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### *The Month of*

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# ST. JOSEPH



#### **The Month of March**

The Church dedicates the month of March to St. Joseph, the earthly father of Our Lord and the husband of the most Blessed Virgin Mary. March 19 marks his feast day.

#### **Sources of His Life**

The chief sources of St. Joseph's life are found in the Gospels of St. Matthew and St. Luke. It is interesting to note that nowhere is St. Joseph heard to speak and nothing he said is ever recorded. It is a powerful symbol of the strength of St. Joseph and his role as guardian and protector of Our Lord and Our Holy Mother.

#### **Residence**

Bethlehem, the city of David and his descendants, appears to have been the birth-place of St. Joseph. When, however, the Gospel history opens, namely, a few months before the Annunciation, St. Joseph was settled at Nazareth. Why and when he gave up his home to move to Galilee is not known; some suppose that the moderate circumstances of the family and the necessity of

earning a living may have brought about the change. St. Joseph, as we learn from St. Matthew 13:55, and St. Mark 6:3 was a "tekton". The Greek word means in English both mechanic in general and carpenter in particular.

#### **The Blessed Virgin Mary**

It is probably at Nazareth that St. Joseph betrothed the Blessed Virgin Mary. However, it is not known for sure whether the marriage took place before or after the Incarnation. This marriage, true and complete, was, in the intention of the spouses, to be a virgin marriage. But soon the faith of St. Joseph in Mary was tested: she was with child. However painful the discovery must have been for him, unaware as he was of the mystery of the Incarnation, he would not defame her, and he resolved "to send her away quietly. But as he considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, 'Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit'... When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as

the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife" (Mt. 1:19, 20, 24).

#### **Death**

Tradition supposes that St. Joseph died before the beginning of Jesus' public life, and according to the "Story of Joseph the Carpenter", he died around the year A.D. 18 or 19. According to the Venerable Bede, he was buried in the Valley of Josaphat, but it is also probable that he died and was buried at Nazareth.

#### **Devotion**

St. Joseph was granted the singular honour of being the earthly father of Our Lord and the spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As protector of the Holy Family he is honoured as the Patron of the Universal Church, as well as the "domestic Church" which is each and every Catholic family.

In 1962 Pope John XXIII decreed that the name of St. Joseph be included in the Roman Canon of the Mass and in 2013, Pope Francis ordered that his name be added to each of the Eucharistic Prayers of the Mass.

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Shauna Nash

## 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.

**Stations of the Cross** Friday, 6:00 p.m.

### Nigerian Community Mass

Second and fourth Sunday of the month,

11:00 a.m.

### Rosters

### Readers

**8:30 a.m.**

**5:00 p.m.**

## DONATIONS

**BSB:** 067-950

**Account:** 00007247

**Name:** Granville Catholic Parish

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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.

### Stations of the Cross

Friday, 7:00 p.m.

### Holy Mass in Latin

Thursday, 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,

M. Asiedu, M. Moses, G. Dankwah,

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** Rosette Chidiac, Racquel La Rosa,  
Rebecca Hanson

**10:00 a.m.** Reanne Chidiac,

Mary Georges, Sisters

## 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, Tony Moussa, Ben Nursoo, Sarah-Joy O'Connor, Flory Pinto, Don Provest, 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

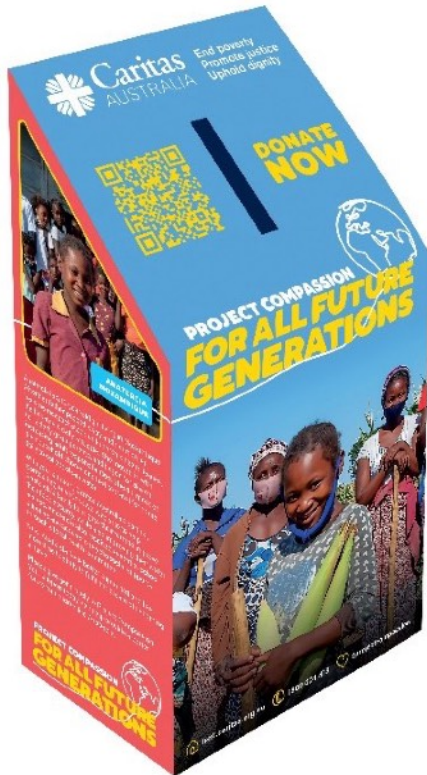
Kabalan Abboud, Michael Alwan, Attard Family, Axiak Family, Danny Azan, Miklina Azzopardi, Victor Azzopardi, Bonello Family, Betty Borg, Kathleen Bradbery, Paul Bradbery, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vince Cahill, Phyllis May Denmeade, Maria Gambin, Bruce Gardiner, Maureen Gardiner, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Kathleen Gunderson, Simon Haddad, Kelvin Huitt, Joe Joseph, May Joseph, Nouhad Khoury, Mary Lam, Roy McDonald, Betty McGrath, Aileen McIntyre, Jean Newell, Tony Newell, Haydee Nursoo, Neville O'Sullivan, Doris Pickering, Sheila Pidgeon, Peter Robertson, Saliba Family, Anna Saunig, Gilda Stillen, Emmanuel Tabone, Joseph Vella, Graham Wales, Dib Zaiter.



