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### Prayers & Mass Times of the Week

Monday	No Service	
Tuesday	9.15 AM	Mass; ;
Wednesday	9.15 AM	Mass;
Thursday	9.15 AM	Mass; Rosary;
Friday	9.15 AM	Mass; The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday	6.30 PM	Mass; Saint Justin
Sunday	9.00 AM	Rosary;
<b>The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</b>	9.30 AM	Mass,
	5.30 PM	Mass;
Reconciliation:	30 minutes prior to all masses.	

### Last Fortnight's Collection

Thanks Giving Offering	\$1,712.90
Presbytery Offering	\$1011.40

**Thank you for your commitment and support**

### Next Week's Reading

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Year B**

**First Reading Exodus 24:3-8**

**Second Reading Hebrews 9:11 - 15**

**Gospel Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26**

**Thank you for your commitment and support**

### BAPTISMS *(Baptism requires a months' notice)*

**Upcoming baptism:** Felix Ng

Laundry in April

Church Cleaning —

### Week's Roster

	Ministries	SATURDAY, 6.30 PM	SUNDAY, 9.30 AM	SUNDAY, 5.30 PM
THIS WEEK	<b>Commentator</b>	Chatarina Pereira	Janine Phillips	Wilson Fernandez
	<b>Reader</b>	Chatarina Pereira	Clyde Pereira	Yvonne Kumar
	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Volunteer	Janine Phillips	Roman Siriwardene
NEXT WEEK	<b>Commentator</b>	Peter Leptai	Clyde Pereira	Volunteer
	<b>Reader</b>	Sarah P	Riza Balmes	Lolita Brimes
	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Kate Robinson	Veronica Pedrola	Bernadine Naidu

### Please pray for...

Those who are baptised:

Those who are sick: Clyde Pereira, Cecile Hien Pham, Kamari Family members, Frank Maning, Annita Diaz, Simeona Wilson, Jaime & Maria Cruz, Rafferti Florida, Vivian Martin, Sandra James.

Those who recently died:

Those whose memories are sacred to us: . Emily Quenette, Eddie & Molly Perera



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### THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, YEAR B

26 MAY 2024

#### First Reading Dt 4: 32-34. 39-40

*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.'

#### Responsorial 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. With 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

*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

#### Gospel Acclamation Rv 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 Mt 28: 16-20

*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 to 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.'



#### Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

We humans are created into the image of God. If our idea of God is wrong then we can imagine ourselves in a way which is dangerously de-humanising.

If we think of God as solitary Being then we might imagine that the best way of being human is to be solitary, self-sufficient, totally in-dependent of others. However, Jesus Christ revealed a different way for the eyes of faith to see God.

He had a sense of the most intimate communion with 'Abba', Father, and he had such a close relationship with the Holy Spirit that his very breathing on his disciples imparted this Breath of God upon them. The early Church was forced to conclude that Being and Relationship were both fundamentally primordial and true of the Tri-une God, or the Trinity for short

Now, if we are created into this image of God, then our very existence needs to be relational for us to be fully human in this life and the next. To be totally self-absorbed is to consign oneself to a Hellish existence. To be open to communion with God, other human beings and the whole of creation is to enjoy a Heavenly existence.

We can take a moment to pray to thank God for this revelation not granted to, or at least not believed by, other great world religions. We thank Jesus Christ for satisfying our yearning to know the truth about our Creator, and helping us to understand what it is to be fully human. May we recall this every time we dip our fingers in the holy water font on entering a church, remembering our baptism: 'In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.'

# THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

## GATHERING SONG SATURDAY 6.30 pm

- Holy God, We Praise Thy Name, Verse 1&3 No 129; Page 308

## PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- You Are Near No 112; Page 110

## COMMUNION SONG

- Bread Broken, Wine Shared No 155; Page 335

## COMMUNION REFLECTION

- Quiet music

## FINAL SONG

- Glory And Praise To Our God No 16; Page 19

## GATHERING SONG SUNDAY 9.30 am

- Holy God, We Praise Thy Name, Verse 1&3 No 129; Page 308

## PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- Father, I Thank You Text attached

## COMMUNION SONG

- Trinity Song Text attached

## FINAL SONG

- Glorify Thy Name No 165; Page 344

## GLORIFY THY NAME

1. Father, we love You  
We worship and adore you  
Glorify Thy Name in all the earth  
Glorify Thy Name  
Glorify Thy Name  
Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

2. Jesus, we love you....

3. Spirit, we love you....

## TRINITY SONG

(Frank Anderson MSC)

1. Father, in my life I see  
You are God who walks with me  
You hold my life in Your hands  
Close beside You I will stand  
I give all my life to You  
Help me, Father, to be true.

2. Jesus, in my life I see....

3. Spirit, in my life I see....

## FATHER I THANK YOU

1. Father I thank You for  
all that You've done  
You gave Your Son freely for  
me  
And I praise You for calling  
me  
Drawing me near  
Out of blindness You caused  
me to see.

2. Spirit of life, You are God's  
holy fire  
You've kindled my heart with  
Your blaze

And I know You're refining  
me

Changing my life  
And by faith You're revealing  
Your ways

3. Jesus, I need You as Lord  
of my life  
I give all I have unto You  
Lord, I want to come under  
Your heavenly hand  
And to praise You in all that I  
do

## GATHERING SONG SUNDAY 5.30 pm

- Glory And Praise To Our God No 16; Page 19

## PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- I'll Be Always Loving You No 82; Page 83

## COMMUNION SONG

- How Great Thou Art No 94; Page 95

## COMMUNION REFLECTION

- Quiet Music

## FINAL SONG

- Praise To You, o Christ, Our Savior No 28; Page 31

## PIETY STALL



Anyone who would like to enrich  
God's teaching  
is welcome to do so by purchasing  
the Holy Bible available in our stall

## First Holy Communion Mass

This Sunday, May 26, at 12:00 pm.

our students will receive their

First Holy Communion.

