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“For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children’s children” (*Dt. 4:7-9*). It is from this passage from the Book of Deuteronomy and made popular by Rudyard Kipling’s poem “Recessional” that we have the epitaph “Lest we forget.”

The word “lest” means much more in the English language than “unless.” It is more a warning to us that we should not, must not forget. Just as the writer of the book of Deuteronomy warns that we must not let these things slip from our minds so we must honour the memory of those who have gone before and remember the sacrifices they made to which we are the heirs.

To honour the fallen is not to glorify war. It is, instead, an act of mercy and the fulfilment of our Christian duty to pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died and to commend them to the peace of almighty God.

Lest we forget that freedom is not a given, but something for which we must have the courage to defend against those who would take it from us. Only in freedom can the human spirit choose for or against. Only in freedom can we make a choice to love. It is freedom that God gave to us when He created us in His image and likeness—a freedom to choose to love Him, or to not.

Let us pray for all who have died in battle and let us not forget the freedom forsaken for our peace. May almighty God grant them eternal rest and may the passing peace on earth for which they fought be granted to them as eternal peace in heaven.

ANZAC DAY

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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.

Sunday, 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 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

Readers

4:30 p.m. Rosemary Wehbe

8:30 a.m. Julie Vu

5:00 p.m. Narelle Khoury

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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 4: A. Quinlan,
G. Pinto, M. Asiedu, M. Moses,
G. Dankwah, S. Martin, M. Magpayo,
C. Elegado, J. Puni, J. Osei-Yamoah,
A. Osei-Yamoah, L. Tordilla, J. Fili,
J. John, A. Abosh, O. Ifeanyi, J. Raj,
S. Joseph

Readers

Vigil Ingrid Bifulco, Racquel La Rosa,
Rebecca Hanson

10:00 a.m. Raphaella Chidiac,

Armani Barakat, Wadzi Mushininga

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, Jacob Lee, Josephine Magro, Ester Matos,
Sid Morgan, Scott Moulton, Tony Moussa, Ben Nursoo,
Sarah-Joy O'Connor, 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, Carmen Bonello, Betty Borg, Eniketi Brown, Jim
Brown, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vincent Cahill, Albert
Camilleri, Tessie Camilleri, Phyllis May Denmeade, Nazirah El-
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McDonald, Nancy McIntyre, Giovanna Mondello, Sam Munro,
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Flory Pinto, Peter Robertson, Emanuel Tabone, Maria Ho Thi Ti,
John Timbs, Peter Vu Van Vuong, Willian Yott, Dib Zaiter.



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

Online Donations in Support of the Parish

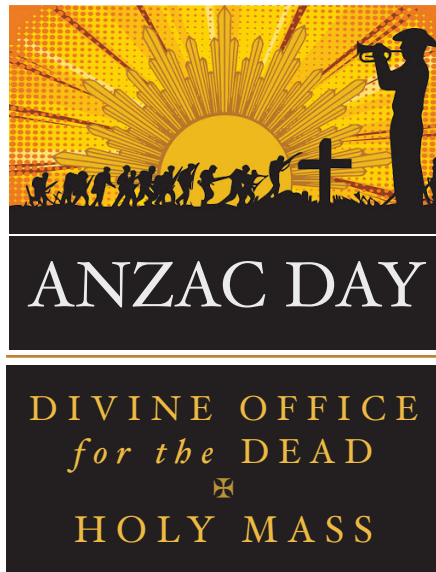
Online donations can be made through the Holy Cross Parish website (holycrossgranville.org.au) using our BPoint facility by visiting the website or scanning the QR code below. This can be used to make a single donation or, for those who are part of the planned giving programme, to make your contribution.

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.



Flower Arrangement Groups for Holy Family Church

Parishioners are asked to volunteer to form groups of at least two people to arrange flowers for the sanctuary at Holy Family Church. The groups will be rostered for Saturday mornings after the 9:15 a.m. Mass and will be responsible for buying and donating the flowers, arranging the flowers for the sanctuary and removing the flowers from the previous week. We are looking for at least eight groups of people. To volunteer for this work please speak with Fr. Andrew after Mass.



THURSDAY, 25th APRIL
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH at 8:00 a.m.
HOLY FAMILY CHURCH at 9:15 a.m.

On Thursday, as we commemorate Anzac Day, the Divine Office for the Dead and Holy Mass will be prayed at 8:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church and at 9:15 a.m. at Holy Family Church



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—Most Rev. Max L. Davis,
Bishop of the Australian
Military Services

Paschal Precept

The Paschal Precept, or Easter Duty, is the law of the Church obligating the faithful to confess their sins at least once every year and to receive Holy Communion during the season of Easter (CIC nn. 920, 989). There are three times each week scheduled for the Sacrament of Penance by which you can make your confession. The times are Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church, Sundays from 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. and Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 at Holy Family Church.

