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T H E M O N T H O F

THE HOLY NAME

JESUS

*At the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
in heaven
and on earth
and under the earth.*

O Good Jesus!
O most tender Jesus!
O most sweet Jesus!
O Jesus, Son of Mary the Virgin,
full of mercy and kindness!
O sweet Jesus,
according to Thy great mercy,
have pity on me!
O most merciful Jesus,
I entreat Thee by that Precious Blood of Thine,
which Thou didst will to pour forth for sinners,
to wash away all my iniquities,
and to look upon me, poor and unworthy as I am,
humbly asking pardon of Thee,
and invoking this Holy Name of Jesus.
O Name of Jesus, sweet Name!
Name of Jesus, Name of joy!
Name of Jesus, Name of strength!
Nay, what meaneth the Name of Jesus but Saviour?
Wherefore, O Jesus, by Thine own holy Name,
be to me Jesus, and save me.
Suffer me not to be lost — me,
whom Thou didst create out of nothing.
O good Jesus, let not my iniquity destroy
what Thy almighty goodness made.
O sweet Jesus, recognise what is Thine own,
and wipe away from me what is not of Thee!
O most kind Jesus, have pity on me
while it is the time of pity, and condemn me not
when it is the time of judgment.
The dead shall not praise Thee, Lord Jesus,
nor all those who go down into hell.
O most loving Jesus!
O Jesus, most longed for by Thine own!
O most gentle Jesus! Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
let me enter into the number of Thine elect.
O Jesus, salvation of those who believe in Thee;
Jesus, Son of Mary the Virgin, pour into me grace,
wisdom, charity, chastity, and humility
that I may be able perfectly to love Thee,
to enjoy Thee, to serve Thee,
and make my boast in Thee,
together with all those who invoke Thy name,
which is Jesus.
Amen

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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.

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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.

Holy Mass in Latin

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.

Rosters

Church Cleaning Group 4: G. Pinto,
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S. Martin, M. Magpayo, C. Elegado,
J. Puni, J. Osei-Yamoah, A. Osei-Yamoah,
L. Tordilla, J. Fili, J. John, A. Abosh,
O. Ifeanyi, J. Raj, S. Joseph

Readers

Vigil Gerry Pinto, Rebecca Hanson,
Rosette Chidiac

10:00 a.m. Sisters, Jasmine Miranda,
Raphaella Chidiac

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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



*Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer,
by the grace of your Holy Spirit
cure the weaknesses of your servants,
and mercifully restore them to full health.
St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us.*

IN MEMORIAM

Kabalan Abboud, Pius Ari, Lorenza Attwill, Danny Azan,
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Peter Doan Van Tran, Peter Tuu Van Tran, Bernadette
Ulbrich, Joseph Vella, Miriam Welangoda, Dib Zaiter.



*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

First Collection and Second Collection Contributions

With the current situation we are unable to take up our usual collections during Mass. Because of this, we have placed two boxes by the doors of the church for the first collection and the second collection. Your support of these collections is greatly appreciated. The money raised in the first collection supports some of the works of the diocese. The money raised in the second collection directly supports the works of the parish and helps us to meet our expenses and to continue to meet the costs and expenses of operating the parish. Thank you, especially, to those who are a part of the planned giving programme and use their envelopes to contribute each week to the parish. Your regular contributions are a great support.

You can also financially support the parish by arranging a direct debit. If you would like to set up a regular contribution, let us know and we will be happy to assist you with this. Or, if you would like to be part of the planned giving programme, we will be pleased to arrange a set of envelopes for you for regular contributions which greatly assist the parish in planning the work we carry out.

Revocation of the Dispensation from the Obligation to Attend Mass

As of Wednesday, 15 December, the Bishop of Parramatta has revoked the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass. The dispensation was granted during the time of public health restrictions, but with the lifting of most restrictions, the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday has been re-instated and the Sunday obligation is imposed.

New Parish Bank Account Details

Many parishioners generously offer their weekly contribution to the parish by direct deposit to the parish's bank account. Thank you to all those who regularly contribute to the support of the parish for your generosity and your kindness.

