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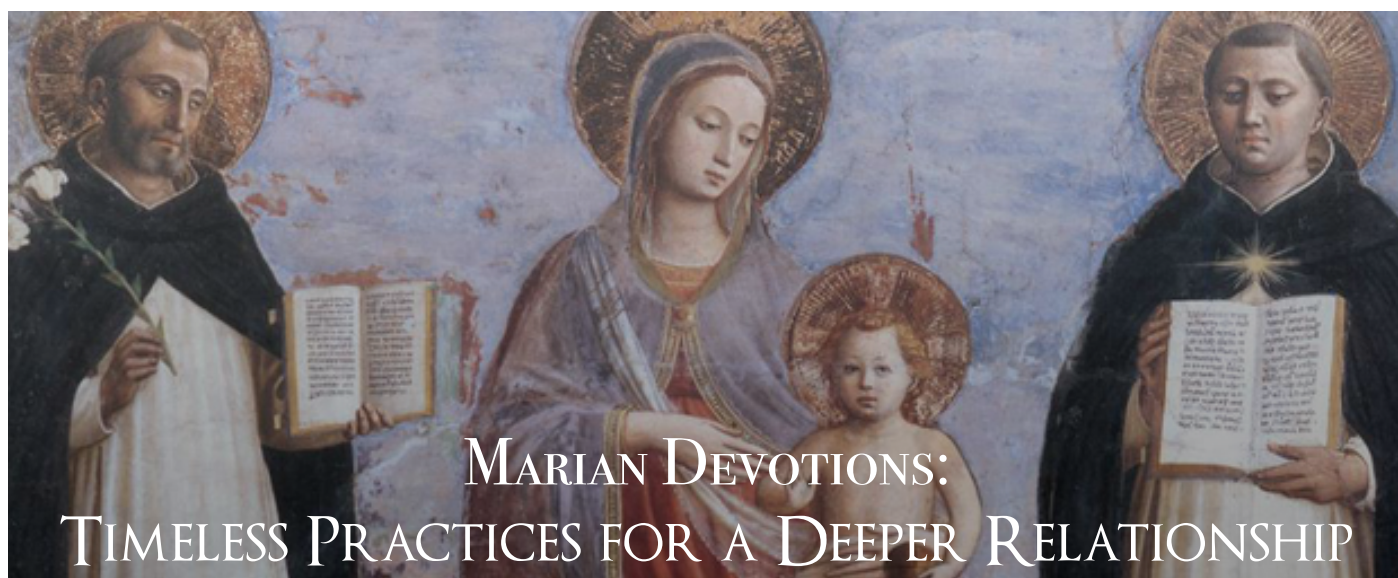
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Following our reflection on Mary as Mother of God and our spiritual Mother, we now turn to the venerable devotions that have shaped Catholic piety for centuries. These timeless practices are not empty rituals; they are powerful tools given to us by the Church to deepen our relationship with Our Lady and, through her, with her Son.

The Holy Rosary stands as the cornerstone of Marian devotion. Described by Popes as a “compendium of the Gospel,” the Rosary guides us through the joyful, sorrowful, glorious, and luminous mysteries of Christ’s life, all through the eyes of His Mother. Its recitation is a simple yet profound way to meditate on the life of Christ, offering a spiritual weapon against the forces of darkness and a source of immeasurable grace. We hold the beads and pray the prayers, but it is Mary who draws us into a deeper contemplation of her Son’s Paschal Mystery.

Sacramentals also play a vital role. The Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is one of the most cherished. Rooted in a vision granted to St. Simon Stock in the 13th century, it is a sign of consecration to Mary, promising her protection and a powerful intercession at the hour of death. It signifies our commitment to live a life in imitation of Mary. Similarly, the Miraculous Medal, given through St. Catherine Laboure, is a powerful sacramental, bringing grace and protection to those who wear it with faith. These small tokens are a constant, physical reminder of Mary’s maternal care and the spiritual realities that govern our lives.

Another profound practice is Total Consecration to Mary, most notably promoted by St. Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort. This act of entrusting one’s entire life - body, soul, and spiritual goods - to Mary is a radical way of living out

our baptismal vows. By becoming her slaves of love, we seek to live entirely for Jesus through her, trusting that she will form us into faithful disciples. Consecration is not about worshipping Mary, but about allowing her to lead us to a more perfect union with her Son.

