Saint Mary's Catholic Church

Mount Evelyn



The Most Holy Trinity (Year C)

12 June 2022

readings

Next Week

1 Kg 19:16, 19—21 Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11 Gal 5:1, 13-18 Lk 9:51-62

in a nutshell

O Lord our God! The mystery of the Blessed Trinity is too deep for us now. But gradually the Holy Spirit will lead us to the fullness of the truth about God. Day by day we will grow in our sense of wonder that this God, who created the heavens and the earth, cares for us in an intimate, personal way. Al we can do is cry out 'Glory' to the one God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

we pray for

all who are sick or suffering and those parishioners unable to be among us this weekend, especially, Charlotte-Mae, Maureen O'Kane, Kaye Law.

For those who have died recently, and those whose anniversary occur at this time.

of special note

Morning tea and coffee to resume after 10.30 Mass. Volunteers needed to help

More information inside

Raise Your Voices

Entrance Antiphon

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.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

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? (R.)

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. (R.)

All of them, sheep and cattle, yes, even the savage beasts, birds of the air, and fish that make their way through the waters. (R.)

Gospel acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

The Parish of St Mary's

Parish Priest

REV. MICHEL G CORRIVEAU

Parish Secretary
Janine Meades

Parish Office Hours Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Mass Saturday—6:30pm Sunday—10:30am & 5:00pm

Weekday Mass & Rosary Tuesday—9:00am

Thursday—9:00am

Friday—9:00am
Rosary prayed before morning Mass

Reconciliation

Saturday—11:30am-12:30pm Friday—8:10am-8:40am

> Exposition Friday at 8:00am

Weddings

Please contact the office

Baptisms

Please see Father after Mass

Parish Primary School

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Child Safety

Child Safety is everyone's responsibility. Our Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, and vulnerable people in our community.

Remember children should be accompanied by an adult family member to the toilet.

Safeguarding Committee

Fr Michel Janine Meades Alan Somers Karen Somers Sue Van der Linden Karla Zmegac

Car Parking – Weekend Masses

In the interests of safety please park in the official carparks rather than on the grassy areas around the picnic tables. Keep this area for people to gather and chat after mass.

Tap and Go-Located Near Kitchen Window

Donations given using Tap and Go are considered the same as cash in the basket or "Presbytery Offering" through envelopes therefore contributes to the support of the Parish Priest. A percentage of the Presbytery collection is also required to be sent quarterly to support the Archdiocese.

Do you need a Helping Hand?

Ring the St Vinnies Call Centre 1800 305 330 Monday - Friday 10am to 3pm, St Mary's Conference 0427 874 374 or John Bird 0407 848 192

Bulletin notices: by 12:00 noon Thursday please: mountevelyn@cam.org.au

For positions vacant within the Diocese visit: https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies

Parish Meetings: Tuesday July 12

Finance Committee 7:00pm
Parish Safeguarding 7:30pm
Parish Council 8:00pm

Parish Notices

Fr Michel Away

Fr Michel will be away from the parish in June. During the weeks beginning Monday June 13 and Monday June 20 there will be no weekday Masses/events. Weekend Masses will be celebrated as usual.

Nominations for Safeguarding Committee

There are a number of positions open on the Safeguarding Committee, please contact the Parish office or Fr Michel if you are interested.

Blessing of the Bread

Blessing of the bread in honour of St Anthony of Padua to help the needy will occur at the 10:30 Mass.

The actual name of "St. Anthony's Bread" came from a French woman named Louise Bouffier in 1890, who promised loaves of bread for the poor when St. Anthony helped her with opening the broken lock of her small linen shop. After his help, her shop was the basis of St. Anthony's Bread.

Regular Gardening/Working Bee

On the first and third Fridays of the month you are invited to put some time aside between 4-6pm to assist with maintaining the gardens etc. BYO PPE, gloves, tools/equipment etc. **Next one: 17 June**

First Communion Enrolments 2022

First Communion preparation classes for children at St Mary's Primary School will begin on July 19. Registrations are open now, please see Fr Michel, visit website http://pol.org.au/mountevelyn/Home.aspx or notify the parish office for a registration form.

