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THE MONTH OF

# THE HOLY NAME

# JESUS

At the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
in heaven
and on earth
and under the earth.

O Good Jesus! O most tender lesus! O most sweet Jesus! O Jesus, Son of Mary the Virgin, full of mercy and kindness! O sweet Jesus, according to Thy great mercy, have pity on me! O most merciful Jesus, I entreat Thee by that Precious Blood of Thine, which Thou didst will to pour forth for sinners, to wash away all my iniquities, and to look upon me, poor and unworthy as I am, humbly asking pardon of Thee, and invoking this Holy Name of Jesus. O Name of Jesus, sweet Name! Name of Jesus, Name of joy! Name of Jesus, Name of strength! Nay, what meaneth the Name of Jesus but Saviour? Wherefore, O Jesus, by Thine own holy Name, be to me Jesus, and save me. Suffer me not to be lost — me. whom Thou didst create out of nothing. O good Jesus, let not my iniquity destroy what Thy almighty goodness made. O sweet Jesus, recognise what is Thine own, and wipe away from me what is not of Thee! O most kind Jesus, have pity on me while it is the time of pity, and condemn me not when it is the time of judgment. The dead shall not praise Thee, Lord Jesus, nor all those who go down into hell. O most loving Jesus! O Jesus, most longed for by Thine own! O most gentle Jesus! Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, let me enter into the number of Thine elect. O Jesus, salvation of those who believe in Thee; Jesus, Son of Mary the Virgin, pour into me grace, wisdom, charity, chastity, and humility that I may be able perfectly to love Thee, to enjoy Thee, to serve Thee, and make my boast in Thee, together with all those who invoke Thy name, which is Jesus.

Amen

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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**

# **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 4: G. Pinto, M. Moses, S. Martin, M. Magpayo, C. Elegado, N. Begley, J. Osei-Yamoah, L. Tordilla, J. John, A. Abosh, O. Ifeanyi, J. Raj, S. Joseph

## Readers

**Vigil** Racquel La Rosa, Rosette Chidiac, Rebecca Hanson

**10:00 a.m.** Reanne Chidiac, Raphaella Chidiac, Wadzi Mushininga

Children's Liturgy school holidays

# 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.

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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.

### IN MEMORIAM

Attard family, Axiak family, Victor Azzopardi, Bonello family, Engedi Brown, Jim Brown, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vincent Cahill, Les Camilleri, Maria Dinh, Akosita Fetuuaho, Alan Frost, Carmen Galea, Maria Gambin, John Graham, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Melissa Irons, Salim Karaki, Paul Karam, Nouhad Khoury, Thomas Lam, Rustica La Rosa, Laurie Lowe, Frouzine Malkoun, Jacob Malkoun, Mouna Malkoun, Ofimia Malkoun, Jack McGrath, John McIntyre, Lindsay McIntyre, Mary McIntyre, Thomas McIntyre, Joseph Nammour, Jack Newell, Hazel Jean Newell, Tony Newell, Vincent Nguyen, Laura Pestano, Rogelio Pestano, Rolando Pestano, Guise Pham, Jack Pickering, Lorna Pickering, Edward Pidgeon, Flory Pinto, Saliba family, Geoff Senior, Garry Smith, Noel So, Alex Taktak, Darren Thornton, John Timbs, John Toye, Savina Vailahi, John Vella, Carmel Watts, Phyllis Webb, Mershed Wehbe, Yesmine Wehbe, Dennis Wilson, Phyllis Yott, Dib Zaiter, Laila 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. Thank you to all those who regularly support the parish by your contributions. Your regular support of the parish is greatly appreciated and is of tremendous assistance to the parish.



# 2025 Columban Art Calendars for Sale in our Piety Shops

The 2025 Columban Art Calendar is on sale for \$10 from our piety shops which supports the work of the Columban Missionaries and the parish.



# Visit to Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy (Penrose Park) Saturday, 8 February

On Saturday, 8 February, a visit has been arranged to the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy, commonly known as Penrose Park (located in the Southern Highlands). The shrine is a renowned place of veneration of the replica of the icon of Our Lady of Jasna Góra, known as the "Black Madonna". The shrine is ministered by the Order of St. Paul the First Hermit, known as the Pauline Fathers, who have been the custodians of the original icon of the "Black Madonna" for more than 630 years.