Finally, we are called to honour Mary through the rhythm of the Church’s year. Observing her feast days, such as her Assumption (a Holy Day of Obligation which we celebrate next Friday), and the Feast of the Queenship of Mary, allows us to join the entire Church in celebrating her heavenly glory.

These devotions are not optional extras, but rich traditions that connect us to the saints and to the heart of the Church. They provide a tangible path to grow closer to Our Lady, who never fails to lead us to her Son. Next week, we will find inspiration in the lives of the saints who exemplified this profound Marian piety.

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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.

### Nigerian Community Mass

Second and fourth Sunday of the month,  
11:00 a.m.

### Rosters

### Church and Toilets Cleaning

*Volunteers Needed*

### Flower Arranging

Patricia Robertson, Sharon Minns

## 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, 5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.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, 6:00p.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 3:

Vietnamese Community

### Readers

**Vigil** Rosette Chidiac, Gerry Pinto,  
Rebecca Hanson

**10:00 a.m.** Mary Georges, Raphaella  
Chidiac

### Children's Liturgy

Wanda Krasinski, Chloe Zaiter

## 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, Joseph Baine, Engedi Brown, Jim Brown, Dick  
Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vincent Cahill, Albert Camilleri, Les  
Camilleri, Tessie Camilleri, Joseph Cunmao Chen, Maria Dinh,  
Maria Vu Thi Duyen, John Dover, 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, Anthony Mallia, Marie McDonald,  
Nancy McIntyre, Santo Mondello, Kudzai Gerald Mutongerwa,  
Anthony Newell, Jessica Nguyen, Vincent Nguyen, Michael  
O'Brien, Zackary Orenshaw, Samuel Pickering, Robert Pidgeon,  
Anna Pham, Flory Pinto, Peter Robertson, Saliba family, Geoff  
Senior, Garry Smith, Carlito So, Noel So, Emanuel Tabone, Alex  
Taktak, John Tovey, John Vella, Joe Vella, Peter Van Duc Vu,  
Graham Wales, Carmel Watts, Phyllis Webb, Mershed Wehbe,  
Yesmine Wehbe, Dennis Wilson, William Yott, Dib Zaiter, Laila  
Zaiter.



## Parish Altar Servers

For many years, our parish has been blessed with reverent, well-trained altar servers, a legacy we must urgently continue. We have an immediate need for more people to come forward and serve at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Please prayerfully consider this profound privilege and vital duty to Our Lord.

Altar servers play a role of profound importance that extends far beyond practical assistance. Their active participation in the liturgy holds deep historical, theological, and spiritual significance.

**A brief meeting for all current servers and any interested new candidates will be held this Sunday, 10th August, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.** Your presence is appreciated.

## Thank you to Fr. Galbert from Fr. Andrew

I want to express my gratitude to Fr. Galbert for his kindness and his generosity to me in allowing me to have offered the Mass last Sunday. I am very grateful to Fr. Galbert for his warmth and his hospitality. Fr. Galbert is a good man and a holy Priest and the Church is greatly blessed to have him. Please continue to offer your support and to pray for Fr. Galbert, and for Fr. Joseph, as they undertake their offices at Holy Cross Parish. Granville is one of the finest parishes in the diocese and the support of parishioners has always been so readily given to her Priests and in service of the parish and the Church.

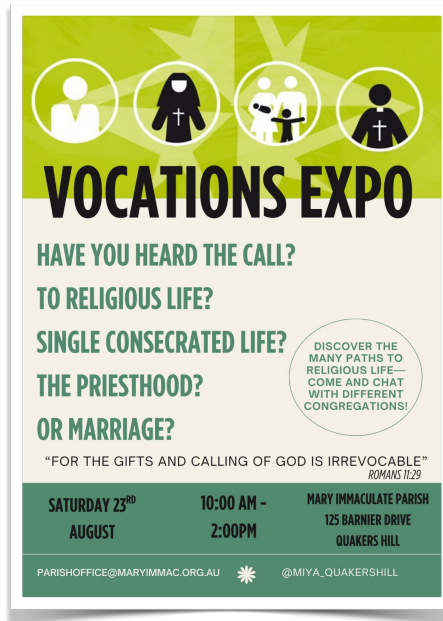
Pray that Fr. Galbert will be encouraged and strengthened in his work so that this man of great faith and service will be supported in his holy Priesthood and in his mission for Our Lord.

