

Volunteer Pastoral Care (Hospitals)

Centacare will begin a new training course in late July 2022 through to May 2023 to equip lay men and women to provide spiritual and pastoral care to people in hospital.

For more information about the role, the training course, timeframes and eligibility criteria, please email : adminpasmin@bne.catholic.net.au or phone Judy Norris on 33243193.

Readings for The Most Holy Trinity C/2

FIRST READING: Prov8:22-31: Wisdom was born before the earth was made.

Ps 8:4-9:R. O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING: Rom5:1-5 : To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit : to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia! (Cf Rev1:8)

GOSPEL: Jn16:12-15 : Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.

Weekly Diary : 13th June 2022 — 19th June 2022

- Monday 13th : 8.00am. Mass Memorial of St Anthony Padua, priest, doctor followed by Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help**
- Wednesday 15th : 9.30am. Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group-Parish Meeting Room**
- Thursday 16th : 9.30am. Mass followed by Rosary**
- Saturday 18th : 5.00pm. : Solemnity, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) C/2**
- Sunday 19th : 7.00 am. + 9.00 am. : Solemnity, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) C/2**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

PRAYER: O Lord Jesus Christ, rest your weary ones, bless your dying ones, soothe your suffering ones, pity your afflicted ones, shield your joyous ones, and all for your love's sake. Amen. (St Augustine)

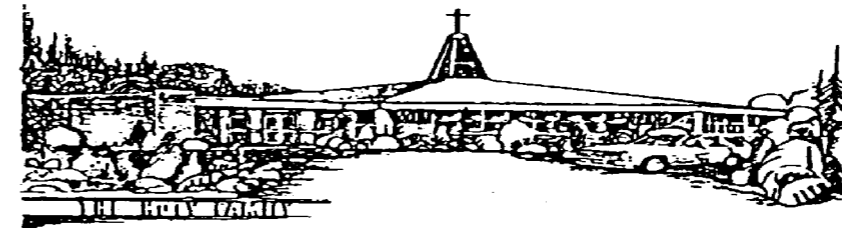
Prayers have been requested for the following :

RECENTLY DECEASED: Vivienne Mitchell, Marie Jean Harrison, Harley Edward Kropp, Marie Kickham

ANNIVERSARIES: Jake Balasabas, Raymond Atama, Carol Martin, Ivy Finn, Anthony Stephens, Fred Betros, Hannah Norman, Tony Stephens, Gene Dale, Angelo de Luca, Ian (Tom) Gibb Edgar

SICK LIST: Thomas Cooper, Geoffrey Eaborn, Margaret Cotton, Frank Balinas, Lavinia Azucena, Marta Szysz, Riley Dodds, Kayden Chong, Ruth Stretton, Gerard Bijoux, Peter O'Rourke, Fr. David Wilson S.M., Rhalda Leonard, Sasha Whelan, Ann Daly, Bernard Murphy, Marie Roberts, Romulo Salilig, Beverly Holley, Orazio Smeralda, Darren Pascoe, Peter Smith (Ashmore), Joe McAloon, Madeline Hodgetts, Marie Turnbull, Christine Kyriakides, George Kyriakides, Morris Lynch, George Docherty, Christina Ang, Sofia Bean, , Shingo Sawabe, Sonia D'Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Juliet Wee, Jean Di Benedetto, Marie Dupois, Abigail O'Donell, Terry Owsnett, Ronald Sincock, Dolares Kelly, Mary McDonnell, Bill Walker, Courtney Blount, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Ken Hannam, Gail Callaghan

HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY



The Most Holy Trinity Year C/2

Sunday 12th June 2022

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Hours:
8.30am—3.00pm
Monday—Tuesday
8.30am-1.00pm
Wednesday-Thursday
(closed FRIDAY)

Reconciliation:
Please contact the Parish Office.

Baptisms
Every 2nd & 4th
Saturday & Sunday at 11am.
Please contact the Parish Office.

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HELLO! From Fr Marty

Loving God, grant once more to men and women
a simple childlike faith.
Forgetting colour and creed
And seeing only the heart's deep need...
For faith alone can save our soul
and lead us to a higher goal,
for there will be one unfailing course-
we win by faith and not by force.
Helen Steiner Rice



We continue to welcome you back to church!!!

Trinity Sunday

G.K. Chesterton once said that one of the reasons he believed in Christianity was because of its belief in the trinity. If Christianity had been made up by human person, it would not have at its very centre a concept that is impossible to grasp or explain: the idea that God exists as one but within in three persons.

How do we understand the trinity? We don't! God, by definition, is ineffable, beyond conceptualization, beyond imagination, beyond language. The Christian belief that God is a trinity helps underscore how rich the mystery of God is and how our experience of God is always richer than our concepts and language about God.

This is already evident in the history of religion. From the very beginning, humans have always had an experience of God and have worshipped God. However, from the very beginning too, humans have also had the sense that God is too rich and too-beyond any one set of categories to be captured in any human conception. Hence most ancient peoples were polytheistic. They believed in many gods and goddess. They experienced divine energy and the need to celebrate divine energy in many different areas of their lives and had gods and goddesses to accommodate that. Thus they had gods and goddesses for every longing and every circumstance, from war, through growing crops, through sex, through understanding why your father wouldn't bless you, there was a god or goddess to whom you could turn.

Sometimes they believed in one supreme god who ultimately ruled over lesser gods and goddesses, but they sensed that divine energy was too rich a reality to be contained in a single being. They believed too that

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sometimes the gods were at war with each other. As well, their gods and goddesses often times messed around within human lives, making special deals with humans, having affairs with them, and sometimes even having children with them.

