LITURGY OF THE WORD The Most Holy Trinity Year C

First Reading Proverbs 8:22-31 A reading from the book of Proverbs Wisdom was born before the earth was made.

The Wisdom of God cries aloud: The Lord created me when his purpose first unfolded, before the oldest of his works. From everlasting I was firmly set, from the beginning, before earth came into being. The deep was not, when I was born, there were no springs to gush with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills, I came to birth; before he made the earth, the countryside, or the first grains of the world's dust. When he fixed the heavens firm, I was there, when he drew a ring on the surface of the deep, when he thickened the clouds above, when he fixed fast the springs of the deep, when he assigned the sea its boundaries - and the waters will not invade the shore – when he laid down the foundations of the earth, I was by his side, a master craftsman, delighting him day after day, ever at play in his presence, at play everywhere in his world, delighting to be with the sons of men.

The Word of the Lord R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial PsalmPs 8:4-9. R. v.2 (R.) O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

1. When I see the heavens, the work of your hands, the moon and the stars which you arranged, what is man that you should keep him in mind, mortal man that you care for him?

2. Yet you have made him little less than a god; with glory and honour you crowned him, gave him power over the works of your hand, put all things under his feet.

3. All of them, sheep and cattle, yes, even the savage beasts, birds of the air, and fish

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Second Reading

Romans 5:1-5 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. But that is not all we can boast about; we can boast about our sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope, and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.

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Gospel Acclamation

See Apocalypse 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 John 16:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

The Gospel of the Lord R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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The Most Holy TRINITY SUNDAY Year C



CHURCH EVENTS

Choir Practice Mondays 1pm Afternoon Tea Monday 16th June

Cenacle Prayer 9.30 am Fridays after Mass

"Good News" Wednesdays after Mass to discuss reading for the following Sunday. CMR

Morning Retreat -"The Gift of Years" June 17th 9.30-12noon CMR For further info: Marie 0405 028 057 Carolyn 0400 121 119

Parish Sacramental Program 2025 Confirmation Year 6 Retreat Day Thursday 12th June 9.30-2.00pm Carroll College Family Catch-Up Afternoon Thursday 19th June 5pm CMR

> Wrap with Love Wednesday 25th June 1-3 pm CMR

Craft Group 10am Thursdays Church Meeting Room **ADORATION TUESDAYS**

(a) 4pm

COFFEE CLUB Thursdays after 9am Mass

Parish Priest: Fr Joshy Kurien Secretary: Roslynne Trompp Finance Admin: Anne Jackson JP PC Co-ord: Marie Weatherall Asst. PC Co-ord: Carolyn Evenden

The Gate of Heaven is everywhere!

While preparing for this reflection on the feast of the Holy Trinity I remember travelling in Italy and going into many churches and cathedrals. I was struck by their stain glass windows. From the outside these stain glass windows were not remarkable but inside, with light streaming in, what a world of colour I saw. Things became transparent. With light they were no longer opaque as they no longer hid the message of God.

Thomas Merton, a convert to Catholicism and a Cistercian Monk in speaking about love speaks of this transparency in his book ' A Life Free from Care': says: 'When you love another person you simply forget yourself and think about the other person – what happens in love is that each one forgets him/herself in order to live in and through the other' He goes onto say: 'We are living in a world that is absolutely transparent and God is shining through it all the time ... God manifests himself everywhere, in everything and we cannot be without him. This is what we are here for - to see God.' [1970, pg 221 - 222]

The Mystery of the Trinity.

The mystery of the Trinity can be made into a cold abstract doctrine instead of the glowing centre of our life. Let us approach this mystery with Jesus himself in order to enlighten our lives. Jesus came like a shining light into our world. His actions had a guiet strength, like the light of a warm dawn overcoming darkness. His words were uplifting and strengthening. He directed his people to the loving relationship he had with the Father from whom he held his very being. When he disappeared from the disciple sight, having loved them as no one else had done, they found they were not abandoned! As the Glenstal Missal states: 'an inner strength, his Spirit, guided his disciple towards the complete truth of him who path they had shared for a time.' [pg1166]

The Gospel is like an ongoing unveiling of the meaning of what Jesus said and done, urging us towards the divine revealing how we are bathed in the life of the Blessed Trinity.

Let us pause this week pray the prayer of the Holy Trinity: 'Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now & ever shall be, world without end.

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land, the Walbunja people of the Yuin Nation. We pay our respects to their elders, past, present and emerging



Principal: Karen Hadley St. Bernard's Primary School, Batehaven R.E.C: Rebecca Keough Principal: Mrs. Jacqui Heffernan Carroll College, Broulee R.E.C: Anna Smart



Amen

Marie Weatherall

MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday 16th—Sunday 22nd June

Monday 16th: NO MASS **Tuesday 17th:** Mass 5pm Wednesday 18th: Mass 9am Thursday 19th: Mass 9am Friday 20th: Mass 9am Saturday 21st: Mass 5pm Reconciliation 3.30-4.30 Sunday 22nd: Mass 9am

> **FUNERALS IN THE PARISH** Mrs Zora Domitrovic Wednesday 18th June 11am

> > 21/22 JUNE

23-27 D & L May

Welcomer B Oerder

Commentator P O'Kelly

Computer Screen D May

MORNING TEA:

M Vidovic, Zdenka

COUNTERS

D & L May

Reader: M Weatherall

Eucharistic Ministers

5.00PM MASS

Cleaning

ROSTERS

14/15 JUNE Cleaning 16-20 Favetta/O'Neill/ Nugent

5.00PM MASS Welcomer: C Brownlie Commentator: M O'Neill Reader: P Nolan **Eucharistic Ministers** L Butt Computer Screen K Conway

C Brownlie Computer Screen J O'Sullivan 9.00 AM MASS: 9.00 AM MASS: Welcomer L May Commentator N Beatty Welcomer S Beashel Reader: B Basevi Commentator B Basevi Eucharistic Ministers

K Corbin

Reader: J Whiteford **Eucharistic Ministers** L Stevens Computer Screen T Priest

MORNING TEA: N Beatty M deSmet COUNTERS B Basevi/C Meade

PARISH FINANCIAL **SUPPORT**

A/C Name: St Bernard's Operating **BSB:** 062-786 A/C No: 00012939 **Ref:** Family Name

"Choir Easter Music Review, Monday June 16 at 1.00pm After a short practice, we will have a cuppa together and review our Easter Music. What did you love and what shall we change? Bring your Easter Music!"

