

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

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.



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Breaking Open the Word



THE SAVING WORD

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY / B

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UNIQUENESS OF GOD AS TRINITY

The mystery of the Trinity as part of the revelation of God is something that we have come to know as part of our faith. As we engage with the readings today, we encounter something of the biblical journey to the understanding we have.

The verses of Deuteronomy focus on the uniqueness of God. Moses recalls Israel's exceptional encounters with God on Mount Horeb and in Egypt, declaring in v. 39 'there is no other'. Moses entreats the people to take to heart the all-encompassing realm of God and to keep God's 'statutes and commandments'.

Paul, beginning with the statement that those led by the Spirit are children of God, logically unfolds that relationship step by step, to reveal that we are joint heirs with Christ. In this short passage, Paul presents Father, Son and Spirit in relationship with believers, an important text for later development of the theology of the Trinity.

The Gospel contains the final verses of Matthew. The location – a mountain – immediately suggests a connection with the encounter with God mentioned in the first reading. The eleven are gathered to see the resurrected Jesus before he ascends. They are then sent out to baptise in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The inclusion of teaching all future disciples to 'obey everything I have commanded' also echoes the words of Moses. Jesus words, 'I am with you always' links these final words with the beginning of Matthew's Gospel and highlights the all-encompassing presence of God from the beginning, recalled in Deuteronomy, and for all believers in the future.

Dr Rosemary Canavan

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.

RESP PSALM

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.

**ST PATRICK'S PARISH
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THREE PARISHES TOGETHER**



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Mass: Tues, Thu, Fri 10am
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Nursing Home Mass
9.30am Yallabee Lodge
11am Sir William Hudson
Adaminaby -9am 2nd Sunday
Nimmitabel
Mass 3rd & 5th Sunday
*5pm Sat Vigil Mass
1st 2nd, 4th Sun- LITURGY Sat 5pm

Numeralla
Mass 4th Sunday at 5.00pm
LITURGY 2nd Sunday 5.00pm

Berridale
Mass 2nd & 4th Sunday of month
Vigil Mass Saturday's at 3.30pm
1st 3rd & 5th Sunday Liturgy
of the Word 10am Sunday

Jindabyne
2nd 3rd & 4th = Vigil Mass 5pm Sat
1st & 5th Sunday Liturgy 5pm Sat

**Please Pray for our Recently Deceased, "We have loved them in life,
let us not forget them in death":** Greg McGufficke, Funeral Tues 4th June 11am; June Reichenback,
Beryl Neal, 'Yarra' Gregor,
**Anniversaries & Special Intentions: "In loving memory of our departed family and our
friends those who have no one to pray for them!"** Mary Boller, Clare Nowland

Prayers for our Sick: "We pray for the sick: may they feel the healing power of Christ and find comfort
and hope in His constant presence" David Harvey, Tania Giuliani, Don McDonald



IT SEEMED GOOD TO US AND THE
HOLY SPIRIT (ACTS: 15-28)
Year Of The Holy Spirit
August 2023 - 2024

Prayer to the Holy Spirit for the Archdiocese

**O God, who by the light
of the Holy Spirit,
did instruct the hearts
of the faithful,
Grant that by the same
Holy Spirit we may be
truly wise and ever rejoice
in his consolations.
Through the same
Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

St Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage 2024. Pambula Parish Council extend a warm
invitation to you/ our communities to join Archbishop Christopher Prowse as he leads the
annual Mary MacKillop pilgrimage in Eden on Saturday, August 3rd. This pilgrimage holds a
special significance as it commemorates Australia's first saint, Saint Mary of the Cross
MacKillop, at the very site she visited on two separate occasions, in 1899 and 1901.

JOKES:

Trinitarian pastor: One parishioner said, "The Trinitarian God is a lot like our pastor. I
don't see him through the week, and I don't understand him on Sunday."

God Is Everywhere: A pastor was trying to explain to a little Sunday school child that God
is calling people everywhere in the world to believe in him. "God is much bigger than we
imagine him to be and God can use all of us in lots of different ways to do his work
everywhere," the pastor said. "God is everywhere!" "Everywhere?" asked the little boy.
"Everywhere!" said the pastor. The boy went home and told his mother, "God is
everywhere! The pastor said so." "Yes, I know," said the mother. "You mean He is even in
the cupboard?" "Yes," said the mother. "In the refrigerator -- even when we close the door
and the light goes out?" "Yes," said the mother. "Even in the sugar bowl?" the lad asked as
he took the lid off. "Yes," said the mother, "even in the sugar bowl." The boy slammed
down the lid and said, "Now I've got Him!"

Roster	26 th May	2 nd June
Acolyte	Richard Cmunt	Kaitlyn Bosco
Usher	Pauline Radosavljevic	Terri Rick
Reader Commentator	Jeremiah Abrokwah/ Tony Goodwin	Kevin Dunne Susan Tighe
Special Minister	Jolanta Zieja	Sue McPhie
Mass Servers	Bosco family
Children's Mass	Kellie Summerville	Suja Tessa
Linen	Gaie Mooney
Church Care	S McPhie L Baker B Moser	C Byrne J Upton P Stewart
Hospital	Kathleen Bashford	Joan Simpson

** Adaminaby Mass: 9am 9th June 2024

Flowers: Claire Neumeyer

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Next weekend Readings

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ / B
1st Reading : Exodus 24: 3-8, 2nd Reading: Hebrews 9: 11-15 Gospel: Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26

Hello volunteers,
We are looking forward to the
new Sep 2024 Rosters.
Please advise any changes you
might need to suit your
availability and continued
support of our Parish.
Thankyou the invaluable role
you play in our Parish and
beyond.

Fr Mark.