Many of the most powerful myths ever told arose out of the experience of God's overwhelming richness and the ancient peoples' incapacity to conceptualize God and God's activity in any singular way. Whatever else might be said about polytheism and ancient myths about the gods and goddesses, ancient religious practices and the incredible canon of mythology that these produced speak of how rich, untamed, and beyond simplistic imagination and language is the human experience of God. The ancients believed that their experience pointed to the existence of many deities.

And then a massive shift took place: Judaism, soon followed by Christianity and Islam, introduced the strong, clear, doctrinaire idea that there is only one God. Now all divine power and energy was seen as coming from a single source, monotheism, YHWH, the Father of Jesus, Allah. There were no other gods or goddesses.

But from the time of Jesus' resurrection onwards, Christians began to struggle with simple monotheism. They believed that there is still only one God, but their experience of God demanded that they believe that this God was somehow "three". Stated simply, when Jesus rose from the dead Christians immediately began to attribute divinity to him, yet without identifying him as God the Father. Jesus was understood to be God, but somehow different from God the Father. Moreover, inside of their experience, they sensed still a third divine energy which they couldn't fully identify with either Jesus or God the Father, the Holy Spirit.

This experience left them in a curious and sometimes perplexed state: They were monotheists, God alone was God. Yet, Jesus too was God, as was the Holy Spirit. Their experience of grace and God's action in the world was at odds with their simplistic conception of monotheism.

God was one and yet God was somehow three. How to fit this together? It took Christianity three hundred years to finally arrive at a formula that somehow honoured the richness of the Christian experience of God. The Council of Nicea in 325 gave us the creedal formula we profess today: There is one God in three persons; except they wrote that formula in Greek and the words there state literally that God is one substance in three subsistent relations.

That formula isn't meant to give us perfect clarity. No formula can ever capture the reality of God because God is too rich to ever be captured, even half adequately, in imagination, thought, and word. The God that atheism rejects is precisely a conceptualized God, a God captured in a picture. In the end, atheism is less faithful to human experience than was polytheism which more rightly sensed deity, gods and goddesses, hidden under every rock.

To what does this call us?

To humility. All of us, believers and atheists, need to be more humble in our language about God. The idea of God needs to stretch, not shrink, the human imagination. Our actual experience of God, just as for ancient polytheism, is forever eating away at all simplistic conceptions of God. Thank God, for the complexity of the doctrine of the Trinity!

<https://ronrolheiser.com/the-richness-of-the-mystery-of-god/#.YqEdUS0Rr-Y>

Have a good week everyone.

TRAINING ON CPR AND USE OF DEFIBRILLATOR

Mass coordinators, collectors and counters who are interested in attending this course, please contact Audrey in the Parish Office latest by **next Thursday 16th June 2022**. The course will be held on **Saturday 25th June 2022** from 1.00pm-3.00pm in the Marian Room.

St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal 11th and 12th June 2022

At this weekend's masses, the Holy Family Conference will be conducting our annual Winter Appeal. This appeal is an important source of funding for the conference as it enables us to carry out our vision of "providing a hand up not a hand out" to the people in need in our area.

If you are not attending Mass that weekend and would like to donate you can do so in the following ways.

- ◇ Pick up an Appeal Envelope from the Church or the Parish Office and return it with your donation to the office or put it on any of the collections at Mass. If required, please include details for the receipt.
- ◇ Direct Debit to the Conference bank account; BSB : 064-786, Account Number : 100025973, Account Name : SVDP Holy Family Runaway Bay, Reference : Winter Appeal and your name. If you require a receipt please Email your details to our conference email HF4216@svdpqld.org.au

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you.

Peter Fox
President

Collection Baskets

Taking effect from this weekend, we revert back to using the collection baskets being passed around during the First and Second Collections. Thank you.

Reflection on the Gospel



How can we know God personally and grow in our understanding of his wisdom, truth, and love for us? Jesus made a claim which only God can make - he knows all things - the present and the past, as well as the future. Jesus not only claims to speak the truth, he calls himself the very source of truth when he proclaims that he is the way, the truth and the life (John 14:6). Now Jesus promises to send his disciples the Spirit of truth who will guide them in understanding all that Jesus came to say and do! Jesus tells his disciples that it is the role of the Holy Spirit to reveal what is true. It is through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit, who enlightens our hearts and minds, that we come to understand that the Godhead is a trinity of persons - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Jews understood God as Creator and Father of all that he made (Deuteronomy 32:6) and they understood Israel (the promised son and his heirs) as God's firstborn son (Exodus 4:22). Jesus reveals the true nature of God the Father in an unheard of sense. He is eternally Father by his relationship to his eternal and only-begotten Son, who, reciprocally, is Son only in relation to his Father (see Matthew 11:27). The Spirit, likewise, is inseparably one with the Father and the Son. Jesus reveals the triune nature of God and the inseparable union of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The mission of Jesus and of the Holy Spirit are the same - to reveal the glory of God and to share that glory with us by uniting us in a community of love with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. That is why Jesus tells his disciples that the Spirit will reveal the glory of the Father and the Son and will speak what is true. Before his Passover, Jesus revealed the Holy Spirit as the 'Paraclete' and Helper who will be with Jesus' disciples to teach and guide them "into all the truth" (John 14:17,26; 16:13). The ultimate end, the purpose for which God created us, is the entry of God's creatures into the perfect unity of the blessed Trinity. In baptism we are called to share in the life of the Holy Trinity here on earth in faith and after death in eternal light.