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ST. JOACHIM *and* ST. ANNE

The Parents
— of the —
Blessed Virgin Mary

According to tradition, St. Anne was born in Bethlehem, and married St. Joachim of Nazareth, both descendants of David. In the Protoevangelium of St. James, St. Joachim is described as a rich and pious man, who regularly gave to the poor and to the synagogue at Sepphoris. Tradition has it that the parents of the Blessed Virgin, who, apparently, first lived in Galilee, came later on to settle in Jerusalem. However, the high priest rejected St. Joachim and his sacrifice, as their childlessness was interpreted as a sign of divine displeasure. St. Joachim consequently withdrew to the desert where he fasted and did penance for forty days. Angels then appeared to both St. Joachim and St. Anne to promise them a child. There was ancient belief that a child born of an elderly mother who had given up hope of having offspring was destined for great things.

As the mother and father of the Blessed Virgin, the mother of the faithful, St. Anne and St. Joachim are held to be the grandmother and the grandfather of the faithful.

The Church celebrates the Memorial of St. Joachim and St. Anne on 26 July each year.

*O Lord, God of our Fathers,
who bestowed on Saints Joachim
and Anne this grace,
that of them should be born
the Mother of your incarnate Son,
grant, through the prayers of both,
that we may attain the salvation
you have promised to your people.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.*

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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, 6:00 p.m.

Nigerian Community Mass

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

Rosters

Church and Toilets Cleaning

waiting for volunteers

Flower Arranging

*requesting volunteers to form groups of
at least 2 people to arrange flowers for
the sanctuary*

SOCIAL MEDIA



holycrossgranville.org.au



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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 1: D. Portelli,
L. Toman, W. Krasinski, J. Galea,
A. Quinlan, N. Begley

Readers

Vigil Gerry Pinto, Racquel La Rosa,
Rosette Chidiac

10:00 a.m. Rosza Kazmer,
Mary Georges, Jasmine Miranda

Children's Liturgy

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, 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

John Anjoul, Najibeh Malkoun Assaad, Victor Azzopardi,
Carmen Bonello, Betty Borg, Eniketi Brown, Jim Brown, Dick
Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vincent Cahill, Les Camilleri, Maria
Rebecca Dinh, John Drake, Nazirah El-Hallal, Salim El-Hallal,
Alan Frost, Carmen Galea, Maria Gambin, John Graham, Joe
Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Albert Ho, Salim Karaki, Paul
Karam, Paul Kassis, Nouhad Khoury, Rustica La Rosa, Frouzine
Malkoun, Jacob Malkoun, Mouna Malkoun, Ofimia Malkoun,
Crising Mendoza, Magdalena Mendoza, Sam Munro, Joseph
Nammour, Jack Newell, Hazel Jean Newell, Tony Newell,
Samuel Pickering, Peter Pidgeon, Flory Pinto, Sultaneh Salhab,
Emanuel Tabone, Maria Ho Thi Ti, John Timbs, John Toye,
Carmelo Vella, Bich Lien Vo, Phero Vu Van Vuong, George
Wardan, Tony Wardan, Phyllis Webb, William Yott, Dib Zaiter.



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

Thank You

We owe our thanks to Joe Chidiac for the work he has done in caring for the lawns at Holy Family Church. Joe has given many hours of his time on many days to take care of the lawns.

We also owe our thanks to Elias Nasr, Spiro Portelli and Claudette Takchi for the many days of work they have given to taking care of the garden beds and keeping them weeded and tidy.

We are blessed to have such people who so freely give of their time to the parish.

The Catholic Foundation “Good Samaritan Appeal” for Catholic Care

The Catholic Foundation is holding its annual “Good Samaritan Appeal”. This year’s appeal is in support of Catholic Care’s “Project Elizabeth” which provides support to women facing difficulties during pregnancy and motherhood.

You can donate by making a contribution to this appeal by using the envelopes on the pews and placing these in either of the collections.

To make a donation online, visit yourcatholicfoundation.org.au or scan the QR code below.

Thank you to all those who have contributed to this appeal for your kindness and support which is greatly appreciated especially during these difficult times for many people.



