



PARTNERSHIP PARISHES



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The Most Holy Trinity

29/30 May 2021



Persons All the Way Down

Christians believe in one God and only one God. But at the heart of Christianity is the belief that this one God is three Persons, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We count only one God. But when we count divine Persons, we count three.* But notice that you can't divide the one God into three more fundamental things, which make up the one God. God isn't a compound

of anything more fundamental. One is all there is, when it comes to God. You can't reduce the three Persons of the Trinity to some more fundamental something.

And yet you still have to count three. The three Persons of the Trinity are not really anything else. They aren't roles of God, or modes of God. You can't reduce the three Persons of the Trinity to some more fundamental something in order to get—at bottom—just one. In themselves, they are Persons, and there are three of them.

Some secularists suppose that everything whatsoever is reducible to elementary particles. For secularists, at the ultimate foundation of reality there is just the impersonal, the cold and uncaring bits of matter and energy that make up the material world.

What the doctrine of the Trinity tells us is just the opposite. At the ultimate foundation of reality, irreducible to anything else, there are the three Persons of the Trinity, who are one God.

There is a story told about an old lady who believed that the world is flat and rests on the back of a giant turtle. She was challenged with the following question, "Yes, but what does the turtle rest on?", but the question didn't trouble her. She just replied carelessly, "Oh, it's turtles all the way down!"

She was wrong, of course, and the secularists are wrong, too. The whole cosmos rests on the loving and caring Persons of the Trinity. For Christians, it's Persons all the way down.

This is a doctrine worth celebrating.

Eleonore Stump

Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct Declaration for all the volunteers.

Please note it is now mandatory that all volunteers have a working with children check even though you do not work directly with children and also to sign the code of Conduct declaration.

This will now be moved to another date due to lockdown
Contact Parish Offices if you need further information.

This parish has a commitment to ensuring the safety of children and vulnerable people in our community.



MASS TIMES

No Masses this weekend or during this week due to 7 days lockdown. We will keep you informed when we will be able to return.

Keep safe and keep well.

Fr. Shabin will hold you and your families in his prayers during this time.

Follow us on [@stmarysparishthornbury](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysparishthornbury)

Recently Deceased

Sr. Mary Duffy sgs; Luigi Gugliotti; Valerie Anne Newland

Anniversaries

Charbel Badr Habchi (one year); Farid Yacoub Yagmoor, Eileen Ada Doyle and Toubia Fakhry; Pasquale Talomo; Giuseppe & Concetta Licastro; Vincenzo, Stella & Bruno Comito; Angelo Gigliotti

FIRST READING: Deut. 4:32-34. 39-40

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy
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

All: Thanks be to God

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.

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.

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.

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: *Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.*

SECOND READING Romans 8:14-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.
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.

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation 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 Matthew 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
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.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Prima Lettura

Dt 4,32-34.39-40

Dal libro del Deuteronomio

Mosè parlò al popolo dicendo:

«Interroga pure i tempi antichi, che furono prima di te: dal giorno in cui Dio creò l'uomo sulla terra e da un'estremità all'altra dei cieli, vi fu mai cosa grande come questa e si udì mai cosa simile a questa? Che cioè un popolo abbia udito la voce di Dio parlare dal fuoco, come l'hai udita tu, e che rimanesse vivo? O ha mai tentato un dio di andare a scegliersi una nazione in mezzo a un'altra con prove, segni, prodigi e battaglie, con mano potente e braccio teso e grandi terrori, come fece per voi il Signore, vostro Dio, in Egitto, sotto i tuoi occhi?

Sappi dunque oggi e medita bene nel tuo cuore che il Signore è Dio lassù nei cieli e quaggiù sulla terra: non ve n'è altro. Osserva dunque le sue leggi e i suoi comandi che oggi ti do, perché sia felice tu e i tuoi figli dopo di te e perché tu resti a lungo nel paese che il Signore, tuo Dio, ti dà per sempre». Parola di Dio

A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.