Adoration of the Eucharist

Adoration: The Son of Man was revealed as Son of God in a more perfect and transcendent way once he had entered into his Father's glory; he began to be indescribably more present in his divinity to those from whom he was further removed in his humanity. Our Redeemer's visible presence passed into the sacraments. (Pope St. Leo the Great)

Confession: In the Sacrament of Penance, the simple confession of one's guilt can become an experience of deliverance. The weight of the past is removed from us and we can feel rejuvenated by the merit of the grace of God. (Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI)

Stewardship Corner

"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth..." (JOHN 16:13)

It has been said that the best gift we can give someone is to teach them how to pray. If you don't talk and more importantly, listen, to God every day, how else will you know what He is calling you to do? Just as you talk to family and friends every day, get in the habit of talking with God every day. Develop a daily prayer routine. Keep your prayers simple and sincere. This is best done in silence, when you can hear His response.

Coffee After 10:30 Mass to Resume Soon

We will be offering tea and coffee after the morning Mass again! We are seeking volunteers to serve and wash up once a month or so. If you'd like to be on the roster, please put your name and number on the sign up sheet at the kitchen window or contact Rachael O'Shea ph. 0437123802

Pro-Life News

Mass in Reparation for Abortion is held on the last Saturday of each month at St Patrick's Cathedral. Sponsored by the Helpers of God's Precious Infants. Sign up to newsletters here: helpers101@hotmail.com. Referenced in the April Newsletter, read a powerful account of answered prayers: https://www.plough.com/en/topics/life/parenting/the-baby-we-kept. Flyers/newsletters are often available in the foyer.

World Meeting of Families | 22 - 26 June 2022

Every three years since 1994, the Church has celebrated the World Meeting of Families in a different city of the world. In 2022 the event will be hosted by the Diocese of Rome with Pope Francis leading special celebrations. However, the Holy Father has also asked that the World Meeting of Families be celebrated concurrently in every diocese of the world in 2022. The idea is for families to gather locally around their bishop to explore and celebrate the theme of "Family love: A vocation and a path to holiness." You can discover local Australian events or explore the resources with your own family by visiting: www.family.catholic.org.au

Something to Make You Smile

The Aborigines in a remote part of Northern Australia asked their new elder if the coming winter was going to be cold or mild. Since he was an elder in a modern community he had never been taught the old secrets. When he looked at the sky he couldn't tell what the winter was going to be like. Nevertheless, to be on the safe side, he told his tribe that the winter was indeed going to be cold and that the members of the tribe should collect firewood to be prepared. But being a practical leader, after several days he got an idea. He walked out to the telephone booth on the highway, called the Bureau of Meteorology and asked, 'Is the coming winter in this area going to be cold?' The meteorologist responded, 'It looks like this winter is going to be quite cold.' So, the elder went back to his tribe and told them to collect even more wood in order to be prepared. A week later he called the Bureau of Meteorology again. 'Does it still look like it is going to be a very cold winter?' The meteorologist again replied, 'Yep, it's going to be a very cold winter.' The elder went back to his tribe and ordered them to collect every scrap of firewood they could find. Two weeks later the elder called the Bureau again. Hey, 'Are you absolutely sure that the winter is going to be very cold? 'Absolutely,' the guy replied. 'It's looking more and more like it is going to be one of the coldest winters ever.' 'How can you be so sure?' the elder asked. The weatherman replied, 'Our satellites have reported that the Aborigines in the north are collecting firewood like crazy, and that's always a sure sign.

Readings Reflection

Glorious Processions

In today's Liturgy we're swept through time in glorious procession—from before earth and sky were set in place to the coming of the Spirit upon the new creation, the Church.

We begin in the heart of the Trinity, as we listen to the testimony of Wisdom in today's First Reading. Eternally begotten, the firstborn of God, He is poured forth from of old in the loving delight of the Father.

Through Him, the heavens were established, the foundations of the earth fixed. From before the beginning, He was with the Father as His "Craftsman," the artisan by Whom all things were made. And He took special delight, He tells us, in the crowning glory of God's handiwork—the human race, the "sons of men."

In today's Psalm, He comes down from heaven, is made a little lower than the angels, comes among us as "the Son of Man" (see Hebrews 2:6–10).

All things are put under His feet so that He can restore to humanity the glory for which we were made from the beginning, the glory lost by sin. He tasted death that we might be raised to life in the Trinity, that His name might be made glorious over all the earth.