First Thursday Holy Mass in Latin

This Thursday, being the first Thursday of the month, Holy Mass in Latin will be said at Holy Trinity Church at 6:00 p.m.

The first Thursday of the month is traditionally offered as an act of reparation to the wounds of Our Lord and in honour of the Blessed Sacrament. It is also offered as day to pray for Priests in honour of Our Lord Jesus Christ, High and Eternal Priest.

First Friday Mass and Adoration “Evening with Our Lord”

Join us this Friday evening at Holy Trinity Church as we continue our first Friday devotions in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in reparation for the sins of humanity.

Confessions will be heard from 6:15 p.m., the Rosary will be prayed at 6:30 p.m., Holy Mass will be offered at 7:00 p.m. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30 p.m.

Join us in honour of the Sacred Heart of Our Lord.

St. Mary of the Cross Feast Day at Mary MacKillop Place Thursday, 8 August

In celebration of the solemnity of St. Mary of the Cross, Mary MacKillop Place at 80 William Street, North Sydney will be open on Thursday, 8 August from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. with Masses said at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

The Mary MacKillop Place Museum will be open with free entry from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information, visit the Mary MacKillop Place website at marymackillopplace.org.au or phone 8912-4800.

Annual Procession in Honour of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Thursday, 15 August

On Thursday, 15 August, as the church celebrates the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the parish will hold its annual candlelight procession in honour of this day.

Following Holy Mass at Holy Trinity Church at 6:00 p.m. the procession will form and walk to Holy Family Church.

To help with the procession, we are asking for people to volunteer as safety marshalls whose role it will be to help people to cross the roads safely and to help guide the procession. If you would like to help with this then please speak with Fr. Andrew.

The parish bus will be available to take people from Holy Family Church to Holy Trinity Church for Mass and the procession and then to take people back to Holy Trinity Church after the procession. Thank you to Joe Chidiac for once again arranging this for us.

Please join us as we honour the Most Blessed Virgin Mary on this most holy day as we take our faith to the streets as a sign of our gratitude to Almighty God for all that He does for us and also as a witness to our holy Catholic faith.

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a holy day of obligation, meaning that all are obligated to attend Mass on that day (except for those legitimately unable to do so because of their age or their health). On that day there will be two Masses said for the solemnity. The first being at Holy Family Church at 9:15 a.m. and the second at Holy Trinity Church at 6:00 p.m. There will also be a vigil Mass the evening before (which fulfils the obligation to attend Mass) which will be said at Holy Family Church at 6:00 p.m.

CANDLELIGHT
PROCESSION
in Honour of the
ASSUMPTION
of the
BLESSED
VIRGIN
MARY

Thursday, 15 August

Holy Mass at 6:00 *p.m.*
at Holy Trinity Church
followed by procession
to Holy Family Church

