



#### THE MOST HOLY TRINITY YEAR C SUNDAY 12TH JUNE 2022

Today we celebrate the greatest mystery of our faith, namely the mystery of the of the Holy Trinity. God is Father, Son and Spirit.

Throughout the centuries the concept of the Trinity has been a challenge to understand. How does one speak about God, and who would be able to understand him? In fact, the church struggled with the idea of one God in three persons for some time in its history.

The mystery of the Trinity is vast, rich, deep and wondrous. Saints, poets and artists have exhausted countless efforts to explain and illustrate this mystery.

Every time we cross ourselves in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we are reminded that they are together as one, and so are we.

The Trinity is, of course, a mystery we can never completely comprehend.



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Awabakal People who, long before us lived, loved, educated and raised their children on this Country. We pay our respects to Elders past and present and we recognise the young people who are our future. We acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families in our communities. We respect their deep physical and spiritual connections to Country through their stories, traditions and living cultures.

#### PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Foundation Leader In Office

1. Identity and Community

2. Worship and Prayer. Uta France Mon

3. Formation and Education

4. Mission and Outreach.

5. Leadership and Structure. John France Sat & Sun

If you have any concerns or questions you can also talk to any member of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) who are: Juliet Hutchins, Mal and Pam Melvey, Kerry Lendon, and Rod Hay.

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#### **UPCOMING WORSHIP TIMES:**

Sunday 12th June 9.30am

Mass— Morisset

Tuesday 15th June 9.30am

Liturgy— Morisset

Sunday 19th June 9.30am

Liturgy— Morisset

Tuesday 21st June 9.30am

Liturgy— Morisset

# TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE WE ENCOURAGE

MASK WEARING PHYSICAL DISTANCING HAND SANITISING, STAY HOME IF SICK

We are able to safely seat 100 people at Morisset We still have a pre-book option available for our services but it is not compulsory (You need to do this each week). Please arrive 15mins early if you book and notify us of any cancellation. When the seating capacity of the Church is reached the overflow will be accommodated in the Callinan Centre for live streaming. To pre-book use the Book for Services button on the Parish Website, or the Eventbrite App or Eventbrite Website http://vianneymorisset.eventbrite.com or call the Parish Office between 9am and 2pm.

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#### REFLECTION FOR 12\_06\_2022 TRINITY SUNDAY YEAR C

This Sunday after celebrating the great Feast of Pentecost last Sunday, we celebrate Trinity Sunday, which is the core of our Christian faith. "In the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The Trinity is a mystery we can never completely comprehend. The doctrine of the Trinity is our attempt to express the ways that humans have experienced God's presence. God is Father, Son, and Spirit. God is one. God is three. How can it be? Sounds like a puzzle.

The dogma of the Trinity is so important within our faith tradition, that the Trinity is our acclamation, whenever we begin or end anything we do. From our baptism to our daily prayers to our final farewell at a funeral, we say these things "In the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Trinity is not so much something to be talked about, as something to celebrate, pray and live.

Unfortunately, in our history, there was a time when many Christians were driven by ambition to conquer and dominate. Rather, our mandate is to be a yeast and a leaven for the life of the world. Our job is not so much to convert others as to share with them the dynamic presence, the living power and energy of the Trinitarian God.

We are called to be a society, which is counter-cultural to the dominant social system. The Christian way of living cannot be other than the way shown in Jesus' radical simplicity, solidarity and communion with God's people and creation. Clearly, the God that we meet in Jesus is not a tribal God who excludes other people based on their background, gender, race or even religion

As Pope Francis says, creating the future of a more inclusive, fraternal, peaceful, and sustainable world is our mission. It is what faith in the Trinity means in action. John France.



#### FAITH MATTERS: CHURCH CRAWL

Our Diocesan Ecumenical and Interfaith Council members have just had a wonderful time at the Newcastle Lord Mayor's Prayer Breakfast held on Friday 3rd June.

REVEREND CHRISTINE SHEPPARD OAM PUBLISHED JUNE 08, 2022

We gathered, with many other Christians, from different churches, and prayed together for our City, for our Region.

Such a gathering was a reminder of the different expressions

of Christian faith that are represented in this area. We would all accept basic Creedal statements of Christian Faith but would emphasise some aspects more than others. These differences would also be reflected in styles of worship. Some of these differences can lead to misunderstandings among people of Faith.

