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The Church in Australia celebrates Monday the Solemnity of St. Mary of the Cross, Mary MacKillop. It is a particularly poignant celebration of the foundress of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart (the Josephites) as the Church celebrates the Year of St. Joseph.

At the Holy Mass celebrating her canonisation on 17 October, 2010, Pope Benedict XVI said: "For many years countless young people throughout Australia have been blessed with teachers who were inspired by the courageous and saintly example of zeal, perseverance and prayer of Mother Mary MacKillop. She dedicated herself as a young woman to the education of the poor in the difficult and demanding terrain of rural Australia, inspiring other women to join her in the first women's community of religious sisters of that country. She attended to the needs of each young person entrusted to her, without regard for station or wealth, providing both intellectual and spiritual formation. Despite many challenges, her prayers to St. Joseph and her unflagging devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, to whom she dedicated her new congregation, gave this holy woman the graces needed to remain faithful to God and to the Church. Through her intercession, may her followers today continue to serve God and the Church with faith and humility!"

In 2011, St. Mary of the Cross was proclaimed the Patron of the Diocese of Parramatta. Bishop Fisher, in his homily at the Holy Mass commemorating the silver jubilee of the diocese, spoke of the relation between St. Mary of the Cross and Parramatta. He said, "not only did she labour amongst us in this life, but she interceded from heaven to bring about a miracle for one of our parishioners." The first miracle attributed to Mary MacKillop was that of a woman living in the Diocese of Parramatta, whose complete recovery from acute myeloblastic leukaemia in the early 1960's was the miracle accepted by the Vatican in 1993 which led to the 1995 beatification.



The Solemnity of **ST. MARY of the CROSS**

Our own parish of Granville has a very close association with St. Mary of the Cross herself. The Sisters of St. Joseph founded a convent in Waratah Street in Granville in 1885, and a letter written by St. Mary to her mother on July 1, 1885 mentions the foundation at Granville. Our parish's two primary schools, Holy Trinity Primary School and Holy Family Primary School, are both schools founded by the Sisters of St. Joseph and continue in the Josephite tradition.

Let us pray that St. Mary of the Cross will continue to intercede for us and for the Church so that, in whatever trials we may face, we will be strengthened by the grace of Almighty God, in whose divine providence she always placed her trust.

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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

Sunday, 5:30 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.

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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.

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 2: P. Zaiter,

N. Chidiac, M. Taumalolo

Readers

Vigil Rosette Chidiac, Rebecca Hanson,

Gerry Pinto,

10:00 a.m. Sisters, Jasmine Miranda

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

Susan Abdallah, Teresa Akkary, Wajiha Alwan, Ercilia Apap, Vincent Apap, Lorenza Attwill, Victor Azzopardi, Basil Benjamin, Betty Borg, Kathleen Bradbery, Paul Bradbery, Charles Bugeja, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vince Cahill, Maria Gambin, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Simon Haddad, George Hatem, Georgette Hatem, John Hatem, Mariam Hatem, Wadih Hatem, Joe Joseph, May Joseph, Clair Karaki, Daoud Karaki, Nouhad Khoury, Jacob Malkoun, Ofimia Malkoun, Magdalena Mendoza, Santo Mondello, Joseph Nammour, Haydee Nursoo, Anna Saunig, Raffaele Scaturchio, Andrea So, Mary Sultana, Tony Sultana, Emmanuel Tabone, Peter Tuu Van Tran, Joseph Vella, Dib Zaiter.



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

**Holy Masses
on the Solemnity
of St. Mary of the Cross
This Monday**

On Monday, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of St. Mary of the Cross. There will be two Masses said that day.

The first will be at Holy Trinity Church with Holy Trinity Primary School at 9:15 a.m. and the second will be at Holy Family Church at 5:00 p.m.

**Candlelight Procession for the
Solemnity of the Assumption
of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Monday, 15 August
Volunteers Needed**

In honour of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which the Church celebrates on Monday, 15 August, we will be holding a candlelight procession from Holy Family Church to MacKillop Hall. Following the evening Mass at Holy Family Church at 6:00 p.m., the procession will leave the church and move through the streets of Granville to MacKillop Hall.

We are asking for parishioners to help carry the platform which will hold the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Four people are needed to carry this stand and we are looking to form a few groups of four people to help carry the statue along the way. If you would like to help carry the statue or if you can form a group of four people, please speak with Fr. Andrew. Without your help, we will be unable to carry out the procession.

We are also asking for parishioners to volunteer as marshals. These marshals will assist us along the way and help us to cross roads safely and to guide us along the route of the procession. If you can help out as a marshal, please speak with Fr. Andrew.

**Holy Family Church
Weekly Illegally
Dumped Rubbish
and Crime Report**

Yet again, rubbish was illegally dumped at Holy Family Church this week on Sunday.

It is very important that recognition is given to the seriousness of this matter and understood that this causes increasing distress and has a significant impact on wellbeing.

Further action is needed by parishioners in order to prevent criminals from trespassing on church property and vandalising what is sacred.

