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THE ✠ FEAST ✠ OF SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE

The apostles, Saints Simon and Jude, whose feast day the Church celebrates on Monday, are known, also, by other names in the Gospels. St. Simon is referred to as “the Zealot” and St. Jude as “Jude Thaddeus”. Apart from their names, however, little else is known about them. Although tradition holds that St. Jude travelled to Mesopotamia (modern day Iraq) and St. Simon to Egypt to preach the Gospel before both arrived in Persia (modern day Iran). It was here in Sufian (or at Siani) where they suffered martyrdom in A.D. 65 by having their throats cut.

St. Jude is thought to have been a relative of Jesus and it is also believed that he is the author of the Letter of Jude in the New Testament.

Today, St. Jude is most honoured as the patron of hopeless or impossible causes, whose intercession is sought in times of great need and despair. Both St. Bridget of Sweden and St. Bernard had visions from God asking them to accept St. Jude as the “Patron Saint of the Impossible”.

St. Jude is often depicted holding an axe and a medallion bearing the face of Christ. St. Simon is often

shown holding a saw as one tradition holds that he was martyred by being sawn in half.

The Church honours both of these great apostles for making known the salvation of Our Lord, for taking the faith across the world, and for the sacrifice of their lives for this.

Let us pray that we will continue to honour these saints and that, by their intercession, they will aid us in our daily battles so that in our lives we may make known the faith that they preached and so draw others closer to Our Lord and to His holy Church.

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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

C. Takchi, M. Wehbe, N. Khoury

Flower Arranging

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

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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 Sisters, Gerry Pinto,
Racquel La Rosa

10:00 a.m. Armani Barakat,
Rosza Kazmer, Raphaella Chidiac

Children's Liturgy Elmo Xavier and
Shanthi Xavier

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, Fortunato La Macchia, Silvio La Macchia,
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

Victor Azzopardi, Carmen Bonello, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill,
Vincent Cahill, Les Camilleri, Maria Rebecca Dinh, Marcus El-
Khoury, Alan Frost, Carmen Galea, Maria Gambin, John
Graham, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, George Hatem,
John Hatem, Mariam Hatem, Melissa Irons, Salim Karaki, Paul
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Ofimia Malkoun, Bettie McGrath, Iris McIntyre, Lindsay
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Miu, Sam Munro, Joseph Nammour, Jack Newell, Hazel Jean
Newell, Tony Newell, Vincent Nguyen, Laura Pestano, Rogelio
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Vo, Phero Vu Van Vuong, Carmel Watts, Phyllis Webb, Mershed
Wehbe, Yesmine Wehbe, Noeleen Yott, Dib Zaiter, Laila Zaiter.



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

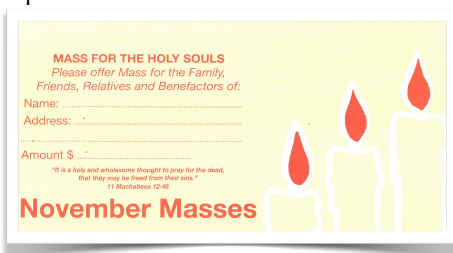
Blessing of the Graves of Priests at Rookwood

On Saturday, 9 November at 12:00 p.m. at Rookwood Cemetery, we will visit the graves of the past Parish Priests of Granville to bless the graves and to pray the Divine Office for the Dead. For those who would like to attend but are unable to drive themselves or to arrange transport, the parish bus will be available to drive people to and from the cemetery. For those who would like the bus, please see Fr. Andrew for further details. Please be aware that there are limited places available on the bus and we may not be able to accommodate all requests for transport.

November Mass Intentions for the Faithful Departed

As is the tradition of the Church, the month of November is dedicated to praying for the faithful departed. Throughout November Masses will be offered for the repose of their souls, beseeching the mercy of God that they may be forgiven their sins and receive eternal life in heaven with all the Angels and Saints.

If you would like to have your family and friends remembered in these Masses and their names written in the Book of Remembrance please fill in one of the envelopes by the doors of the church and leave this in the box provided.



Those whose names are given will be remembered in the Masses said throughout November and will be included in the Book of Remembrance.

First Friday and All Saints' Day Holy Mass and Adoration

This Friday is the first Friday of the month on which the Church traditionally honours the Sacred Heart of Our Lord. This Friday, being 1 November is also All Saints Day on which the Church commemorates all holy men and women, the Saints.

Holy Mass will be said at Holy Trinity Church at 8:15 a.m., at Holy Family Church at 9:15 a.m. and at Holy Trinity Church at 7:00 p.m., preceded by confessions at 6:15 p.m., the holy Rosary at 6:30 p.m. and followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

All Souls' Day Saturday, 2 November

This Saturday, 2 November, is commemorated as All Souls' Day on which the Church prays for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed.

Holy Mass will be said for the holy souls in Purgatory at Holy Trinity Church at 8:15 a.m. and at Holy Family Church at 9:15 a.m.

This is an important day as it the day dedicated to praying for those who have died, beseeching Our Lord to grant His mercy to those suffering in Purgatory so that they may be borne to Heaven to live with Him and all the Angels and the Saints.