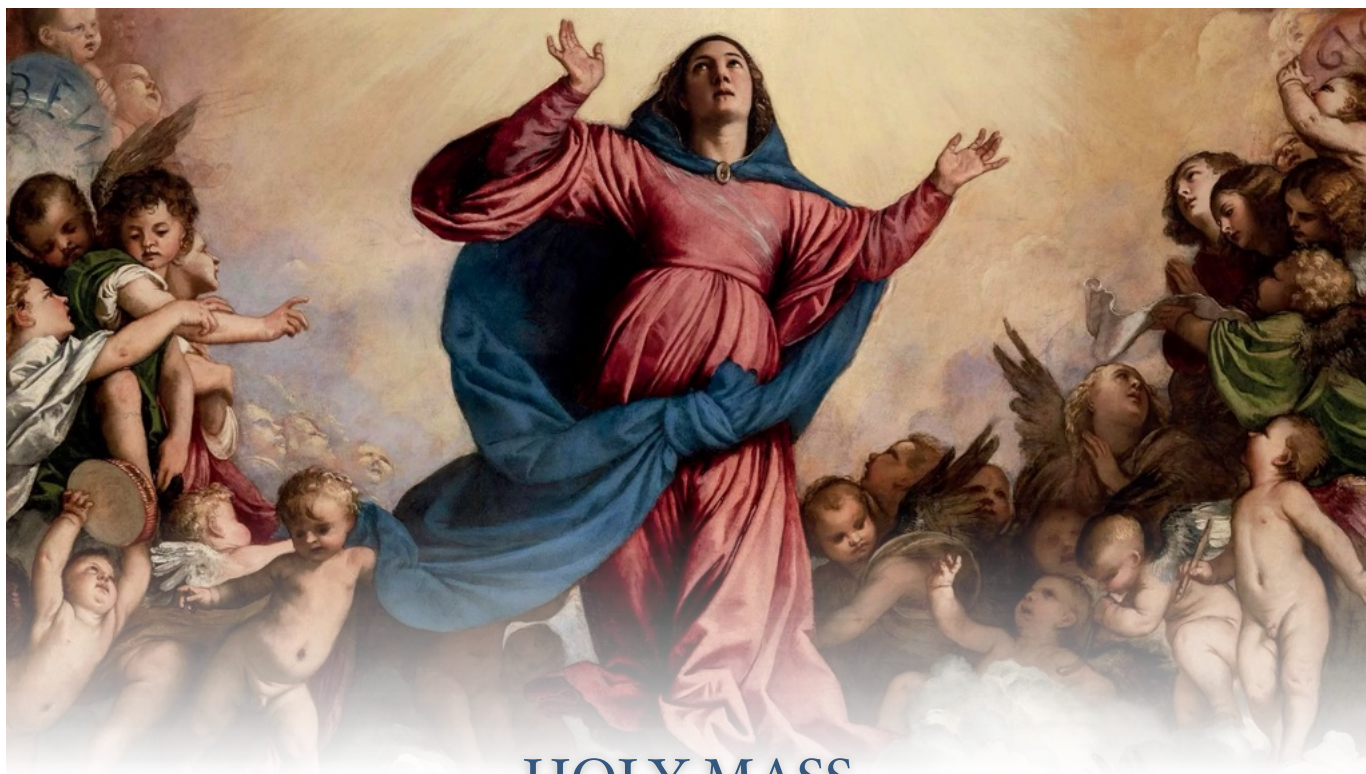


Join us on the evening of Thursday, 15 August as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary with a candlelight procession from Holy Trinity Church to Holy Family Church.

The parish bus will be available to carry parishioners from Holy Family Church to Holy Trinity Church for Mass and from Holy Family Church to Holy Trinity Church following the procession.

We are inviting parishioners to assist with this procession by forming groups of four people to help carry the platform on which will stand the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

