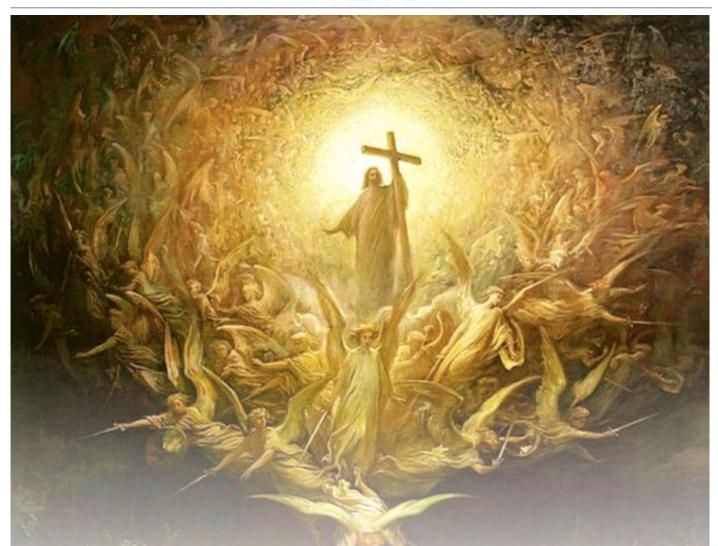
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THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

On Wednesday the Church will celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The feast recalls three events: the finding of the True Cross by St. Helena, the mother of the emperor Constantine; the dedication of the churches built by Constantine on the site of the Holy Sepulchre and Mount Calvary; and the restoration of the True Cross to Jerusalem in A.D. 629 by the emperor Heraclius after it had fallen into the hands of Chosroas, King of the Persians in A.D. 614. Under Constantine, around A.D. 327, Macarius, Bishop of Jerusalem, caused excavations to be made in order to determine the location of Calvary as well as that of the Holy Sepulchre. It was in the course of these excavations that the wood of the Cross was recovered. It was recognised as authentic, and for it was built a chapel or oratory. Soon after the discovery of the Cross its wood was cut up into small relics and quickly scattered throughout the world. It is the Holy Cross, the ancient symbol of humiliation and failure, which is for us the sign of triumph and salvation.

For us the Holy Cross is the sign of the victory of good over evil, of life over death, and we honour this symbol whenever we make the sign of the Cross on ourselves. For by this we mark ourselves out as faithful Christians and we unite ourselves with the agony of the Cross so that we may be brought to share in its exaltation.

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> 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.

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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 3: Mary Dao and the Vietnamese community

Readers

Vigil Racquel La Rosa, Rosette Chidiac, Rebecca Hanson

10:00 a.m. Holy Trinity Primary School

IN MEMORIAM

Rev. Fr. Les Campion, Rev. Fr. James Stack, Susan Abdallah, Teresa Akkary, Ercilia Apap, Vincent Apap, Lorenza Attwill, Victor Azzopardi, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin, Basil Benjamin, Betty Borg, Kathleen Bradbery, Paul Bradbery, Charles Bugeja, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vince Cahill, Maria Gambin, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Clair Karaki, Daoud Karaki, Nouhad Khoury, Jacob Malkoun, Mouna Malkoun, Ofimia Malkoun, Crising Mendoza, Magdalena Mendoza, Joseph Nammour, Haydee Nursoo, Frisca Pestano, Rogelio Pestano, Herbert Pidgeon, Boutros (Peter) Rahme, Anna Saunig, Andrea So, Emmanuel Tabone, Darren Thornton, Peter Tuu Van Tran, Joseph Vella, Mr. and Mrs. Xavier, Dib Zaiter.

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

Holy Cross Youth Bonfire and Trivia Night This Friday Evening

Holy Cross Youth will be hosting a bonfire and trivia night as part of Holy Cross Week this Friday evening at 7:00 at MacKillop Hall. This is open to all parishioners aged from 16 to 35 (those under 18 years old will need a parent or guardian to sign them in and to sign them out).

