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SHROVE + TUESDAY

In Australia and Britain the day preceding Ash Wednesday is popularly known as Shrove Tuesday. It is also frequently called Pancake Tuesday or Fat Tuesday as well as by its Latin name, *Mardi Gras*, which when translated from the French also means "Fat Tuesday."

But it is the name "Shrove" that shows its religious origins. Shrove is the past tense of the English verb "to shrive" which means to obtain absolution for our sins by confession and penance.

Dating back to A.D. 1000, over the years Shrove Tuesday not only became a day for Confession but a time for Catholics to feast on eggs, sugar and dairy which are traditionally restricted during the Lenten fast.



**LORD,
GIVE US GRACE
TO INAUGURATE
WITH HOLY FASTING
THE DEFENCES
OF CHRISTIAN WARFARE,
SO THAT WE
WHO ARE TO FIGHT AGAINST
SPIRITUAL WICKEDNESS,
MAY BE HELPED
AND STRENGTHENED
BY SELF-DENIAL.
AMEN.**



Not only was Shrove Tuesday a last chance to gorge on such foods but it was also a way to use them up before the fast began.

In Britain the feast of these foods would become pancakes, hence the name Pancake Tuesday. The idea of Pancake Tuesday to celebrate the eve of the Lenten Fast gathered momentum in the Middle Ages in England with pancake races and pancake tossing, traditions which remain in certain villages and towns to this day.

With Shrove Tuesday taking place before the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday, it is a reminder and an encouragement to go to confession during that penitential season that will end 40 days and 40 nights later with Easter Sunday.

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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, 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Confessions

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, 5:45 p.m.

Nigerian Community Mass

Second and fourth Sunday of the month,
11:00 a.m.

Rosters

Church Cleaning Group 3: C. Boatswain
and C. Tiller

Readers

4:30 p.m. Rosemary Wehbe

8:30 a.m. Julie Vu

5:00 p.m. Narelle Khoury

SOCIAL MEDIA



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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.

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 Rosette Chidiac, Rebecca Hanson,
Ingrid Bifulco

10:00 a.m. Reanne Chidiac,
Sisters, Wadzi Mushininga

Children's Liturgy Wanda and Chloe

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Joseph Akkary, Janelle Allan, John Anjoul, Marlene Ashton,
John Augustus, Frank Azzopardi, Antonio Bifulco, Ann
Blesson, John Borg, Vincenzo Colosimo, Lucy Farrugia,
Carmel Galea, Carmello Giovenco, Evangeline Grabato,
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.*

IN MEMORIAM

Najibeh Malkoun Assaad, Attard family, Axiak family, Victor
Azzopardi, Bonello family, Betty Borg, Eniketi Brown, Jim
Brown, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vincent Cahill, Lazarus
Camilleri, John Lawrence Denmeade, Nazirah El-Hallal, Salim
El-Hallal, Marcus El-Khoury, Alan Frost, Sita Futu'u, Carmen
Galea, Maria Gambin, John Graham, Joe Grech, Mary Grech,
Sam Grech, Chahid Habib, Fay Irons, Lex Irons, Salim Karaki,
Paul Kassis, Nouhad Khoury, Rustica La Rosa, Jim Mackie,
Frouzine Malkoun, Jacob Malkoun, Mouna Malkoun, Ofimia
Malkoun, Paul Mathews, Jack McIntyre, Giovanna Mondello,
Sam Munro, Joseph Nammour, Susan Nammour, Jack Newell,
Hazel Jean Newell, Tony Newell, Haydee Nursoo, Mary
Elizabeth Olsen, Sheila Pidgeon, Sultaneh Salhab, Saliba
family, Emanuel Tabone, Maria Ho Thi Ti, Joseph Vella, Dib
Zaiter.



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,

Holy Family Church Illegal Dumping of Rubbish AGAIN

On Sunday night rubbish was dumped yet again at Holy Family Church.

Online Donations in Support of the Parish

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.

This can be used to make a single donation or, for those who are part of the planned giving programme, to make your contribution.

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 in undertaking our works.



The Sanctity and Reverence Due to the Blessed Sacrament when Receiving Holy Communion

There has been a rise in the number of instances where people present themselves for Holy Communion but walk away without consuming the Sacred Host. To profane the Blessed Sacrament in this way is one of the most heinous crimes that can be committed. So much so that the Church declares that anyone who does so incurs an automatic excommunication (*latae sententiae*).

For those of us who are Catholic and desire to be faithful to Our Lord and to His Most Precious Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, which we receive in Holy Communion, please ensure that, being in a state of grace, when you receive the Sacred Host that you consume the Host whilst facing the altar. It is the altar which is the place of the sacrifice of Our Lord and so it is to the altar that we should face, recognising that it is from there that we receive such abundant graces.

Never walk away carrying the Sacred Host. Should you see someone who does this, remember that it is all of our duty before almighty God to protect the Blessed Sacrament and so please stop this person immediately and let the Priest know straight away.

