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PRAY FOR THE CONCLAVE

*O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care,
grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church
who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care.*

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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

flower arranging groups needed

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.

Traditional Latin Mass

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 2: P. Zaiter,
N. Chidiac, C. Buultjens

Readers

Vigil Gerry Pinto, Rebecca Hanson,
Ingrid Bifulco

10:00 a.m. Mary Georges,
Sony Joseph Raj, Hannah Chami

Children's Liturgy Victor Liu and
Armani Barakat

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Joseph Akkary, Janelle Allan, 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



*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, Victor Azzopardi, Bruno Barillaro, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vincent Cahill, Albert Camilleri, Les Camilleri, Tessie Camilleri, Maria Dinh, Estrella Francisco, Alan Frost, Carmen Galea, Maria Gambin, John Graham, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Melissa Irons, Joe Joseph, May Joseph, Salim Karaki, Chini Maya Kc, Nouhad Khoury, Thomas Lam, Rustica La Rosa, Laurie Lowe, Frouzine Malkoun, Jacob Malkoun, Mouna Malkoun, Ofimia Malkoun, Giuseppe Martino, Jack McGrath, Aileen McIntyre, Roy McIntyre, Joseph Nammour, Jack Newell, Hazel Jean Newell, Tony Newell, Vincent Nguyen, Michael O'Brien, Zackary Orenshaw, Doris Pickering, Robert Pidgeon, Flory Pinto, Peter Robertson, Saliba family, Geoff Senior, Garry Smith, Noel So, Emanuel Tabone, Alex Taktak, John Timbs, John Vella, Peter Vu Van Vuong, Graham Wales, Sam Wardan, 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.*

Rubbish Continually Dumped at Holy Family Church

As has been made known for many years now, rubbish is regularly and illegally dumped at Holy Family Church. Sadly, some people seem to accept this sacrilege against the church as long as the rubbish is removed from sight.

It is hoped that many more people will begin to recognise this desecration of the church and seek to find ways to address this matter and to ensure that this is prevented from every happening again so that this holy place may be protected.

Alternatively, a fence may need to be built, at very considerable cost, around the church to prevent rubbish being dumped at the church.

Flower Arranging Groups and Donation of Flowers for Holy Family Church

Volunteers to form groups to arrange the flowers for the sanctuary at Holy Family Church are needed. There are currently only two groups which mean that there can only be fresh flowers decorating the church once a month. This means that for the other weeks of the month there will necessarily be artificial flowers.

If there are to be fresh arrangements of flowers to decorate the sanctuary every week then it is necessary that groups of at least two people be arranged who will buy the flowers and arrange them on Saturday mornings.

The more groups there are then the less often will each group need to be rostered.

If you can form a group, please speak with Fr. Andrew.

Additionally, if you have flowers in your garden that you can cut and donate for the flower arranging groups to use, please speak with Fr. Andrew.



*Make frequent visits to Jesus
in the Blessed Sacrament
and the devil will be
powerless against you.*

—St. John Bosco

SUNDAYS

Holy Family Church at 6:00 p.m.



FIRST FRIDAYS

Holy Trinity Church at 7:30 p.m.

The Australian Holy Shroud Conference

The Australian Holy Shroud Conference 2025 intends to make available to the Australian public the most up-to-date findings on the Holy Shroud. In particular it will deal with the 1988 carbon dating issue and subsequent developments. Top-line international and local speakers, including Bishop Richard Umbers, will present the latest information on the Shroud.

The conference will be held from Friday, 27 June to Saturday, 28 June at the Liverpool Catholic Club.

Tickets can be purchased by visiting holyshroud.com.au.

Holy Mass with Holy Family Primary School in Honour of Mother's Day Friday

On Friday, Holy Family Primary School will be attend Holy Mass at Holy Family Church at 9:15 a.m. to commemorate Mother's Day, which is to be celebrated on the Sunday.

The children will assist by serving the Mass and by reading at the Mass.

All mothers are welcome to attend this Mass and to receive the blessing of the Church for Mother's Day.