Enrolments Closing Soon for the Sacraments of Penance and the Eucharist (First Confessions and First Holy Communion)

Enrolment forms are available for the Sacraments of Penance and the Eucharist (first confession and first Holy Communion). These can be collected from Fr. Andrew after Mass and must be returned to Fr. Andrew at a Mass.

Masses for first Holy Communion will be said on Saturday, 8 June at 12:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church and on Saturday, 15 June at 12:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church.

Those enrolling their children for these Sacraments will be obliged to attend Mass every Sunday in the parish as well as the lessons and preparation.

Enrolments will close on Thursday, 9 May.

Parish Office Closed on Thursday and Friday

The parish office will be closed on Thursday for the ANZAC Day public holiday and on Friday and will open again on Tuesday the following week.



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THE DIVINE OFFICE FOR THE DEAD *and* HOLY MASS

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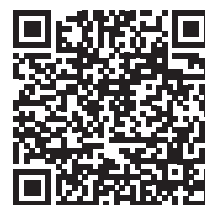


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ADORATION *of* THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SUNDAYS

Holy Family Church at 6:00 p.m.



FIRST FRIDAYS

Holy Trinity Church at 7:30 p.m.

Saints & STUFF

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel is held to be one of the patron saints of the military.

During medieval times the Church chose St. Michael to be the patron of the military. As a patron saint, he was an advocate and intercessor to God on behalf of the military. According to the Bible, there is a continuous spiritual war between good and evil going on, and it is fought out on the battlefield in both heaven and earth. This spiritual battle is described in the St. Paul's letter to the Church at Ephesus, when he wrote: "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places" (6:10-12).

St. Michael is a symbol for us as a spiritual warrior, who stands ready to fight on behalf of the good. For the faithful, we are drawn to God through St. Michael as a symbol of protection and assistance in danger.

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

Human Solidarity

1939 The principle of solidarity, also articulated in terms of "friendship" or "social charity," is a direct demand of human and Christian brotherhood. An error, "today abundantly widespread, is disregard for the law of human solidarity and charity, dictated and imposed both by our common origin and by the equality in rational nature of all men, whatever nation they belong to. This law is sealed by the sacrifice of redemption offered by Jesus Christ on the altar of the Cross to his heavenly Father, on behalf of sinful humanity."

1940 Solidarity is manifested in the first place by the distribution of goods and remuneration for work. It also presupposes the effort for a more just social order where tensions are better able to be reduced and conflicts more readily settled by negotiation.

1941 Socio-economic problems can be resolved only with the help of all the forms of solidarity: solidarity of the poor among themselves, between rich and poor, of workers among themselves, between employers and employees in a business, solidarity among nations and peoples. International solidarity is a requirement of the moral order; world peace depends in part upon this.

CATHOLIC Trivia

PATRON SAINTS of the MILITARY

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel is charged with protecting those who love God, transporting the souls of the dead, and leading the battle against Satan and evil.

ST. JOAN OF ARC

St. Joan of Arc (1412-1431), a French peasant girl who led armies to restore the king to his throne.

ST. GEORGE

St. George (d. 203) a soldier of the Roman army, stood up for persecuted Christians against the emperor Diocletian, leading to his martyrdom.

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

St. Martin of Tours (d. 319), a soldier who would later declare: "He declared "I am a soldier of Christ: it is not lawful for me to fight," but who stood unarmed with other soldiers amidst battle.

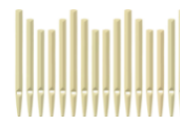
ST. SEBASTIAN

St. Sebastian (256-288), a soldier of the Roman emperor Diocletian, secretly converted fellow soldiers to Christ, who was martyred by the emperor.

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The Readings

Introit (Cf. Ps. 32:5-6)

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

First Reading

The Acts of Apostles (4:8-12)

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

Responsorial Psalm

(Ps. 117:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29. *R.* v. 22)

R. The stone rejected by the builders
has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in men:

it is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes. *R.*

I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. *R.*

Blessed in the name of the Lord
is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;
I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
for his love has no end. *R.*

Second Reading

The First Letter of St. John (3:1-2)

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge him,

therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future

has not yet been revealed;

all we know is, that when it is revealed

we shall be like him

because we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel Acclamation (Jn. 10:14)

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

The Gospel of John (10:11-18)

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:

the good shepherd is one

who lays down his life for his sheep.

The hired man, since he is not the shepherd

and the sheep do not belong to him,

abandons the sheep and runs away

as soon as he sees a wolf coming,

and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;

this is because he is only a hired man

and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd;

I know my own and my own know me,

just as the Father knows me

and I know the Father;

and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have

that are not of this fold,

and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice,

and there will be only one flock

and one shepherd.

The Father loves me,

because I lay down my life

in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me;

I lay it down of my own free will,

and as it is in my power to lay it down,

so it is in my power to take it up again;

and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

Communio

The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.