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Our Lady of Sorrows

The month of September is traditionally given in honour of Our Lady of Sorrows, whose feast is celebrated on September 15.

This feast is dedicated to the spiritual martyrdom of Mary, Mother of God, and her solidarity with the sufferings of her Divine Son, Jesus. In her suffering she reminds us of the tremendous evil of sin and shows us the way of true repentance.

So let us pray that the numerous tears of the Mother of God be conducive to our salvation; with which tears, God is able to wash away the sins of the whole world.

As the Blessed Virgin Mary stood at the foot of the Cross on which Our Lord was nailed for our salvation, the sword of sorrow Simeon had foretold pierced her soul. Here are given the seven sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

- 1. The prophecy of Simeon.
- 2. The flight into Egypt.
- 3. The loss of the Child Jesus for three days.
- Mary meets Jesus on his way to Calvary.
- 5. Crucifixion and Death of Jesus.
- 6. The body of Jesus being taken from the Cross.
- 7. The burial of Jesus.

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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 4: A. Quinlan,

G. Pinto, M. Asiedu, M. Moses,

G. Dankwah, S. Martin, M. Magpayo,

C. Elegado, J. Puni, A. and J. Osei-Yamoah, L. Tordilla, J. Fili, J. John,

A. Abosh, O. Ifeyani, J. Raj, S. Joseph

Readers

Vigil Gerry Pinto, Racquel La Rosa, Rosette Chidiac

10:00 a.m. Jasmine Miranda, Raphaella Chidiac, Mary Georges

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.

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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.

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 Family Church <u>Weekly</u> Illegally Dumped Rubbish Report

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

It is 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. If no further action is taken by parishioners to prevent this criminal activity on church property, then it will become necessary to build a wall around the church and the presbytery to protect these properties.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday Evenings

As we continue this Year of the Blessed Sacrament, give some of your time in adoration of Our Lord each Sunday evening at 5:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church as we pray before Our Lord, truly present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

Holy Mass Intentions Reminder

A reminder that if you would like a particular Mass offered for an intention, please speak with Fr. Andrew at least 4 weeks in advance. There are many intentions requested and it is not always possible to fulfill a request unless there is sufficient time allowed.

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 current parishioner participation, consideration will be given as to whether these times are still needed.

Thank You

On Wednesday evening the parish celebrated our feast day and our anniversary with a solemn sung Mass at Holy Family Church. We owe our thanks to those who prepared this Mass and made such a glorious celebration possible for us. In particular, thank you to John Portelli for arranging the music and the slides, to Maryanne Takchi for singing, to Rosette Chidiac and Claudette Takchi for reading, to Elvis, Jeevan, Paul, Patrick and Patrick for serving at the altar, and to Claudette Takchi for preparing the beautiful floral arrangements that adorned the sanctuary. We are particularly thankful to them as all these parishioners chose to come forward without having to be asked and to give their willing and dedicated support to the parish and for the glory of the Holy Cross of Our Lord.

Online Donations

Online donations can be made through the Holy Cross Parish website (holycrossgranville.org.au) using our BPoint facility by visiting the website or scanning the QR code below. 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 un undertaking our works.



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 and we will register you for these days.



FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF HER MAJESTY, THE QUEEN

Thursday, 22 September

Missa cantata | Holy Trinity Church at 9:15 a.m.

Missa lecta | Holy Family Church at 4:30 p.m.

Requiem æternam dona ei, Domine Et lux perpetua luceat ei Requiescat in pace

NATIONAL DAY of MOURNING

Saints STUFF



The Most Holy Name of Mary

The Memorial of the Holy Name of Mary is celebrated each year on 12 September. Pope Innocent XI introduced it to commemorate the victory at the Battle of Vienna in 1683. It was removed following Vatican II but restored by Pope St. John Paul II in 2002 along with the Memorial of the Holy Name of Jesus. The memorial commemorates all the privileges bestowed upon Mary by God and all the graces received through her intercession and mediation. The day is often celebrated by croissants which commemorated the defeat of the Ottoman army at Vienna on this feast day.

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Sacrifice on the Cross

617 The Council of Trent emphasises the unique character of Christ's sacrifice as "the source of eternal salvation" and teaches that "his most holy Passion on the wood of the cross merited justification for us." And the Church venerates his cross as she sings: "Hail, O Cross, our only hope."

