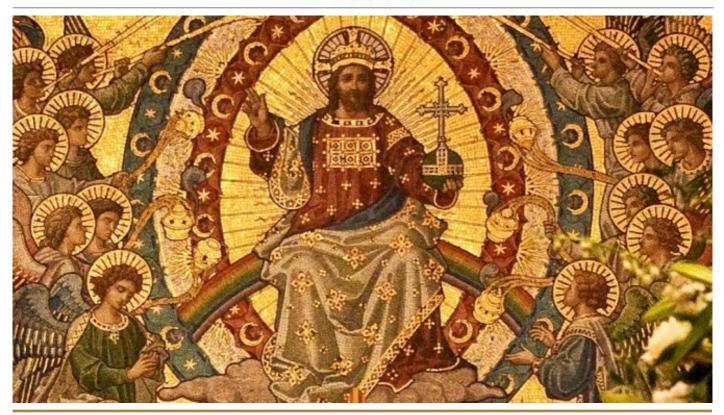
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING of the UNIVERSE

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe marks Christianity not as one religion among others but as the one, true religion. Jesus Christ, God made man, reigns as King of the Universe as king of all faiths, of all peoples, of all nations, and of all ages.

Before our Lord ascended the throne of the Cross, Pontius Pilate asked Him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Every one who is of the truth hears my voice."

Do we consider ourselves as truly subject to the words, the teachings, the person of Christ? Do we really believe that our King reigns from the Cross, that Cross that is at once the reality of the suffering of this world and at the same time the only answer to the suffering of this world. Have we enthroned Him in our hearts, our minds, our bodies and souls in a real way that affects how we live our lives? How many of us are willing to be the soldiers of the King, to fight the battle against the implications of Pilate's question "what is truth" in a world that has denied truth?

We do not determine for ourselves what is right and what is wrong. We look to our Mother, the Church, who guides us just as she is guided by the Holy Spirit. We entrust ourselves to her care in confidence that she will lead us to the source of all truth and goodness, and so to the fulfilment of our humanity.

So we surrender our will to the will of God and abandon ourselves to His divine providence in the sure and certain hope of salvation.

But in a world which demands what is popular, are we prepared to do what is right?

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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.

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

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IN MEMORIAM

Susan Abdallah, Teresa Akkary, Ercilia Apap, Vincent Apap, Attard family, Lorenza Attwill, Axiak family, Victor Azzopardi, Basil Benjamin, Bonello family, 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, Ofimia Malkoun, Crising Mendoza, Magdalena Mendoza, Joseph Nammour, Haydee Nursoo, Edward Pidgeon, Boutros Rahme, Saliba family, Anna Saunig, Andrea So, Emmanuel Tabone, Darren Thornton, Peter Tuu Van Tran, Joseph Vella, Dib Zaiter.

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

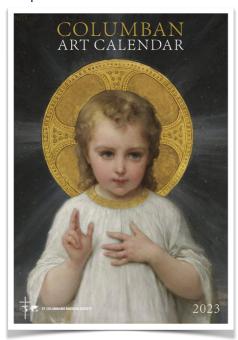
Holy Family Church <u>Weekly</u> Illegally Dumped Rubbish Report

Rubbish was illegally dumped at Holy Family Church last Saturday night, as it is week after week.

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.

2023 Columban Art Calendars for Sale

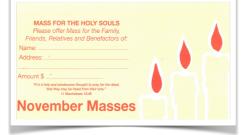
The 2023 Columban Art Calendar is on sale for \$10 from the piety shop. The Columban Art Calendar is a major fundraiser for the Missionary Society of St. Columban—an order of priests who work with the poor and the exploited around the world.



The calendars are available for sale in the piety shop and the sale of these supports the work of the Columban Missionaries and of the parish.

November Mass Envelopes

Envelopes for November Mass offerings are available by the doors of the churches. As is the tradition of the Church, the month of November is dedicated to praying and offering the holy sacrifice of the Mass for the repose of the holy souls in purgatory. If you would like your family or friends remembered in these Masses, fill in one of the envelopes with their names (and please PRINT clearly) and leave it in the box by the doors. These names will be written in the Book of Remembrance which will be placed at the altars of the churches.



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.



First Collection and Second Collection Contributions

Your support of these collections is greatly appreciated. The money raised in the first collection supports some of the works of the diocese. The money raised in the second collection directly supports the works of the parish and helps us to meet our expenses and to continue to meet the costs and expenses of operating the parish.

At Holy Trinity Church we are fortunate to have volunteers to take up these collections. At Holy Family Church boxes have been placed at the doors of the church for the first and second collections.

