Catholic Parish of Blackfriars



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HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

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Mass Times Monday - NO Mass Tuesday & Thursday 6:45am Wednesday & Friday 5:30pm Saturday - 9:00am Vigil - 5:pm Sunday - 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm

Reconciliation Saturday 12pm—12.30pm and 4pm—4.30pm

Adoration - Holy Hour Tuesday 12 Noon - 1:00pm

Pray the Rosary First Saturday each month 3.30pm

If you are in Urgent need of a Priest out of office hours call - 6248 8253 Under the care of the Dominican Fathers



VERITAS MOST HOLY TRINITY



BOOKINGS FOR WEEKEND MASSES ARE ESSENTIAL. If you are feeling unwell please DO NOT come to church. Please scan the QR Code & record your name, alternatively please write your name and contact number on the register provided. PLEASE sanitise your hands on entering the foyer or parish centre. Please DO NOT return your bulletin to the basket, if you are not taking it home put it in the bin.

QR CODE & TRY BOOKING

If you use a computer, smart phone, tablet etc, do please consider booking ahead for the Weekend Mass you plan to attend. We are using the online booking system Try-Booking (which costs us nothing) and this means we can print off a list of people who have 'booked' for each Mass. This saves you and us time, speeds up the arrival queue at Mass, and helps us manage the numbers at each Mass as we are now required to do.

Government Requirements What are your personal responsibilities

- Use the Check In CBR app to check in before entering a business or venue, or before being seated.
- If you don't have the Check In CBR app you must provide your details to the church so they can check you in.
- Take personal responsibility for your own COVID safety.

To comply with Government rules we need helpers to be Welcome Ministers to check parishioners in.

Remember that the Welcome Ministers are volunteers who have come to Mass but give their time to welcome you, and to help sign people in. PLEASE make sure you arrived before Mass begins.

TryBooking links for the month of June.

- 5 / 6 June The shareable link for your event is: https://www.trybooking.com/BRIVC
- 12 / 13 June The shareable link for your event is: https://www.trybooking.com/BRQQF
- 19 / 20 June The shareable link for your event is: https://www.trybooking.com/BRQQN
- 26 / 27 June The shareable link for your event is: https://www.trybooking.com/BRQRA

QUERIES CAN BE ANSWERED ONLY IN OFFICE HOURS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Entrance Antiphon: Wisdom 1:7

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.

FIRST READING

First Reading: Deuteronomy 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. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Responsorial Psalm: 32:4-6. 9. 18-20. 22

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.

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.

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.

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.

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SECOND READING

Second Reading: Romans 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.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Gospel Acclamation: Revelation 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

Gospel: Matthew 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. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Communion Antiphon: Galatians 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. Labora - Brisbane Liturgy

THE HOLY TRINITY

'Through the Holy Trinity we experience our relationship with God in various ways. We have one God, but three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Most Sydney-siders and many Australians as well as tourists have visited the famous Three Sisters in the Blue Mountains. Depending on the day, the hour and the aspect of your visit, your experience of this magnificent mountain range will be different, crystal clear, fogged in or covered in smoke haze after bush fires to mention just a few. But it is always the same mountain, always magnificent, always drawing us to its grandeur! We can spend our energy on exhaustive reasoning, trying to understand the Trinity or we can accept in faith the gift of the Trinity which enhances our relationship with God.'

From the Catholic Enquiry Centre

TRINITY SUNDAY

Bottom line: Trinity Sunday is about where we have come from and where we are going.

'You may have heard about the American who got lost in Ireland. After driving around the Irish countryside, he finally encountered a native, "Please," he said, "can you tell me how to get to Balbriggan?" "Well," said the Irishman, "If you take the first road to the left...no that wouldn't do...drive about four miles and turn right...no that wouldn't do either." Finally the Irishman scratched his head and said, "You know, if I was going to Balbriggan, I wouldn't start from here at all." 'Well, you have got to know where you are starting from, if you want to get to your destination. If we are just a cosmic accident, a complex bunch of molecules, we really aren't going anywhere - except to the grave. But if we have our origin in the Trinity - the Father, Son and Holy Spirit - then we have a destiny. The Trinity is a family - persons who are distinct, yet one. But the Trinity is not just one more family - it is the perfect family. They are one in a way that completely respects the distinctiveness of each member. The Father is not the Son and the Son is not the Father and together they are not the Holy Spirit - yet they are perfectly one - one substance. 'If the Trinity is our origin, it is also our goal, our destination. Because of that our purpose here on earth is to form family.' Excerpts from a Catholic homily

PLANET EARTH- DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

One of the big questions which poses itself to Catholics in 2021 AD is how does God want us to navigate diversity? Do we want our parishes and communities to be inclusive or exclusive? Each member of the faithful can meditate on these questions if they so wish. My own personal journey is one of being a member of the disabled community. My hope is to be with people who are inclusive because Jesus was and is inclusive.

