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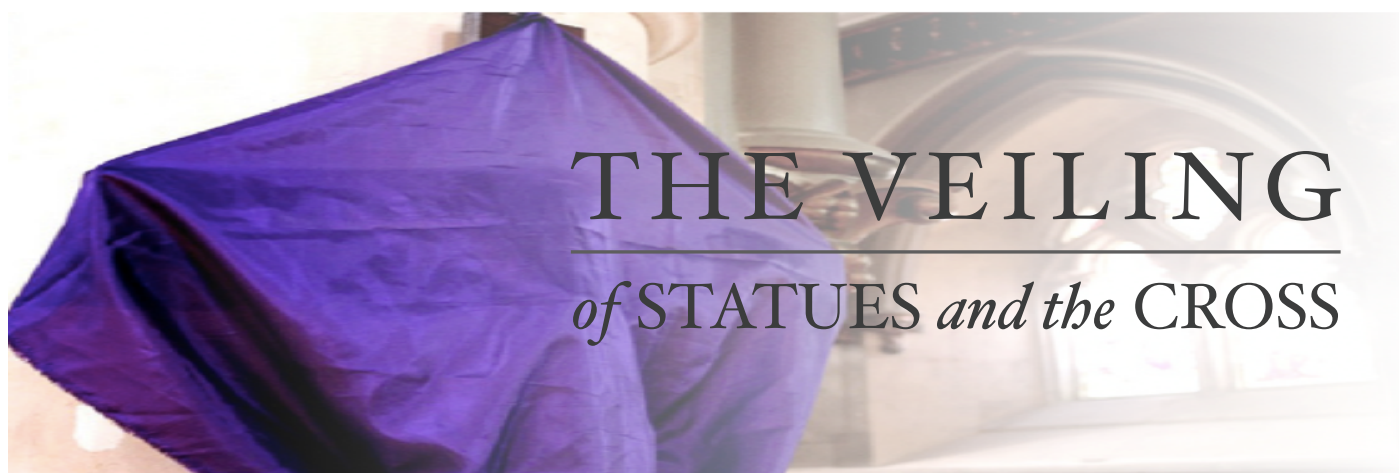
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Fifth Sunday of Lent, Year C

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On this, the Fifth Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Passiontide, the statues in the church are veiled in violet cloths and the other images of the Saints are removed. This is an ancient tradition of the Church stretching back 1,400 years to the seventh century. Originally statues were veiled and the images removed from the church at the very beginning of Lent but over time this custom was changed so that it is now done on this Sunday. For the next two weeks the Church fervently prepares herself to celebrate the Passion, death, and Resurrection of our Lord.

In Passiontide the Church falls into mourning as we anticipate the death of Christ. So the Church, too, from which much of our society draws its customs, veils the images of the glory of God to hide them away from our sight as we prepare for the true glory that is God to be taken from us on Good Friday.

Crucifixes, too, are veiled now. This began in the twelfth century when crucifixes more commonly showed the Triumph of the Cross rather than the agony of the death of Christ, and so this triumph was concealed until it would be unveiled again on Good Friday.

In Europe great veils were stretched across the entire length of the sanctuary so that the altar was completely hidden from view. It was a reminder that we by our sins are cut off from God and that it is only by the sacrifice of Christ that we are reconciled to Him.

The veils also have a beginning in the Gospel. On this the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent the Gospel read for over one thousand years on this day was that of Gospel of Saint John in which our Lord says: "If I were to seek my own glory that would be no glory at all; my glory is conferred by the Father... Your father Abraham rejoiced to think that he would see my Day, he saw it and was glad... I tell you most solemnly, before Abraham ever was, I Am."

At this, the Jews outraged to hear Christ speaking the same words as God to Moses at the burning bush, "I am who I am," and so claiming to be God Himself, pick up rocks to stone him to death. But at this Saint John writes: "Jesus hid himself and left the Temple." So just as our Lord hid Himself and left the Temple so the Church echoes that moment by hiding our Lord and the Saints removing them from this temple.

But the veils also remind us that when God became Man in Jesus Christ He did not cling to His heavenly glory but made Himself truly humble so that the glory of God in Jesus was concealed from the world.

Maybe the best way to understand why the Church veils statues of the Saints is to think of the sun and the moon. The light that shines from the moon is nothing more than a reflection of the light of the sun. If the sun were to stop shining the moon itself would give no light because it has no light of its own to give. In the same way the Saints only reflect the glory of God for they have no glory in themselves to shine. So as we anticipate now the death of Christ and the day when His glory will be hidden from us so we veil the statues of the Saints to remind us that their glory comes only from Christ Himself.

So at the great Easter Vigil these statues will be unveiled and the images of the Saints brought back into the church for then as the single light burning from the Paschal Candle enters the darkened Church so we will behold the return of the Glory of God Himself.

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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.

### 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

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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 2: P. Zaiter,

M. Taumalolo, N. Chidiac

### Readers

**Vigil** Palm Sunday

**10:00 a.m.** Palm Sunday

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Janelle Allan, John Anjoul, Marlene Ashton, John Augustus, Frank Azzopardi, Antonio Bifulco, Ann Blesson, Vincenzo Colosimo, Marcus El-Khoury, 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, Robert 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.*

## **Tenebrae**

**Tuesday, 12 April, 7:00 p.m.**

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On Tuesday, 12 April, the Tuesday of Holy Week, at 7:00 p.m., we will pray the ancient Office of Tenebrae; a service of psalms and hymns lit by candlelight. It is a beautiful and moving service that draws us into the depths of Holy Week as the candles are slowly extinguished reminding us of the darkness of the Passion and Cross as we await the light of the Resurrection.

The name Tenebrae comes from the Latin word for “darkness” or “shadows”. A major feature of the service is the progressive extinguishing of candles as the psalms and readings progress, until only a single candle—a symbol of Christ—remains.