It is also important to remember that the Church grants a plenary indulgence to the faithful, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, who on All Souls' Day devoutly visit a church and recite an Our Father and the Creed, as well as removing all attachment to sin and making your confession, receive Holy Communion and pray for the intentions of the Pope within 20 days before or after All Souls' Day.

"Youth In Mission 2025" in the Philippines

St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Winston Hills and the Filipino Chaplaincy of the Diocese of Parramatta are inviting young and passionate individuals aged between 18 and 30 years old to join a mission to Cebu and Manila in the Philippines in January of next year to help those in need. This is a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in a new culture while contributing to meaningful projects that make a real impact where your efforts will directly benefit communities in need. You can make a tangible difference by working on projects that address critical needs and support local development, grow and develop personally in gaining invaluable life skills and even build lasting friendships. This experience is about growing and learning and a renewed sense of purpose and a deeper understanding of global issues. For more details, contact Fr. John Paul on 0420 310 771 or you can send an email to johnpaul.escarlan@parracatholic.org

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is offered every week on Sunday evenings following the 5:00 p.m. Mass at Holy Family Church and on the first Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church. The Sacrament of penance (confession) is available three times each week at the following times: Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church, Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church and Sundays from 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. at Holy Family Church.

THE HOLY ROSARY

The Luminous Mysteries

The first luminous mystery, the Baptism of Jesus reminds us of our own baptism in which we were saved (Titus 3:5). Through the Sacrament of our baptism, God has given us his very life and can say of us, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

The mystery of the wedding at Cana encourages us to develop a devotion to Mary. She is, as English poet William Wordsworth noted so beautifully, "our tainted nature's solitary boast." Mary not only ordered the servants to do whatever Christ commanded them, she herself submitted perfectly to the will of God, having said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38).

With the mystery of the proclamation of the Kingdom of God we recognise that every miracle performed by Christ and the apostles is a sign of a deeper reality. After all, the sick who were healed would get sick again, and the dead who were raised had to die again. As Catholics we have the unmerited privilege of guiding others to the Sacraments. It is through these Sacraments that Christ continues to heal the sick and raise the dead, sometimes physically but always spiritually.

The mystery of the Transfiguration tells us that it is part of our human nature to avoid suffering and seek pleasure. Because of this, we, too, can be like St. Peter, wanting to cling to the good times when the Lord felt close. It is comforting to note that while our Lord does not grant St. Peter's request, He does not make him walk back down the mountain alone but goes with him.

The most sacred object on the face of this earth is the Holy Eucharist. On meditating upon the mystery of the institution of this great sacrament, we should beg the Lord for a greater desire to receive Him, hidden behind the accidents of bread and wine. A bishop once told of a conversation he had with a Protestant. "Do you really and truly believe that that bread and wine become the actual body and blood of Jesus?" the Protestant asked. "Absolutely I do, you don't?" asked the bishop. "No, I don't," said the Protestant. "But I'll tell you one thing: If I did believe it, I would crawl over broken glass daily to receive Him!"



The Baptism of Jesus



The Wedding at Cana



The Proclamation of the Kingdom



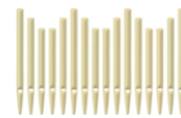
The Transfiguration



The Institution of the Eucharist

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ALL ✠ SOULS ✠ DAY



ALL SAINTS' DAY, FRIDAY, 1 NOVEMBER

8:15 A.M. | HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

9:15 A.M. | HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

7:00 P.M. | HOLY TRINITY CHURCH



ALL SOULS' DAY, SATURDAY, 2 NOVEMBER

8:15 A.M. | HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

9:15 A.M. | HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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

May they rest in peace.

*May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.”*

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



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.



BLESSING OF THE GRAVES OF
Priests at Rookwood

Visitation of the graves of past Priests of Granville
at Rookwood Cemetery to bless the graves
and to pray the Divine Office for the Dead

12:00 p.m. | Saturday, 9 November



*Enter Rookwood Cemetery on the corner
of East St. and Victoria St. East, Lidcombe
then continue down Necropolis Drive
until you get to the roundabout,
then turn left into the roundabout,
then the first left to St. Michael the Archangel Chapel*



The Readings

Introit (*Ps.* 104:3-4)

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

First Reading

The Prophet Jeremiah (31:7-9)

The Lord says this:
Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:
The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!
See, I will bring them back from the land of the North
and gather them from the far ends of earth;
all of them: the blind and the lame,
women with child, women in labour:
a great company returning here.
They had left in tears,
I will comfort them as I lead them back;
I will guide them to streams of water,
by a smooth path where they will not stumble.
For I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

Responsorial Psalm (*Ps.* 32:4-5, 8-20, 22. *R.* v. 22)

R. The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
It seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. *R.*

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. *R.*

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. *R.*

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing;
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. *R.*

Second Reading

The Letter to the Hebrews (5:1-1)

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

Gospel Acclamation (*II Tim.* 1:10)

Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,
and brought us life through his gospel.
Alleluia!

Gospel

The Gospel of Mark (10:46-52)

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

Communio (*cf. Ps.* 19:6)

We will ring out our joy at your saving help
and exult in the name of our God.

*May the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, and loved
in all the tabernacles until the end of time. Amen.*

*May the most Sacred Heart of Jesus
be praised and glorified now and forever. Amen.*

St. Jude pray for us and hear our prayers. Amen.