We all have a duty to almighty God to show reverence to Him above all others and all other things. In the Sacrament of the Eucharist, Our Lord has made Himself vulnerable by allowing Himself to be placed into human and sinful hands and so we, in turn, have a responsibility to care for and to protect Him and to defend Him from all blasphemy, sacrilege and profanity. To do so shows our love and our faith and our commitment to He is who is our only hope.

Shrove Tuesday Burning of the Palms and Burial of the Alleluia and Pancake Supper 13 February

Shrove Tuesday will be celebrated on Tuesday and we will hold the traditional Burning of the Palms and Burial of the Alleluia in preparation for Ash Wednesday the following day.

The ashes imposed on Ash Wednesday are made from the burnt palms blessed the previous Palm Sunday. If you have blessed palms to be burned, please bring these on Shrove Tuesday. These will be collected and burned to prepare the ashes.

On Shrove Tuesday, the Burning of the Palms and the Burial of the Alleluia will be held at Holy Family Church at 6:30 p.m. followed by a pancake supper at 7:00 p.m. If you can prepare some pancakes to bring along for this supper, it would be appreciated.

Note that as this will take place at Holy Family Church, there will be no evening Mass at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church on this day.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday will be commemorated on Wednesday and so begin the season of Lent. There will be four Masses said that day to allow as many people as possible to attend Mass and to be imposed with ashes.

The Holy Mass times for that day will be:

8:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church
9:30 a.m. at Holy Family Church
5:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church
7:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church

Please take note of the changes to the usual Mass times for a Wednesday and that the regular confessions on Wednesday will not be available due to the Masses.



Shrove Tuesday & Ash Wednesday

AT HOLY CROSS GRANVILLE



Shrove Tuesday

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

6:30PM - Burning of the Palms & Burial of the 'Alleluia'

7PM - Pancake Supper

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Ash Wednesday Mass

8AM - Holy Trinity Church

9:30AM - Holy Family Church

5:30PM - Holy Family Church

7PM - Holy Trinity Church

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THE Catholic Weekly

NEWS

Granville parish commemorates Day of the Roses

By **George Al-Akiki** February 2, 2024

The Catholic community of Holy Cross parish in Granville joined the local community on 18 January to commemorate the 47th anniversary of the Day of the Roses. The memorial commemorated the 84 men, women and children who passed away on the same day in 1977 when a train from the Blue Mountains left the rails and crashed into the overhead Bold Street Bridge in Granville, collapsing atop the third and fourth carriages.

Fr. Michael Les Campion, parish priest of Holy Trinity Parish in Granville (now Holy Cross) from 1971 until his retirement in 2007, arrived at the wreckage to administer last rites to as many victims as possible.

This year's memorial took place at 10:00 a.m. directly across from the site of the event at the Granville Train Disaster Memorial Park and was preceded by Mass at the parish at 9:00 a.m.

Close to 100 people attended the service, including current Parish Priest, Fr. Andrew Bass, parishioners of Holy Cross, family members of those who died, survivors and rescue personnel.

"I feel it my duty to attend and pray for those who died and those who continue to suffer from the events of that day to show that they aren't alone in their grief," said Fr. Bass.

"There are still those within our parish who can vividly remember that day and exactly where they were or what they were doing when the accident occurred."

Also in attendance were Federal Member for Parramatta Andrew Charlton, State M.P. for Granville, Julia Finn, Mayor for Cumberland Council, Lisa Lake, and chief operations officer for Transport N.S.W., Howard Collins, as well as representatives from the police, ambulance and fire departments.

"Although there has been a passing of time, the disaster continues to impact the church in Granville and there is still a deep sense of remembrance when the anniversary approaches each year," Fr Bass said.

Church historian and archivist John Portelli says the efforts of Fr. Campion on the day and his continued efforts in the community has kept the memory of the event alive in the parish years after

"He was a member too of the Granville Train Disaster Memorial Trust, a position he held for over 25 years," he said.

Fr. Campion grew up in the Granville area, was ordained a priest in the Holy Trinity Church in Granville in 1950 and had been serving as Parish Priest there for less than two years before the event.



Fr. Andrew believes the memorial is a unique part of the parish and community history which serves as a reminder of loved ones lost and also the love and dedication of one man's ministry.

"The longevity of Fr. Campion's ministry in the parish, his close affiliation with the events of that day and his support of the memorial in the years which followed, helped etch this closeness between the Catholic church in this area and how the disaster is remembered and commemorated," said Fr. Andrew Bass.

"It is my hope that Fr. Campion's legacy of service and care will continue to be remembered."

