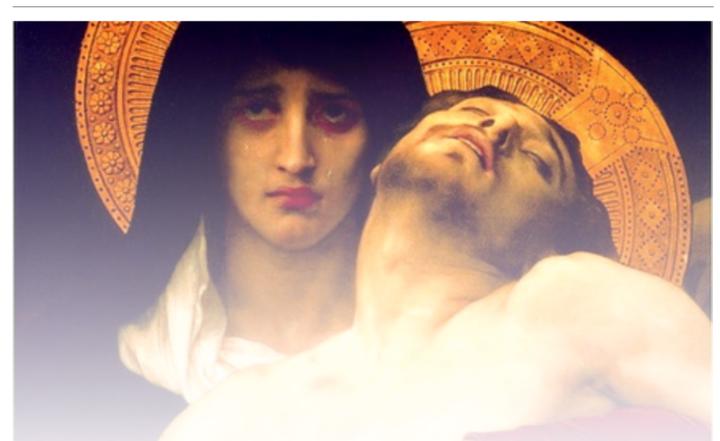
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T H E † M E M O R I A L † O F

Our Lady of Sorrows

The month of September is traditionally given in honour of Our Lady of Sorrows, whose feast is celebrated on September 15.

This feast is dedicated to the spiritual martyrdom of Mary, Mother of God, and her solidarity with the sufferings of her Divine Son, Jesus. In her suffering she reminds us of the tremendous evil of sin and shows us the way of true repentance. So let us pray that the numerous tears of the Mother of God be conducive to our salvation; with which tears, God is able to wash away the sins of the whole world.

As the Blessed Virgin Mary stood at the foot of the Cross on which Our Lord was nailed for our salvation, the sword of sorrow Simeon had foretold pierced her soul. Here are given the seven sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

- 1. The prophecy of Simeon.
- 2. The flight into Egypt.
- *3.* The loss of the Child Jesus for three days.
- 4. Mary meets Jesus on his way to Calvary.
- 5. Crucifixion and Death of Jesus.
- *6*. The body of Jesus being taken from the Cross.
- 7. The burial of Jesus.

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HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Holy Mass

Tuesday, 9:15 a.m. Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. Thursday, 9:15 a.m. Friday, 9:15 a.m. Saturday, 9:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m Sunday, 7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Confessions Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Holy Rosary Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Rosters

Altar Society

Readers 8:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.

Counters

Bus Driver

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Holy Mass

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, 8:15 a.m. Thursday, 8:15 a.m. Friday, 8:15 a.m. Saturday, 8:15 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Sunday, 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Confessions Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. First Friday of the month, 6:15 p.m.

Holy Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament First Friday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Traditional Latin Mass First Thursday of the month, 6:00 p.m.

Ghanaian Chaplaincy Mass Second and last Sunday of the month, 11:30 a.m.

Vietnamese Chaplaincy Mass Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

Children's Liturgy Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

Rosters

Church Cleaning

Readers Vigil 10:00 a.m.

Children's Liturgy

Counters

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Janelle Allan, John Anjoul, Marlene Ashton, John Augustus, Frank Azzopardi, Ann Blesson, Betty Borg, Vincenzo Colosimo, Lucy Farrugia, Carmel Galea, Evangeline Grabato, John Graham, Thomas Hayek, Elizabeth Hicks, Peter Higgins, Ruth La Rosa, Kay King, Jacob Lee, Josephine Magro, Ester Matos, Sid Morgan, Scott Moulton, Tony Moussa, Ben Nursoo, Sarah-Joy O'Connor, Flory Pinto, Don Provest, Anna Saunig, Therese Smeal, Ricardo Tognini, Miriam Welangoda, Lorraine Vella, Sam Wardan.

St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us.

IN MEMORIAM

Sr. Maria Chau, Mary Alby, Norma Armstrong, Lorenza Attwill, George Azzi, Miklina Azzopardi, Vic Azzopardi, Kathleen Bradbery, Paul Bradbery, Charles Bugeja, Jim Devlin, Betty Dickson, Maria Gambin, Maureen Gardiner, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Maria Kim Hoang, John Karam, Nouhad Khoury, Lindsay McIntyre, Mary McIntyre, Betty McGrath, Des Miller, Dennis O'Brien, Neville O'Sullivan, Jack Pickering, Herbert Pidgeon, Felicitas Pronoble, Badir Raffoul, Hamid Raffoul, Hanna Saade, Kerry Savvas, Emmanuel Tabone, Phil Thompson, John Toye, Francis Tran, Bernadette Ulbrich, Phyllis Webb, Noeleen Yott, Dib Zaiter.

Perimeter of Prayer

The Church has always entrusted herself to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary in times of pandemics. In A.D. 590, as Rome suffered a plague, Pope Gregory the Great processed through the streets in prayer, carrying an image of Our Lady. And so today, 1,400 years later, we continue this noble tradition with our parish's "Perimeter of Prayer". We are asking all households to download from our Facebook page the image of Our Lady of Divine Love and to place that image in a window of your home and each day to pray the prayer of Pope Francis to Our Lady of Divine Love to protect the world during the coronavirus pandemic. Or, if you are unable to print the image, to place any image you have of the Blessed Virgin Mary in your window.



