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ORDINARY TIME

With the close of Christmastide and as we approach Lent the Church enters the season of Ordinary Time. The Church now vests herself in the colour green which symbolises hope.

Ordinary Time refers to two periods of time in the liturgical year that are found in the calendar of the ordinary form of the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church. The name of this time is *Tempus per annum* translated as “time during the year”.

Ordinary Time comprises two periods: the first period begins the day after the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and ends on the day before Ash Wednesday; the second period begins on the Monday after Pentecost, the conclusion of the Easter season, and continues until the Saturday before the First Sunday of Advent. In some traditions, the first period is celebrated as Epiphanytide, and the latter of these periods is

observed as Trinitytide. Both of these periods of time, combined, are the longest time in the liturgical year.

The weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered, which is where the name “ordinary” comes from because it is from the word “ordinal” meaning numbered. Several Sundays bear the name of feasts celebrated on those days, including Trinity Sunday and the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

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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

R. El Katrib, H. Katrib, H. Nguyen,
M. Nguyen, R. Succar

Flower Arranging

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

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 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, Gerry Pinto,
Rebecca Hanson

10:00 a.m. Sisters, Jasmine Miranda,
Hannah Chami

Children's Liturgy Sr. Susanne and
Claudette Takchi

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,
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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, Bonello family, Engedi Brown, Jim Brown,
Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vincent Cahill, Albert Camilleri, Les
Camilleri, Tessie Camilleri, John Lawrence Denmeade, Maria
Dinh, Alan Frost, Carmen Galea, Maria Gambin, John Graham,
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Nouhad Khoury, Thomas Lam, Rustica La Rosa, Laurie Lowe,
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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.*

**Palms to Be Burned
For Ash Wednesday**

On Shrove Tuesday, 4 March, we will hold the traditional Burning of the Palms and Burial of the Alleluia at Holy Family Church in preparation for Ash Wednesday. The ashes imposed on Ash Wednesday are made from the burnt palms blessed the previous Palm Sunday. If you have palms to be burned, please bring these to the church in the coming week and leave these by the doors. These will be collected and burned to prepare the ashes.

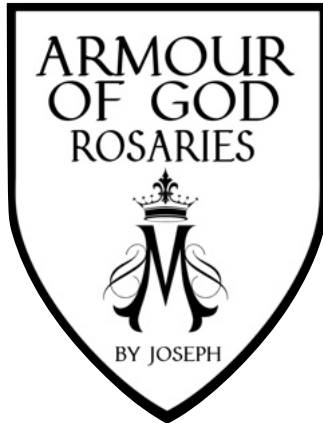
**Online Donations
in Support of the Parish**

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, either by envelope or by direct debit or by cash. Your regular support of the parish is greatly appreciated and is of tremendous assistance.



**Holy Family Primary School
Mass This Friday**

On Friday, Holy Family Primary School will be attending the parish Mass at Holy Family Church at 9:15 a.m. to commemorate the beginning of the school year.



Armour of God Rosaries by Joe Chidiac are available for sale in the piety shop. Each pair of Rosary beads is hand made and can be custom made especially for you or as a gift for others.

To order a pair of Rosary beads visit their Facebook page @ArmourOfGodRosaries or telephone Joe on 0410 477 510.

Please support Joe and Armour of God Rosaries as he supports the parish by generous donations from the sale of these Rosary beads.



**First Confession
(Sacrament of Penance)
and First Holy Communion
(Sacrament of the Eucharist)**

Enrolment forms are now available for first confession (Sacrament of Penance) and first Holy Communion (Sacrament of the Eucharist). To be eligible, your child must have been baptised in the Catholic church, be in year 3 or above and attend Mass every Sunday.

Enrolment forms can be collected from Fr. Andrew after Mass and must be returned to Fr. Andrew at a Mass by 6 April.

Masses will be said on Saturday, 7 June at 12:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church and on Saturday, 14 June at 12:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church.

Please be aware that those enrolling their children for these Sacraments will be obliged to attend Mass every Sunday in the parish as well as attending all lessons and the preparation. The Sacraments must be taken seriously and are not social events. These are the moments of grace granted to us by Almighty God and demand due respect and reverence and a commitment to God and to the Church.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Enrolment forms are now available for the Sacrament of Confirmation. To be eligible, your child must have been baptised in the Roman Catholic church, be in year 5 or above and attend Mass every Sunday.

Enrolment forms can be collected from Fr. Andrew after Mass and must be returned to Fr. Andrew at a Mass by 6 April.

The Mass will be said on Thursday, 12 June at 6:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church.

Attendance at all lessons and the preparation is mandatory.



PARRAMATTA MEN'S ROSARY CRUSADE

*Every first Saturday of the month, we gather in unity and prayer,
embracing the call to serve spiritually and embody the teachings of Christ in our daily lives.
Our meetings are a sanctuary of fellowship, where we support each other in our spiritual journeys
and commit to living out our faith with courage and integrity.*

*Be a part of this spiritual journey as we strive to honour our Blessed Mother
and fulfill our role as Catholic men in the Diocese of Parramatta.
Let's make every first Saturday a powerful testament to our faith and our commitment
to serving our Lord Jesus Christ and His Church.*

EVERY FIRST SATURDAY *of the MONTH at 10:30 A.M.*
in PRINCE ALFRED SQUARE in PARRAMATTA,
across the road from ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

JANUARY 4 ✕ FEBRUARY 1 ✕ MARCH 1 ✕ APRIL 5
MAY 3 ✕ JUNE 7 ✕ JULY 5 ✕ AUGUST 2
SEPTEMBER 6 ✕ OCTOBER 4 ✕ NOVEMBER 1 ✕ DECEMBER 6

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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.

