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This Sunday we celebrate Mother's Day, a day on which we give thanks to almighty God for the gift of our mothers and, in particular, the gift of our heavenly mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary.

In celebrating our earthly mothers we celebrate, also, our heavenly mother, Mary. From the Cross her son, Our Lord, said to her, "Woman, here is your son." And to the apostle whom he loved, St. John, "Here is your mother" (John 19:26-27). From that moment the Mother of God became the Mother of the Church and of all who believe in her son.

At the Second Vatican Council the council fathers taught again that Mary is our Mother.

In the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, *Lumen gentium*, they wrote: "Predestined from eternity by that decree of divine providence which determined the incarnation of the Word to be the Mother of God, the Blessed Virgin was on this earth the virgin Mother of the Redeemer, and above all others and in a singular way the generous associate and humble handmaid of the Lord. She conceived, brought forth and nourished Christ. She presented Him to the Father in the temple, and was united with Him by compassion as He died on the Cross. In this singular way she cooperated by her obedience, faith, hope and burning charity in the work of the Saviour in

giving back supernatural life to souls. Wherefore she is our mother in the order of grace" (n. 61).

So throughout the history of the Church she has always honoured Mary with titles of motherhood, making known again and again the gift that Christ gave us from the Cross. She is known as Blessed Mother, Mother of God, Mother of Christ, Mother of the Redeemer, Mother of the Church, Mother of Victory, Mother of Mercy, Mother of Sorrows, Mother of All Graces, Mother Most Pure, Mother of Good Counsel, Mother Thrice Admirable, and Mother of Perpetual Help. But for us, the greatest title must be that we can call her Our Mother.

## THE PARISH OFFICE

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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.

**Holy Rosary** Wednesday, 6:30 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

## SOCIAL MEDIA



holycrossgranville.org.au



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Holy Cross Parish App



@holycrossgranville

## 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.

### 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 3: Hanh Hanh  
and the Vietnamese community

### Readers

**Vigil** Gerry Pinto, Rebecca Hanson,  
Rosette Chidiac

**10:00 a.m.** Jasmine Miranda,  
Joseph Ojiba, Sisters

## 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

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, Peter  
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.*

## Holy Family Church Weekly Illegally Dumped Rubbish Report

More rubbish was illegally dumped at Holy Family Church this week on:

Saturday night  
Wednesday night

## Online Donations in Support of the Parish

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

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.



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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 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.



## A PRAYER *on* MOTHERS' DAY

*Loving God,  
as a mother  
gives life  
and nourishment  
to her children,  
so you watch over  
your Church.  
Bless my mother,  
that she may be  
strengthened  
as a Christian mother.  
Let the example  
of her faith  
and love shine forth.  
Grant that I, her child  
may honour her always  
with a spirit  
of profound respect.*

*Amen.*



## Holy Cross Parish "Decade a Day" Holy Rosary

The Church honours the Blessed Virgin Mary in a special way in the month of May. To commemorate this month, join us as, again, as we pray a "Decade a Day" of the Holy Rosary for the special intentions of the parish and for the intentions of the Holy Father for an end to war and violence.

As well as praying a decade of the Rosary in in your homes each day, we encourage you to pray the Rosary, either alone or with others, before each Mass during the month of May.

## First Confession and First Holy Communion Enrolments

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.

## 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 there are at least 17 Masses throughout the week.



Holy Cross Parish

# Decade a Day

Join us to pray one decade of the  
Holy Rosary  
every day throughout the month of  
May for a different special intention.



Help us build a spiritual crown  
for Our Lady by praying for  
her assistance.



Throughout the month of May, we honour in a special way the Blessed Virgin Mary as our Mother and the Mother of the Church.

In order to honour Our Lady and seek her guidance and intercession, the parish will be praying a "Decade a Day" for a number of intercessions throughout the month, in particular, to unite ourselves with the Holy Father's request for the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary for an end to war and violence.

Inspired by St. Luke who wrote in the the Acts of the Apostles, "The whole Church was fervently praying to God" (12:5), we invite you and with your families to pray one decade of the Rosary (ten Hail Mary's) each day for the special intercession which will be posted daily along with your own personal intentions and the intention of the Holy Father.

