

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish

Yarra Junction



The Most Holy Trinity (Year A)

31 May 2026

readings

Next Week

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Deut 8:2-3, 14-16

Ps 14:12-15, 19-20

1 Cor 10: 16-17

Jn 6:51-58

in a nutshell

A God of tenderness. God did not wreak vengeance on the Israelites in the wilderness when they began to worship the golden calf. Rather, God came among them in tenderness and compassion, forgave their sin and restored the covenant. This God became incarnate in Jesus and dwells among us in the Spirit. As we marvel at the unconditional love of God we exclaim: Glory and praise forever!

we pray for

all who are sick or suffering and those parishioners unable to be among us this weekend, especially Pauline Bennett, Paul Latham, Helen O'Kane, Fr Pat Purcell, Margaret Broderick, Fida Rees
For those who have died recently and those whose anniversary occur at this time.

of special note

World Mission Church appeal will be the weekend of 6 & 7 June

More Information inside!

Raise Your Voices

Entrance Antiphon

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

(R.) Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. (R.)

Blest your glorious holy name. (R.)

You are blest in the temple of your glory. (R.)

You are blest on the throne of your kingdom (R.)

You are blest who gaze into the depths. (R.)

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

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

The Parish of Sacred Heart

Parish Priest

REV. MICHEL G CORRIVEAU

Parish Secretary

Janine Meades

Parish Office Hours

Thursday

9:00am-4:00pm

Weekly Schedule

St Thomas a Becket, Yarra Junction

Sunday Mass

Sunday—8:30am

Weekday Mass

Wednesday—9:00am

First Friday—11:30am

Reconciliation

Thursday 6:10pm- 6:40pm

Mount Evelyn: Saturday

11:30am-12:30pm

Exposition

Thursday at 6:00pm

Weddings

Please contact the office

Baptisms

Please see Father after Mass

Parish Primary School

St Josephs

Principal: Nick Boyhan

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www.siyarrajunction.catholic.edu.au

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Child Safety

Child Safety is everyone's responsibility. Our Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, and vulnerable people in our community.

Remember children should be accompanied by an adult to the toilets.

Safeguarding Committee

Fr Michel
Janine Meades
Michael Fahey
Paul Latham
Enzo Torresan
Nino Troiani

Bulletin notices by 12:00 noon Thursday
mountevelyn@cam.org.au

Parish Meetings: July 1
6:00 p.m. Wednesday

SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH

Your financial support can be made via:

- Cash using the stewardship envelopes—call the office for information on how to become a contributor
- Direct Debit BSB 083347 **Sacred Heart Church**: 670642723, Presbytery: 649237379
- Use the QR Code on this page
- The website <https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/upperyarravalley> and choose where you are donating: church, presbytery, maintenance.



Parish Notices

Safeguarding Compliance for Volunteers

Our aim is to have full compliance by the end of June. A reminder that all volunteers need:

- a Working With Children Check or VIT registration, and the Parish should be linked to this via the appropriate website
- To have signed the Code of Conduct
- To have completed the on-line training

Thank you to those of you who have completed the process. Reminder emails will be sent in early June.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

And so our Redeemer's visible presence has passed into the sacraments. Our faith is nobler and stronger because sight has been replaced by a doctrine whose authority is accepted by believing hearts, enlightened from on high. This faith was increased by the Lord's ascension and strengthened by the gift of the Spirit; it would remain unshaken by fetters and imprisonment, exile and hunger, fire and ravening beasts, and the most refined tortures ever devised by brutal persecutors. (Pope St. Leo the Great)

We all sin, but we do not all acknowledge our sins. In his encyclical "Reconciliation and Penance", Pope St. John Paul II suggests that the defining sin of modern times is "the loss of the sense of sin".

Adoration, spend time in the presence of the Holy Eucharist: Yarra Junction: Thursday 6:00pm. Mount Evelyn: Tuesday 5:10pm, Friday 8:10am. Confessions available during Adoration.

Stewardship Corner

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son..." JOHN 3:16

Is your love conditional? Is there a price others have to pay to receive your love and forgiveness? Are you generous with your time, skills, money and possessions? If you give someone something, do you expect something in return? Do you give your time freely or do you "fit it in" when it's convenient for you? God desires a personal relationship with us so much that He gave us His Son, unconditionally! Pray for a grateful and generous heart.

Propagation of the Faith Appeal—next weekend.

