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July: *A month dedicated* *to the* **PRECIOUS** **BLOOD OF JESUS**

During the month of July, the Church in her wisdom calls us to direct our hearts and minds to a most profound and ancient devotion: honouring the Most Precious Blood of Jesus. This devotion, deeply rooted in our Catholic tradition and rich with spiritual significance, presents us with a beautiful opportunity to deepen our understanding of Christ's boundless love and the immense sacrifice He made for our salvation.

From his agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, where his sweat became as drops of blood falling to the ground, through the cruel scourging, the crowning with thorns, and finally his ultimate sacrifice on the Cross, Jesus ceaselessly poured out His Blood for our redemption. Each sacred drop was offered out of an unfathomable love, a perfect testament to His willingness to endure unimaginable suffering so that we, might be reconciled with

our Heavenly Father. This Precious Blood is not merely a symbol; it is the very price of our salvation, the ransom paid for our souls. It is the divine cleanser that purifies us from the stain of sin, sanctifies our very being, and elevates us to the dignity of adopted children of God. It is through His Blood that we have been bought back from spiritual death and given the glorious promise of eternal life. As the divinely inspired Letter to the Hebrews solemnly declares, "without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins" (Hebrews 9:22). This truth underscores the absolute necessity and efficacy of Christ's sacrifice.

Devotion of the Precious Blood of Jesus has been a vital cornerstone of Catholic spirituality for centuries, a wellspring of grace for countless souls. Saints throughout history, from the early martyrs to the great mystics, have found deep solace,

profound inspiration, and immense spiritual power in contemplating this profound mystery. We recall the fervent words of St. Catherine of Siena, who spoke passionately of the "Blood of Christ, price of our redemption," recognising its infinite value. This devotion also intimately connects us to the Real Presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist. In every Holy Mass, under the humble appearances of bread and wine, we truly receive the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ Himself. This is a tangible, Sacramental continuation of His one, eternal sacrifice on Calvary, allowing us, here and now, to partake in the very grace won for us by His Precious Blood.

May we this July, open ourselves fully to God's inexhaustible grace and infinite mercy, never forgetting the immense, love that flowed from the Sacred Heart of Jesus, poured out for each one of us.

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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

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. (From 9th July)

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

Volunteers Needed

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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.

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,
C. Buultjens, N. Chidiac

Readers

Vigil Racquel La Rosa, Rebecca
Hanson, Ingrid Bifulco

10:00 a.m. Wadzi Mushininga, Hannah
Chami, Sisters

Children's Liturgy

*No Children's Liturgy during Schools
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, Gerard Watts.



*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, Engedi Brown, Jim Brown, Dick Cahill, Gwen
Cahill, Vincent Cahill, Albert Camilleri, Les Camilleri, Tessie
Camilleri, Joseph Cunmao Chen, Maria Dinh, John Dover,
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*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

Important Notice Regarding Receiving Holy Communion

There has been an unfortunate increase in Sacred Hosts being dropped when receiving Holy Communion. Whilst these are accidents, we all have a responsibility to ensure that the Sacred Host—the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ—is guarded and protected.

When receiving Holy Communion, please do not step to the side to consume the Sacred Host, and under no circumstances, turn away from facing the altar before you consume the Sacred Host. Please ensure that you consume the Sacred Host whilst still facing the altar and the Priest or the Extraordinary Minister.

Mass Offering Envelopes

Requests for Masses to be offered for various intentions can be sought by completing the Mass Offering envelopes which are located near the doors of the churches. Please clearly write the details of your intention on the envelope, and hand it directly to the priest before or after a Mass.

This will ensure your intention is not missed and will allow the priest to confirm your request.

Weekly Adoration at Holy Family Church

Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held every Wednesday evening, after the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

This change in time will commence from Wednesday 9th July, and will replace the current adoration time offered on Sunday evenings.

Opportunities for confessions will still be available every Wednesday evening between 6:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.



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

—*St. John Bosco*

WEDNESDAYS

Holy Family Church at 6:30 p.m.



FIRST FRIDAYS

Holy Trinity Church at 7:30 p.m.

Become a Parish Volunteer

We're always grateful for the dedication of our volunteers, and encourage others to come forward and get involved.