618 The cross is the unique sacrifice of Christ, the "one mediator between God and men". But because in his incarnate divine person he has in some way united himself to every man, "the possibility of being made partners, in a way known to God, in the paschal mystery" is offered to all men. He calls his disciples to "take up [their] cross and follow [him]", for "Christ also suffered for [us], leaving [us] an example so that [we] should follow in his steps." In fact Jesus desires to associate with his redeeming sacrifice those who were to be its first beneficiaries. This is achieved supremely in the case of his mother, who was associated more intimately than any other person in the mystery of his redemptive suffering. "Apart from the cross there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven" (St. Rose of Lima).

CATHOLIC Trivia

Croissants

Here is some interesting trivia for all our croissant lovers.



Last Wednesday, 12 September, was the glorious feast of the Holy Name of Mary. On that day 335 years ago, in A.D. 1683, the Catholic armies of Europe fought the Ottoman army at Vienna. It was after this battle that the "crescent pastry" came into being. The Christian victory was marked by eating the symbol of the Moors.





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Euchariotic 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...".

Continued from last week's bulletin...

The scientific research conducted from October 2009 and October 2012 came to the following conclusions, presented on May 25, 2013 during the course of an international symposium held by the Diocese of Chilpancingo, on the occasion of the Year of Faith, and which saw the participation of millions of people coming from four continents.

1. The reddish substance analysed corresponds to blood in which there are haemoglobin and DNA of human origin.



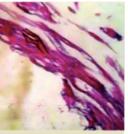
Professor John Compagno, one of the preeminent histopathologists who study tissues, discovered that there was the presence of mesenchymal cells and of tissue of white blood cells and red blood cells, but to arrive to say that it was heart muscle further exams had to be done and the result arrived only after 2 years.



Photo of Father Raymondo Reyna Esteban, protagonist of the Eucharistic Miracle of Tixtla.



The Gene Ex genetics laboratory in Bolivia performed another study and confirmed that it was human blood of the type AB just like the one found in the cloth of the Shroud of Turin and of the Eucharistic Miracle that occurred in Lanciano in 700 AD.



Professor Carlos Parellada, of the Francisco Marroquín University in Guatemala, shows in one of the photos taken of the sample of the miraculous Host, how the presence of longitudinal fibrillar structures is evident. By observing the image one sees well the bifurcation that was made evident, which is typical of the muscular cardiac fiber, that is of the heart.

By analyzing the Host it was observed that it was human blood of type AB and that it corresponded to tissue. Then an analysis was done of phytochemical markers which confirmed that it was live cardiac muscle. No study exists that can maintain alive a cardiac tissue in this situation. Normally after 48 hours the tissue dies, here 3 months passed before the result could be obtained and this is truly unexplainable for science.

- **2.** Two studies conducted by eminent forensic experts with different methodologies have shown that the substance originates from the interior, excluding the hypothesis that someone could have placed it from the exterior.
- **3.** *The blood type is AB,* similar to the one found in the Host of Lanciano and in the Holy Shroud of Turin.
- **4.** A microscopic analysis of magnification and penetration reveals that the superior part of the blood has been coagulated since October 2006. Moreover, the underlying internal layers reveal, in February 2010, the presence of fresh blood.
- **5.** The also found intact white blood cells, red blood cells, and active macrophages that engulf lipids. The tissue in question appears lacerated and with recovery mechanisms, exactly as occurs in a living tissue.

- **6.** A further histopathological analysis determines the presence of protein structures in a state of deterioration, suggesting mesenchymal cells, very specialised cells, characterised by an elevated biophysical dynamism.
- 7. The immunohistochemical studies reveal that the tissue corresponds to the muscle of the heart (Myocardium). On account of the scientific results and the conclusions reached by the theological committee, the Bishop of Chilpancingo, His Eminence Alejo Zavala Castro, announced the following:
- The event does not have a natural explanation;
- —It does not have paranormal origin;
- -It is not traceable to manipulation of the enemy.

Source: therealpresence.org

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The Readings

Introit

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading The Book of Amos (8:4-7)

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

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

R. Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore! R.

High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? R.

From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. R.

Second Reading The First Letter of St. Paul to Timothy (2:1-8)

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone—petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving—and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the

evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and—I am telling the truth and no lie—a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

Gospel Acclamation (II Cor. 8:9)

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel of Luke (16:10-13)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

Communio (Ps. 118:4-5)

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.



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