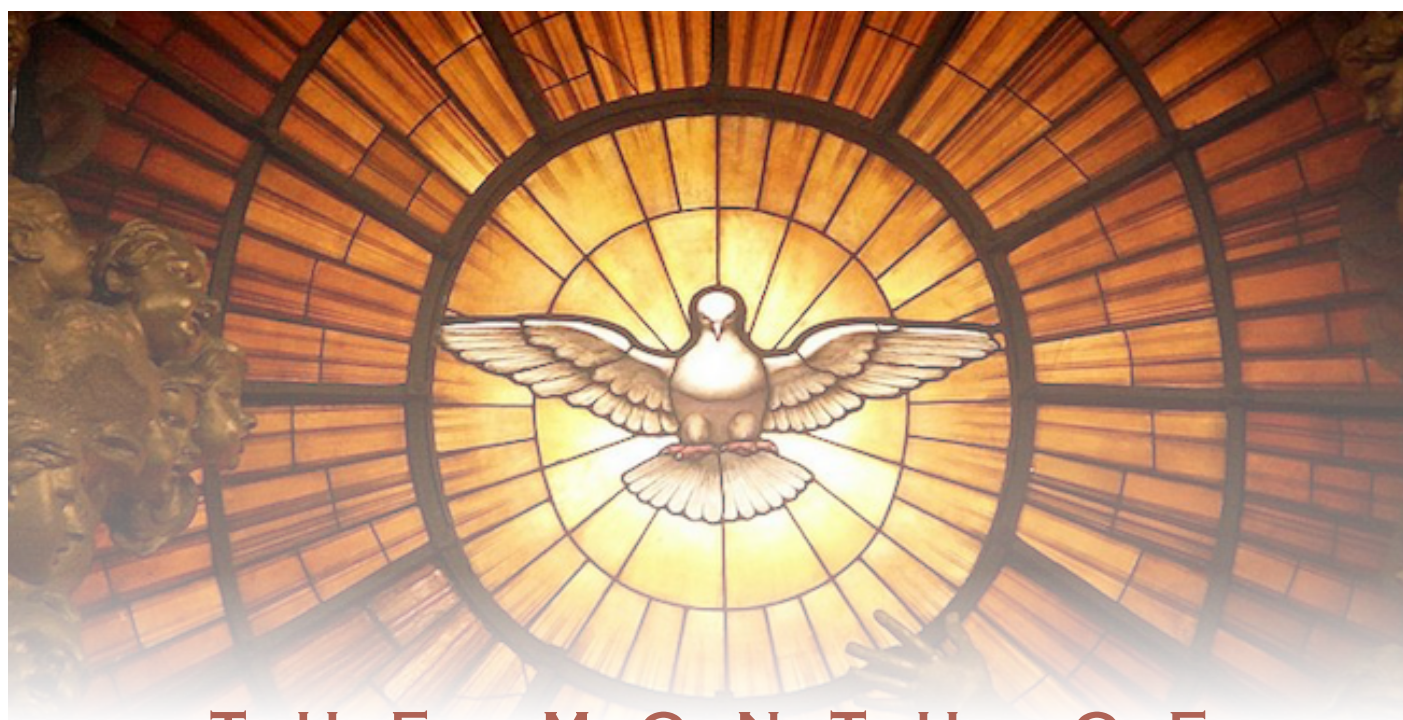
Online Donations in Support of the Parish

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.





THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The month of April is dedicated to the Holy Spirit. To believe in the Holy Spirit is to profess that the Holy Spirit is one of the persons of the Holy Trinity, consubstantial with the Father and the Son: “with the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified” (The Nicene Creed).

The Holy Spirit is the Person of love in the life of God. He is also like a breath, an aspiration of infinite love, from which we draw the breath of life.

On the day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit communicated such an abundance of life to the Church that to symbolise it “there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting” (Acts 2:2).

But it is also for us that the Holy Spirit has come, for the group in the cenacle represented the whole Church. The Holy Spirit came to remain with the Church forever. This is the promise of Our Lord Himself. He dwells in the Church permanently and unfailingly, performing in it without ceasing His action of life-giving and sanctification. He establishes the Church infallibly in the truth. It is He Who makes the Church blossom forth with a marvellous supernatural fruitfulness, for He brings to life and full fruition in martyrs and confessors those heroic virtues which are one of the marks of true sanctity (“The Mysteries of the Rosary” by Dom Columba Marmion, O.S.B.).

Everything depends on the Holy Spirit's operation in us. The more we allow ourselves to be drawn and guided by the Holy Spirit, the closer we shall come to Our Lord and His mysteries and graces. The Holy Spirit must draw us to every good thought, word and deed. Even though we are endowed with all the supernatural virtues, we remain mere apprentices in the spiritual life. We know what we must do; and yet lack the virtue and the faculty to perform these things with ease. The Holy Spirit must guide us. He must seize our intellect and our wills and guide us in prayer, in work, in the decisions we have to make, and in the difficulties we encounter every day (“The Light of the World” by Benedict Baur, O.S.B.).