Whenever we make a contribution to the parish it is a sacrifice, and in this way, we seek to offer a sacrifice to almighty God and to His holy Church in support of the works of the parish.

If you would like to make a contribution, either regularly or as a one-off, the new bank account details for the parish are:

BSB: 067-950

account number: 00007247

account name: Granville Catholic Parish of the Holy Cross

Thank you and may God bless you for your support and your generosity.

Holy Family Church Readers' Roster

If you would like to volunteer to read at Holy Mass at Holy Family Church on Sundays at either 8:30 a.m. or 5:00 p.m., please speak with Fr. Andrew.

Thank you to those who have offered their help already. We are still looking for more readers so that we will be able to form a roster for these Masses.

Holy Mass in Mandarin

Rev. Fr. Carlos Walker IVE, Parish Priest of Our Lady of the Angels at Rouse Hill, will be saying Holy Mass in Mandarin this Sunday, 16 January, at 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Angels Church, 1 Wellgate Avenue (corner of Withers Road), Kellyville.

This Mass is regularly offered on the third Sunday of each month.

N.S.W. Government Public Health Restrictions from 15 December

On Wednesday, 15 December, the N.S.W. Government amended public health restrictions

Please use hand sanitiser and note that **face masks are mandatory**. Checking-in by use of the government QR code or by manually completing the sign-in sheets is also compulsory as it is for other places in order to assist with notifications of case alerts and contact tracing when necessary.

Please be aware that if you do not check-in on arrival that the N.S.W. Government can impose fines on individuals.

N.S.W. Police and N.S.W. Health officials may conduct spot checks on individuals to ensure compliance.

Current Government Public Health Requirements

1. Check-in using the QR code.
2. Wear a face mask indoors.
3. Maintain social distancing.

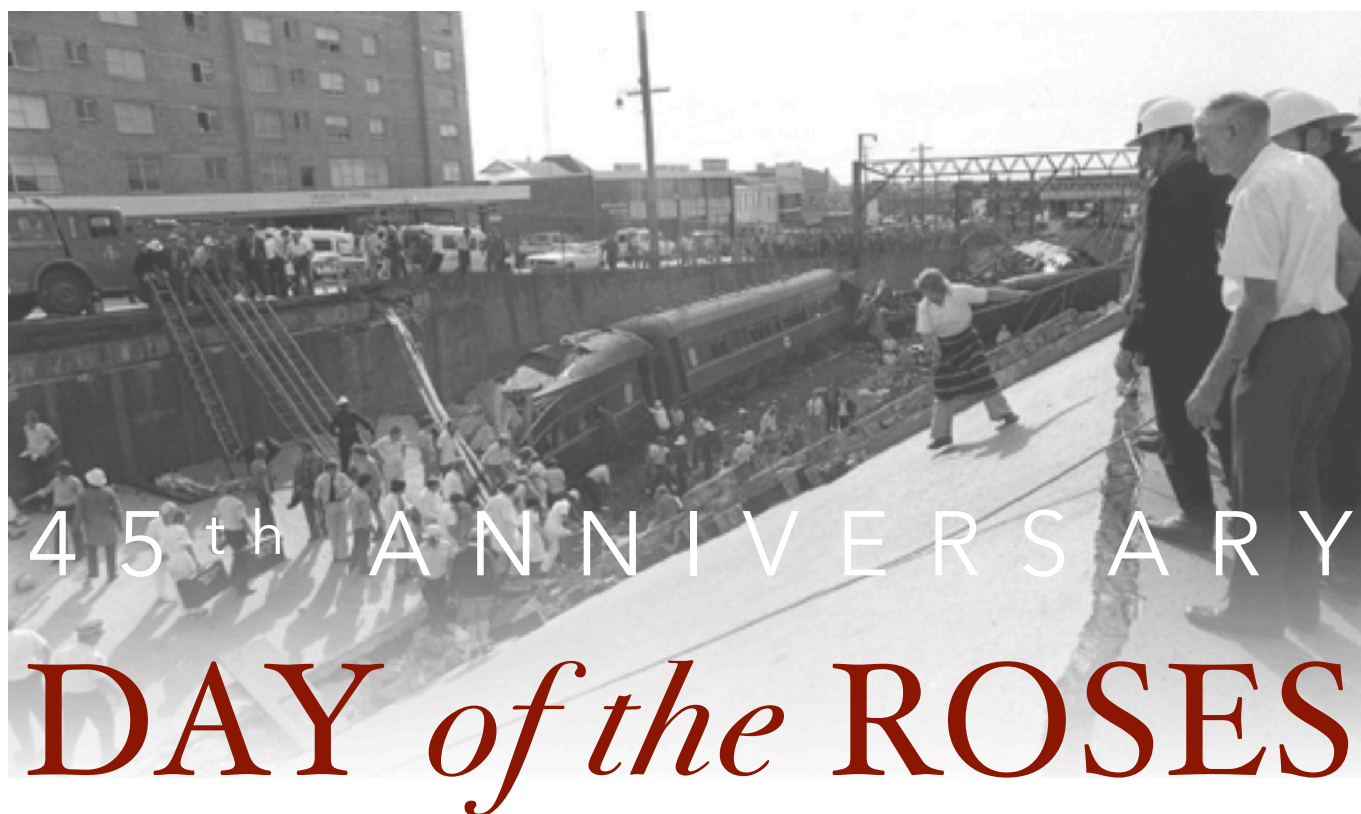
Please assist the churches to remain open by following these simple requirements which are for our sake and for the sake of the common good.