Thank you, Fr. Galbert, for your kind-heartedness and thoughtfulness.

## Welcome BBQ for Fr. Galbert and Fr. Joseph

Join us this Sunday, 10 August, to extend a very warm welcome to Fr. Galbert and Fr. Joseph. A parish BBQ will be held in their honour immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass outside MacKillop Hall. This will be a wonderful, informal opportunity to meet them as they continue to minister in the parish.

Parishioners are invited to bring a plate of food to share. More importantly, please come along to show your support and hospitality to our new priests. Your presence is the greatest welcome we can offer. All are welcome and warmly encouraged to attend!



## Vocations Expo Have you heard the call?

Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill will be hosting a Vocations Expo on Saturday, 23rd August between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

The expo is a day for youth and young adults to come and see the different vocations being lived around the diocese. The day will include time for prayer, opportunities for questions and chats with priests, religious, sisters, missionaries and married couples!

## Annual Procession in Honour of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Friday, 15 August

On Friday, 15 August, as the church celebrates the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the parish will hold its annual candlelight procession in honour of this day.

Following Holy Mass at Holy Trinity Church at 6:00 p.m. the procession will form and walk to Holy Family Church.

To help with the procession, we are asking for people to volunteer as safety marshalls whose role it will be to help people to cross the roads safely and to help guide the procession. Please speak with Richard Zaiter, or contact the parish office if you are able to help.

The parish bus will be available to take people from Holy Family Church to Holy Trinity Church for Mass and the procession and then to take people back to Holy Trinity Church after the procession. Thank you to Joe Chidiac for once again arranging this for us.

Please join us as we honour the Most Blessed Virgin Mary on this most holy day as we take our faith to the streets as a sign of our gratitude to Almighty God for all that He does for us and also as a witness to our holy Catholic faith.

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a holy day of obligation, meaning that all are obligated to attend Mass on that day (except for those legitimately unable to do so because of their age or their health). On that day there will be three Masses said for the solemnity. The first being at Holy Trinity Church at 8:15 a.m., then at Holy Family Church at 9:15 a.m. and lastly at Holy Trinity Church at 6:00 p.m. A Vigil Mass will also be offered on Thursday evening (which fulfils the obligation to attend Mass) at Holy Family Church at 6:00 p.m.





# *Parish* **WELCOME BBQ**

Come along and welcome Fr. Galbert  
and Fr. Joseph to Granville with a BBQ  
Lunch!

**SUNDAY 10 AUG**

Mackillop Hall  
After the 10AM Mass





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# WALK FOR *Mary*

*Candlelight Procession  
in honour of the  
Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary*

*Friday 15th August*

*A Holy Day of Obligation*

**6PM - HOLY MASS**

*Holy Trinity Church*

*5:15PM - Parish Bus departing Holy Family Church*

*Followed by a candlelight procession  
to Holy Family Church.*

*The Parish Bus will be available before Mass and  
after the Procession to transport between both churches.*



# Saints & STUFF

St. Jeanne Jugan

In the mid-19th century, a humble woman names Jeanne Jugan began a work of immense charity that would touch the lives of countless elderly poor. From a single act of kindness - bringing an elderly, blind, and paralysed woman into her small home - St. Jeanne founded the Little Sisters of the Poor. Her life was a testament to the power of trust in Divine Providence, a trust that was deeply intertwined with her devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

St. Jeanne lived a life of profound poverty herself, relying entirely on donations to feed, clothe, and care for those she served. When faced with empty cupboards and mounting needs, her response was always the same: "The Blessed Mother will help us." She would send the sisters out with a simple prayer to Mary, and miraculously, the necessary provisions would often arrive. For St. Jeanne, Mary was the ultimate Mother of Providence, a loving intercessor who never failed to come to the aid of her children. Her life reminds us that when we place our trust in Mary, she guides us to the heart of her Son and provides for all our needs, both spiritual and material.