This will be a great night out to celebrate with parishioners as we commemorate our parish's feast through Holy Cross Week.

If you would like to come along, and if you would like to form a team for the night, just register on Facebook or Instagram or scan the QR code below.



Holy Mass with Holy Trinity School 10:00 a.m. Next Sunday

Next Sunday, students from Holy Trinity Primary School will be joining us for Holy Mass at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church. The students will be involved in reading at Mass and assisting with the offertory procession.

It is great to have our parish schools involved with the parish and to join us on Sunday for Mass.

Please encourage our young students to love the Mass and to be involved in the Mass and in the life of the Church and the parish.



HOLY CROSS WEEK

As the Church celebrates the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on Wednesday, we celebrate one of our parish's feast days and the second anniversary of the foundation of Holy Cross Parish.

Join us through this Holy Cross Week as we celebrate this feast and pray for our parish.

With the regular Mass times during the week there will be, also, other Masses and devotions.

On Wednesday, as we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, there will be a sung Mass at 6:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church.

On Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church, Holy Mass in Latin will be said in honour of Our Lady of Sorrows.

On Friday at 6:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed. This will be followed by Holy Cross Youth's Bonfire and Trivia Night at 7:00 p.m. at MacKillop Hall.

On Sunday at 5:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in honour of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross will be prayed as we honour not only our feast day but our Year of the Blessed Sacrament.

Let us adore the Holy Cross, the instrument by which Our Lord chose to redeem the world, so that we may seek to unite ourselves with the passion of Christ so that we may, by His mercy, come to share in the glory of His resurrection.

Reminder Mandatory Safeguarding Training for All Parish Volunteers

As announced a number of times previously, the Diocese of Parramatta has made it mandatory for all volunteers in parishes to undertake training for the sake of collective responsibility and for the means of identifying children and adults at risk.

As such, the diocese has arranged for a series of safeguarding training modules to be undertaken, online or face to face. For most volunteers, the training will require four hours. Once completed, the certification of completion of the mandatory training will be valid for two years.

For those who would like to complete the training independently online, visit learning.safeguarding.org.au. You can then sign up with your email address and enrol in the three compliance modules (tagged in yellow).

For those who would prefer to complete the modules face to face, the parish has arranged for training. There will be two sessions, both of which must be attended. The first of the two sessions will be held on **Saturday, November 12** from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and the second of the two sessions on **Saturday, November 19** from 9:00 a.m to 11:30 a.m.

These sessions will allow participants to complete the three mandatory safeguarding modules: "Understanding Safeguarding and the Child Safe Standards," "Legal Compliance and Safeguarding: Risk of Significant Harm and Mandatory Reporting," and "Safeguarding Adults at Risk and Understanding Boundaries."

To register for the face to face training sessions, please contact the parish office.

HOBY GROSS

TUESDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

9:15AM - Holy Mass Holy Family Church 6:30PM - Holy Mass Holy Trinity Church WEDNESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross 8:15AM - Holy Mass Holy Trinity Church 6PM - Holy Mass Holy Family Church

THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

8:15AM - Holy Mass Holy Trinity Church 9:15AM - Holy Mass Holy Family Church 6PM - Holy Mass in Latin Holy Trinity Church

FRIDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER

8:15AM - Holy Mass Holy Trinity Church 9:15AM - Holy Mass Holy Family Church 6PM - Stations of the Cross Holy Trinity Church 7PM - Holy Cross Youth Trivia Night MacKillop Hall

SATURDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER

8:15AM - Holy Mass Holy Trinity Church 9:15AM - Holy Mass Holy Family Church 4:30PM - Holy Mass (Vigil) Holy Family Church 6PM - Holy Mass (Vigil) Holy Trinity Church SUNDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER

7:30AM - Holy Mass Holy Family Church 8:30AM - Holy Mass Holy Family Church 10AM - Holy Mass Holy Trinity Church 3PM - Holy Mass Holy Trinity Church 5PM - Holy Mass Holy Family Church 5:30PM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Holy Family Church









ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SUNDAYS

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

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FIRST FRIDAYS

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

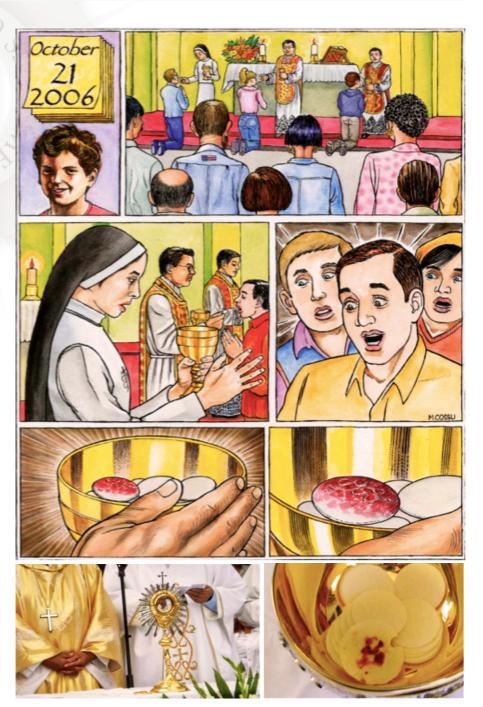
YEAR OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Eucharistic Miracle of

TIXTLA, MEXICO

On October 12, 2013, Bishop Alejo Zavala Castro, **Bishop** of Chilpancingo-Chilapa in Mexico, announced through a pastoral letter the recognition of the **Eucharistic Miracle** that occurred at Tixtla, on October 21, 2006. In the letter we read: "This manifestation brings to us a marvellous sign of the love of God that confirms the Real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist... In my role as Bishop of the diocese I recognise the supernatural character of the series of events relating to the Bleeding Host of Tixtla... I declare the case as a "Divine Sign...".

On October 21, 2006, the effusion of a reddish substance was noted from a consecrated Host during a Mass at Tixtla, in the Diocese of Chilpancingo-Chilapa in Mexico. The Bishop of the place, Alejo Zavala Castro, then convened a theological commission of investigation and, in October 2009, he invited Dr. Ricardo Castañón Gómez, to take on the leadership of the programme of scientific research whose purpose was in fact that of verifying the event. The Mexican ecclesiastical authorities turned to Dr. Castañón Gómez because they were aware that in the



years 1999-2006, he had conducted some studies on two consecrated Hosts that also bled in the Parish of St. Mary in Buenos Aires. The Mexican case starts in October 2006, when Fr. Leopoldo Roque, Parish Priest of St. Martin of Tours, invited Fr. Raymundo Reyna Esteban to lead a spiritual retreat. As Fr. Leopoldo and another priest were distributing Holy Communion, assisted by a religious sister who was to the left of Fr. Raymundo, she turned towards him with the pyx containing the Sacred Hosts with eyes filled with tears, an incident that immediately attracted the attention of the celebrant: the Host that she had taken to give Communion to a lady parishioner had begun to effuse a reddish substance.

To be continued in next week's bulletin...

The Readings

Introit (Cf. Sir. 36:18)

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

First Reading The Book of Exodus (32:7-11, 13-14)

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried, "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!" I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.'

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said, 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 50:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19. R. Lk. 15:18)

R. I will rise and go to my father.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. ℝ.

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. R.

O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise. My sacrifice is a contrite spirit; a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. R.

Second Reading The First Letter of St. Paul to Timothy (1:12-17)

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me

into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation (II Cor. 5:19)

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

Gospel of Luke (15:1-10)

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

Communio (Cf. Ps. 35:8)

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.