Through the Son, we have gained grace and access in the Spirit to the Father, as Paul boasts in today's Epistle (see Ephesians 2:18).

The Spirit, the Love of God, has been poured out into our hearts—a Spirit of adoption, making us children of the Father once more (see Romans 8:14–16).

This is the Spirit that Jesus promises in today's Gospel.

His Spirit comes as divine gift and anointing (see 1 John 2:27), to guide us to all truth, to show us "the things that are coming," the things that were meant to be from before all ages—that we will find peace and union in God, share the life of the Trinity, and dwell in God as He dwells in us (see John 14:23; 17:21).

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The Mystery of the Blessed Trinity as "three Persons in one God"

Jesus came and said to [the eleven disciples], "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Mt 28.19)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. (2 Cor 13.14)

Because it is a mystery, the Blessed Trinity is impossible to understand by reason alone. By faith we can affirm the truths about the Blessed Trinity that have been divinely revealed to us and handed down to us through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition.

The Blessed Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian Faith, the very source and light of all other mysteries of Faith. As such, it is the most fundamental and indispensable truth of Christianity, one that has been revealed to the Church and articulated by her through her reflection upon Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition.

The Most Holy Trinity is one God in three divine Persons. The Father is God, the Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God, and each is of the same divine "substance," "essence," or "nature." They are differentiated as three Persons only in their relationship to one another: "It is the Father who generates, the Son who is begotten, and the Holy Spirit who proceeds." (Lateran Council IV). Yet we ought not attempt to distinguish the three Persons of the Blessed Trinity by their perceived "functions," as though it is the Father alone who creates, the Son alone who redeems, and the Spirit alone who sanctifies. All three are united in will and share in all divine works.

As is the case with all mysteries of faith, truths such as that of the Blessed Trinity are impossible to grasp with our finite, human minds. "In addition to things to which natural reason can attain, mysteries hidden in God are proposed to us for belief which, had they not been divinely revealed, could not become known" (Dei Filius, 4). We accept them on faith because it has been revealed to us as such, thus allowing faith to elevate our power of human reason to receive and come to know the other truths of Divine Revelation that have been entrusted to and handed on by the Church.

The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity on the first Sunday after Pentecost.

From the Didache Bible

- 234 The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in himself. It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them. It is the most fundamental and essential teaching in the "hierarchy of the truths of faith." The whole history of salvation is identical with the history of the way and the means by which the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, reveals himself to men "and reconciles and unites with himself those who turn away from sin."
- 237 The Trinity is a mystery of faith in the strict sense, one of the "mysteries that are hidden in God, which can never be known unless they are revealed by God." To be sure, God has left traces of his Trinitarian being in his work of creation and in his Revelation throughout the Old Testament. But his inmost Being as Holy Trinity is a mystery that is inaccessible to reason alone or even to Israel's faith before the Incarnation of God's Son and the sending of the Holy Spirit.
- **240** Jesus revealed that God is Father in an unheard-of sense: he is Father not only in being Creator; he is eternally Father in relation to his only Son, who is eternally Son only in relation to his Father: "No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and any one to whom the Son chooses to reveal him."
- **241** For this reason the apostles confess Jesus to be the Word: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God"; as "the image of the invisible God"; as the "radiance of the glory of God and the very stamp of his nature."
- **242** Following this apostolic tradition, the Church confessed at the first ecumenical council at Nicaea (325) that the Son is "consubstantial" with the Father, that is, one only God with him. The second ecumenical council, held at Constantinople in 381, kept this expression in its formulation of the Nicene Creed and confessed "the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, light from light, true God from true God, begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father."
- **243** Before his Passover, Jesus announced the sending of "another Paraclete" (Advocate), the Holy Spirit. At work since creation, having previously "spoken through the prophets," the Spirit will now be with and in the disciples, to teach them and guide them "into all the truth." The Holy Spirit is thus revealed as another divine person with Jesus and the Father.
- **244** The eternal origin of the Holy Spirit is revealed in his mission in time. The Spirit is sent to the apostles and to the Church both by the Father in the name of the Son, and by the Son in person, once he had returned to the Father. The sending of the person of the Spirit after Jesus' glorification reveals in its fullness the mystery of the Holy Trinity.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church