Seguite il coro se il ritornello del salmo è diverso del foglietto.

Salmo Responsoriale

Sal 32

Rit: Beato il popolo scelto dal Signore.

1. Retta è la parola del Signore e fedele ogni sua opera. Egli ama la giustizia e il diritto; dell'amore del Signore è piena la terra.
2. Dalla parola del Signore furono fatti i cieli, dal soffio della sua bocca ogni loro schiera. Perché egli parlò e tutto fu creato, comandò e tutto fu compiuto.
3. Ecco, l'occhio del Signore è su chi lo teme, su chi spera nel suo amore, per liberarlo dalla morte e nutrirlo in tempo di fame.
4. L'anima nostra attende il Signore: egli è nostro aiuto e nostro scudo. Su di noi sia il tuo amore, Signore, come da te noi speriamo.

Rit: Beato il popolo scelto dal Signore.

Seconda Lettura Rm 8,14-17

Dalla lettera di san Paolo apostolo ai Romani

Fratelli, tutti quelli che sono guidati dallo Spirito di Dio, questi sono figli di Dio. E voi non avete ricevuto uno spirito da schiavi per ricadere nella paura, ma avete ricevuto lo Spirito che rende figli adottivi, per mezzo del quale gridiamo: «Abbà! Padre!».

Lo Spirito stesso, insieme al nostro spirito, attesta che siamo figli di Dio. E se siamo figli, siamo anche eredi: eredi di Dio, coeredi di Cristo, se davvero prendiamo parte alle sue sofferenze per partecipare anche alla sua gloria. Parola di Dio

A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.

Canto al Vangelo (Ap 1,8)

Alleluia, alleluia.

Gloria al Padre e al Figlio e allo Spirito Santo, a Dio, che è, che era e che viene.

Alleluia!**Vangelo** Mt 28,16-20

Dal Vangelo secondo Matteo

In quel tempo, gli undici discepoli andarono in Galilea, sul monte che Gesù aveva loro indicato. Quando lo videro, si prostrarono. Essi però dubitarono.

Gesù si avvicinò e disse loro: «A me è stato dato ogni potere in cielo e sulla terra. Andate dunque e fate discepoli tutti i popoli, battezzandoli nel nome del Padre e del Figlio e dello Spirito Santo, insegnando loro a osservare tutto ciò che vi ho comandato. Ed ecco, io sono con voi tutti i giorni, fino alla fine del mondo».

Parola del Signore

A: Lode a Te O Cristo.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

St. Joseph's

1st Collection: House: \$

2nd Collection: Thanksgiving: \$

St. Mary's

1st Collection: Thanksgivings: \$

2nd Collection: House: \$

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names will remain for 4 weeks, then a new request is required.

Cesarina Zampieri;

Wahiba Estephan

HOUSE VISITATIONS

Do you or someone you know require any of the following

- Annual House Visits
- Visits to the Sick
- Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Presbytery on 9484 2907 to arrange a time with Fr Shabin.

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND / MALATE O CONFINATE A CASA

Se conoscete persone che sono malate o confinate a casa e vorrebbero ricevere visite o la comunione a casa siete pregati di mettervi in contatto contact Parish Offices **9484 2907** or **9489 8008**

ST. MARY'S GODSTART PLAYGROUP

During school terms for children 0-5 years.

Friday 9.30 - 10.45am

in the HALL (entry via Mansfield St). **ALL WELCOME!** Contact: Megan: 9495 1449

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday, 5:30pm Mass during school terms. This is a way for school aged children to gather and understand the Gospel at their age level. **Cancelled until further notice**

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Every Thursday at 2pm

Via Zoom.

ALL WELCOME!

Contact: Mirella 0408 470 114

BAPTISMS: by appointment only First Wednesday of the month.

St. Joseph's: 7.00pm: Baptism Preparation meeting the church.

By appointment only.