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

## Caritas Australia Project Compassion Boxes

Project Compassion boxes from Caritas are available at the doors of the churches.



Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal, Project Compassion brings thousands of Australians together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.

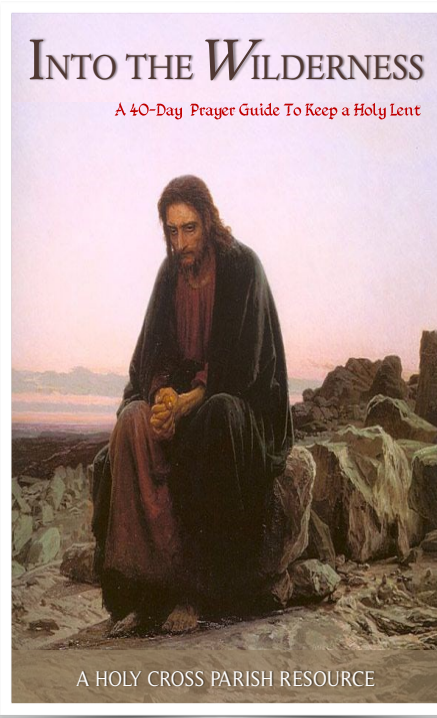
For more information on Caritas and Project Compassion or to make an online donation visit [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au).



## "Into the Wilderness" A Holy Cross Parish 40 Day Prayer Guide to Keep a Holy Lent

Following the success of the Advent prayer guide, "Prepare a Way," and in response to appeals by parishioners of this parish and of other parishes for a guide for Lent, we are pleased to announce the launch of a 40 day prayer guide for Lent entitled "Into the Wilderness".

This book, devotedly written by John Portelli, is a day by day guide for each day of Lent offering the Gospel of the day as well as prayers, meditations and a daily action.



This book of prayers and devotions is a way for each of us to spend a few minutes each day of Lent to focus on the messages given to us through scripture and a way for self-assessment of our own actions, failings, and desire for reparation for our sins through meditation, prayer, and daily actions.

This prayer book is available in print by the doors of the church and online by visiting our website at [holycrossgranville.org.au](http://holycrossgranville.org.au).

## Lenten Devotions

Our Lenten devotions continue across the parish at both churches.

Make the most of this Lent and truly prepare yourself for the great solemnity of the resurrection of Our Lord at Easter.

On Tuesday evenings at Holy Trinity Church there is Holy Mass at 6:30 p.m.

On Wednesday evenings at Holy Family Church there is Holy Mass at 6:00 p.m. and the Sacrament of Penance (Confessions) at 6:30 p.m.

On Thursday evenings at Holy Trinity Church there is Mass in Latin at 6:00 p.m.

On Friday evenings there is Stations of the Cross at Holy Family Church at 6:00 p.m. and at Holy Trinity Church at 7:00 p.m. This is followed at 7:30 p.m. with the Holy Rosary led by members of Holy Cross Youth.

Throughout the week there are 18 Masses as well as two times for Confessions and two times for Stations of the Cross.

So make sure to take advantage of the tremendous opportunities available this Lent to add to your own spiritual exercises.

## Good Friday "Cross Walk"

On Good Friday, we will again hold our Stations of the Cross "Cross Walk" from Holy Trinity Church to Holy Family Church.