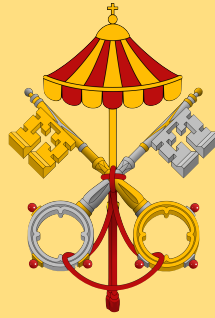
THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

✠ WISDOM ✠ UNDERSTANDING ✠ COUNSEL ✠

✠ FORTITUDE ✠ KNOWLEDGE ✠ PIETY ✠

✠ FEAR OF THE LORD ✠

Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 1831



NOVENA PRAYER
FOR THE SACRED COLLEGE OF CARDINALS
GATHERED FOR THE CONCLAVE
TO ELECT THE ROMAN PONTIFF

I kneel before you,
O Virgin Mother of God, Our Lady of Guadalupe,
the compassionate mother of all who love you,
cry to you, seek you, and trust in you.
I plead for the Church at a time of great trial and danger for her.
As you came to the rescue of the Church at Tepeyac in 1531,
please intercede for the Sacred College of Cardinals gathered in Rome
to elect the Successor of Saint Peter,
Vicar of Christ, Shepherd of the Universal Church.
At this tumultuous time for the Church and for the world,
plead with your Divine Son
that the Cardinals of the Holy Roman Church,
His Mystical Body,
will humbly obey the promptings of the Holy Spirit.
Through your intercession,
may they choose the most worthy man to be Christ's Vicar on earth.
With you, I place all my trust in Him
Who alone is our help and salvation.
Amen.

Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who trust in Thee,
have mercy upon us!
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Virgin Mother of God and Mother of Divine Grace,
pray for us!



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THE PROPER NAME of the HOLY SPIRIT

The Church teaches that “Holy Spirit” is the proper name of the one whom we adore and glorify with the Father and the Son. The Church has received this name from the Lord and professes it in the Baptism of her new children.

The term “Spirit” translates the Hebrew word *ruah*, which, in its primary sense, means breath, air, wind. Jesus indeed uses the sensory image of the wind to suggest to Nicodemus the transcendent newness of him who is personally God's breath, the divine Spirit. On the other hand, “Spirit” and “Holy” are divine attributes common to the three divine persons. By joining the two terms, Scripture, liturgy, and theological language designate the inexpressible person of the Holy Spirit, without any possible equivocation with other uses of the terms “spirit” and “holy.”

Besides the proper name of “Holy Spirit,” which is most frequently used in the Acts of the Apostles and in the Epistles, we also find in St. Paul the titles: the Spirit of the promise, the Spirit of adoption, the Spirit of Christ, the Spirit of the Lord, and the Spirit of God—and, in St. Peter, the Spirit of glory. (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, n. 691, 693).

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Holy Spirit

687 “No one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.” Now God's Spirit, who reveals God, makes known to us Christ, his Word, his living Utterance, but the Spirit does not speak of himself. The Spirit who “has spoken through the prophets” makes us hear the Father's Word, but we do not hear the Spirit himself. We know him only in the movement by which he reveals the Word to us and disposes us to welcome him in faith. The Spirit of truth who “unveils” Christ to us “will not speak on his own”... [T]hose who believe in Christ know the Spirit because he dwells with them.

688 The Church, a communion living in the faith of the apostles which she transmits, is the place where we know the Holy Spirit: in the Scriptures he inspired; in the Tradition, to which the Church Fathers are always timely witnesses; in the Church's Magisterium, which he assists; in the sacramental liturgy, through its words and symbols, in which the Holy Spirit puts us into communion with Christ; in prayer, wherein he intercedes for us; in the charisms and ministries by which the Church is built up; in the signs of apostolic and missionary life; in the witness of saints through whom he manifests his holiness and continues the work of salvation.

CATHOLIC Trivia

The HOLY S P I R I T

THE SEVEN GIFTS of the HOLY SPIRIT

Wisdom
Understanding
Counsel
Fortitude
Knowledge
Piety
Fear of the Lord

(Cf. *Rite of Confirmation*)

THE NINE FRUITS of the HOLY SPIRIT

Love
Joy
Peace
Patience
Kindness
Goodness
Faithfulness
Gentleness
Self-Control

(Cf. *Gal 5:22-23*)

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The Readings

Introit (cf. *Ps.* 65:1-2)

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

First Reading

The Acts of the Apostles (5:27-32, 40-41)

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

Responsorial Psalm (*Ps.* 29:2, 4-6, 11-13. *R.* v. 2)

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,
restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. *R.*

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,
give thanks to his holy name.
His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. *R.*

The Lord listened and had pity.
The Lord came to my help.
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. *R.*

Second Reading

The Book of the Apocalypse (5:11-14)

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation—

everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

Gospel Acclamation (*Jn.* 20:29)

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;
he has shown pity on all people.
Alleluia!

Gospel

The Gospel of St. John (20:19-31)

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord,' Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

Communio (*Lk.* 24:35)

The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus
in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.