*If you would like to be a part of this,
please speak with Fr. Andrew.*



HOLY MASS

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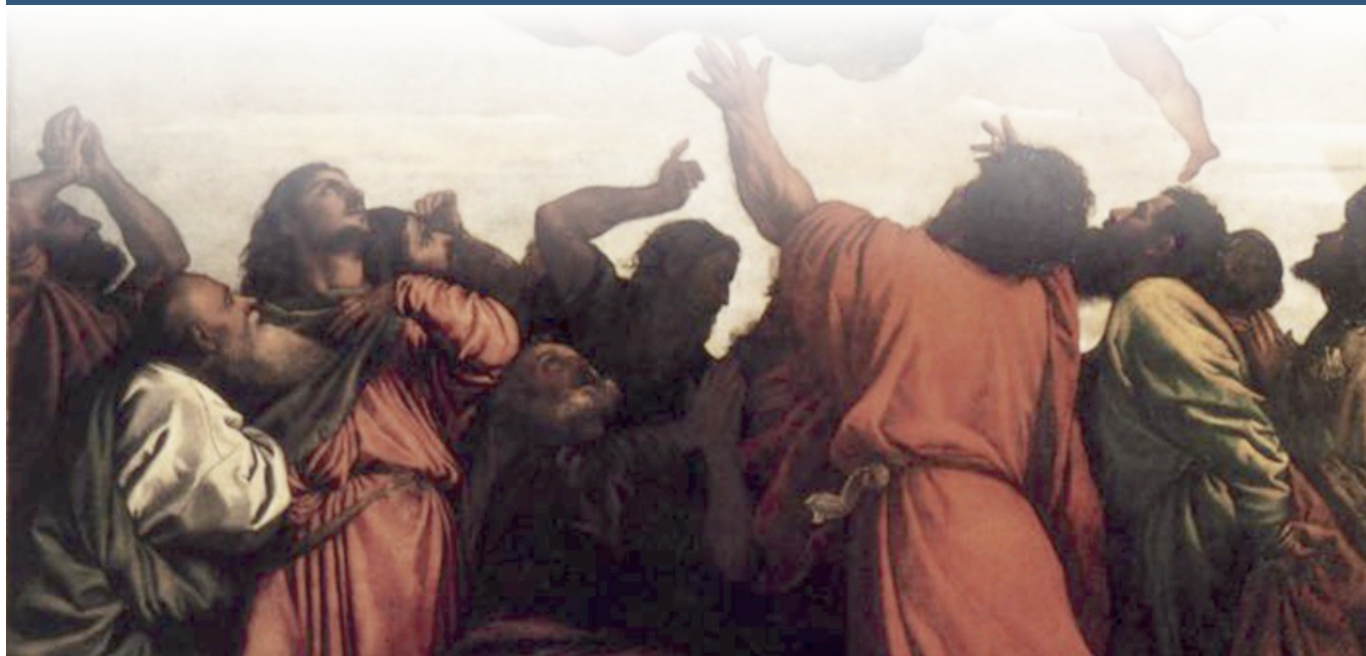
ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Wednesday, 14 August at 6:00 *p.m.* | Holy Family Church

Thursday, 15 August at 8:15 *a.m.* | Holy Trinity Church

Thursday, 15 August at 9:15 *a.m.* | Holy Family Church

Thursday, 15 August at 6:00 *p.m.* | Holy Trinity Church



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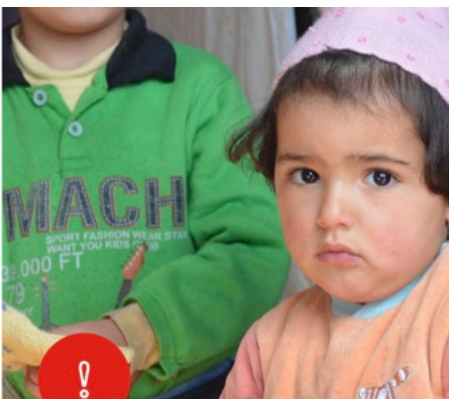
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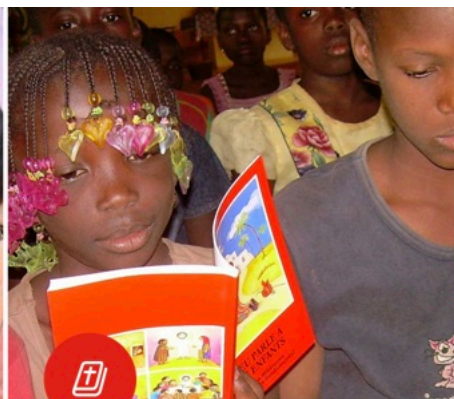
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ADORATION *of* THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SUNDAYS

Holy Family Church at 6:00 p.m.



FIRST FRIDAYS

Holy Trinity Church at 7:30 p.m.

The Readings

Introit (Cf. *Ps.* 67:6-7, 36)

God is in his holy place,
God who unites those who dwell in his house;
he himself gives might and strength to his people.

First Reading

The Second Book of the Kings (4:42-44)

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

Responsorial Psalm (*Ps.* 144:10-11, 15-18. *R.* v. 16)

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us;
he answers all our needs.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. *R.*

The eyes of all creatures look to you
and you give them their food in due time.
You open wide your hand,
grant the desires of all who live. *R.*

The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts. *R.*

Second Reading

The Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (4:1-6)

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

Gospel Acclamation (*Lk.* 7:16)

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

Gospel

The Gospel of John (6:1-15)

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias—and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

Communio (*Ps.* 102:2)

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and never forget all his benefits.