One in Christ - United in Mission

For Yamikani*, getting to school means walking long distances in pain, often without enough food or strength to make the journey. For many families in vulnerable and remote areas like rural Malawi, education has become an impossible choice. But there is hope. Led by Fr Matthew Semba, a new primary school is being built, offering children a safe place to learn, grow, and look ahead with renewed possibility. This World Mission Month, you are invited to share in this mission, standing with families as they rebuild their lives and create a brighter future for their children. *Name changed for privacy

Envelopes are available this weekend to be returned next weekend.

Catholic Theological College

Online Information Session: Explore Philosophy, Theology, and Ministry-related courses

Monday 15 June at 7pm (AEST) Register via our website: ctc.edu.au/information-session

Pray for Persecuted Christians in Nigeria

Christians in Nigeria continue to suffer greatly for their faith, yet many persevere with deep trust in Christ and devotion to Our Lady. *Aid to the Church in Need* invites you to join with John, a Catholic farmer in Nigeria, in praying a decade of the Rosary this week for persecuted Christians and all who suffer for their faith.

Watch John's moving testimony and **download a free Red Rosary Prayer Card** to unite your prayers with the suffering Church throughout the world.

Scan the QR code or visit www.rebrand.ly/RedRosary26

Feast of St. Anthony and the Blessing of Bread –14 June

As has become a custom at St Mary's, we will have the Blessing of St. Anthony's Bread. The actual name of "St. Anthony's Bread" came from a French woman named Louise Bouffier in 1890, who promised loaves of bread for the poor when St. Anthony helped her with opening the broken lock of her small linen shop. After his help, her shop was the basis of St. Anthony's Bread. Come and celebrate at the 10:30 Mass. Delicious filled paninis will be available for a donation after the mass. All welcome.

Need to Dispose of a Vehicle? - Support Lifeboat

Disposal of a car from a deceased estate, or when a family member has had to relinquish their licence or go into residential care, can be a challenging process - getting a roadworthy, taking photos to advertise on the internet, cleaning and polishing, taking calls (if they come), even garaging it until a prospective buyer turns up (if indeed they do!).

If you need to dispose of a vehicle either from a deceased estate or which is no longer required, please consider gifting it to the "Lifeboat Geelong Foundation", a registered charity with tax deductible status which for nine years has been providing pastoral and practical support to nearly 150 victims / survivors of church-related sexual abuse. Many of these suffer post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and have limited or no employment. A donated vehicle could vastly improve their quality of life. If you would like to explore the possibility of gifting a potentially suitable vehicle to "Lifeboat", contact Fr. Kevin Dillon (0421 777 360, or frkdillon@outlook.com.au)

Pope Leo's Encyclical on AI

It's been a big week in the Catholic Church—and the world of technology—as Pope Leo XIV [released his much anticipated first encyclical, *Magnifica humanitas*](#), on Monday evening. In a deeply considered and wide-ranging document, he draws on the Church's rich understanding of human dignity and the common good to make a compelling case for prioritising 'magnificent humanity' in our response to the many significant challenges posed by AI.

This weekend's giggle!

AI won't replace humans anytime soon.
Who else would click "I'm not a robot"?

Why was the computer cold?
It left Windows open!

What's the opposite of artificial intelligence?
Natural stupidity!

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Readings Reflection

[How God Loves](#)

We often begin Mass with the prayer from today's Epistle: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you." We praise the God who has revealed Himself as a Trinity, a communion of persons.

Communion with the Trinity is the goal of our worship—and the purpose of the salvation history that begins in the Bible and continues in the Eucharist and sacraments of the Church.

We see the beginnings of God's self-revelation in today's First Reading, as He passes before Moses and cries out His holy name. Israel had sinned in worshipping the golden calf (see Exodus 32). But God does not condemn them to perish. Instead, He proclaims His mercy and faithfulness to His covenant.

God loved Israel as His firstborn son among the nations (see Exodus 4:22). Through Israel—heirs of His covenant with Abraham—God planned to reveal Himself as the Father of all nations (see Genesis 22:18).

The memory of God's covenant testing of Abraham—and Abraham's faithful obedience—lies behind today's Gospel.

In commanding Abraham to offer his only beloved son (see Genesis 22:2, 12, 16), God was preparing us for the fullest possible revelation of His love for the world.

As Abraham was willing to offer Isaac, God did not spare His own Son but handed Him over for us all (see Romans 8:32).

In this, He revealed what was only disclosed partially to Moses—that His kindness continues for a thousand generations, that He forgives our sin, and that He takes us back as His very own people (see Deuteronomy 4:20; 9:29).

