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# SAINT JOSEPH

## THE WORKER

Today, May 1, the Church celebrates the Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker. This feast has its origins in 1870, when Pope Pius IX declared St. Joseph patron of the Universal Church and instituted the feast as a solemnity with an octave, meaning that it was celebrated for eight days.

In 1955, Pope Pius XII replaced this solemnity with the feast of St. Joseph the Worker, to be celebrated on May 1, the date of which coincides with International Workers' Day, to reflect St. Joseph's role as patron saint of workers, as their intercessor and as their example of the worthiness of work.

As such, the memorial of St. Joseph the Worker reminds us of the dignity of human labour. Beginning in the book of Genesis, human work has long been regarded as a participation in the creative work of God. By work, humanity both fulfils the command found in Genesis to care for the earth (2:15) and to be productive in their labours.

St. Joseph, the carpenter and foster father of Our Lord, is the great example of the holiness of human labor, and a reminder to us that all honest labour is noble and that all such work is a participation in the mission of creation of God.

Of St. Joseph, Pope Pius XII called him "the humble, the silent, the just labourer of Nazareth" and commended him as "[our] special Protector before God, [our] safeguard in life... [our] guardian and defender in the travails and trials of labour."

St. Joseph, as worker and as foster father of Our Lord, gives us an example of perseverance amidst difficulties and the dignity of work that is dedicated to God. In whatever our work may be, as long as it is honest then it is noble and we participate, in some way, in the work of God the Creator and so give glory to Him who created us.

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## HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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### 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.

**Holy Rosary** Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

### Nigerian Community Mass

Second and fourth Sunday of the month,

11:00 a.m.

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### Rosters

### Readers

**8:30 a.m.**

**5:00 p.m.**

## DONATIONS

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**BSB:** 067-950

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## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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### 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.

### 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.

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### Rosters

**Church Cleaning** Group 2: P. Zaiter,

M. Taumalolo, N. Chidiac

### Readers

**Vigil** Sarah Vella, Racquel La Rosa,

Gerry Pinto

**10:00 a.m.** Jake Fili, Mary Georges

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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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

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Lorenza Attwill, Danny Azan, Miklina Azzopardi, Victor Azzopardi, Bonello Family, Betty Borg, Kathleen Bradbery, Paul Bradbery, Charles Bugeja, 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, Tony Haynes, Kelvin Huitt, Joe Joseph, May Joseph, Nouhad Khoury, Carlitos Ladores, Marie McDonald, Betty McGrath, Nancy 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, William Yott, Dib Zaiter, Jane Zammit.



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

## **Online Donations in Support of the Parish**

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Online donations can be made through the Holy Cross Parish website ([holycrossgranville.org.au](http://holycrossgranville.org.au)) using our BPoint facility.



## **B P O I N T**

For those who are part of the parish's planned giving programme, your contributions can be made through the website. Just select "Planned Giving" in the dropdown box and include your envelope number.

Donations can also be made for the Sacraments (such as for Baptism, first Holy Communion and Confirmation), as well as general donations in support of the works of the parish.

As well as this, if you happen to see something that you would like to buy in one of our piety shops, you can easily make payment online using our website. Just select "Piety Store Purchase" in the dropdown box to make payment by debit card or credit card.

Thank you to all those who regularly support the parish by your contributions. Whether through the planned giving programme and your envelopes or through the second collection. Your regular support of the parish is greatly appreciated and is of tremendous assistance to the parish in undertaking our works.

May almighty God bless you and your families for your kindness and generosity and for your support of the Church and of the parish.

## **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 Communion 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.

In addition, enrolment forms will be available to be collected from Holy Trinity Church this Tuesday, 3 May, at 3:30 p.m. and from Holy Family Church this Wednesday, 4 May, at 3:30 p.m.

## **Sacrament of Confirmation Enrolments**

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Enrolments for the Sacrament of Confirmation have now closed. Those who enrolled their child will have received a message advising them of the days and times for the lessons. If you have enrolled your child and you have not received a message, please speak with Fr. Andrew.

## **Temporary Mass Times**

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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 there are at least 17 Masses throughout the week.

## **First Thursday Holy Mass in Latin**

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This Thursday, being the first Thursday of the month, Holy Mass in Latin will be said at Holy Trinity Church at 6:00 p.m.