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we can keep
the faith alive**



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The projects most in need



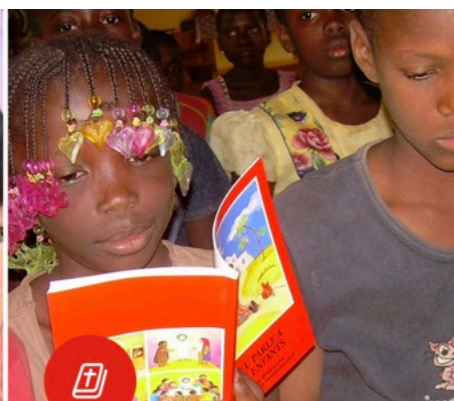
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Saints & STUFF

Patron Saints for Everything!

Did you know that there is a Patron Saint for almost everything you can think of?

We each have a Patron Saint because of our Christian name but we also have Patron Saints for our parish, for our diocese (Saint Mary of the Cross), for our country (Our Lady, Help of Christians), for our jobs and even for illnesses!

Priests have St. Jean-Marie Vianney as their Patron, police have St. Michael the Archangel, and builders have three Patrons: St. Blaise, St. Louis, and St. Vincent Ferrer!

Even animals have their Patron Saints. Dogs have St. Guy, cats have St. Gertrude of Nivelles who just happens to be also the Patron Saint of field rats!



And yes, even politicians have a Patron Saint. He is St. Thomas More.

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Liturgical Seasons

1163 "Holy Mother Church believes that she should celebrate the saving work of her divine Spouse in a sacred commemoration on certain days throughout the year. Once each week, on the day which she has called the Lord's Day, she keeps the memory of the Lord's resurrection. She also celebrates it once every year, together with his blessed Passion, at Easter, that most solemn of all feasts. In the course of the year, moreover, she unfolds the whole mystery of Christ... Thus recalling the mysteries of the redemption, she opens up to the faithful the riches of her Lord's powers and merits, so that these are in some way made present in every age; the faithful lay hold of them and are filled with saving grace."

1164 From the time of the Mosaic law, the People of God have observed fixed feasts, beginning with Passover, to commemorate the actions of the Saviour God, to give him thanks for them, to perpetuate their remembrance, and to teach new generations to conform their conduct to them. In the age of the Church, between the Passover of Christ already accomplished once for all, and its consummation in the kingdom of God, the liturgy celebrated on fixed days bears the imprint of the newness of the mystery of Christ.

CATHOLIC Trivia

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS



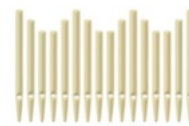
The Sign of the Cross that marks the beginning and end of the Holy Mass, and which signifies the sealing of the Word of God "in our minds, on our lips and in our hearts" at the reading of the Gospel, has its origin in the first centuries of Christianity.

The sign of the cross, done by faith, has immense power. St. Benedict once did the sign of the cross over a poisoned drink meant to kill him, and as his hand moved reverently through the four directions of the cross, the glass shattered.

Each sign of the cross is also a sign—a renewal even—of one's personal decision to accept Christ as Lord and Saviour. How many times have we gone through the "motion of the cross" instead of the "sign of the cross"?

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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 Prophet Jeremiah

(17:5-8)

The Lord says this:
'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man,
who relies on things of flesh,
whose heart turns from the Lord.
He is like dry scrub in the wastelands:
if good comes, he has no eyes for it,
he settles in the parched places of the wilderness,
a salt land, uninhabited.
A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord,
with the Lord for his hope.
He is like a tree by the waterside
that thrusts its roots to the stream:
when the heat comes it feels no alarm,
its foliage stays green;
it has no worries in a year of drought,
and never ceases to bear fruit.'

Responsorial Psalm

(*Ps.* 1:1-4. *R.* *Ps.* 39:5)

R. Happy are they who hope in the Lord.
Happy indeed is the man
who follows not the counsel of the wicked;
nor lingers in the way of sinners
nor sits in the company of scorners,
but whose delight is the law of the Lord
and who ponders his law day and night. *R.*
He is like a tree that is planted
beside the flowing waters,
that yields its fruit in due season
and whose leaves shall never fade;
and all that he does shall prosper. *R.*
Not so are the wicked, not so!
For they like winnowed chaff
shall be driven away by the wind.
For the Lord guards the way of the just
but the way of the wicked leads to doom. *R.*

Second Reading

The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

(15:12, 16-20)

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

Gospel Acclamation

(*Lk.* 6:23)

Alleluia, alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven.
Alleluia!

Gospel

The Gospel of Luke

(6:17, 20-26)

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said: 'How happy are you who are poor: yours is the kingdom of God. Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh. Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets. But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now. Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

Communion (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.