Most members of our Ecumenical and Interfaith Council are Catholics. Two of us are not. One is from a Community Church. I am a Uniting Church Minister. My story is that my late husband, Warren, was Catholic., and I still attend Mass in our Catholic Parish, All Saints Blackbutt South, at Kotara. I also attend a weekday Eucharist at Christchurch Cathedral. Members of the Council are driven by looking for opportunities to find answers to the question, 'What can we learn from each other?'

We are providing another opportunity for you to learn about other Christian traditions.

We have organised a 'Church Crawl', visiting 4 Churches in one day, Saturday 23 July! At each Church, their Clergyperson will invite you to enter into their Church, hear about their theology and you can ask all those questions you have wanted to ask about styles of worship, theology, and what makes their Church different--all in 45 minutes!

So we begin with Christchurch Cathedral in the City of Newcastle, at 9.30am. Dean Katherine Bowyer will share the fascinating story of the Cathedral and its early site connections to First Nations People. After morning tea there, we drive to Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hamilton and Father John Lovell will be speaking with us.

Lunch will follow, it's a chance to share with other pilgrims on this exploration journey.

After lunch, we discover the Lutheran Church which is at Broadmeadow. Pastor Mathew Vonstanke has been in Newcastle since 2019 and is the only Lutheran Minister here. You will discover that, although the Community is relatively small here, it is very strong in other states, partly to do with past patterns of migration.

We then meet Father James Carles from the Russian Orthodox Church at Wallsend, who is looking forward to meeting us and answering your questions. There are also other Orthodox Churches in Newcastle of varied sizes, driven by the variety of past ethnic migration patterns. Some of the congregations depend on priests who live away from the local area.

Spending 45 minutes in each Church will hopefully mean that we will have some more answers to our questions, but more questions that come out of our conversations with fellow pilgrims, and that is a good place to be.

Hopefully, the Church Crawl (register online at no cost) will encourage you and other pilgrims to look at our busy Calendar, both in the Ecumenical and Interfaith space, and our activities later this year, like meeting with the Hindu Community at Cardiff North, BBQ for Christians and Muslims at Singleton.

The Newcastle Lord Mayor's Prayer Breakfast was an opportunity for the Ecumenical and Interfaith Council of the Diocese of Maitland Newcastle, to meet with Christians of different denominational backgrounds. And to come to this gathering, asking, not how we can change each other, but what we can learn from each other.



#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Our St. Vincent de-Paul Cash Appeal will be held this

Sunday June 12th. All cash donations gratefully received to help our needy families!! Please let me know if you need a receipt. Many thanks! Monica Gray



#### **FAITH MATTERS: FAMILY**

In today's contemporary society the family unit can no longer be viewed as one that is only nuclear. To do this, would exclude a large portion of the population.

ROSEMARY MCALLISTER PUBLISHED JUNE 06, 2022

Some choose to marry and have children, others do not, and some cannot. In some families, aunties and uncles go beyond the parents' siblings and extend into the entire community. This makes me think of the saying, 'It takes a village to raise a child.'

Pope Francis writes:

'To form a family is to be a part of God's dream, to join him in building a world where no one will feel alone. True joy which is experienced in the family is not something random and fortuitous, but normal and ongoing.'

Recently I have had the pleasure of accompanying the Pastoral Placement Program (PPP) participants on their annual retreat. While those in this group are not related by blood (except for two sisters) or marriage they come together as community and in many ways are like a family.

The theme of this year's retreat focused on the Trinity and gave all participants the opportunity to explore and contemplate relationships with self, others, and God. The trinitarian relationship encourages us to get to know God through the divine made man. It is through Jesus' life and actions, that we see visible, the Holy Spirit at work in the world.

Throughout this time together the PPP discerned their individual strengths and areas for development, this led to a discovery of self and each other. The challenges along the retreat journey insisted small groups consider the common good for the larger group, working as a team to achieve a goal and being a companion along the road. All characteristics of what it means to be family.

