# PARISH OF CORIO/LARA ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH, CORIO ST ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH, LARA ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA



Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Catholic people of Corio/Lara parish guided by the Spirit, participate in Christ's Mission. With our gifts we create a Parish that welcomes all people.

# Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020 The Most Holy Trinity

Thank you for the responses with our plan to get Sunday Mass back up and running. Please do continue to let us know which is your usual/preferred mass time. Going forward, we will have to look at things week by week but we can now begin starting our Sunday masses from next week. There are a number of considerations...

## A small but significant change:

This week the Parish Pastoral Council met for the first time since the lockdowns began and we discussed a number of ways that we might begin our return. One recommendation, was to **shift the 10:30 Mass to 11:00AM. I have accepted this, on a trial basis**. More time between masses will allow (me to meet more of you at Lara, and) going forward, for us to build up the community after masses there. This trial period will begin from next weekend and we'll have a look at it when further restrictions are lifted down the track.

#### **Attending a Sunday Mass:**

At present, up to 20 people are permitted to attend a mass. We want to be as fair as possible in giving everyone an opportunity to attend Sunday mass at their preferred time. The Parish Office will draw up a roster and contact you with an allocated date. Again, this is something we will have to look at week to week, and make adjustments where necessary. As places are limited and in high demand, if you cannot attend your allocated mass for any reason, please let the Parish Office know as soon as possible.

#### **Safety Protocols:**

Our masses can only proceed in accordance with the strict guidelines. This means that only those allocated to a mass will be allowed into the church for that time. Anyone who attends must follow social distancing rules and must also give their contact details for possible contact-tracing. A gentle reminder that if you are feeling unwell or are particularly vulnerable for any reason, please stay at home for now. Parishes have also been advised that Victoria Police have begun spot checking Sunday masses around the Archdiocese and warned that fines are being issued to both individuals and institutions.

#### Weekday Timetable:

This has so far worked well. We'll continue as we have this week gone and look at it again next week. Please continue to call the Parish Office to register for weekday mass or adoration. Please leave a voicemail if we miss your call.

Let's continue to pray for each other.

Fr Daryl

## Liturgy this Week

Tuesday: 9:15 Mass & 5:30 Adoration (Corio)

Wednesday: 9:15 Mass (Lara)

Thursday: 9:15 Mass & 5:30 Adoration (Corio)

Friday: 9:15 Mass & 6PM Mass (Lara)

Saturday: 9:15 Mass & 7PM Vigil (Corio)

Sunday: 9AM (Lara) & 11AM (Corio)

PLEASE REGISTER WITH THE PARISH OFFICE

# FIRST READING Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9

# 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion'

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, 'The 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** Daniel 3: 52-56

You are blest, Lord God of our fathers.

# SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13

## The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit

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**

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** A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John 3: 16-18 God sent his Son, so that through Him the world might be saved

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

## **Pope's Prayer Intention:**

We pray that all those who suffer may find their way of life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

# As a community we pray for

*Sick:* Maria do ceu Fernandes, Jessica De Grandis, Victor Lombo, Vince Marshall, John Thomas, Judith Cummins, Bill Rinaldi, Peter Franchina, Nicholas Francis, Bonnie Gilson, Mrs. Ibi Bolyos, Bonnie Gilson

**Car Raffles:** At this stage, the car raffles are postponed. Still it will be good if you could return your raffle tickets ASAP. Please drop it off in the Parish office or in the Parish letter box. If any raffle book is lost or missing, please provide Statuary Declaration for the respective book. Your cooperation in this matter will be much appreciated. Please don't hesitate to call the Parish Office 0352754120.

NAMES OF RECENT DEATHS & ANNIVERSARIES, and the UNWELL IN OUR PARISH FOR THE BULLETIN We still accept the names of those Recently Deceased, Anniversary of Death and the names of those who are sick within our Parish. Please call the Office on: 52754120 or email: fxcorio@iinet.net.au

# PARISH PRAYER

We, the people of Corio/Lara Catholic Parish give thanks and praise to God the Father. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we become more like Jesus: listening to the Word of God and celebrating the Eucharist; sharing each other's lives and forgiving one another; respecting creation and taking responsibility for our world. Like St Francis Xavier, may we offer light to those in darkness, and warmly welcome all people. Like St Anthony of Padua, may we nourish the hungry with wise words and kind deeds. St Francis Xavier, pray for us. St Anthony of Padua, pray for us.

**THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES** – Thank you for the parishioners who drop their envelopes to the Parish office. The Parish Office is open during the week Monday - Friday from 9:00- 2:00, as the regular collections are not being taken up, we ask if you please drop off your envelopes to the Parish Post Box to continue your pledge, and keep it up to date. Alternatively, you can do an online transaction to the below details Ac. Name: St Francis Xavier Church BSB: 083347 Ac. No- 543292126 Thank you.

**Parish Thanksgiving:** People who reside in our parish zone, kindly register with our parish to join the thanksgiving a way to support our parish. Parishioners who doesn't have envelopes for thanksgiving and would like to join our new thanksgiving campaign for the next financial year, or to set up the thanksgiving by direct debit/ credit card please contact the parish office on 0352754120 or email fxcorio@iinet.net.au

## A REFLECTION ON TODAY'S FEAST

It's said that today's Feast: the Most Holy Trinity, the Feast of God himself, often gets the shortest homilies as priests don't know how to explain the Blessed Trinity. It's the first line of our creed, our belief in One God. One and only one, but in his very self, he isn't monolithically one, but a Trinity: A communion of Persons who we call Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Each is God, and yet they are distinct from each other. It's certainly not easy to understand, and so St Augustine put it well: "If we understood him, He wouldn't be God."

In a way it's fitting that homilies are short on this day, and not just because we're in lockdown(!)... fitting that we fall silent before this central and deepest Mystery of our Faith; silent before the wonder of Truth, Goodness and Beauty Himself. Just as we don't need to talk through or explain a sunset, but experience it, savour it. Please God, we will one day spend the rest of eternity gazing upon his life, but for now, it is a sunlight too bright for our eyes. Our Christian Faith, the way we live our lives is a strengthening of our eyes, a preparation for that Day. So this isn't just pious fluff. This is hard training; our preparation for the infinite love of God. The love we were made for. That deepest ache in our hearts, it's there because it can only be filled by infinite love: God himself.

We could spend a million years trying to understand and explain the Trinity with our minds but we wouldn't even begin to scratch the surface, but if for a moment, we love him with our hearts, in a way, we grasp his entirety. So let's live our lives as a preparation for heaven. When you love someone, you want to know them more. If you want to love God more, let's get to know him more, firstly in prayer and then also by reading, listening, watching about him, especially from the Saints, those who have gone before us into that eternal Day.

With great joy, let's proclaim today and every day: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Fr Daryl

**Trinity Sunday - Year A (Vocation View):** Each of us experiences a story of God's self-revelation in a unique way. Tell your story. Add to the beautiful mosaic of God's life in this world by the story of your life.

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