Holy Trinity Church Cleaners' Roster

The cleaners' roster for Holy Trinity Church for January to June of this year is now available in the piety shop.

Thank you to all those who regularly volunteer to clean the church. Your generous service is very much appreciated.

If you would like to volunteer to help clean the church once a month either on a Friday or Saturday morning, please contact the parish office and we will be grateful for your support.



On Tuesday, January 18th, 1977, Granville would be changed forever as a train from Mount Victoria in the Blue Mountains crashed into the Bold Street Bridge bringing down the bridge on two carriages killing 83 men, women and children and injuring another 213.

Fr. Campion was one of the first to the shocking scene and administered the last rites to many of the victims. He was also at times placing his own life on the line by crawling through the wreckage looking for survivors or injured people that he could pray with or simply share a few moments. In countless interviews which were conducted with him over the years since the disaster, he always mentioned the “overwhelming

stillness” he felt upon entering the carriages and how this place had become a place for the dead and he felt that he was an intruder to the silence.

Fr. Campion’s link to the victims, families, friends and all those associated with the disaster continued up to his retirement from Granville. He attended all the memorial ceremonies held on the anniversary of the disaster, blessing the roses which would be thrown onto the tracks to mark those who died.

Mr. John Hennessy, the then President of the Granville Memorial Trust, said of Fr. Campion: “He truly was one of the unsung heroes of the disaster, there’s no doubt about it. He saw some terrible things, awful—and he put his life at

risk. And I can tell you that it affected him for the rest of his life. But he always said it was what anyone would have done—he had a deep sense of mateship.”

Each year at the Granville rail disaster anniversary memorial, it was Father Campion's job to bless the 83 roses laid at the scene to remember the dead.

May this holy Priest of God heard the words of Christ our Saviour: “Well done, good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of your Lord” (Mt. 25:23)

With thanks to John Portelli for this article (abbreviated here) which he wrote and originally appeared in his book, “Holy Trinity Granville: Celebrating 125 Years 1886-2012”.

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THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

The month of January is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus.

In Philippians 2, St. Paul tells us that "At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord."

Small wonder, then, that the Church sets aside the first month of the year in honour of the Holy Name of Jesus. Through this devotion, the Church reminds us of the power of Christ's Name and encourages us to pray in His Name. In our society, of course, we hear His Name uttered quite often, but all too frequently, it is used in a curse or blasphemy. In the past, Christians would often make the Sign of the Cross when they heard Christ's Name uttered in such a manner, and that's a practice that would be worthwhile to revive.