Without this, a fence will need to be built around the perimeter of the church and the presbytery in order to maintain safety and to ensure that the church, a sacred place for the worship of almighty God, is properly protected and guarded against criminals and their vandalism.

**Thank You
to Toni Sassine and
StepUp Personal Training**

Thank you to Toni Sassine and StepUp Personal Training for their generous donation to the parish. We are grateful to Toni for his continued care and support of the parish and for his generosity in that support.

StepUp Personal Training runs high intensity group training sessions that are fun, motivating and are proven to get results. Their goal is to improve the health and wellbeing of individuals within our community through providing a range of different training sessions in a comfortable and welcoming environment. StepUp run a number of sessions throughout the week in both the mornings and the evenings.



For more information, visit their website at stepuppt.com.au or visit their Instagram page at [stepup_pt](https://www.instagram.com/stepup_pt).

**Holy Family Primary School
Enrolments Now Open
for Kindergarten 2023**

Like St. Mary of the Cross, Holy Family Primary students understand what it means to care for and support those most in need.

At Holy Family Primary we constantly strive to educate our children in the spirit of our school motto "In Christ We Live, Love and Learn".

The school is vibrant, and is active in developing a loving and supportive community, based on Gospel values.

For more information on enrolment call 8633-8200 or visit our website at hfgranville.catholic.edu.au

Eucharistic Miracle of

WEITEN-RAXENDORF, AUSTRIA

In fifteenth-century Austria there were a number of thefts of consecrated Hosts, so Church authorities began keeping the Hosts in the sacristy. Despite these precautions, in 1411 a thief succeeded in stealing a consecrated Host from the parish church in Weiten-Raxendorf. The Host slipped unnoticed to the ground during his journey and was discovered several days later by a pious woman. The Host glowed brilliantly, divided in two Pieces, but was united by threads of Bleeding Flesh.



Panoramic view of Weiten



Chapel built on the exact spot where the Host was found



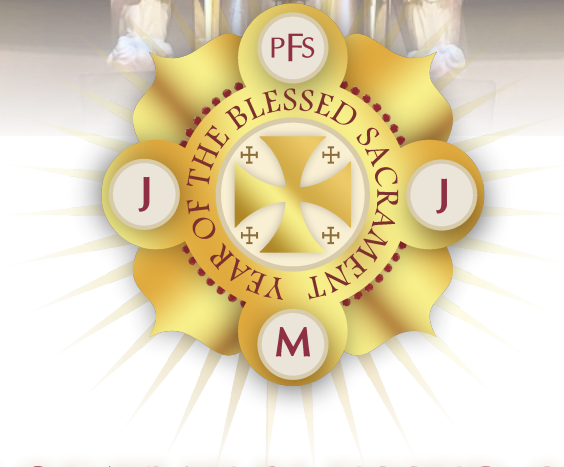
In the parish church of Weiten in Austria, thief broke into the sacristy and got hold of a consecrated Host that he slipped into one of his gloves. According to reports from the village of Weiten, the theft occurred in 1411. The thief then mounted his horse intending to make for the nearby village of Spitz. Instead of taking the main road, he chose a side road that passes through the valley of Mühldorf and is known as "Am Schuß." When he arrived at the spot (that today is marked by a chapel in honour of the miracle) his horse halted and would not move, no matter how much the man beat him. Some labourers working in the surrounding fields came to help.

But there was no way to make the horse move; it stood still as a statue. Then without warning, the animal leaped to a gallop, and the Sacred Host hidden in the rider's glove dropped to the ground without anyone noticing.

A few days later, a Mrs. Scheck from Mannersdorf passed by the spot and saw the Host encircled in a strong light. In great wonder, she picked up the Sacred Eucharist and noticed that the consecrated Host was broken in two Parts but remained joined together by threads of Bleeding Flesh. Greatly moved and at her own expense, in thanksgiving, she built a small chapel on the spot. As news of the miracle spread, many pilgrims

came to the place. Later, it was necessary to build a bigger church in order to contain the great crowds that came every year on pilgrimage.





ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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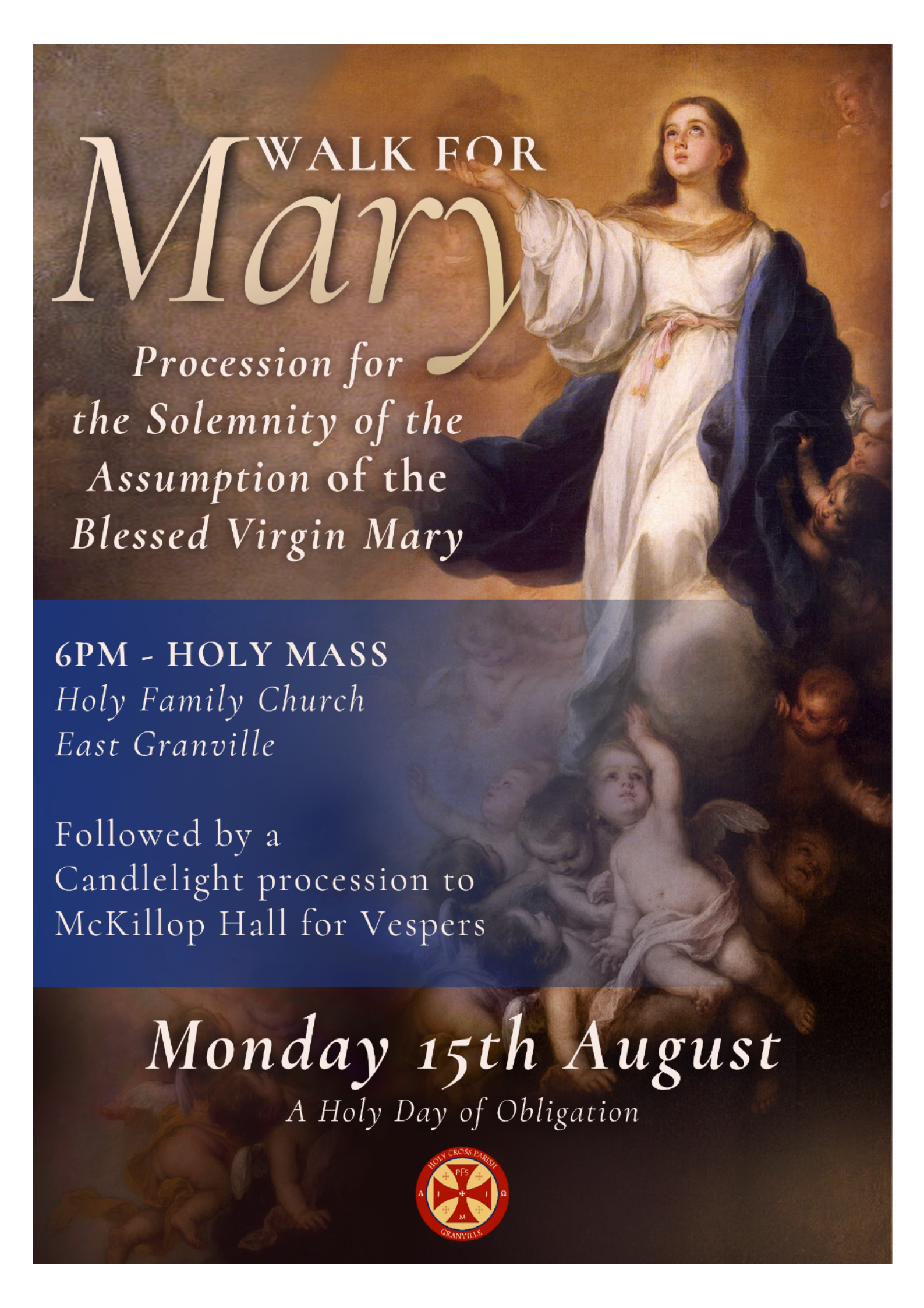
Holy Family Church
5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.



FIRST FRIDAYS

Holy Trinity Church
7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

YEAR OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



WALK FOR *Mary*

*Procession for
the Solemnity of the
Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*

6PM - HOLY MASS
*Holy Family Church
East Granville*

Followed by a
Candlelight procession to
McKillop Hall for Vespers

Monday 15th August

A Holy Day of Obligation



On Saturday the Church celebrated the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord.

On that mountain-top of Tabor 2,000 years ago, with His close friends, Peter, James and John, our Lord was transfigured and “the aspect of His face changed and His clothes became brilliant as lightning.” All the dirt of the trek up the mountain, all the tiredness, all the hunger pangs and thirst were transfigured and our Lord stood before them with all the brightness and beauty of the glory that would not be seen again until His rising from the dead.

The three apostles that were with Christ—St. Peter, St. James, and St. John—are the same three that will be with Him in the garden of Gethsemane and there too they will be tired. Here on the mountain they were tired but managed to keep awake. In the garden they, again, will be tired, but will fall asleep. St. Luke says, “they were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw His glory.” In other words, if they had fallen asleep they would have missed it all—the transfiguration would have passed them by. Because they stayed awake, a phrase so often used by Christ, they saw His glory. In the garden of Gethsemane as Christ suffered and sweated blood they slept and so did not see His suffering.

The Transfiguration was shown to St. Peter, St. James and St. John, and is told to us, because we need to believe that our life has meaning, and that there is purpose in suffering, and that it is not an end in itself but a means to an end. We all want to feel that our experiences matter and make sense.

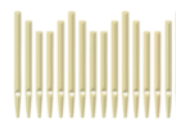


THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

*“This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour.
Listen to him.”*

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The Readings

Introit (Cf. Ps. 73:20, 19, 22, 23)

Look to your covenant, O Lord,
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.
Arise, O God, and defend your cause,
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading

The Book of Wisdom (18:6-9)

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22. R. v. 12)

R. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen as his own. R.

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. R.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. R.

Second Reading

The Letter to the Hebrews (11:1-2, 8-12)

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

Gospel Acclamation (Mt. 24:42, 44)

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready:
You know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel of Luke (12:35-40)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Communio (Ps. 147:12, 14)

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,
who gives you your fill of finest wheat.



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