

Saints and Masses this Week

Tuesday 2 June – Ord time wk9, **Wednesday** 3 June – St Charles Lwanga, **Thursday** 4 June – Ord time wk9, **Friday** 5 June – St Boniface, **Saturday** 6 June – Votive BVM2, **Sunday** 7 June – CORPUS CHRISTI

Parish Working With Children Check (WWCC) Thank you to all who have provided copies of their card. If you still need to update your card or obtain one, please see Fr Ashkar and he will do what needs to be done and no cost to you. If you have a WWCC card through another organisation, you do not need to get another, just allow us to get the details for our files.

2026 Collection/Observance Details		
7 June	Propagation of Faith	Catholic Missions

Corpus Christi Procession This Sunday, the feast of Corpus Christi, all people are invited to join Archbishop Peter A Comensoli in sharing the light of Christ at the annual Melbourne Corpus Christi Procession. **The procession begins at 2pm at St Patrick's Cathedral**, moves through the streets of the Melbourne CBD, and concludes at Federation Square.

First Thursday Anointing Mass 9:30am	Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.
First Thursday Baptism Preparation	7:30pm at the presbytery. No bookings required; one session that lasts about an hour; attendance is essential for documentation and before tentative or actual booking.
First Friday Exposition and Adoration	Exposition, silent prayer following the First Friday Mass. Exposition and Litany of the Sacred Heart at 6pm.
First Saturday Devotions 9:30am	Following Saturday morning mass we will hold First Saturday devotions praying for the entire parish and its members.

ONLINE LITURGICAL TRAINING PROGRAMS IN 2026 COMMUNION TO THE SICK TRAINING STARTS 3 JUNE; FEE IS \$65 PER PERSON. SEE WWW.ACU.EDU.AU/PASTORAL. IF INTERESTED CONTACT FR ASHKAR BEFORE REGISTERING.

Pledge to Pray The Vocations Office invites you to 'pledge a prayer' for vocations at www.pledgetoprayer.com.au this is a site dedicated to encouraging prayer for vocations in Australia. Prayer cards can be found next to the Sunday bulletin stand.

Safeguarding The Archdiocese of Melbourne holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God and have an intrinsic right to dignity, respect and security from all forms of harm. We are all being asked to be attentive and protective of those around us.

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MASS TIMES		ROSTERS THIS WEEK	
TUES – SAT	9am at St Mary's	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	
SAT VIGIL	6pm at St Mary's	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
SUNDAY	8:30am Tallarook 10am at St Mary's	M Winnell	E Devanney
MASS PREPARATION		COMMENTATORS/LECTORS	
SATURDAY	SUNDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
C Spykers	R Smart	C Spykers	M Flynn C Crowe
COUNTERS		COLLECTION SUPERVISORS	
D Ring	G Quillinan	SATURDAY C. Spykers W. Spykers	SUNDAY C. Spykers

Thanksgiving Env - \$584

RECENTLY DECEASED We pray for the repose of the souls of Terry Jones, John Heffernan and of all those who have died recently.

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH 31/5-1/6: Michael Voogt, Bernadette Kostopulos

ILLNESSES: We pray for: Anne King, Sonia Willett, Rimon Ashkar, John McMahon, Peter Matthews, Colin Cooper, Jeremy Stokes, Pete Dillon, and all who are suffering from the Corona Virus and all those unwell at the present time, who receive support from our prayers.

6/7 JUN 2026

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sat: M Winnell Sun: T Bolton

LECTORS

Sat: D Mercovich Sun: S Royals S Liddell

MASS PREPARATION

Sat: J Bottaro Sun: S Anderson

COUNTERS: C Mansbridge C Spykers

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (or a hymn) Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 125)

ANTIPHON: Glory and praise for ever!.

RESPONSE: Glory and praise for ever!

LECTOR: You are blest, Lord God of our fathers **R.**

LECTOR: Blest your glorious holy name. **R.**

LECTOR: You are blest in the temple of your glory. **R.**

LECTOR: You are blest on the throne of your kingdom. **R.**

LECTOR: You are blest who gaze into the depths. **R.**

LECTOR: You are blest in the firmament of heaven. **R.**

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!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (or a hymn) Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

TODAY'S READINGS Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18.

NEXT WEEK (The Body and Blood of Christ, Year A) Deut 8:2-3, 14-16; Ps 147; 1 Cor 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

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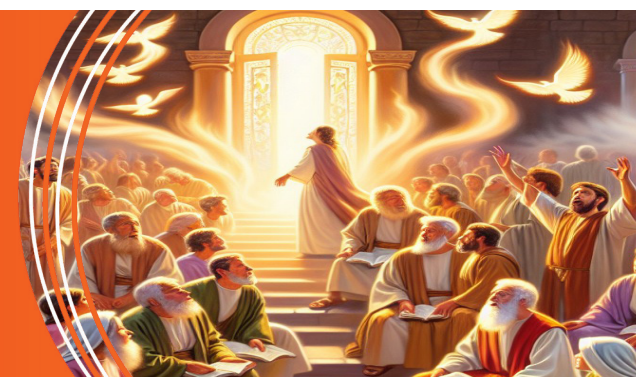
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Overcoming the fear



31 May 2026 Holy Trinity Year A

The feast of the Holy Trinity is a wonderful celebration of the three persons of the Trinity. Indeed, St Therese of Lisieux saw the Trinity as the essence of God's divine loving presence which draws us into life with God.

Each of the three persons of the Trinity inspires us to love - a love which generates new life, incarnates in the fullest expression of humanity, and invites us to be open to ongoing conversion. Nevertheless, each person of the Trinity is not a discrete entity or number in a celestial mathematical equation. Each person of the Trinity is intimately part of each other, for they are interconnected and intertwined by loving relationship.

God is our creator, our Alpha and Omega, lovingly cradling the beginning and end of all life in his hands. God the Father embodies love as source of life. Indeed, "in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1).

Jesus, Son of God, is Love incarnate. Jesus epitomised the words of St Irenaeus: Gloria enim Dei vivens homo - the glory of God is man fully alive. Jesus' intimate communion with his Father and the Holy Spirit enabled him to live a life of utter self-giving love and service.

It was Jesus's loving presence which enabled his disciples to overcome fear. To the anxious disciple, Peter, he said lovingly: "Come," encouraging Peter to step out of the boat and come across the water to Jesus. At his last meal with his closest friends, Jesus reminded

them to "love one another as I have loved you." In a post resurrection appearance, Jesus showed his wounded hands and side to his disciples. He understood their uncertainties and blessed them with his peace. "Peace be with you." His example was a love which embodied communion and solidarity with humanity and which ultimately gave birth to new life.

The Holy Spirit's coming at Pentecost fulfilled Jesus's promise to his disciples of the gift of the Comforter. The spirit "who will teach you all things and bring all things to your remembrance" (John 14:6) is given to us too and helps each one of us to remain open to an ongoing process of conversion. The Spirit nourishes creation and continues to help us birth new life throughout our lives.

In the renowned Holy Trinity icon, iconographer Andrei Rublev depicts three figures - the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit - seated in communion around a table sharing a meal. The scene expresses profound hospitality and loving relationship.

With all of God's children, we pray on this feast of the Holy Trinity for the "the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit" (2 Corinthians 13:11-13) to inspire us to persist in faith, hope, courage and love.

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