This is a beautiful and exciting  
day for them and their families.

The Lord feeds them with His  
Body and Blood for the first time.



Hopefully, this First Communion Mass will greatly inspire  
these students to grow in virtue and good character.

## Sing Your Praise to God!



Please pick up a copy of the newsletter and 'As One Voice'  
hymn book at the entrance and join us in the singing during  
mass.

Even better, do come and join our choir! We practice  
45 minutes before mass either on Saturday or Sunday.  
All are welcome!

Please contact :

**Cheryl 0422 724 572 or Thien 0434 998 317**

# PARISH NOTICES

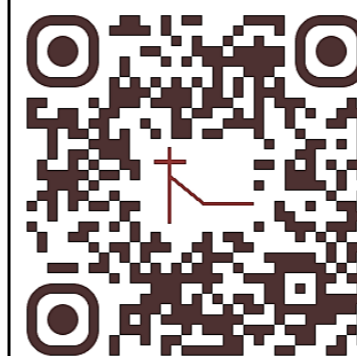
## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday	8.45am - 12.45pm
Wednesday	11.30am - 3.30pm
Thursday	8.45am - 12.45pm
Friday	11.30am - 3.30pm

## St. Elizabeth's Parish Donation QR Code

We're excited to introduce a new QR Code for  
donations towards the Presbytery, Thanksgiving,  
Special Collections, or the Priests Retirement Fund.

Your generosity ensures the continued support and  
care for our parish community. Scan the QR Code to  
contribute securely and conveniently. For additional  
information check our Parish Notice Board in the  
church foyer. Thank you for your kindness and sup-  
port.



## COME TO THE HEALING MASS

**WHEN:** Monday 3rd June 2024

**TIME:** 6.30 PM – 7.00 PM

Rosary

7.00 PM – 7.30 PM

Praise & Worship

7.30 PM – 9.00 PM

Healing Mass & Anointing  
by the priest

**WHERE:** **St. Joseph's Church**

Cnr St James Ave &  
Buckingham Ave

Springvale

**CELEBRANT** Fr. John OFM CONV

**Parish Office:** 9544777

**Prayer Group:** Jenny 0447524893

## UNDERSTANDING THE TRINITY

The Feast of the Trinity always follows on the Sunday after Pentecost and  
represents a central belief of our faith. While there are three distinct and indi-  
vidual divine persons, they are so deeply bonded by their love for each other  
that they operate with one mind and heart.

We often refer to the 'mystery' of the Trinity for good reason; it is simply  
beyond our human capacity to fully understand it. Typically when we try to  
describe something new, complex or mindboggling, we resort to analogies.

**Analogies help us to visualise the subject and so give us a foothold on the  
topic, but they are always inadequate as they do not provide the complete  
picture. One analogy used throughout scripture to describe the nature  
of God as Trinity is the love between a married couple; a point well made  
by the writings of Pope John Paul II.**

Marriage is a life-giving union. It is a union of more than just two lives, or  
even the physical union of spouses; it also includes a spiritual union of two  
souls. Like the Trinity, married love is both intimate and generative; that is it  
has a life giving energy that goes beyond the individuals, enriching husband  
and wife, their children and their wider community. While married love is an  
imperfect analogy, it goes some way to characterising our understanding of  
the Trinity, a complete union of three divine 'persons' in perfect love; a love  
so generative that it 'renews the face of the earth'.

While this is a helpful analogy for adults, it is not so useful with younger  
children. One of the best ways to help children grasp the concept of the  
Trinity is to 'teach by doing'. For example, the Sign of the Cross is a simple  
Trinity prayer that can be a powerful catechesis on the nature of God. We've  
used the 'Trinity Prayer' in many circumstances to enhance our relationship  
with God as Father, Son and Spirit. Inspired by the Daily Examine of St  
Ignatius, in three simple steps it leads us to reflect on the gifts and challenges  
of our day within a Trinitarian context. Try it next time you are looking for  
something different in your own or your family's prayer life.



## The Trinity Prayer

Make the Sign of the Cross

**Step One: Prayers of Praise**

**and Thanks to the Father.**



The Father is the author of Creation and all good things in our lives originate  
in him. For maximum impact, focus on the specific details of your day when  
offering praise and thanks, and address your prayer to your Father in Heaven.

**Step Two: Prayers of Sorrow to Jesus.**

It was Jesus who suffered and died so that we might be saved. Our failure to  
love not only wounds the one we hurt, it wounds the whole body of Christ.  
Like making a confession, people often find this a difficult prayer to voice out  
loud. However it is doubly powerful when we do so, as, in seeking the  
forgiveness of Jesus, we also seek the forgiveness of those closest to us.

**Step Three: Prayers of Petition to the Holy Spirit.**

The Holy Spirit is the source of life-giving energy and grace in the world.  
When making this prayer, think of specific spiritual strengths (or graces) that  
will help you love better. For example, courage to apologise, perseverance in  
a difficult task, kindness towards someone you dislike, compassion for  
someone who hurt you.

**Finally, pray the Glory Be, (or for an even grander ending, The Gloria!).**

**CathFamily, Francine Pirola**