This month, why not take a few minutes to memorise the Jesus Prayer, and pray it during those moments of the day when you are between activities, or travelling, or simply taking a rest?

Keeping Christ's Name always on our lips is a good way to ensure that we draw ever nearer to Him.

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Baptism of Christ

1223 All the Old Covenant prefigurations find their fulfillment in Christ Jesus. He begins his public life after having himself baptised by St. John the Baptist in the Jordan. After his resurrection Christ gives this mission to his apostles: "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."

1224 Our Lord voluntarily submitted himself to the baptism of St. John, intended for sinners, in order to "fulfil all righteousness." Jesus' gesture is a manifestation of his self-emptying. The Spirit who had hovered over the waters of the first creation descended then on the Christ as a prelude of the new creation, and the Father revealed Jesus as his "beloved Son."

1225 In his Passover Christ opened to all men the fountain of Baptism. He had already spoken of his Passion, which he was about to suffer in Jerusalem, as a "Baptism" with which he had to be baptised. The blood and water that flowed from the pierced side of the crucified Jesus are types of Baptism and the Eucharist, the sacraments of new life.

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Can provide **financial counselling** or a session on **parenting and living skills, education and employment support**.



\$75

Can provide **psychological counselling** for a mother in turmoil.



\$100

Can provide a **high chair**.



\$200

Can provide a homeless young mum with a **mattress, cot sheets, and blanket**.



\$250

Can give mums a **newborn hamper** with **basic essentials** like nappies, muslin wraps, bottles and baby shampoo.



\$500

Can provide two homeless young mums with a **baby bassinet/cot**.



\$600

Can provide three homeless young mums with a **mattress, cot sheets, and a blanket**.



\$1,000

Can provide four homeless young mums with a **maternity kit** including sleep wear, underwear, sanitary pads, and baby clothing.



\$2,000

Can provide a month's **shelter** for new mothers and babies fleeing domestic violence.

Your gift today will help homeless young families to find a place to call home.

Your gifts to Parramatta Catholic Foundation support the charitable works of the Diocese of Parramatta and CatholicCare across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains, and are not limited to those described in this appeal.

How to Receive Holy Communion Worthily

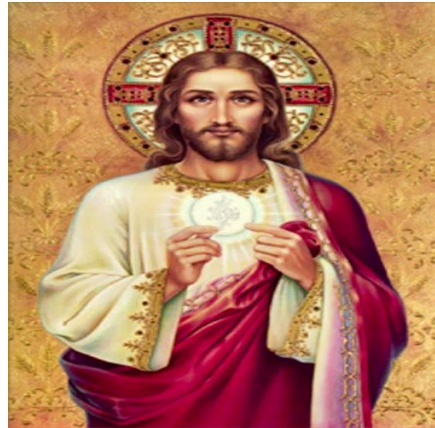
If we approach the Eucharist unworthily, we not only offend God but also harm ourselves.

In the Eucharist, we possess the greatest gift. Within it, Jesus gives us his entire self—body, blood, soul, and divinity—to be consumed under the appearance of bread and wine. But, as the saying goes, with great gifts comes great responsibility. To receive the fruits of this gift, we need to prepare ourselves and then live our lives in accord with it. If we approach the Eucharist unworthily, we not only offend God but also harm ourselves. Even Hollywood can see that on occasion, as the knight in Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade explains, “For the unrighteous, the Cup of Life holds everlasting damnation.

Let’s think of some other examples. What if you arrived at your first day of work in your pajamas? How about going to a fancy restaurant and putting your food on a paper plate? More seriously, imagine a general revealing your country’s plans to the enemy. The most important things in life require commitment, comportment, dignity, and fidelity. Therefore, we need commitment to Christ and cannot be attached to anything above him. We must be clothed in his grace and preserve the purity of our baptism. When we come to eat the Lord’s body, we need to come prepared as a worthy vessel that can hold the gift, rather than a leaky container. And we can’t take the gift and turn it over to the enemy by falling into sin.