If you have a passion for service and some time to offer, consider joining one of our many parish ministries. There are opportunities for all ages to join in and take part in the life of the parish.

Please be aware that some volunteer positions will require a Working With Children Check whilst completion of safeguarding training is also required. Assistance will be available. For more information on how you can become a volunteer, contact the parish office.

Weekday Mass Readers at Holy Trinity Church

Volunteers are requested to assist with reading at the Weekday Masses at Holy Trinity Church.

The reader's ministry in Holy Mass is profoundly sacred. They proclaim God's living Word, through the scriptures. This vital service nourishes souls with divine truth, preparing hearts for the Eucharist.

Please contact the parish office if you can assist, or alternatively, speak to a priest at Mass. Any assistance is greatly appreciated.

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.





ADORATION *of* THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

WEDNESDAYS

Holy Family Church at 6:30 p.m.



FIRST FRIDAYS

Holy Trinity Church at 7:30 p.m.

Hunter Men's Rosary Crusade Camino

Join us for a spiritual journey together

Event Details

Starting at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 841 Hunter St Newcastle West at 10.30am, 30th August.

Route Information

Pilgrims walk to Immaculate Heart of Mary (Tighes Hill) and return to Sacred Heart Cathedral at approximately 1.00pm.

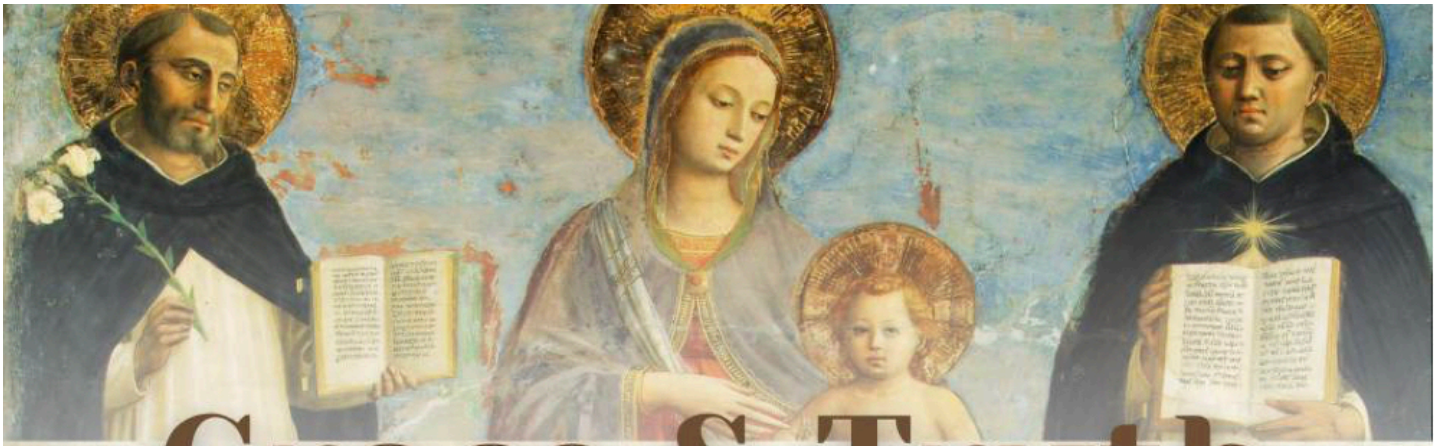
Preparation Tips

Bring water and wear appropriate walking shoes. Registration closes 23rd August.



Register now and join in faith!





Grace & Truth

An evening of prayer, formation, and fellowship
open to men and women of all ages.



St Mary's Cathedral, 5-9PM

FRIDAY, 18 JULY 2025

with

Archbishop Anthony Fisher, OP

and the Dominican Sisters and Friars

Theme: Christology

Questions: Email the Sisters at sydney@op-tn.org



Men and women (18 years and older) are invited to join the Dominican Friars and Sisters on Friday 18 July for the next Grace and Truth evening.

The evening will consist of Eucharistic Adoration, Vespers and Benediction, a light dinner, and talks by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP and Sr Susanna Edmunds OP. The event will run from 5-9PM, starting in the St Mary's Cathedral Crypt and moving to the Cathedral Hall. Cost: \$20.