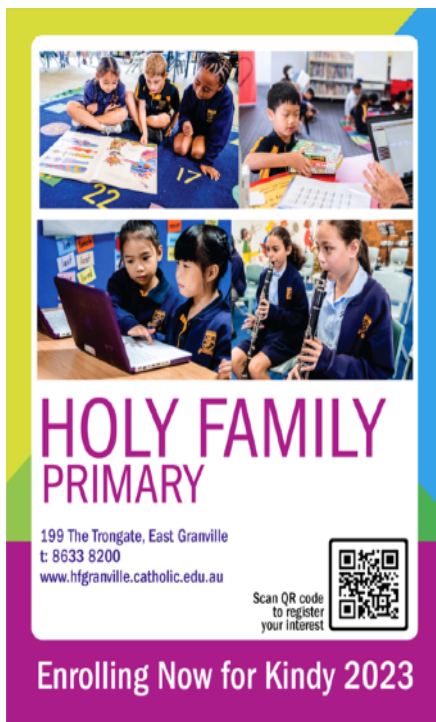
As in previous years, we are asking for people to offer their houses as one of the stations along the way, where we will stop and pray outside for a few minutes before going on to the next station.

If you live on Grimwood Street, William Street, Clyde Street or The Trongate and would like to offer your home as one of the possible stations, please speak with Fr. Andrew or contact the parish office during the week. We can then discuss whether we can include your home in the route planned for the Good Friday walk.



## Holy Family Primary School Enrolments and Open Days

Holy Family Primary School are now accepting enrolments for next year. There will also be a number of open days in the next few weeks for those who are interested in enrolling their child and who would like to have a tour of the school.



The open days will be held on:  
Monday, 21 March, 9:30 to 10:30  
Friday, 25 March, 9:30 to 10:30  
Wednesday, 30 March, 2:00 to 3:00  
Friday, 1 April, 2:00 to 3:00

Holy Family Primary School is vibrant and active in developing a loving and supportive community, based on Gospel values. The school provides many opportunities that give expression to our Catholic faith through prayer, liturgy and social interaction. The school sees the importance of building a partnership between home and school to enable the best possible education that caters to the specific needs of each child.

For more information, telephone 8633-8200 or you can visit the school's website at [www.hfgranville.catholic.edu.au](http://www.hfgranville.catholic.edu.au).

## 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.

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.

## New Parish Bank Account Details

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

So that we can acknowledge your donation, please include your surname and a note, or your planned giving envelope number in the reference.

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

## Holy Rosary with Holy Cross Youth on Friday Evenings

Following the Stations of the Cross at Holy Trinity Church on Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m., join us for the Holy Rosary led by members of Holy Cross Youth and add to your Lenten spiritual exercises and devotions in preparation for the great solemnity of Easter.

## Sacrament of Confirmation Enrolment Applications

The Mass for the conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation will be said on Thursday, 28 July at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church.

To be eligible for enrolment, you must attend Mass each week in the parish, your child must be in year 5 or above and have been Baptised in the Roman Catholic Church (those Baptised in Eastern Catholic Churches such as the Maronites received the Sacrament of Confirmation at the time of Baptism).

Applications for enrolment in the Sacrament are available after Mass each day and the forms must be returned with the Baptism certificate to Fr. Andrew at Mass either on Sundays or during the week by Sunday, 10 April.

## Temporary Mass Times

The temporary Mass times introduced to assist parishioners to attend Mass during the pandemic will continue for the time being, but with the easing of government public health restrictions, consideration will be given as to whether these times are still needed. Currently, there are 9 Masses offered across the weekend and, during Lent, there are a total of at least 18 Masses throughout the week.

# INTO THE WILDERNESS

## A 40-Day Prayer Guide To Keep Holy Lent

Our Lord Jesus, taught His Disciples, and teaches us through the scriptures: "Ask and you shall receive."

St. Mary of the Cross Mackillop once said: "Never see a need without doing something about it."

St. John of the Cross tells us: "Seek in reading and thou shalt find in meditation."

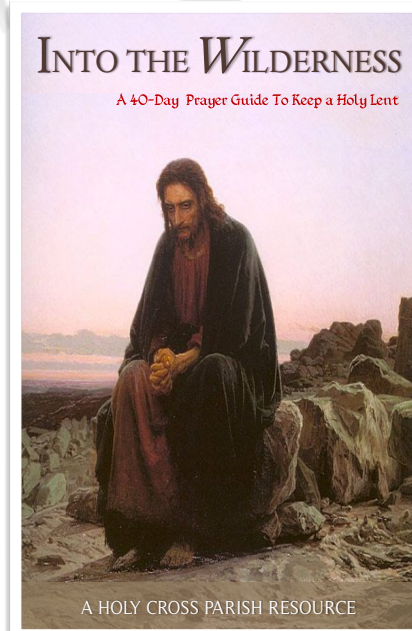
These short, yet powerful messages, are the catalyst for our newest Holy Cross Resource: "Into the Wilderness."