During the retreat we viewed the recently released film 'King Richard'. This American biographical sports drama sees actor Will Smith as Richard Williams, the father and coach of famed tennis players Venus and Serena Williams. The group were struck by the unfailing qualities of the father, he did not give up on his children, he wanted their life to be full and flourishing. It was through his actions, decisions, and encouragement that his children became aware of their fruits of the Holy Spirit. There were many elements in the film which echoed this trinitarian relationship which we all hunger for. The courage to know our true self, the support of our loving God and those around us to assist reach our full potential and the humility to build right, meaningful relationships.

It was perfect timing for the PPP's to come together during Pentecost as it provided the opportunity to explore how we each demonstrate the fruits of the spirit of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control, in our everyday life.

To conclude our time on retreat the PPP family were warm-

ly welcomed by the Krambach parish family to celebrate Pentecost together. We thank the Krambach parish for changing their mass time to accommodate the PPP retreat, it was a generous gesture of how we can be trinitarian to each other.

Positions in the Pastoral Placement Program 2023 will be advertised in the coming months. For more information on the program go to:

https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/pastoral-placement-program/

This year our universal Church is celebrating the World Meeting of Families. The 10th World Meeting of Families (WMOF) is intended to highlight family love as a vocation and as a way of holiness, to understand and share the profound and salvific meaning of family relationships in daily life. This event is organised by Vatican Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life along with the Diocese of Rome. After being postponed for a year due to the pandemic, Pope Francis has asked dioceses around the world to make it possible for every family to participate in the WMOF. While Rome will be the main venue for the event on 22–26 June 2022, each diocese around the world will promote local events for its own families and communities based on the theme: "Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness."

The WMOF is a great opportunity for Catholics on the local level to renew their commitment to family ministry in solidarity with diocesan communities from around the world and the Diocese of Rome. There will be a number of local events, reflections and moments of prayer to coincide with the gathering in Rome. To find out what is happening in our Diocese go to: <a href="https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/world-meeting-of-families-2022/">https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/world-meeting-of-families-2022/</a>



# FRAMEWORK FOR MOTIONS

The Framework for Motions for the second assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia has been published. It emerges from more than four years of lis-

tening, dialogue, discernment, reflection and prayer within the Catholic Church in Australia. Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB, the Plenary Council's president, says the document "will form the backbone of our reflection, discussion and decision when we gather" for the second of two assemblies, to be held in early July.

You have been invited to join our diocesan Plenary Council Members in four Plenary Council Coffee Conversations (via zoom) on a Thursday night (7pm to 8.30am), over the coming four weeks.

To assist you in preparing for these conversations please look at the two documents. The Plenary Council's Framework for Motions for the Second Assembly and Fr Richard Lennan's Reflection Paper — The Church: Graced, Missionary, and Synodal located at <a href="https://mnnews.today/your-diocese/2022/55460-framework-for-motions/">https://mnnews.today/your-diocese/2022/55460-framework-for-motions/</a>

You may like to review the abovementioned documentation which will form the basis of our Coffee Conversations. Registration is still open for booking in via Eventbrite Registration link - https://pccoffeeconversations.eventbrite.com.au

# WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES FORMATION EVENTS OVER JUNE ONLINE 7.00PM-8.00PM

**15** June- Social connections and improving senior's wellbeing- Presented by Nicola Rosenthal (Regional Manager, Catholic Healthcare)

Join with us as we explore the importance of social connections, and five keyways seniors can improve their wellbeing. The presentation will also discuss mental illness, grief and loss in later life and which support services are best suited for older Australians.

**20 June- Relationships Matter**- Presented by Robyn Donnelly Marriage and Relationship Educator- Pastoral Ministries)

The session provides participants with an understanding of patterns of behaviours that drain our emotional bank accounts and can cause the relationship to go into meltdown or disconnection of the parties. Participants can reflect on 7 areas that create strong sound relationships starting at the foundations this includes research around rituals and shared meaning, so your relationship stays connected to get through areas of disagreements or conflict.

To register go to <a href="www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/faith-formation/upcoming-events">www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic.org.au/cath

For more information and to Watch the Pope's message for the 10th World Meeting of Families go to: <a href="https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/world-meeting-of-families-2022/resources/">https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/world-meeting-of-families-2022/resources/</a>

# HUNTER CENTRE FOR CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION INTRODUCTORY UNIT

The Hunter Centre for Clinical Pastoral Education is running an Introductory Course in Clinical Pastoral Education commencing Monday 18 July. Topics covered will include: Pastoral Care, Listening, Self-Awareness, Grief, Healing and Illness, Community.