St. Paul warns us of the consequences of receiving the Lord unworthily in his first letter to the Corinthians: “Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats

and drinks judgment upon himself. That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died” (1 Cor 11:27-30). Paul foresees serious consequences for profaning the Eucharist. How, then, should we receive the Eucharist worthily?



First, we need faith in Jesus’s true presence in the Eucharist. The Eucharist is not a symbol. It is the body and blood of Jesus that he offers us to enter into communion with him. In John 6, Jesus explains how he gives us his very self to eat as our new Passover lamb: “For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed” (Jn 6:55). Without faith in this true presence, we approach the Eucharist as if we were eating a regular piece of bread, dishonouring Jesus’s gift of himself in the sacrament. Faith enables us to discern his body, as Paul says, opening our hearts to Jesus’s love and grace.

Second, we also need to remove obstacles to receiving the grace of Jesus’s presence. If we are in a state of serious, mortal sin, we are not able or ready to enter into the communion that Jesus offers us. The Church offers us the Sacrament of Confession to bring us into right communion with God. In fact, the Church requires us to confess our sins once a year, because we all are in need of mercy and forgiveness. God enables us to lay our burdens aside and to come to him with a clear conscience. Going to

confession creates the right disposition of openness and purity so that we can examine ourselves, as Paul instructs us.

Third, devotion enables us to honour Jesus’s presence by approaching him with reverence and love. We build devotion through prayer, including before and after Mass, by uniting ourselves to Christ’s offering of himself at Mass, and even by our posture and attitude. Do we act like Jesus is really present at Mass? Do we come to communion like we are approaching the king of the universe? If we come to communion solely out of a routine habit, with a casual or mundane disposition, it would be hard to “discern the body” of Jesus. Rather, we should approach Mass with the greatest expectation as the most important moment of our week when we meet the Lord and become one with him.

Finally, receiving worthily flows from a life lived in conformity to the Eucharistic gift. We should not confine communion with Jesus to an hour a week. It should blossom into a Eucharistic life, with Jesus’s presence abiding in us and reaching out to others. If our life is going a different direction, we need to turn back in the right direction to make a worthy communion. The Eucharist requires continuous conversion, turning away from the world and toward Jesus, allowing his grace to shape everything that we do.

The Eucharist is a source of life, not death. If we approach it worthily, we can profess that for the righteous, for those who receive the Lord’s mercy and approach with faith and devotion, the Cup of Life holds everlasting salvation.

Source: Dr. R. Jared Staudt, “How to receive the Eucharist worthily,” Catholic World Report, 14 October 2021 (catholicworldreport.com)

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The Readings

Introit (Ps. 65:4)

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you,
shall sing to your name, O Most High!

First Reading

The Prophet Isaiah (62:1-5)

About Zion I will not be silent,
about Jerusalem I will not grow weary,
until her integrity shines out like the dawn
and her salvation flames like a torch.
The nations then will see your integrity,
all the kings your glory,
and you will be called by a new name,
one which the mouth of the Lord will confer.
You are to be a crown of splendour
in the hand of the Lord,
a princely diadem in the hand of your God;
no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken',
nor your land 'Abandoned',
but you shall be called 'My Delight'
and your land 'The Wedded';
for the Lord takes delight in you
and your land will have its wedding.
Like a young man marrying a virgin,
so will the one who built you wed you,
and as the bridegroom
rejoices in his bride,
so will your God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 95:1-3, 7-10. R. v. 3)

R. Proclaim his marvellous deeds
to all the nations.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord,
bless his name. R.

Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. R.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name. R.

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations:
'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. R.

Second Reading

The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians (12:4-11)

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

Gospel Acclamation (See II 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 John (2:1-11)

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews; each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from—only the servants who had drawn the water knew—the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink, but you have kept the best wine till now.' This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

Communio (Cf. Ps. 22:5)

You have prepared a table before me,
and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.