointment
Sunday	10AM MASS	TALBINGO	8AM 5 th Sunday MASS	Marriage	By appointment
Monday	NO MASS			Baptism	By appointment
Tuesday	10AM Chapel	ADELONG	10AM 1 st & 3 rd Sunday	Wedding & Baptism forms on website, please make an appointment with a priest.	
Wednesday	10AM Chapel	BLAKENEY LODGE	2 ND Wednesday 10:30AM	To arrange a Pastoral visit please contact: Fr George or Fr Namora	
Thursday	8AM Chapel	BUPA	2 ND Thursday (time TBA)		
Friday	8AM Chapel				

ROSTERS

	SAT 6 JUNE	SUN 7 JUNE	SAT 13 JUNE	SUN 14 JUNE
ACOLYTE	Anne Huebner	Mark Hogan	Peter Malone	Trish Matthews
READER	Howard Young	Ben McCabe	Barry Madigan	Liz Boxall
COMMENTATOR	Kath Rosetta	Eliza Fulton	Lana Turner	Anita Mason
MUSIC	Monica Webb	Patricia Mangelsdorf	Anna Quinn	Guest Choir
LINEN	Maria Cobden		Marie Ambrose	
CHURCH CARE		-	Group 1 – Claire, Anne Hickson, Bev & Sophie	-
MORNING TEA	-	Patricia Mangelsdorf	-	-

PRAYER REQUESTS

RECENTLY DECEASED	ANNIVERSARIES	MASS OFFERING	SICK
We pray for the repose of the souls of all the recently deceased especially Ernest Sidney McDonnell	Paul Kelly	Marion & Kevin Smith, Bill Smith (Anniversary)	We pray for all the sick of our parish community, especially Stephen Dean

PARISH DETAILS

PARISH COUNCIL	PRIESTS / PARISH	BANKING / PLANNED GIVING
Fr George, Fr Namora, Peter Malone, Tony Butler, Anita Mason, Trish Matthews, Anne Huebner, Eamon Moore, Barry Madigan	Fr George – 0484 604 273 Fr Namora – 0450 438 444 Secretary – 0478 000 526	BSB 062 786 A/C 000015049 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION TUMUT

A copy of the Church Bulletin is available on our website each week – www.cg.org.au/tumut Please send any notices to <u>tumut@cg.org.au</u> by midday Wednesday each week for inclusion in the bulletin.

COLLECTIONS DURING COVID19

Catholic Development Fund (CDF) has provided a website for parishioners to click and pay for both collections and includes the provision to nominate their parish. This will avoid any unnecessary handling of money. www.bpoint.com.au/pay/catholicdevelopmentfundarchdioceseofcanberra

ROSARY & ADORATION

A group of parishioners are praying the Rosary, in our own homes, at 11am every day. We are praying for ourselves and our families, our Parish community, our Church and the whole world. Please join us, so we can still pray and "be together", in these trying times.

"Simple enough for a child, so deep we enter the mysteries of the Son of God" ~ Most Rev Jose H. Gomez

Consider 'virtual Adoration' - through the following website <u>https://virtualadoration.home.blog/</u> or on Facebook through 'Sacred Heart Parish Griffith Perpetual Adoration'.

"Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the living heart of each of our parishes" ~ Pope Paul VI

FINANCIAL IMPACT OF COVID19

Fr George would like parishioners to be aware of the financial impacts that Covid19 has had on the parish:

- 25% reduction in priest stipend
- Archdiocese has had to subsidise priests' car contribution
- Archdiocese has had to subsidise parish salaries for one month
- The Archdiocese has not been successful to receive JobKeeper
- 30% reduction in Planned Giving over 3 months

Thank you to those parishioners who have continued to give generously to the church. We will require some effort to recoup our losses. Any parishioners who would like to join the Planned Giving Program please register through www.cdf.cg.catholic.org.au or ask the Secretary for assistance.

MAY 2020 ONLINE PLANNED GIVING: \$2140.00

31 MAY 2020 FIRST COLLECTION (INCL TALBINGO): \$385.65 SECOND COLLECTION: \$580.00

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Why is this feast celebrated at this particular time? It may be interpreted as a finale to all the preceding feasts. All three Persons contributed to and shared in the work of redemption. The Father sent His Son to earth, for "God so loved the world as to give His only-begotten Son." The Father called us to the faith. The Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, became man and died for us. He redeemed us and made us children of God. He ever remains the liturgist *par excellence* to whom we are united in all sacred functions. After Christ's ascension the Holy Spirit, however, became our Teacher, our Leader, our Guide, our Consoler. On solemn occasions a thanksgiving *Te Deum* rises spontaneously from Christian hearts.

FREE ONLINE COURSE FOR COUPLES

Free online "Catholic Marriage Summit" **June Thu 11th- Sat 13th** www.joyfuleverafter.org Just about every high profile lay Catholic speaker you have heard of (50 in total, mostly US-based) along with their spouse, will give a 20 minute presentation on the day to day realities of living out the Sacrament of Marriage.

HOME COMMUNION - FLU SHOT

Reminder: could all those who deliver home communion please ensure you have received a flu shot and certification of such. Before this ministry can recommence - especially in hospitals - you must have proof of receiving the shot. Please contact your Dr and provide a copy of your certificate to Fr George.

MORNING TEA

Morning Tea will be shared after Sunday 10am Mass in St Mary's Hall. All welcome, please maintain sensible protocols including social distancing and hand sanitisation.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE, TUMUT

We are looking for committed Christians to join our St Vincent de Paul Conference, where our focus is helping the less fortunate, and those struggling within our local community.

The Conference members are a group of individuals who join together to serve the local community. There are many roles we can fulfill within the Conference, so we are looking for generous people to commit a little time each week, to assist in making life "better" for others.

We will be holding a question and information session in **St Mary's Hall on Sunday 21st June, at 11.00am**. Please feel free to contact me on **0401 472 161** if you have any questions or queries prior to that date. Otherwise, we look forward to speaking with an interested group of people on that date.

Pat Mangelsdorf, Conference President