Morning Retreat 'The Gift of Years - Growing Older Gracefully' Part 2 will take place on Tuesday June 17 in the Church Meeting Room 9-15am for 9-30am start – 12noon. Cost Free. BYO Shared Morning Tea. Facilitated by Marie W and Carolyn E Booking Essential by Monday June 9. Marie 0405 028 057 or Carolyn E 0400 121 119

Pastoral Care person needed for the following ministries -Are you able to be on a roster once a month? Visiting and taking HC to Catholic Patients in the Bateman's <u>Bay Hospital</u> – you would be oriented by an experienced PC

Team member Visiting and taking HC to a lady who is unwell and housebound in her home. All enquiries: Marie Weatherall [m] 0405 028 057

Thank You Margaret Bridges for your dedication of 24.5 years to Pastoral Care Ministry in St Bernard's Parish. We thank you for your faithful commitment of visiting and taking HC to Individuals in their home, in Age Care facilities and at the Bateman's Bay Hospital. We wish you well in the future and thank you for your wonderful service.

Parish Sacramental Program 2025 Confirmation

Family Catch-Up Evening Thursday 19th June 5pm

in the Church Meeting Room Please return your booklets Light snack provided **Confirmation Celebration** Saturday 28th June 5pm Please pray for our children preparing for this Sacrament, their families and teachers supporting them on their journey

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate Painting the Picture of God

The Feast of the Trinity of God comes about because Jesus painted a picture of the most intimate communion of Divine Life between Himself, the Father, and the Holy Spirit. This is a relationship and yet the most perfect unity.

God is Divine pulsating, shimmering light dancing in threefold exchange of love. In fact, the best name for God is 'Being-in-Love'. What does this mean for us?

How often have you heard: 'You are made in the image and likeness of God'? If God is threefold Being-in-Love, then you and I are made to live in relationship - not in solitary. We are totally on the wrong track if we think that the ultimate good is to be self-sufficient. It will turn out to be a Hellish choice. When we live as much self-giving as is possible, we are closest to Divine Life. In fact, we are Divine Life pulsating into a particular time and place through us.

Each time we bless ourselves, a bit of a Catholic routine, we are invoking the threefold exchange of love and calling its power into our life. Be careful, there will be consequence! You could become more God-like!

We could pause for a moment, slowly make the Sign of the Cross which recalls our baptism: 'In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit', and promise to image that Name in our lives.

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The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. expectation the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Remembering the Sick:

Sr Maria Goretti, Travis Roth, Piper Roth, Maya Roth, Kristy Crosby, Jeanette Clarke, Chris Bowditch, Sheree Jackson, Brendan Blyton, Wendy & Pat Roberts, Mark O'Neill, Karen Nixon, Kevin Totterell, Dawn Robinson, Maria de Rocco, Myrna Glenn, Norma Dean, Ann Marie McLoughlin, Antionette Doyle, Christine Norman, Anne Gatehouse, Tony Vogel, Suzanne Hughes, Sr Marie McAlister, Peter O'Neill, Fr John Walter, Fr Kevin Murphy, Allan Rogers, Rita Condon, Ben Copland, Vince Burns, Patrick Burns, Carolyn Burns, John Dillon, James Lee, Trish Hamilton, Jim Banks, Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, Diane Lanzon, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Allan Odlum, Luke Ward, Andrew Morton, Ken Evendon, Judy Betts, Anica Bautovic, Angela Mylott, those in hospital and nursing homes

Death Anniversaries: are listed in the Memorial Book at the front of the Church and names car be added to it if dates are provided.

We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community: Zora Domitrovic, Rod Sanders, Colin Platt, Indy Roth, Pope Francis, Kelvin Jones, Margaret Priest, Linda Vogel, Geoffrey Bopping, Ivan Backo, Jean McSmith, David Wick, Joe Quigley, Margaret Silversides, Patricia Totterdell, David Cowley, Joanne Rogers, Gerald Lewis, Josephine Beckhaus, Cyril Noyeaux, Frank Simic, Sr Paulinus Croker, Marion O'Grady, Patricia Suhl, Neil Leonard, Letitia Baz, Trent Fisk, Kevin Carew, Margaret Kelly, Arthur Hurrell, Vicki Lukasik, Paul Skinner, Suzanne Melton, James Quirk, Giovanni Menon, Tony Puconja, Hazel Nolan, Else McGahey, Richard Smart, Patrick Dunn, Laurence Foran, Lynton Ryan, Jacki Harding, Keith Cooke, Sarah Good, Robert Mitchell, Joyce Hurrell, Archbishop Francis Carroll, Ruth O'Malley, Julie Morgan, Suzanne Houssard, Nancy Sykes, Lillian Burkinshaw, Lynette Arundel

brother, and the flame of charity enkindled May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos, in the sure of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with Pope Leo Monthly Prayer Intentions JUNE

That the world might grow in compassion Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world