The first Thursday of the month is traditionally offered as an act of reparation to the wounds of Our Lord and in honour of the Blessed Sacrament. It is also offered as a day to pray for Priests in honour of Our Lord Jesus Christ, High and Eternal Priest.

## **First Friday Devotions in Honour of the Sacred Heart**

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This Friday, being the first Friday of the month, we continue our devotions in honour of the Sacred Heart of Our Lord and in reparation for our sins and for the sins of humanity.



At Holy Trinity Church, beginning with confessions at 6:15 p.m., there will then be the Holy Rosary at 6:30 p.m., followed by Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m. and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30 p.m.

Join us for these devotions in honour of Our Lord and for the grace of His Sacraments, especially in this Easter season and as a way to fulfill the paschal precept, which is to make your confession and to receive Holy Communion during the season of Easter.

# MISSIONARY SISTERS *of the* BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

## QUEEN OF THE WORLD – AUSTRALIA

### 44<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF MINISTRY IN GRANVILLE

The Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of the World was originally the Congregation of the Lovers of the Holy Cross, founded by the missionary Bishop Lambert de la Motte in 1670 in Vietnam.

When, in 1975, the Sisters arrived in Australia they first lived at St. Joseph's novitiate in Baulkham Hills. After two years they moved to Lawson, but bushfires in 1977 destroyed their convent. It was this disaster that brought them to Granville in 1978.

Since arriving in Granville, the Sisters have occupied St. Joseph's Convent and, more recently, the former Patrician Brothers monastery in William Street.

At the heart of the vocation of the Sisters is the call to follow Jesus on His way to the Cross and to live the life of consecration under the protection of our Mother Mary as models of complete fidelity to God. The Sisters place a strong emphasis on the life of prayer as essential for the fruitfulness of their apostolic work in the Church.

The Sisters commitment to the Granville community, to the parish and to the Vietnamese community witnesses to their love of Our Lord.

The Sisters are involved in a number of apostolic works, including Holy Trinity Primary School and the CMP Store on Jamieson Street, Granville, which sells religious and devotional items.

Our parish is blessed to have such holy and committed Sisters who dedicate so much to us and are a constant source of love and fun. The Sisters can always be found in the church singing and reading at Mass, assisting the children's liturgy, putting up banners, helping out with all the social activities like our parish fair and barbecues, and generously lending statues to adorn the church and to aid our devotions.

Let us thank almighty God for the wonderful Sisters we have and for their holy example, and let us pray that they may be blessed with an abundance of vocations and may long serve the Church, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and Our Lord in His holy Church.

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# Granville Catholic Church Record

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February, 1941

EDITORIAL.

❖ OUR PAPER . ❖

THE "RECORD," although issued gratis, must not be regarded in the same light as a "free rag." It is a journal, through the pages of which is chronicled the spiritual and material life of the Parish, together with events happening in Australia and other parts of the world that are interesting to us as Catholics. Its value to the Parish cannot be overrated.

A good sound Parish newspaper, such as is published in Granville, fulfils many objects. Firstly, the publication of devotional articles makes the paper a source of edification, and, as such, wields a great influence for the good in the Parish. Secondly, the "Record" brings the news of the Parish to you. We are all members of the one big parochial family, and events occur which simply must interest us as parishioners. Very often, were it not for the existence of the "Record", we would never hear of these happenings. Further still, apart from the actual value of the news imparted from a news point of view, interest is stimulated and enthusiasm is spurred on by the recounting of the doings of the Parish.

Another function of a journal of this kind is to provide a reference of various details in connection with the Parish. Such things as Church notices, Feast-days, times of Mass, Confessions, Devotions, are printed from time to time for the convenience and guidance of the parishioners.

As the years pass by the old copies of the "Record" make an invaluable reference as a record of past events and efforts.

Through the pages of our paper is stored information that will often sometimes be the means of giving authentic guidance to current events.

Parishioners are advised to keep their back numbers of the paper. In addition to proving useful, they will assume a reminiscent value, because, in glancing through the records of bygone days, many happy memories and recollections will be brought to mind when we read of events and people we are actively associated with in the building up of the Catholic Church in the Parish of Granville.

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The article above was published in the "Granville Catholic Church Record" over 80 years ago, in February, 1941. It is interesting to read that the importance placed on parishioners reading the bulletin was just as much of an important matter then as it is today.