St. Jeanne Jugan, pray for us!

## CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

### *Immaculate Conception*

**490** "To become the mother of the Saviour, Mary "was enriched by God with gifts appropriate to such a role." The angel Gabriel at the moment of the annunciation salutes her as "full of grace." In fact, in order for Mary to be able to give the free assent of her faith to the announcement of her vocation, it was necessary that she be wholly borne by God's grace.

**491** Through the centuries the Church has become ever more aware that Mary, "full of grace" through God, was redeemed from the moment of her conception. That is what the dogma of the Immaculate Conception confesses, as Pope Pius IX proclaimed in 1854: "The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin."

**492** The "splendour or an entirely unique holiness" by which Mary is "enriched from the first instant of her conception" comes wholly from Christ: she is "redeemed, in a more exalted fashion, by reason of the merits of her Son."

## CATHOLIC Trivia

### Why we Stand, Sit & Kneel

Have you ever wondered why we change our posture so often during Mass? Each position - standing, sitting, and kneeling - has deep historical and theological meaning, helping us to physically participate in the liturgy.

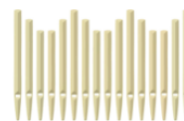
**Standing** is a sign of respect and readiness. It's the posture we taken when we listen to the Gospel, stand before the priest as he welcomes us to Mass, and profess our faith in the Creed. It signifies our readiness to do God's will and is the posture of a resurrected people, echoing the first Christians who stood to pray as a sign of their belief in the Resurrection.

**Sitting** is a position of listening and meditation. We sit for the Liturgy of the Word, during the readings, and for the homily. This posture allows us to rest and calmly absorb the teachings of Scripture and the priest's reflection on them. It's the posture of a student eager to learn.

**Kneeling** is the most profound sign of reverence and adoration. We kneel during the Consecration, when the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. This posture expresses our humility and worship before the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. It's a deep act of prayer and submission to God. We kneel before the blessed sacrament in quiet prayer and before the Blessed Sacrament in adoration bringing our prayers and petitions before Him.

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The Readings

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**Introit** (Cf Psalm 73:20,19,22,23)

Look to your covenant, O Lord,  
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.  
Arise, O God, and defend your cause,  
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

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**First Reading**  
**Book of Wisdom** (Wisdom 18:6-9)

That night had been foretold to our ancestors,  
so that,  
once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in,  
they would joyfully take courage.  
This was the expectation of your people,  
the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies;  
for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our  
foes  
you made us glorious by calling us to you.  
The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret  
and this divine pact they struck with one accord:  
that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers  
alike;  
and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the  
fathers.

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**Responsorial Psalm** (Ps 32:1. 12. 18-20. 22. R. v.12)

℟. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;  
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.  
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,  
the people he has chosen as his own. ℟.

The Lord looks on those who revere him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine. ℟.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you. ℟.

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**Second Reading**  
**Letter to the Hebrews** (Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12)

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for,  
or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain  
unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.  
It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a  
country that was the inheritance given to him and his  
descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he  
was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the  
Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country,  
with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same  
promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to  
a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past  
the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed

that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it.  
Because of this, there came from one man, and one who  
was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than  
could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the  
grains of sand on the seashore.

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**Gospel Acclamation**  
(Matthew 24:42. 44)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

You know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

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**Gospel**  
**The Gospel of St. Luke** (Luke 12:32-48)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid,  
little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the  
kingdom.

'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves  
purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in  
heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it.  
For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit.  
Be like men waiting for their master to return from the  
wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes  
and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds  
awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an  
apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in  
the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those  
servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this,  
that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar  
would come, he would not have let anyone break through  
the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the  
Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for  
everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is  
faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his  
household to give them their allowance of food at the proper  
time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at  
this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over  
everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to  
himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets  
about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating  
and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a  
day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know.  
The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as  
the unfaithful.

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has  
not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very  
many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but  
deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive  
fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a  
great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a  
great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of  
him.'

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**Communio** (Psalm 147:12,14)

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,  
endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.