HOLY CROSS PARISH, GRANVILLE

Lenten

DEVOTIONS



*Mass in
LATIN*

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
6PM Thursdays

Beginning Thursday, 22nd February 2024



*Stations
OF THE
Cross*

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH
5:30PM Fridays

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
6:30PM Fridays



*ADORATION
of the
Blessed
Sacrament*

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH
5:45PM Sundays

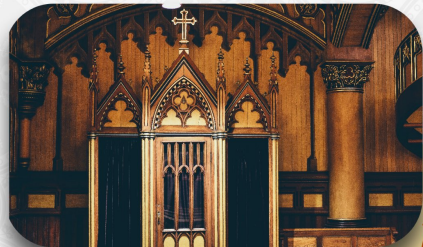
*Following the 5PM Sunday Mass
Includes Evening Prayer & Benediction*



*Daily
MASS*

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
6:30PM Tuesdays
8:15AM Wed - Sat

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH
6PM Wednesdays
9:15AM Tue & Thur - Sat



*SACRAMENT
of
Penance*

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH
6:30PM - 7PM Wednesdays
4:15PM - 4:45PM Sundays

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
10AM - 10:30AM Saturdays



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, GRANVILLE
Cnr. Randle St & Bennalong St, Granville

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH, EAST GRANVILLE
200 The Trongate, South Granville

Schedule subject to change. Please see the Granville Catholic Church Record for any changes

Saints & STUFF

Shrove Tuesday

Shrove Tuesday, also known as Fat Tuesday or Mardi Gras, is the day before Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. The word shrove is a form of the English word shrive, which means to obtain absolution for sins by making our confession and doing penance. Thus Shrove Tuesday gets its name from the custom for Christians to be "shriven" before the start of Lent.



Pancakes are associated with Shrove Tuesday because they were a way to use up rich foods such as eggs, milk, and sugar, before the fasting season of the 40 days of Lent. Also, pancakes, in Christianity, symbolise "four pillars of the Christian faith—eggs for creation, flour as the mainstay of our diet, salt for wholesomeness and milk for purity."

The liturgical fasting emphasised eating plainer food and giving up food that would give pleasure, such as meat, dairy products, and eggs.

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

I Want to See God

2548 Desire for true happiness frees man from his immoderate attachment to the goods of this world so that he can find his fulfillment in the vision and beatitude of God. "The promise [of seeing God] surpasses all beatitude. In Scripture, to see is to possess. Whoever sees God has obtained all the goods of which he can conceive."

2549 It remains for the holy people to struggle, with grace from on high, to obtain the good things God promises. In order to possess and contemplate God, Christ's faithful mortify their cravings and, with the grace of God, prevail over the seductions of pleasure and power.

2550 On this way of perfection, the Spirit and the Bride call whoever hears them to perfect communion with God: There will true glory be, where no one will be praised by mistake or flattery; true honour will not be refused to the worthy, nor granted to the unworthy; God himself will be the goal of our desires; we shall contemplate him without end, love him without surfeit, praise him without weariness. This gift, this state, this act, like eternal life itself, will assuredly be common to all.

CATHOLIC Trivia

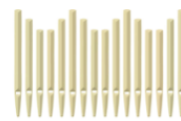
KISSING THE ALTAR

The priest kisses the altar in veneration, recognising it as the sacred place where Christ's once and for all sacrifice will be made present in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Our Lord's death is represented in the Holy Mass as a celebration of the New Covenant Passover, just as the Old Covenant Passover was made present each year it was celebrated (see Exodus 12:27). St. Paul contrasts the Eucharistic sacrifice to the pagan sacrifice in 1 Corinthians 11. Our Lord is therefore not re-sacrificed at each Mass but rather, His one sacrifice becomes present to us as He is eternally presenting Himself to God as the sacrificial Lamb of God (Hebrews 7:25; 1 Corinthians 5:7; 1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 5:6).



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The Readings

Introit (Cf. Ps. 30:3-4)

Be my protector, O God,
a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

First Reading

The Book of Leviticus (13:1-2, 44-46)

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 31:1-2, 5, 11. R. v. 7)

R. I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble,
and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven,
whose sin is remitted.

O happy the man to whom the Lord
imputes no guilt,
in whose spirit is no guile. R.

But now I have acknowledged my sins;
my guilt I did not hide.

I said: 'I will confess
my offence to the Lord.'
And you, Lord, have forgiven
the guilt of my sin. R.

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord,
exult, you just!

O come, ring out your joy,
all you upright of heart. R.

Second Reading

The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians (10:31-11:1)

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone—to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

Gospel Acclamation (Lk. 7:16)

Alleluia, alleluia!
A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.
Alleluia!

Gospel

The Gospel of Mark (1:40-45)

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

Communio (Cf. Ps. 77:29-30)

They ate and had their fill,
and what they craved the Lord gave them;
they were not disappointed in what they craved.

**"Never see a need
without doing something about it"**

— *St. Mary of the Cross*

**RUBBISH
ILLEGALLY DUMPED
AGAIN
AT HOLY FAMILY
CHURCH**