John 5:1-15 tells of how Jesus reached out to and cured a man at the Pool of Bethesda. Here, I believe Jesus showed inclusiveness towards a **disabled man** and healing. Jesus simply asked this man "Do you want to be made well?". The man replied that he had no man to put him in the pool when the water is stirred up so that he could be healed. Jesus then said to the man "Rise, take up your bed and walk." Immediately the man was made well, took up his bed and walked away. Jesus the Son of God perfect and sinless in every way had inclusively reached out to this man who had been infirm for 38 years and healed him of his illness without the man going into the pool at Bethesda as was the custom.

Luke 8:1-3 speaks of the **women** who accompanied Jesus and the twelve disciples when Jesus went through the cities and villages proclaiming and brining the good news of the kingdom of God.

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Cont...Some of the women had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities (including Mary Magdalene). The other women who are specifically mentioned in Luke's Gospel are Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's household manager, and Susanna. Many other women, also, provided for Jesus and the disciples out of their means.

John 4:1-42 tells of Jesus and the **Samaritan woman** at the well. Jesus asked for a drink from the woman at the well which is astoundingly inclusive of Jesus as the Samaritans were considered to be an impure half-breed race by the Jews. In verse 21 of this passage Jesus says that the time is coming when people will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. However, Jesus said that salvation is from the Jews. Jesus goes on to say that the Father does not seek Jew or gentile but worshippers who will wor-.ship the Father in spirit and truth. John 4:39-42 says that many Samaritans believed because of the woman's testimony. Evelyn and Frank Stagg in their book "Women in the World of Jesus" write that the key to Jesus' stance is found in his perceiving persons as persons. He saw the stranger at the well as someone who first and foremost was a personnot primarily a Samaritan.

These examples show that at the time of Jesus society was diverse. Jesus Christ reached out with divine love to the disabled, women and culturally and linguistically diverse people amongst **many other groups**.

Do we do the same?

Sabina Coles - Parishioner

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our Parishioner Neil Harriagan.



The first lay head of CatholicCare Canberra Goulburn, Dr Neil Harrigan has been bestowed with a papal knighthood by Pope Francis. Dr Harrigan was made a Knight of the Order of St Gregory the Great for meritorious service to the church

and to society. He was presented with the honour by Archbishop Prowse during mass at St Christopher's Cathedral on 23 May. he Archbishop said Dr Harrigan had received the award not only for his work with CatholicCare but also for his "great love of the archdiocese and the church in general, and his great service to its people". Dr Harrigan felt privileged to receive the award. "For me, it's an affirmation of what I believe in and it's a rare honour for this to happen," he said. The papal knighthood came as a surprise for him and he was reluctant at first to accept it. But he said he decided to do so for the sake of his family, especially his children. Dr Harrigan's wife, Mary, died a few years ago.

He was director of CatholicCare from 1994 to 2014 before handing over to current CatholicCare CEO.Last Sunday 23rd May our parishioner Neil Harrigan received a papal knighthood, he is now officially a Knight of the Order of St Gregory the Great. The ceremony took place during the 11am Mass at the Cathedral at which I was honoured to concelebrate. On behalf of the parish I would like to acknowledge Neil's work in counselling and in running

Centrecare for many years. His service to the Church and to the community has been outstanding and this honour reflects that selfless service. We give thanks to God for Neil and we extend our congratulations to him and to his family. Fr Mannes

ARCHDIOCESAN WOMEN'S TASKFORCE - On 16 July 2021 the Archdiocesan Women's Taskforce will host a dinner at the Southern Cross Club Woden to celebrate women's ministry. Scholar and teacher, Sr Margaret Beirne RSC will give a talk on St Mary Magdalene. Three course meal \$65. All welcome. Bookings essential at http://bit.ly/MaryMagdaleneDinner

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL INVITATION TO NEW MEMBERS

The Parish Finance Council (PFC) is seeking new members. The role of the PFC is to advise the Parish Priest in *his* role as steward and administrator of Parish property. The PFC operates under rules issued by the Archbishop. Membership of the PFC is one of the many ways of participating and sharing responsibility for the life and mission of the Parish.

Areas that the PFC engages in, include: oversighting the Parish budget; considering proposals for major items of expenditure (by, for example, analysing affordability, reviewing quotes, analysing whether to buy or lease equipment); liaising, as appropriate, with the Archdiocesan Office, the Australian Catholic University, Rosary Primary School and others (such as other groups within the Parish); oversighting maintenance of Parish property; and reviewing Work, Health & Safety matters.

In supporting Parish life and its mission, the PFC deliberations keep in mind the best interests of the Parish, its parishioners and those who work for the Parish. The Archdiocesan rules list some of the skills and competencies that are useful for Parish Finance Councils: accountancy, business expertise, law, property management, architecture, building, maintenance and information technology. They also encourage a balance of male and female members and, where possible, across a range of ages to ensure that a variety of perspectives is available.