Jesus humbled himself to die in obedience to God's will. And for this, the Spirit of God raised Him from the dead (see Romans 8:11), and gave Him a name above every name (see Philippians 2:8–10).

This is the name we glorify in today's Responsorial—the name of our Lord, the God who is Love (see 1 John 4:8, 16).

[Dr. Scott Hahn](#)
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The Mystery of the Blessed Trinity as “three Persons in one God”

Jesus came and said to [the eleven disciples], “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” (Mt 28.19)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. (2 Cor 13.14)

Because it is a mystery, the Blessed Trinity is impossible to understand by reason alone. By faith we can affirm the truths about the Blessed Trinity that have been divinely revealed to us and handed down to us through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition.

The Blessed Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian Faith, the very source and light of all other mysteries of Faith. As such, it is the most fundamental and indispensable truth of Christianity, one that has been revealed to the Church and articulated by her through her reflection upon Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition.

The Most Holy Trinity is one God in three divine Persons. The Father is God, the Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God, and each is of the same divine “substance,” “essence,” or “nature.” They are differentiated as three Persons only in their relationship to one another: “It is the Father who generates, the Son who is begotten, and the Holy Spirit who proceeds.” (Lateran Council IV). Yet we ought not attempt to distinguish the three Persons of the Blessed Trinity by their perceived “functions,” as though it is the Father alone who creates, the Son alone who redeems, and the Spirit alone who sanctifies. All three are united in will and share in all divine works.

As is the case with all mysteries of faith, truths such as that of the Blessed Trinity are impossible to grasp with our finite, human minds. “In addition to things to which natural reason can attain, mysteries hidden in God are proposed to us for belief which, had they not been divinely revealed, could not become known” (*Dei Filius*, 4). We accept them on faith because it has been revealed to us as such, thus allowing faith to elevate our power of human reason to receive and come to know the other truths of Divine Revelation that have been entrusted to and handed on by the Church.

The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity on the first Sunday after Pentecost.

From the Didache Bible

234 The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in himself. It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them. It is the most fundamental and essential teaching in the “hierarchy of the truths of faith.” The whole history of salvation is identical with the history of the way and the means by which the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, reveals himself to men “and reconciles and unites with himself those who turn away from sin.”

237 The Trinity is a mystery of faith in the strict sense, one of the “mysteries that are hidden in God, which can never be known unless they are revealed by God.” To be sure, God has left traces of his Trinitarian being in his work of creation and in his Revelation throughout the Old Testament. But his inmost Being as Holy Trinity is a mystery that is inaccessible to reason alone or even to Israel’s faith before the Incarnation of God’s Son and the sending of the Holy Spirit.

240 Jesus revealed that God is Father in an unheard-of sense: he is Father not only in being Creator; he is eternally Father in relation to his only Son, who is eternally Son only in relation to his Father: “No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and any one to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.”

241 For this reason the apostles confess Jesus to be the Word: “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God”; as “the image of the invisible God”; as the “radiance of the glory of God and the very stamp of his nature.”

242 Following this apostolic tradition, the Church confessed at the first ecumenical council at Nicaea (325) that the Son is “consubstantial” with the Father, that is, one only God with him. The second ecumenical council, held at Constantinople in 381, kept this expression in its formulation of the Nicene Creed and confessed “the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, light from light, true God from true God, begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father.”

243 Before his Passover, Jesus announced the sending of “another Paraclete” (Advocate), the Holy Spirit. At work since creation, having previously “spoken through the prophets,” the Spirit will now be with and in the disciples, to teach them and guide them “into all the truth.” The Holy Spirit is thus revealed as another divine person with Jesus and the Father.

244 The eternal origin of the Holy Spirit is revealed in his mission in time. The Spirit is sent to the apostles and to the Church both by the Father in the name of the Son, and by the Son in person, once he had returned to the Father. The sending of the person of the Spirit after Jesus’ glorification reveals in its fullness the mystery of the Holy Trinity.

245 The apostolic faith concerning the Spirit was confessed by the second ecumenical council at Constantinople (381): “We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father.” By this confession, the Church recognizes the Father as “the source and origin of the whole divinity.” But the eternal origin of the Spirit is not unconnected with the Son’s origin: “The Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity, is God, one and equal with the Father and the Son, of the same substance and also of the same nature.... Yet he is not called the Spirit of the Father alone, ... but the Spirit of both the Father and the Son.” The Creed of the Church from the Council of Constantinople confesses: “With the Father and the Son, he is worshipped and glorified.”

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church