St. Mary's: By appointment only please call parish Office

SENIORS

Last Friday of the month

St. Joseph's: 2.00pm: Seniors Mass at the parish Centre.

First Friday of the month

St. Mary's: 2.00pm Mass of Anointing of the Sick.

Catholic Religious Education

St. Joseph's: Weds: 4-5pm R.E. classes for Children for State & Secondary Students in the Parish House.

St. Mary's: Thurs: 4-5pm R.E

Classes in preparation for Sacraments. Please contact Mirella 9484 2907.

Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable People

Committee Contact Person: Moses El-Fahkri 0417 383 923



Il Nuovo Testamento fonda l'universalità della missione nello speciale rapporto che Gesù risorto ha con ogni uomo. Il Vangelo dev'essere annunciato a ogni uomo, perché Gesù è la verità dell'uomo, ha ricevuto dal Padre ogni potere in cielo e in terra, perché ha fatto la volontà del Padre fino alla morte aprendo così per ogni uomo la via verso la pienezza della vita. Di qui le caratteristiche della missione: - la forza che l'anima è lo Spirito Santo che da Gesù risorto viene promesso e trasmesso ai discepoli, come principio della vita nuova, che deve essere annunciata e comunicata a ogni uomo; - il contenuto della missione è la sequela di Cristo, l'obbedienza al Vangelo, l'osservanza dei comandi di Gesù, l'adesione battesimale alla vita del Padre, del Figlio e dello Spirito Santo, il distacco dalla vita incredula, implorando e accogliendo la remissione dei peccati; - la speranza che sostiene i missionari nelle fatiche e nelle difficoltà è la certezza che Gesù è sempre con loro sino alla fine del mondo (da Partenza da Emmaus, in "Rivista Diocesana Milanese")

A message from **Aid to the Church in Need Australia**: ACN Australia has launched a website for the Year of St Joseph. Sign up to receive monthly devotional emails to help you become closer to St Joseph in this special year. When you sign up you can obtain a free copy of Fr Donald Calloway's Consecration to St Joseph book! To sign up visit www.yearofstjoseph.com.au

National Reconciliation Week 2021: 27 May – 3 June

Reconciliation Australia's theme for 2021, *More than a word. Reconciliation takes action*, urges the reconciliation movement towards braver and more impactful action.

To the new supporters, please remember the importance of privileging and amplifying First Nations' voices as you add your voice to calls for reconciliation and justice.

Reconciliation is a journey for all Australians – as individuals, families, communities, organisations and importantly as a nation. At the heart of this journey are relationships between the broader Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We all have a role to play when it comes to reconciliation, and in playing our part we collectively build relationships and communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories, cultures, and futures.

2021 marks twenty years of Reconciliation Australia and almost three decades of Australia's formal reconciliation process.

Celebrity Organ Recital by International Organist David Drury at

St Patricks Cathedral Friday 4 June 6pm – 7pm. Organ masterpieces by Bach, Saint-Saëns, Langlais, Vierne, Alain and more.

Further details and tickets can be found here: www.trybooking.com/BRJJN \$25 a ticket with children under 15 free.

Tickets are also at the door.

Dear parishioners, I take this opportunity to express my deeply felt thanks, to Fr Shabin for his very warm welcome to celebrate my 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood, at St Mary's last Sunday.

I was very much uplifted and moved by the effort put into the Liturgy, the words of congratulations, the gifts presented and the morning tea provided. Please accept my sincere gratitude and appreciation to all who contributed in any way. I also wish to thank all present and past parishioners who supported me and the community during my 37 years as parish priest at St Mary's. With God's love for you all, Fr Gerry.



Please note from now on we can only use Victorian Government QR codes for attending Mass each week. Please see the people at the door if you do not have a smart phone as everyone must register using the QR Code.

If you do not have a smartphone please write your name on the list provided and we will register for you.

Please download the Victorian Services App on your phone and scan the QR Code before entering the church.

You must wear a mask from now during Mass.