**Dates:** Six weeks commencing Monday 18 July, 25 July, 1, 8, 15, 29 August **Time:** 9.00am to 4.00pm

Location: Mackillop Parish Hall, Milson Street Charlestown

Enrolment: 1 July 2022

Enquiries: Fr.Roger Zohrab rzohrab@bigpond.com 0408 151 481

# <u>CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE PRESENTS: 'HOW DO WE KNOW CHRIST NOW?'</u>

A free online conference (via zoom) will be held on Friday June 17 2022, 9.30am - 12.30pm with a variety of workshops. This conference will focus on the critical question: 'How do we know Christ now?' and explores how we know the same Christ more authentically and powerfully today.

### Workshops (11.30am - 12.30pm)

- 1. 'Deep Incarnation' and Hope for the Transformation of the World led by Very Rev. Dr Kevin Lenehan
- 2. Profound Experiences as Encounter: Christian Spirituality for Today led by Dr Rina Madden
- 3. Exploring Mindfulness and Christian Contemplative Practices led by Dr Cullan Joyce
- 4. God the Artist Communicates to Us First, Before God the Lecturer: A Workshop Uncovering the Presence of God in Art led by Rev. Dr Elio Capra SDB

Register <u>www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/faith-formation/upcoming-events</u>

For further information visit our website: <a href="mailto:ctc.edu.au">ctc.edu.au</a> Contact Dr Christopher Morris: <a href="mailto:christopher.morris@ctc.edu.au">christopher.morris@ctc.edu.au</a>

#### **2022 TWEC DINNER**

This year's dinner will be held Friday 24 June from 6.30pm at the Therry Centre, East Maitland. We invite you to enjoy a meal, share stories of the Josephite spirit within the diocesan community and imagine the next chapter of the Tenison Woods Education Community story together. Seats at the dinner are \$60 per person which includes drinks, canapés, main course and dessert. Tables of 10, small group and individual bookings are welcome. For details and bookings go to <a href="https://2022twec.eventbrite.com.au">https://2022twec.eventbrite.com.au</a>. RSVP by 17 June.

Attendee names and dietary needs can be entered at checkout. For queries, please contact Sharon Murphy on 4979 1134 or sharon.murphy@mn.catholic.org.au

#### ECUMENICAL AND INTERFAITH COUNCIL – ABORIGINAL SPIR-ITUALITY DAY

The Ecumenical and Interfaith Council would like to warmly invite you to join us to experience an Aboriginal Spirituality Formation Day

**Date:** Thursday 14 July 2022 **Time:** 9.00am to 2.30pm **Location:** Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 5 Hyndes St, West Wallsend.

#### **PRAYING THE GOSPELS**

You are invited to connect and pray with each other across the Diocese from your own home. God speaks to us through the words of the Gospel and then through artist's images of the Gospel message.

Join us each Wednesday 5.00-5.45pm.

Zoom link: <a href="https://mncatholic.zoom.us/j/61036103033">https://mncatholic.zoom.us/j/61036103033</a> Pass-

word: pray

For more information contact:

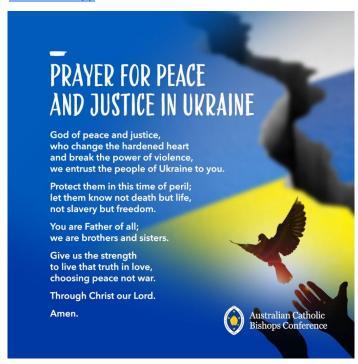
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#### **DISCOVER THE DIOCESE'S NEW APP!**

Mass times, news and events, and parish giving are now just a tap away.

You can download the app for free from the <u>Apple App Store</u> and <u>Google Play Store</u>. Just search for 'Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle' and click install on your mobile or tablet!

To learn more about the app, visit <a href="www.mn.catholic.org.au/mass-times-app">www.mn.catholic.org.au/mass-times-app</a>



#### SUPPORTING THE CLERGY / 1ST COLLECTION

The 1st collections in 2020-21 are 67% of the 2018-19 1st collection, which is a 33% reduction. The first two quarters of 2021-22 show the decline continuing. We wish to thank those who have continued to support the Clergy and are asking for those who are not doing so to consider making contributions to support the Clergy / 1st Collection at Mass in the BLUE bucket or electronically using the Online Payments button on the Parish Website Home page or the Diocese App.