Set up a small prayer space in your homes with a statue or image of Our Lady for the month. Send us

photos of your prayer spaces so that we can share them for others to view.

We also encourage you to pray the Holy Rosary before each Mass, either on your own or with others, throughout the month.

This is a simple way that you can help us, as a parish and the Church as a whole, during this month, build a spiritual crown for the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, praying for her Motherly care and intercession.



Join your prayers with the prayers  
of the Holy Father as he asks the Church  
to join him in praying the Holy Rosary  
for an end to war and violence

# Holy Cross Parish

## *Decade a Day*



### **1st**

For all the deceased

### **2nd**

For all those who have not been able to say goodbye to their deceased loved ones

### **3rd**

For all those who continue to suffer the effects of the pandemic

### **4th**

For all expectant women and their unborn babies

### **5th**

For all children and adolescents

### **6th**

For all young people

### **7th**

For all families

### **8th**

For all communication workers

### **9th**

For all seniors

### **10th**

For all people with disabilities

### **11th**

For all the poor, the homeless, and the economically distressed

### **12th**

For all people who live alone and those who have lost hope

### **13th**

For all prisoners

### **14th**

For all scientists and medical research institutions

### **15th**

For all migrants

# Holy Cross Parish

## *Decade a Day*



**16th**

For all victims of violence and human trafficking

**17th**

For all world leaders and for all heads of international organisations

**18th**

For all doctors and nurses

**19th**

For all social workers

**20th**

For all pharmacists and health care personnel

**21st**

For all elected officials in today's Federal Election.

**22nd**

For all volunteers

**23rd**

For all law enforcement and military personnel and for all firefighters

**24th**

For all those who provide essential services

**25th**

For all teachers, students and educators

**26th**

For all workers and entrepreneurs

**27th**

For all the unemployed

**28th**

For the Holy Father, bishops, presbyters, and deacons

**29th**

For all consecrated men and women

**30th**

For the Church

**31st**

For those suffering the effects of war in Ukraine and other parts of the world, and for the resumption of world order



## THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

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7PM • SATURDAY, 28TH MAY  
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- ✓ **A profound understanding** of the dignity and beauty of your body and every-body
- ✓ **A new portal** through which to enter into deep intimacy with God
- ✓ **A biblical vision** of what it means to be human
- ✓ **A deeper understanding** of the beauty of sexual desire and how to begin the process of redemption and healing
- ✓ **A witness** to hope and healing
- ✓ **A profound encounter** with Jesus as "Mercy"
- ✓ **Everything you ever wanted to know** about Heaven
- ✓ **The Beauty** and vocation of Celibacy for the Kingdom
- ✓ **A biblical vision** of marriage as the sign of the Great Mystery
- ✓ **A deeper understanding** of the sign of the sexual act and what it signifies
- ✓ **A guide** to understanding the Church's vision and teaching on the transmission of human life

**SATURDAY, 28 MAY at 7:00 p.m.**  
**MACKILLOP HALL**



“Our vision is to help every person experience the love they have always dreamed of by sharing the Catholic Church’s teaching on authentic love and human sexuality.”

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year C

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### The Readings

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#### Introit (Cf. Ps. 32:5-6)

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;  
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

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#### First Reading

##### The Acts of the Apostles (13:14, 43-52)

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations,  
so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

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

R. We are his people,  
the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him,  
singing for joy. R.

Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people,  
the sheep of his flock. R.

Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age. R.

#### Second Reading

##### The Book of the Apocalypse (7:9, 14-17)

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

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#### Gospel Acclamation (Jn. 10:14)

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.  
Alleluia!

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#### Gospel of John (10:27-30)

Jesus said:  
'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;  
I know them and they follow me.  
I give them eternal life;  
they will never be lost  
and no one will ever steal them from me.  
The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,  
and no one can steal from the Father.  
The Father and I are one.'

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#### Communio

The Good Shepherd has risen,  
who laid down his life for his sheep  
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

*Join us throughout the month of May  
for our Holy Rosary*

*Decade a Day*