Just as then when the "Record" was printed as "a reference of various details in connection with the Parish... [for] such things as Church notices, Feast-days, times of Mass, Confessions, Devotions," the current

"Record" has the same purpose and continues today for the "convenience and guidance of the parishioners."

Just as 80 years ago the Parish had a strong and vibrant means of communication, today we continue this work through our own modern means of communication including this, the "Granville Catholic Church Record", as well as our Parish website, our Facebook page, our Instagram page, and our Parish app.

In these ways the news and events of the Parish are made widely

available and accessible to all parishioners. So in these ways, all parishioners can find ways to participate in the life of the Parish.

Over 80 years ago the Parish was reminding parishioners of the value of the bulletin. So today, we continue to remind parishioners of the value of the bulletin, and of all our social media. For these are means of edification through catechetical and devotional articles, of news and of events which build up the Catholic Church in the Parish of Granville.

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*With thanks to John Portelli for his continuous work in maintaining the archives and history of the Parish.*



# FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

## IN HONOUR *of* THE SACRED HEART

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6:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

CONFESSIONS



6:30 p.m.

HOLY ROSARY



7:00 p.m.

HOLY MASS



7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

ADORATION *of the* BLESSED SACRAMENT

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

# Saints & STUFF

## ST. EXPEDITUS

If you are seeking divine help for a speedy resolution to a situation then turn to St. Expeditus (d. 303), the patron saint of speedy cases, emergencies, expeditious solutions, and help against procrastination.

St. Expeditus was born in Armenia and served as a Roman centurion. He converted to Christianity was beheaded during the Diocletian Persecution of Christians in 303. The day he decided to become a Christian, the devil took the form of a crow and told him to leave his conversion until the next day. St. Expeditus stamped on the bird and killed it, declaring, "I'll be a Christian today!" Because of this he is often shown holding a Cross with the Latin word "hodie" on it which, in English, means "today."



## CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

### Sacred Scripture

**105** God is the author of Sacred Scripture. "The divinely revealed realities, which are contained and presented in the text of Sacred Scripture, have been written down under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit."

"For Holy Mother Church... accepts as sacred and canonical the books of the Old and the New Testaments, whole and entire, with all their parts."

**106** God inspired the human authors of the sacred books. "To compose the sacred books, God chose certain men who, all the while he employed them in this task, made full use of their own faculties and powers so that, though he acted in them and by them, it was as true authors that they consigned to writing whatever he wanted written, and no more."

**107** The inspired books teach the truth. "Since therefore all that the inspired authors or sacred writers affirm should be regarded as affirmed by the Holy Spirit, we must acknowledge that the books of Scripture firmly, faithfully, and without error teach that truth which God, for the sake of our salvation, wished to see confided to the Sacred Scriptures."

# CATHOLIC Trivia



## MISSIONARY SISTERS OF MARY, QUEEN OF THE WORLD

The history of the Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of Mary, Queen of the World—Australia began with their foundation as the Congregation of Lovers of Holy the Cross 348 years ago.

In 1670 the French missionary Bishop Pierre Lambert de la Motte founded the congregation of religious Sisters in Vietnam.

On December 8, 2013 the Vatican gave approval for the creation of a new institution which saw the Sisters became a new congregation in their own right bearing the same name of the Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of Mary, Queen of the World but with "Australia" added to the title. This new congregation is an institute of diocesan right under the special care of the Diocese of Parramatta.



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## Third Sunday of Easter, Year C

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### The Readings

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#### Introit (Cf. Ps. 65:1-2)

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;  
O sing to the glory of his name.  
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

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#### First Reading

##### The Acts of the Apostles (5:27-32, 40-41)

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

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#### Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 117:2-4, 22-27. R. v. 1)

R. I will praise you, Lord,  
for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me  
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.  
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,  
restored me to life from those  
who sink into the grave. R.

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,  
give thanks to his holy name.  
His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.  
At night there are tears,  
but joy comes with dawn. R.

The Lord listened and had pity.  
The Lord came to my help.  
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;  
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. R.

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#### Second Reading

##### The Book of the Apocalypse (5:11-14)

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands,

shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation—everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

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#### Gospel Acclamation (Jn. 20:29)

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;  
he has shown pity on all people.  
Alleluia!

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#### Gospel of John (21:1-14)

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord,' Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

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#### Communio (Lk. 24:35)

The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus  
in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.