The PFC typically meets 4 to 6 times a year, with each meeting going for about $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

There are currently 5 members of the PFC: Fr Mannes (Chairman), Anne O'Donnell, Chris Ryan, Maree Catlin and Roger Paul (Secretary). The PFC would welcome more members. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact the Parish Office. Or if you have any questions or would like to find out more about what the PFC does, please contact Roger at <u>rpaul2572@gmail.com</u> or on 0421 612 572.

PARISH

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION - Parish School of Religion has recommenced in the Parish Centre from 9am. All children between from Year 3 – 6 are welcome – especially families wanting their children to prepare for sacraments, where the child does not attend a Catholic school. Contact Nicole Webb - 0414139170.

PRAY THE ROSARY - First Saturday each month 3.30pm

HOLY MARY MOTHER OF GOD PRAYER GROUP meets 2.00pm 1st, 2nd & 4th Thursdays in the Parish Centre. Contact the Office for information.

BLACKFRIARS MEDITATION GROUP will meet on **Tuesday** evenings during Lent in the 7.30pm Parish Centre. Enquiries John Jarvis 6296 2001 / Michael Flynn 6257 1038 / www.wccm.org

CRAFT GROUP meets noon - 4.00pm in the Parish Centre every **Wednesday except the Third week**,

DOMINICAN LIBRARY will open **Saturday** mornings, 9.30am - 12.00 noon in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

WEEKLY READER FORMATION - Formation sessions have are on Wednesday evenings. These sessions provide reflection on the Scripture readings for the following Sunday. All parishioners are invited. – Meet at the door of the office at 7.30pm OR join us online using Zoom. Zoom details are - <u>https://zoom.us/</u> j/91493407836 **pwd**=eVBQR0hnZ05CL1YzWU93YmJLNm53UT09 The Meeting ID is 983 138 1937 and the passcode is 815443.

Take a deep breath. It calms the mind.

In Your Prayers please remember those in our community who are ill:

Alexia Harris, Maria Martiniello, Greg O'Neill, Ruth Burke, Frank Zobec, Carol Hallam, Mary Martin, Barbara Wilson, Mark Thompson, Ursula Ramsay, Edith Jensen, June Pollard, Philip Bailey, Fr Ellis Clifford, Mimma Gia, Awny El-Ghitany, Rosa Maria Santos, Margaret Suillivan, Maureen Dawes, Mary Lou Pentony, Zelma McManus, Elizabeth Webster, Bob Hackett, Pamela Sandy, Maureen Blood, Beth Delos Santos, Terry Stephens, Joe Schimizzi, Anne Corver, Bernard Druett, Patricia Sargent, Veronica & Paul Cornelly, Peter Caitlin

Our recently Deceased: May they find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord.

Colette Dawes

In Loving Memory

Joseph Grizic

PLANNED GIVING (ENVELOPES)

The majority of Parish income relies on contributions to the Planned Giving via Envelopes, EFTs, Credit Card or Direct Debit. If you are not contributing, please consider joining and contact the Office to advise your method of contribution. There is no charge if using credit card, direct debit or EFT. Envelopes for 2021—2022 will be available for collection on 26/27 June Thanks to the parishioners who have continued to contribute this year.

WINTER WOOLLIES STALL - Calvary Hospital Auxiliary is holding a Winter Woollies Stall on Thursday 17 June, 8am-4pm. There will be a wide variety of hand-knitted and crocheted goods including beanies, jumpers, mittens, children's clothes, rugs, quilts etc, all at bargain prices. Come along to the Main Foyer, Calvary Public Hospital, cnr Belconnen Way & Haydon Drive, Bruce. All proceeds go towards the purchase of medical equipment for the care and comfort of Calvary Public Hospital patients and staff.

SHALOM MEDIA AUSTRALIA - Shalom Media is a catholic ministry that works with the church to evangelize those who do not know Christ through all means of media. Fr. Bineesh Thomas OP and Dr. Zubin Paul Jacob will be leading the retreat. Dates: **4th, 5th, 6th June.** Time: 6:30pm to 9:00pm. Venue: Online via Zoom - Registration for this event is free and easy. For more information and registration, please visit shalommedia.org/retreat.

ROSTER 5 / 6 June 2021		
Saturday 5pm		
Acolyte / Server	T. Johnson	
Readers	P. Farrelly	
Sunday 8am		
Acolyte / Server	J. Smith	
Readers	T. Klekner	M. Falk
Sunday 10am		
Acolyte / Server	R. Tanzer	
Readers	C. Barbaro	P. McDonald
Sunday 5pm		
Acolyte / Server	L. Kim	
Readers	K. Watson	
Counters	I. Buckley	F. Higgins