A bus has been arranged to take parishioners to the shrine. The bus will depart from Holy Family Church at 8:30 a.m. and depart from the shrine at 2:30 p.m. There will be Mass said at the shrine at 11:00 a.m. by the Pauline Fathers.

If you would like to visit the shrine and to request a seat on the bus, please complete in full the sign-up sheet at the doors of the churches. Please note that the bus company does require the full name, telephone number and address of each passenger so please ensure that you add these to the form.

To assist with the cost of the bus, we are asking if those attending can make a donation of \$20. For those who would like to attend but may have difficulty with the donation, please speak with Fr. Andrew.

Please note that seats are strictly limited on the bus so, if you would like to attend, please complete the sign-up sheet as soon as possible.

It is suggested that those attending bring their own lunch on the day and plenty of water.

For more information about the shrine, visit their website at penrosepark.com.au.

# Office for Worship Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses

The Diocese of Parramatta's Office for Worship are holding liturgical ministry formation courses for those who are currently, or are interested in becoming, readers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion or altar servers.

The first session will be held on Monday, 17 February at 7:00 p.m. at Blacktown or on Thursday, 20 February at 7:00 p.m. at Penrith.

Following on from this introductory session, there will be other sessions for particular roles which are held over a series of evenings from February to April.

For more information, please speak with Fr. Andrew.

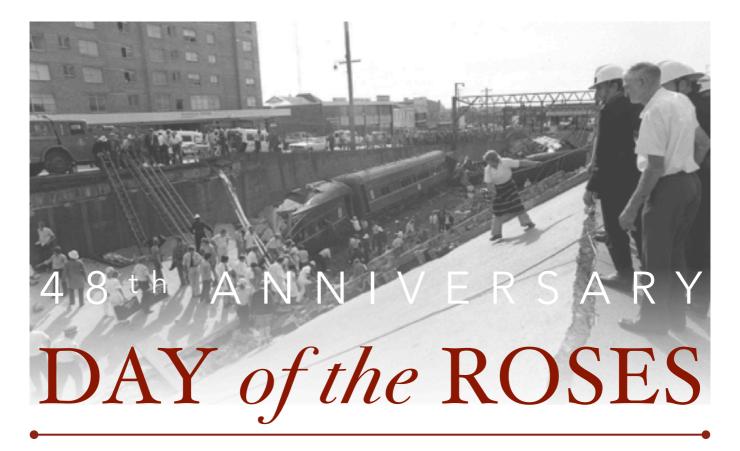
Enrolments must be received by Tuesday, 28 January.

# Australia Day Sunday, 26 January



Next Sunday we celebrate Australia Day. The Holy Mass for the vigil and for the Sunday will be the Mass for Australia Day as the Holy See has granted permission for this Mass to be said on the Sunday.

The proper of the Mass and the readings will be those of the Mass for Australia Day.



On Tuesday, January 18th, 1977, Granville would be changed forever as a train from Mount Victoria in the Blue Mountains crashed into the Bold Street Bridge bringing down the bridge on two carriages killing 83 men, women and children and injuring another 213.

Fr. Campion was one of the first to the shocking scene and administered the last rites to many of the victims. He was also at times placing his own life on the line by crawling through the wreckage looking for survivors or injured people that he could pray with or simply share a few moments. In countless interviews which were conducted with him over the years since the disaster, he always mentioned the "overwhelming

stillness" he felt upon entering the carriages and how this place had become a place for the dead and he felt that he was an intruder to the silence.

Fr. Campion's link to the victims, families, friends and all those associated with the disaster continued up to his retirement from Granville. He attended all the memorial ceremonies held on the anniversary of the disaster, blessing the roses which would be thrown onto the tracks to mark those who died.

Mr. John Hennessy, the then President of the Granville Memorial Trust, said of Fr. Campion: "He truly was one of the unsung heroes of the disaster, there's no doubt about it. He saw some terrible things, awful—and he put his life at risk. And I can tell you that it affected him for the rest of his life. But he always said it was what anyone would have done—he had a deep sense of mateship."

Each year at the Granville rail disaster anniversary memorial, it was Father Campion's job to bless the 83 roses laid at the scene to remember the dead.