In this way we can build a perimeter of prayer around our parish seeking the protection of Our Lady, and witness to our neighbours and our community the power of prayer and our faith and hope in the grace of almighty God. And when you have placed an image in your window, send us a photograph (www.facebook.com/ HolyCrossGranville or email granville@parracatholic.org) so that we can post pictures of our perimeter of prayer and so be a sign of hope to the broader community, to the diocese, and to the world.

So join with the parishioners around the parish to witness to that faith and place an image of Our Lady in a window of your home.



Continue celebrating our Parish Feast Day by joining us on Friday 24th September for the Holy Cross Trivia Night!

Save the date, play as an individual or get your team together and join us for a social night of quizzes and banter.

To register visit our Facebook page for the link or go to the form: forms.gle/daYmbsqB6a21FzmF8

Father's Day Appeal for Sick and Retired Clergy

The Clergy Support Foundation is holding its annual "Father's Day Appeal" in support of sick and retired clergy.

With the current stay-at-home orders, the appeal is being held online. For more information on the Clergy Support Foundation's work or to make a donation, please visit parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal.

Thank you for your support.

Compulsory Child Protection Training for Volunteers

The Diocese of Parramatta has mandated that all volunteers in parishes must undertake child protection and vulnerable adult training. Training is available online by Zoom on various days in September and October. Each of the three compulsory modules takes from 60 to 90 minutes to complete.

Requests to join the Zoom sessions can be made by email either to the parish office at granville@parracatholic.org or safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

Regular Devotions During the Lockdown Holy Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the Holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Even though the public health stay-at-home orders mean we are unable to visit the church and to pray, we can continue our devotions at home.

Our parish is offering a number of ways to pray and to continue to practice our faith, even away from the church.

Holy Mass is available daily on our YouTube channel. Just visit "Holy Cross Parish Granville" to hear the Mass prayed each day from our parish churches of Holy Family and Holy Trinity.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is streamed live form 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on our YouTube channel. Join the parish before the Blessed Sacrament and pray not only for your own needs and the needs of your family, but for the parish, the Church and the whole world.

The Holy Rosary is prayed each day at 6:30 p.m. and you can join in these prayers by visiting our Facebook page or our YouTube channel.

On Sundays at 3:00 p.m., the Divine Mercy chaplet is prayed and is available on our Facebook page and our YouTube channel.

Join the parish in these prayers as we continue our "Perimeter of Prayer," beseeching the grace and mercy of almighty God and the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of Divine Love, for an end to the pandemic.

Whilst we are encouraged to care for our physical health, we must never forsake our spiritual health, and by these devotions we can ensure that we care for our souls and for the souls of those for whom we care.

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HOLY CROSS MONTH HOLY CROSS FAMILIES





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HOLY CROSS PARISH WALK 4 MARY

Pray a decade of the Rosary while out on your daily walk! If you are housebound, take a stroll in your home or in your garden!

Send us a Video or Message saying: "I Will Walk 4 Mary!"



Whilst many of us are currently confined to our homes, we are still able to go outside to exercise, so we are therefore encouraging you all to continue to take part in the Holy Cross Parish "Walk 4 Mary" initiative.

Through the "Walk 4 Mary" initiative, you are encouraged to pray a decade of the Holy Rosary when you go outside to exercise. This will serve as a personal procession to offer our needs and seek the assistance of the Blessed Virgin Mary for ourselves and the world. If you are unable to leave your home, you may wish to pray the decade while walking inside your home or in your garden.

We would love for many more parishioners to get involved in this initiative—simply comment on the Facebook post with the words "I will Walk 4 Mary" to show others of your involvement, or alternatively send us a video while you are out walking saying "I will Walk 4 Mary" and we will share these on our parish social media. Will you take up this physical and spiritual challenge? these on our parish social media. In this way, you will be able to honour Our Holy Mother, Mary, and so join your prayers to the prayers of the parish and of the Church.

As we continue to bear the burden of the pandemic, we never fail to place our trust in divine providence and in the intercession of Our Holy Mother, Mary, who, as Our Lady of Divine Love, cares for us and leads us to her Son, Our Lord.



The Readings

Introit

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading The Book of Wisdom (2:12, 17-20)

The godless say to themselves, 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked afterwe have his word for it.'

Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 53:3-6, 8. R. v.6)

R. The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayers; listen to the words of my mouth. **Ř**.

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. R.

But I have God for my help.The Lord upholds my life.I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. R.

Second Reading The Letter of St. James (3:16-4:3)

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

Gospel Acclamation (2 Thes 2:14)

Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Gospel of Mark (9:30-37)

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

Communio (Ps. 118:4-5)

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

