



THE SAVING WORD

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY / A

07 JUNE 2020

FIRST READING

Ex 34:4-6, 8-9

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.

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

1. 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

Jn 3:16-18

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.’

■ The Gospel of the Lord.



A SERVICE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST PAUL



Reproduction of this bulletin in any form prohibited. Published with ecclesiastical approval by ST PAULS PUBLICATIONS, PO Box 906, Strathfield NSW 2135. Tel 02 9394 3400 Fax 02 9746 1140. Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible, published and © 1966, by Darton, Longman and Todd Ltd and Doubleday & Co. Inc. are used by permission of the publishers. Psalm text from *The Psalms, A New Translation*, © 1963, The Grail (England), HarperCollins. New translation of the Order of Mass from *The Roman Missal* ©2010, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Artwork by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj. Layout, commentaries and illustrations © St Pauls Publications, 2020. No 1828. Website: www.stpauls.com.au

Reflections on the Gospel

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



St Patricks Parish Gundagai

PO Box 204 Sheridan St GUNDAGAI NSW 2722
 Ph 0478 000 526 | Fr George 0484604273
gundagai@cg.org.au | www.cg.org.au/gundagai

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY YEAR A – 7 JUNE 2020

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

CHURCHES OPEN, NO MORE THAN 10 PEOPLE INSIDE AT A TIME (EXCEPT LITURGICAL MINISTRIES)

Mass is available daily online at www.catholicvoice.org.au

Sunday Mass is aired on ten (Channel 05) Sunday mornings at 6am

GUNDAGAI		COUNTRY MASS		SACRAMENTS	
Saturday	5PM VIGIL MASS	Uralba	Suspended	Confession	By appointment
Sunday	NO MASS	Tumut	Sat. Vigil Mass 5PM & 6PM	Marriage	By appointment
Monday	NO MASS		Sun. Mass 10AM	Baptism	By appointment
Tuesday	LITURGY 11AM	Adelong	1 st /3 rd Sun. 10AM	To arrange a Baptism please contact:	
Wednesday	LITURGY 12NOON	Jugiong	2 nd /4 th Sun. 9AM	Fr George or Fr Namora	
Thursday	11:30AM ADORATION 12NOON MASS	Gobarralong/Adjungbilly	8AM 31 May GOB		
Friday	12NOON MASS				

ROSTER

	6 JUNE	13 JUNE
ACOLYTE	Peter Reardon	Bill Barton
READER	Sarah Graham	Anne Metcalf
OFFERTORY	Ann Elphick / Bernadette Loch	Jill Jones / Judy Hay
ALTAR SERVERS	Addison Fairall / Josie Quine	Jack Peterson / Hugh Ryan
SANCTUARY	-	Liz Maher / Bev Mellis
ST. VINNIES	Peter Reardon	Jim & Anne Saunderson

RECENTLY DECEASED. AND ANNIVERSARIES	THE SICK	MASS OFFERINGS
We pray for recently deceased		Remie Field

PARISH DETAILS

PARISH COUNCIL	PRIESTS / PARISH	PARISH BANKING
Fr George, Fr Namora, Peter Gain, Chris Baron, Anne Saunderson, Craig Ferguson, Kate Howe, Liz Knight	Fr George – 0484 604 273 Fr Namora – 0450 438 444 Madeline Ryan – 0478 000 526	BSB 062 786 A/C 14943 ST PATRICKS PARISH GUNDAGAI

A copy of the Church Bulletin is available on our website each week – www.cg.org.au/gundagai

Please send any notices to gundagai@cg.org.au by midday Wednesday each week for inclusion in the bulletin.

BANKING / PLANNED GIVING

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

NOTICES

ROSARY & ADORATION

The Rosary will be said in the church on **Tuesday 9th June at 10:30 AM** followed by **Liturgy at 11:00AM**
"Simple enough for a child, so deep we enter the mysteries of the Son of God" ~ Most Rev Jose H. Gomez

Adoration will be held on **Thursday 11th June at 11:30AM** followed by **Mass at 12NOON**
"Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the living heart of each of our parishes" ~ Pope Paul VI

COLLECTIONS 31 MAY 2020

First: \$513.05 (incl Gobarralong)
Second: \$125.00

TOTAL COLLECTIONS MAY 2020

First: \$1488.75
Second: \$1905.60 (incl yearly contributions)
Online Planned Giving: \$1195.00

FINANCIAL IMPACT OF COVID-19

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
- The Parish Finance Committee has had to reconfigure our budget

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.

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.

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.

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.

JUNE – DEDICATED TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

THANKSGIVING PRAYER OF ST. JOSEMARIA TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

"I give you thanks, my Jesus, for your decision to become perfect Man, with a Heart which loves and is most lovable, which loved unto death and suffered, which was filled with joy and sorrow, which delighted in the things of men and showed us the way to Heaven, which subjected itself heroically to duty and acted with mercy, which watched over the poor and the rich and cared for the sinner and the just alike. I give you thanks, my Jesus. Give us hearts that will measure up to yours!" (St. Josemaria, Furrow, 813).