May this holy Priest of God heard the words of Christ our Saviour: "Well done, good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of your Lord" (*Mt*. 25:23)

With thanks to John Portelli for this article (abbreviated here) which he wrote and originally appeared in his book, "Holy Trinity Granville: Celebrating 125 Years 1886-2012".



ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD, AND MAY PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

MAY THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE. AMEN.



# SUNDAY, 26 JANUARY

# HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Saturday, 25 January at 4:30 *p.m.*Sunday, 26 January at 8:30 *a.m.* and 5:00 *p.m.* 

# HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Saturday, 25 January at 6:00 *p.m.* Sunday, 26 January at 10:00 *a.m.* 

"I will praise you, Lord, among the peoples, among the nations sing psalms to you, for your mercy reaches to the heavens, and your truth to the skies." Psalm 56:9-10



This Christmas, will you help homeless mothers and children find a safe place to call home to rebuild their lives?



\$25
can provide nappies
or baby formula for a
young mum and baby.



\$75

can help provide
psychological counselling
for a mother suffering
trauma.



\$100 can provide financial counselling or a session on parenting and living skills, education, and employment support.



\$250

can give mums a **newborn hamper** with essentials such as nappies, muslin wraps, bottles, and baby shampoo.



\$500 can provide two homeless young mothers with a baby bassinet or cot.



\$1,200
can provide a homeless
young mum with a bed,
mattress, cot sheets, and a
blanket.



\$2,000
can provide four homeless young mums with a maternity kit including sleepwear, underwear, sanitary pads and baby clothing.



\$5,000 can provide a **safe home** for two months for a young mum fleeing domestic or family violence.

Your gift provides a safe home and practical and emotional family support.

# Saints

# THE HOLY NAME **OF JESUS**

The month of January is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus.

In Philippians 2, St. Paul tells us that "At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord."

Small wonder, then, that the Church sets aside the first month of the year in honour of the Holy Name of Jesus. Through this devotion, the Church reminds us of the power of Christ's Name and encourages us to pray in His Name. In our society, of course, we hear His Name uttered quite often, but all too frequently, it is used in a curse or blasphemy. In the past, Christians would often make the Sign of the Cross when they heard Christ's Name uttered in such a manner, and that's a practice that would be worthwhile to revive.

This month, why not take a few minutes to memorise the Jesus Prayer, and pray it during those moments of the day when you are between activities, or travelling, or simply taking a rest?

Keeping Christ's Name always on our lips is a good way to ensure that we draw ever nearer to Him.

# **CATECHISM** of the **CATHOLIC CHURCH**

# The Baptism of Christ

1223 All the Old Covenant prefigurations find their fulfillment in Christ Jesus. He begins his public life after having himself baptised by St. John the Baptist in the Jordan. After his resurrection Christ gives this mission to his apostles: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

1224 Our Lord voluntarily submitted himself to the baptism of St. John, intended for sinners, in order to "fulfil all righteousness." Jesus' gesture is a manifestation of his self-emptying. The Spirit who had hovered over the waters of the first creation descended then on the Christ as a prelude of the new creation, and the Father revealed Jesus as his "beloved Son."

1225 In his Passover Christ opened to all men the fountain of Baptism. He had already spoken of his Passion, which he was about to suffer in Jerusalem, as a "Baptism" with which he had to be baptised. The blood and water that flowed from the pierced side of the crucified Jesus are types of Baptism and the Eucharist, the sacraments of new life.

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# 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

# The Readings

### **Introit** (Ps. 65:4)

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

# First Reading The Prophet Isaiah (62:1-5)

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch. The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken', nor your land 'Abandoned', but you shall be called 'My Delight' and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding. Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

# **Responsorial Psalm** (*Ps.* 95:1-3, 7-10. R. v. 3)

R. Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. R.

Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. R.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. R.

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. R.

# Second Reading The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians (12:4-11)

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the

same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

# Gospel Acclamation (see II Thess. 2:14)

Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

# Gospel The Gospel of John (2:1-11)

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews; each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from-only the servants who had drawn the water knew-the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink, but you have kept the best wine till

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

# Communio (Cf. Ps. 22:5)

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.