#### SUPPORTING OUR PARISH / 2ND COLLECTION

We wish to thank everyone who has continued their support of our Parish during these very different times. You can support our Parish at Mass via the RED bucket or deposit directly into the Parish Account our details are: Account Name: CDF 96014 Morisset Parish BSB:062815 Account Number: 00328161 Ref: 5004 2nd Collection or 5004 PG and Giver Number, or you can use the Online Payments button on the Parish Website Home page or the Diocese App.

WEEKEND ROSTERS			
		THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
<u>Presiders</u>	9.30	Mass	U France
PROCLAIMER:	9.30	P Melvey	R Hay
PSALMIST:	9.30	K Lendon	J Hutchins
UNIVERSAL PRAYER	9.30	K Lendon	J Hutchins
<u>GIFTS</u>	9.30	L & G Hutchinson	XXXX
SERVERS	9.30	M Melvey	XXXX
AV:	9.30	TBA	M Foo
SOUND/ VID- EO:	9.30	L & G Hutchinson	L & G Hutchinson
COVID TEAM	9.30	L McRae L McRae A Walker G Walker	J Hutchins M Foo P Herbert P Melvey
CLEANING	9.30	COVID TEAMS	COVID TEAMS

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle has an abiding commitment to promote the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults. If you have any concerns for a child or vulnerable adult please contact the Office of Safeguarding (ph: 4979 1390 or email: childprotection@mn.catholic.org.au), or visit their website for further information (www.officeofsafeguarding.org.au).

#### **UPCOMING FEAST DAYS MEMORIALS AND SOLEMINITIES**

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY— 12TH JUNE
SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA— 13TH JUNE
THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST— 19TH JUNE
SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA—21ST JUNE
SAINTS JOHN FISHER AND THOMAS MORE—22ND JUNE
THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS— 24TH JUNE
THE NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST— 25TH JUNE
SAINT IRENAEUS— 28TH JUNE
SAINTS PETER AND PAUL— 29TH JUNE
SAINT BENEDICT— 11TH JULY

# Please pray for those who are sick, in hospital or recovering at home:

Yvonne Beecroft, Bernadette Martin, Sue Alexander, John Francisco, Joan Gillett, Bruce Gillett, Koby Smith, Patricia Jones.

Please pray for those who have been called to eternal life may they always be in our prayers.



#### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE BULLETIN

If you would like the parish to pray for a family member who is sick, recently deceased or you would like remembered please call or email the parish office or complete a prayer card for each person and place in the mail box near the parish office door. Cards are available at the back of the church and at the Parish Office.

All prayer requests require permission from a family member or the person. Due to Australian privacy laws.

#### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that You

are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment

receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Live stream Mass every Sunday at 9.30am at https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream/







# SUNDAY PRAYER SERVICE

# The Most Holy Trinity Year C Sunday 12 Jun 2022

## **The Introductory Rites**

# **Acknowledgement of Country**

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, on which we gather today, who, long before us lived, loved, educated and raised their children on this Country. We pay our respects to Elders past and present and we recognise the young people who are our future. We acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families in our communities. We respect their deep physical and spiritual connections to Country through their stories, traditions and living cultures.

## **Gathering**

The Lectionary/Roman Missal or a Bible may be placed on a table together with a candle and a cross.

## Sign of the Cross

Leader:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All:

Amen.

# **Greeting**

Leader:

Blessed be Jesus who makes us one, and strengthens us by the power of his Spirit.

All:

Blessed be God forever.

## **Introductory Remarks**

Leader (in these or similar words):

Friends in Christ,
although we cannot celebrate the Eucharist this day,
we gather in God's name
for when two or more come together
God is always with us.
We worship in union with the whole Church
keeping this day of the Lord holy.

## **Opening Rite**

# **Litany Of Praise**

Leader:

Before listening to the Word of God let us praise the Lord Jesus Christ.

A brief period of silence follows.

Leader:

Lord Jesus, you lead us to the complete truth: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you fill your people with love: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are God with the Father and Spirit: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader:

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All:

All: Amen.