Thank you, especially, to those who are a part of the planned giving programme and use their envelopes to contribute each week to the parish. Your regular contributions are a great support.

You can also financially support the parish by arranging a direct debit. If you would like to set up a regular contribution, let us know and we will be happy to assist you with this.

Or, if you would like to be part of the planned giving programme, we will be pleased to arrange a set of envelopes for you for regular contributions which greatly assist the parish in planning the work we carry out.

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 for a particular Mass unless there is sufficient time allowed.

These Masses are not "memorial" Masses but remain parish Masses.



Light Red. Wear Red. Pray Red.

23 November

Join us on Wednesday, 23 November as we stand in solidarity with persecuted Christians who suffer unjustly for their peacefully-held beliefs.

To honour Red Wednesday Holy Cross Parish will turn our Facebook page RED as we do something peaceful and positive to highlight the suffering – injustices, discrimination, violence, oppression, torture and death – of so many Christians and others today which goes unnoticed by the world.

> And we invite you to wear RED that day to honour those who are persecuted and ignored and to use your social media to make #RedWednesday a day that cannot be ignored.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH Holy Mass at 8:15 a.m. HOLY FAMILY CHURCH Holy Mass at 6:00 p.m.

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MASSES FOR THE DEAD NOVEMBER MASSES

To have the names of the faithful departed of your family and your friends remembered at the altar during Holy Masses said during the month of November, complete one of the special November Masses envelopes and leave this in the box by the doors of the church. The names of those given will be written in the Book of Remembrance and placed at the altar of St. Joseph at Holy Family Church and in the chapel of the Missionary Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of the World at Holy Trinity Church. During the month of November the Church asks the faithful to pray for the faithful departed—that the Holy Souls in Purgatory may be forgiven their sins and so borne to live forever with Our Lord and all the Angels and Saints.

Of this Pope Francis has said that "Church tradition has always urged prayer for the dead, in particular by offering the celebration of the Eucharist for them: It is the best spiritual help that we can give to their souls, particularly to the most abandoned ones."

Pope Benedict XVI said that "praying for the dead is a noble practice that implies belief in the resurrection of the dead... We intend our prayers of suffrage... to be united with this prayer of the Lord which is priestly *par excellence*. Christ substantiated his entreaty to the Father with the gift of himself on the Cross; let us offer our prayers in union with the Eucharistic Sacrifice, which is the real and actual representation of that unique and saving self-emptying."

The Holy Mass is the highest form of prayer of the Church, because it is the prayer of Christ Himself—the Son of God to the Father by the power of the Holy Spirit. There can be no greater prayer than this to be said for those who are suffering in purgatory, and no greater hope of salvation than offering this prayer.

We pray for those who have died because they can no longer pray for themselves. While in this life we can pray for ourselves and perform penances as acts of contrition for our sins. But at our death, we are no longer able to do this and so we rely solely on the love and the mercy of those who remain in this world and of the Saints in heaven to pray for us and our eternal souls.

In each Mass the Priest prays for the dead, asking the Lord to remember His servants "who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace" and asking that they may be granted "a place of refreshment, light, and peace." This November, remember those who have died and pray for them, so that, they, when we depart from this world, will remember and pray for us.



The 2023 Columban Art Calendar is on sale now at the piety shop for \$10. The Columban Art Calendar is an iconic Catholic Calendar, well-known for its traditional religious paintings and liturgical information. 2023 marks over 100 years of the calendar.

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The Blessed Sacrament beads are usually made of Job's tear seeds and a Spiritual Communion medal. The 33 beads represent the thirty-three years of Christ's life on earth. This chaplet can be said at any time and in any place.

As we celebrate the Year of the Blessed Sacrament and seek to nurture respect and devotion for the Real Presence of Our Lord —Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Most Holy Eucharist, pray this chaplet so that you may know and make known the abundant graces that flow from the altar and the tabernacle, and pray in reparation for the many sins committed against the Blessed Sacrament.



Available in the Piety Shop for \$10

The Readings

Introit (Rv. 5:12, 1:6)

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First Reading The Second Book of Samuel (5:1-3)

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel."' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 121:1-5. R. see v. 2)

 $\mathbf{\hat{R}}$. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. R.

Jerusalem is built as a city strongly compact. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. R.

For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. R.

Second Reading The Letter of St. Paul to the Colossians (1:12-20)

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers all things were created through him and for him. B e f o r e anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation (Mk. 11:9, 10)

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel of Luke (23:35-43)

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

Communio (Ps. 28:10-11)

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

"His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed."

Daniel 7:14