Registration closes 13 July. <https://www.trybooking.com/DBGYB>.

For more information, contact the Dominican Sisters at sydney@op-tn.org.

Saints & STUFF

St. Gaspar del Bufalo

St. Gaspar del Bufalo was a holy Italian priest who lived during a turbulent era when the Catholic Faith faced many challenges. Despite the difficulties, Fr. Gaspar dedicated his life to God and the salvation of souls, always focused on the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

He deeply understood that the Blood shed by Christ on the Cross was the very price of our redemption - the infinite wellspring of God's mercy and grace, able to wash away sins and heal spiritual wounds. This profound devotion wasn't just a private piety; it was a powerful call to action.

Guided by Divine Providence, he founded the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. His aim was for these priests to preach holy missions, leading people to a fervent love for Our Crucified Saviour and the wondrous power of His Most Precious Blood. He also helped establish the Adorers of the Most Precious Blood with Saint Maria De Mattias.

Fr. Gaspar emphasised repentance, reconciliation, and the boundless merits of the Precious Blood. He encouraged frequent Holy Communion and meditation on Our Lord's Passion as paths to spiritual renewal.

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Precious Blood

478 "You were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your fathers...with the Precious Blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was destined before the foundation of the world but was made manifest at the end of the times for your sake.

613 Christ's death is both the *Paschal sacrifice* that accomplishes the definitive redemption of men through "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world," and the *sacrifice of the New Covenant*, which restores man to communion with God by reconciling him to God through the "blood of the covenant, which was poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

766 The Church is born primarily of Christ's total self-giving for our salvation, anticipated in the institution of the Eucharist, fulfilled on the cross. "The origin and growth of the Church are symbolised by the blood and water which flowed from the open side of the crucified Jesus." "For it was from the side of Christ as he slept the sleep of death upon the cross that there came forth the 'wondrous sacrament of the whole Church'... so the Church was born from the pierced heart of Christ...on the cross.

CATHOLIC Trivia

Why do Catholics genuflect?

Genuflecting, bending the right knee to the ground, is a profound and ancient gesture of adoration in our Catholic faith. This humble action signifies our deep reverence and humility before the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament, reserved in the tabernacle.

Historically, bending the knee was a common way to show respect to royalty or those in authority. The Church adopted and transformed this custom, reserving the acts of genuflection on the right knee exclusively for God. When we enter a pew, pass before the tabernacle, or encounter the exposed Blessed Sacrament during adoration, our genuflection is a silent yet powerful acknowledgement of Christ rule present - Body, Blood, Soul, Divinity - under the appearance of bread and wine.

This isn't merely a tradition; it's a deeply spiritual expression of our faith, worship, and awe. It reminds us that we are in the presence of our Lord and King, an invisible yet tangible reality. Genuflecting is a beautiful, physical manifestation of our profound belief in the Eucharist, serving as a constant reminder of the sacred mystery at the heart of our faith.

For those who can, a gentle genuflection upon entering the church remains a beautiful personal act of faith.

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The Readings

Introit (Cf Psalm 47:10-11)

Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst of your temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name,
reaches the ends of the earth;
your right hand is filled with saving justice.

First Reading
The Prophet Isaiah (66:10-14)

Rejoice, Jerusalem,
be glad for her, all you who love her!
Rejoice, rejoice for her,
all you who mourned her!
That you may be suckled, filled,
from her consoling breast,
that you may savour with delight
her glorious breasts.
For thus says the Lord:
Now towards her I send flowing
peace, like a river,
and like a stream in spate
the glory of the nations.
At her breast will her nurslings be carried
and fondled in her lap.
Like a son comforted by his mother
will I comfort you.
And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.
At the sight your heart will rejoice,
and your bones flourish like the grass.
To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. v.1)

℟. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! ℟.

'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. ℟.

He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. ℟.

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul.
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. ℟.

Second Reading
Letter of St. Paul to the Galatians
(Galatians 6:14-18)

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation (Colossians 3:15. 16)

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
and the fullness of his message live within you.
Alleluia!

Gospel
The Gospel of St. Matthew (16:13-19)

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

Communio (Psalm 33:9)

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.