# **Opening Prayer**

Leader:

Let us pray.

All pause for silent prayer.

God most high

since the dawn of time you have rejoiced in your creation.

In love you sent your Son to save the world

and by your Holy Spirit you guide us and give us peace.

Draw near to us so that we may be one with you.

We make this prayer in the name of the blessed Trinity for ever and ever.

All:

Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Word

## **First Reading**

Prv 8:22-31

A reading from the book of Proverbs

Wisdom was born before the earth was made.

The Wisdom of God cries aloud:

The Lord created me when his purpose first unfolded,

before the oldest of his works.

From everlasting I was firmly set,

from the beginning, before earth came into being.

there were no springs to gush with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills, I came to birth; before he made the earth, the countryside, or the first grains of the world's dust. When he fixed the heavens firm, I was there, when he drew a ring on the surface of the deep, when he thickened the clouds above, when he fixed fast the springs of the deep, when he assigned the sea its boundaries and the waters will not invade the shore – when he laid down the foundations of the earth, I was by his side, a master craftsman, delighting him day after day, ever at play in his presence, at play everywhere in his world, delighting to be with the sons of men.

The deep was not, when I was born,

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaims:

The word of the Lord.

All reply:

Thanks be to God.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 8:4-9. R. v.2

(R.) O Lord, our God,

### how wonderful your name in all the earth!

- 1. When I see the heavens, the work of your hands, the moon and the stars which you arranged, what is man that you should keep him in mind, mortal man that you care for him? (R.)
- 2. Yet you have made him little less than a god; with glory and honour you crowned him, gave him power over the works of your hand, put all things under his feet. (R.)
- All of them, sheep and cattle, yes, even the savage beasts, birds of the air, and fish that make their way through the waters. (R.)

# **Second Reading**

Rom 5:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we

can boast about looking forward to God's glory. But that is not all we can boast about; we can boast about our sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope, and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaims:

The word of the Lord.

All reply:

Thanks be to God.

## Gospel

Reader:

From the holy Gospel according to John.

All

### Glory to you, O Lord.

Jn 16:12-15

Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I still have many things to say to you

but they would be too much for you now.

But when the Spirit of truth comes

he will lead you to the complete truth,

since he will not be speaking as from himself

but will say only what he has learnt;

and he will tell you of the things to come.

He will glorify me,

since all he tells you

will be taken from what is mine.

Everything the Father has is mine;

that is why I said:

All he tells you

will be taken from what is mine.'

Reader:

The Gospel of the Lord.

All

### Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All are seated.

### Reflection on the Word

- Q. Why do some people accuse Christians of worshipping three Gods, not one?
- Q. In what ways do you find three different expressions of God to be helpful?
- Q. What did Jesus mean by saying that the Spirit 'will not be speaking as from himself'?
- Q. Why do many people attribute a feminine quality to the Holy Spirit?
- Q. How would you describe your understanding of the Trinity?

### **Profession of Faith**

Leader

In union with the whole Church let us profess our faith.

All:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

# **Prayers of the Faithful**

Leader: Brothers and sisters, through the love of the Holy Trinity, let us bring our

intentions before God.

Reader: That our father, Pope Francis, will continue to lead the Church in worship of

the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (pause)

In your glory:

### All:Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That leaders who influence our laws and society will promote justice through

the commandments of God. (pause)

In your glory:

### All:Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That all who suffer through slavery and repression may find liberty and

freedom. (pause)

In your glory:

### All:Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That members of our parish community may be true believers in the unity and

love of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (pause)

In your glory:

### All:Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That the sick and housebound will be comforted through the Spirit of truth,

especially those in our community and families. (pause)

In your glory:

### All:Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That through the Holy Trinity, those who have died, will find their home with

the Lord, especially those in our community and families.

(pause)

In your glory:

### All:Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: God our Father, through the Holy Trinity you work marvels for us. Hear our

prayers and help us to honour the gifts you give us through the Father, Son and

Holy Spirit. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

#### All:Amen.

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### The Lord's Prayer

Leader:

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

# **The Concluding Rite**

# **Blessing**

Leader:

May the Lord be with us and protect us now and for ever.

All make the sign of the cross during the blessing.

All

Amen.

### **Dismissal**

Leader:

Let us go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.

All:

#### Thanks be to God.

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