So join us on Tuesday of Holy Week, 12 April, at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church as we pray this solemn service of shadows and light, and enter more fully into the depths of Holy Week.

## **Good Friday “Cross Walk” Volunteers Needed**

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

We are asking for volunteers to act as marshals to help with the safety of those joining in the walk. The marshals assist at road crossings, assisting with the safety of pilgrims. If you would like to volunteer as a marshal, please speak with Fr. Andrew.

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.

This beautiful walk is a witness in the streets of Granville to our faith in Our Lord and Saviour.

## **Holy Week Readers**

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If you would like to request to volunteer to read at Mass during Holy Week, please speak with Fr. Andrew. We are asking for readers for Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil.

## **Palms for Palm Sunday**

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Next Sunday the Church celebrates Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. We encourage people to bring palms to be blessed which they can then take home with them. If you have additional palms that you can give to others, we would be grateful for your generosity. Please bring these with you and leave them in the baskets which will be by the doors of the church.

## **“Into the Wilderness” 40 Day Prayer Guide to Keep a Holy Lent**

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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. To download a copy, visit our parish website at [holycrossgranville.org.au](http://holycrossgranville.org.au).

## **Lenten Devotions**

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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.

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

## **First Confession and First Holy Communion Enrolments**

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Enrolments are now open for the Sacrament of Penance (first Confession) and the Sacrament of the Eucharist (first Holy Communion). The Masses for the first Holy Communions will be said on Saturday, 15 October and Saturday, 22 October.

Enrolments are open to those in year 3 and above who have been Baptised in the Catholic Church. Enrolment forms are available from Fr. Andrew after Mass and must be completed and returned by Sunday, 26 June.

## **Confirmation Enrolments Closing Next Week**

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Enrolment applications for the Sacrament of Confirmation will close next Sunday, 10 April. Those who wish to have their child enrolled in this Sacrament should provide their completed enrolment form with Baptism certificate to Fr. Andrew this week.

## **Holy Rosary with Holy Cross Youth on Friday Evenings**

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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.



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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# Tenebrae

A service of Psalms, Prayers & Candles

Tuesday 12th April  
7 p.m.

*Holy Trinity Church, Granville*





HOLY CROSS PARISH, GRANVILLE

## Palm Sunday

10 APRIL



### HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

4:30PM - VIGIL MASS *Sat 9th April*

8:30AM - HOLY MASS

5PM - HOLY MASS

### HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

6PM - VIGIL MASS *Sat 9th April*

10AM - HOLY MASS

# Holy Week

## Holy Tuesday

12 APRIL



### HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

7PM - TENEBRAE

*A solemn service of  
psalms, prayers & candles*

## Holy Thursday

14 APRIL



### HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

6PM - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

7:30PM - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*



## Good Friday

15 APRIL

### HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

9:15AM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

10:30AM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### HOLY FAMILY & HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

3PM - COMMEMORATION OF THE  
PASSION OF THE LORD

5PM - CROSS WALK

## Easter Sunday

17 APRIL



### HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

5:30PM - VIGIL MASS *Sat 16th April*

8:30AM - HOLY MASS

5PM - HOLY MASS

### HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

8PM - VIGIL MASS *Sat 16th April*

10AM - HOLY MASS

HOLY TRINITY, GRANVILLE  
CNR. RANDLE ST & BENNALONG ST

HOLY FAMILY, EAST GRANVILLE  
200 THE TRONGATE





# CROSS WALK

*Friday 15th April*  
*5 p.m.*

Join us for a solemn procession of  
the Stations of the Cross  
through the streets of Granville  
in honour of Good Friday

*Starting*

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH  
Cnr. Bennalong & Randle St

*Ending*

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH  
200 The Trongate





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## Fifth Sunday of Lent, Year C

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### The Readings

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#### Introit (Cf. Ps. 42:1-2)

Give me justice, O God,  
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.  
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,  
for you, O God, are my strength.

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#### First Reading

##### The Prophet Isaiah (43:16-21)

Thus says the Lord, who made a way through the sea,  
a path in the great waters; who put chariots and horse in  
the field and a powerful army, which lay there never to  
rise again, snuffed out, put out like a wick: No need to  
recall the past, no need to think about what was done  
before. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes  
to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the  
wilderness, paths in the wilds. The wild beasts will  
honour me, jackals and ostriches, because I am putting  
water in the wilderness (rivers in the wild) to give my  
chosen people drink. The people I have formed for myself  
will sing my praises.

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#### Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 125. R. v. 3)

R. The Lord has done great things for us;  
we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
it seemed like a dream.  
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs. R.

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!'  
What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad. R.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.  
Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap. R.

They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing;  
they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves. R.

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#### Second Reading

##### The Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians (3:8-14)

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the  
supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For  
him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on  
everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ  
and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for  
perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes

from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes  
through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on  
faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his  
resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing  
the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to take  
my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have  
become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still  
running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus  
captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from  
thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I  
forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come;  
I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls  
us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.

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#### Gospel Acclamation (Jl. 2:12-13)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!  
With all your heart turn to me,  
for I am tender and compassionate.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!

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#### Gospel of John (8:1-11)

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he  
appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came  
to him, he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along  
who had been caught committing adultery; and making  
her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to  
Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of  
committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the  
Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning.  
What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test,  
looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent  
down and started writing on the ground with his finger.  
As they persisted with their question, he looked up and  
said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him  
be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down  
and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this  
they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest,  
until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained  
standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where  
are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir,' she  
replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away,  
and don't sin any more.'

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#### Communio (Jn. 8:10-11)

Has no one condemned you, woman?  
No one, Lord.  
Neither shall I condemn you.  
From now on, sin no more.