After the success and feedback given by many about the parish's advent resource, "Prepare A Way!" in addition to countless requests from parishioners for a supplementary edition for the season of Lent, we are proud to be able to launch "Into the Wilderness—A 40 Day Prayer Guide to keep a Holy Lent."

"Into the Wilderness" is a resource which is designed to accompany you each day throughout Lent, into the Sacred Triduum and into the Solemnity of Easter.

This is as an added opportunity to give a short period of time daily, to focus on the messages given to us through scripture and a way for self-assessment of our own actions, failings, and desire for reparation for our sins through meditation, prayer, and daily actions.

Just as our Lord entered the Wilderness when he began his ministry, we are also invited to journey with him in the wilderness throughout this holy season and to bring to the front of our mind and heart, ways for us to spiritually prepare for the Sacred Triduum and to fittingly honour our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection.



This parish resource is also specially designed to compliment the many in-parish activities which will be available throughout Lent. These Daily Actions are listed each day to highlight how you can complete a Lenten action within the parish. This may include attending a weekday Mass,

Stations of the Cross or the Sacrament of Penance (Confession). Other corporal works of mercy such as praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, the Faithful Departed and all forgotten souls, is suggested each week to remember those who have died in the hopes that they will in turn pray for us upon, through the mercy of God, reaching heaven.

Please collect your copy from the doors of the church or download an online version from the parish website.

We hope that through the assistance of this new parish resource, you will be able to delve deeper into this holy season.

After two years of isolation, lockdowns, and restrictions, it is hoped this resource will draw you and your families into a time of prayer and drive a sense of unity with others from across the parish in togetherness and active involvement in the Masses, Liturgies and ceremonies which are available to us all who wish to take part.

Through this holy season of Lent, as we prepare to celebrate the solemnity of the Resurrection of our Lord, may we seek and find the needs of others within our community through prayer and meditation as we go into the wilderness with our Lord.

AVAILABLE IN PRINT AT THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH  
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# HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY

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## Enrolling Now for Kindy 2023



### Holy Family Primary East Granville

#### OPEN DAYS

<b>7 March</b>	9:00am-10:00am
<b>9 March</b>	11:30am-12:30pm
<b>15 March</b>	9:30am-10:30am
<b>17 March</b>	2:00pm-3:00pm
<b>21 March</b>	9:30am-10:30am
<b>25 March</b>	9:30am-10:30am
<b>30 March</b>	2:00pm-3:00pm
<b>1 April</b>	2:00pm-3:00pm



HOLY CROSS PARISH, GRANVILLE

# Lenten DEVOTIONS

## Stations OF THE Cross



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH  
6PM Fridays

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH  
7PM Fridays

## Latin MASS



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH  
6PM Thursdays

## Daily MASS



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH  
6:30PM Tuesdays  
8:15AM Wed - Sat

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH  
6PM Wednesday  
9:15AM Tue & Thurs - Sat

## SACRAMENT OF Penance



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH  
6:30PM Wednesdays

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH  
10AM Saturdays

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## Third Sunday of Lent, Year C

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### The Readings

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#### **Introit** (Cf. Ps. 24:15-16)

My eyes are always on the Lord,  
for he rescues my feet from the snare.  
Turn to me and have mercy on me,  
for I am alone and poor.

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#### **First Reading**

##### **The Book of Exodus (3:1-8, 13-15)**

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am' he answered. 'Come no nearer' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God. And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.' Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

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#### **Responsorial Psalm** (Ps. 102:1-4, 6-8, 11. R. v. 8)

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless his holy name.  
My soul give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings. R.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion. R.

The Lord does deeds of justice,  
gives judgement for all who are oppressed.  
He made known his ways to Moses  
and his deeds to Israel's sons. R.

The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is his love for those who fear him. R.

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#### **Second Reading**

##### **The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians**

I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert. These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer. All this happened to them as a warning and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

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#### **Gospel Acclamation** (Mt. 4:17)

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!  
Repent, says the Lord;  
the kingdom of heaven is at hand.  
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

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#### **Gospel of Luke (13:1-9)**

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.' He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."'

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#### **Communio** (Jn. 4:13-14)

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord,  
the water I shall give will become in him  
a spring welling up to eternal life.