

Saint Mary's Catholic Church

Mount Evelyn



The Most Holy Trinity (Year B)

26 May 2024

Readings

Next Week

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

Ex 24:3-8

Ps 115:12-13, 15-18

Heb 9:11-15

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

in a nutshell

Chosen to be God's own. On this feast of the Holy Trinity we pause to reflect on the great mystery of God, 'by whose word the heavens were made, by the breath whose mouth all the stars' (Ps 32). What is perhaps most marvellous is the way this God of majesty and power has drawn so close to us. In Jesus, God assumed the human condition. In the Spirit, we have become God's children able to address God by the intimate title, 'Abba, Father!'

we pray for

all who are sick or suffering and those parishioners unable to be among us this weekend: Harry & Dorothy Heering, Frankie Petinella. For those who have died recently: Charlie Booth, and all those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

of special note

National Pilgrimage
"In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop." in October

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

The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R.)

With his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars. He spoke; and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being. (R.)

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. (R.)

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. (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 St Mary's

Parish Priest

REV. MICHEL G CORRIVEAU

Parish Secretary

Janine Meades

Parish Office Hours

Thursday

9:00am-4:00pm

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Mass

Saturday—6:30pm (EST)

5:00pm (EDST)

Sunday—10:30am & 5:00pm

Weekday Mass & Rosary

Tuesday—9:00am

Thursday—9:00am

Friday—9:00am

Rosary prayed before morning Mass

Reconciliation

Saturday—11:30am-12:30pm

Friday—8:10am-8:40am

Exposition

Friday at 8:00am

Weddings

Please contact the office

Baptisms

Please see Father after Mass

Parish Primary School

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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 family member to the toilet.

Safeguarding Committee

Fr Michel
Janine Meades
Alan Somers
Sue Van der Linden
Karla Zmegac

SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH



Car Parking –WEEKDAY Masses

Please use available car parks for Mass rather than the front of the church leaving the front for the truly disabled.

Do you need a Helping Hand?

Ring the St Vinnies Call Centre 1800 305 330
Monday - Friday 10am to 3pm, St Mary's
Conference 0427 874 374 or Alan Somers
0419 134 300

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

For positions vacant within the Diocese
visit:
<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Regular Gardening/Working Bee—8:00 – 10:00 am Saturday May 18

Thank you to the volunteers who turn up to assist with the maintenance of the grounds around the church.

Parish Meetings: Tuesday, June

Finance Committee 7:00pm
Parish Safeguarding 7:30pm
Parish Council 8:00pm

Parish Notices

Funeral Tuesday, 28 May

A Rosary and funeral Mass will be celebrated at St Mary's for Charlie Booth on Tuesday beginning at 11:00am.

Supporting the Parish

As Collections are no longer taken up during Mass there are a number of ways to contribute to the financial viability of the Parish:

- Cash donations can be posted in the labelled boxes in the narthex
- Tap and Go terminals
- Via the QR code on this page
- Direct Debit BSB 083347 **Church:** 648531736, **Presbytery:** 649237379
- To donate via the Stewardship Program notify the office.

Stewardship Envelopes

Please note envelopes for either Parish can be placed in the collection and will find their way to the correct account.

April Thanksgiving/Stewardship Report

Total income: \$4176.50 Total Expenditure: \$5054.33

Stewardship Corner

"The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ..." - Romans 8:16-17

If we are heirs to the kingdom of God, shouldn't we work to build up His kingdom? Shouldn't we be good stewards of our inheritance, using our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to care for the Church that God has left to us? Our Church is a treasured heirloom from God. Do we treat it that way?

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

The greatest love story ever told is contained in the Sacred Host. Here we see His glory in the depth of His humility, for God whom created the whole world and whom the whole world cannot contain, contains Himself in the Blessed Sacrament for love of us. We are privileged in being called to adore Him. (Archbishop Venerable Fulton Sheen)

The Sacrament of Confession is an important step to seeking forgiveness for your sins. It is also a beautiful opportunity to strengthen your connection with God and receive His graces through the sacrament. (Catholic World Mission)

Adoration: Friday morning 8:00am. Yarra Junction Thursday 6:00pm (first Thursday Warburton). Confessions available during Adoration.

World Mission May Rosary Prayers

For more information see noticeboard or visit the parish website.

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National Pilgrimage 15th - 26th of October 2024: "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop."

Join us on this profound journey, tracing the path of the Australian trailblazer, Mary MacKillop. This pilgrimage invites you to explore sacred sites integral to her inspiring story. Through prayer and reflection, connect with the essence and spirituality of Mary MacKillop as she dedicated herself to addressing needs with compassion. Witness first-hand how her legacy continues to thrive in Australia and overseas.

Reserve your spot today and be part of a pilgrimage resonating with the spirit of compassion, courage, and faith. Don't miss the chance to enrich your life with the remarkable story of Mary MacKillop and contribute to her legacy.

For more information: Phone 0289124818,

Email: national.Pilgrimage@mmp.org.au

Website: www.marymackillopplace.org.au

Catholic Theological College Online Information Session

Monday 17 June at 7.30pm (AEST)

Register via our website: ctc.edu.au/information-session

For more information contact: Dr Maureen Saclot
ctc@ctc.edu.au

World Children's Day.

Pope Francis inaugurated the first World Children's Day which takes place this weekend in Rome. The initiative responds to the question: What kind of world do we want to leave to the children who are growing up now?

His message to children to remind them that each individual is precious. He reminds us parents and grandparents of the indispensable roles we play in the lives of our young ones.

The pope's message is a timely reminder that our role as parents is far more than just providing shelter and sustenance. It encompasses the holistic development of our children—physically, emotionally, and spiritually. The Bible instructs us, "Train children in the right way, and when old, they will not stray." (Proverbs 22:6). This scriptural wisdom underscores the importance of instilling values and faith in our children from an early age.

Something to bring a smile...

This weekend Pope Francis is hosting children from around the world for the first ever World Children's Day. To celebrate the occasion, here are some kids' jokes. A warning: some are rather corny!

Why did an old man fall in a well? Because he couldn't see that well!

Why are elevator jokes so good? They work on so many levels.

What did one plate say to the other? Dinner is on me!

What did the mama cow say to the calf?
It's pasture bedtime!

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Readings Reflection

[Family of Love](#)

Last Sunday, we celebrated the sending of the Spirit, which sealed God's new covenant and made a new creation.

In this new creation, we live in the family of God, who has revealed himself as a Trinity of love. We share in His divine nature through His Body and Blood (see 2 Peter 1:4). This is the meaning of the three feasts that cap the Easter season— Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, and Corpus Christi.

These feasts should be intimate reminders of how deeply God loves us, how He chose us, from before the foundation of the world, to be His children (see Ephesians 1:4–5).

Today's readings illuminate how all God's words and works were meant to prepare for the revelation of the Trinity and God's blessing in Jesus Christ—the blessing we inherited in Baptism, and renew in each Eucharist.

By God's word the heavens and earth were filled with His kindness, we sing in today's Psalm. Out of love, God called Abraham and chose his descendants to be His own people, Moses says in today's First Reading (see Deuteronomy 4:20,37). Through the Israelites, He revealed to the nations that He alone is Lord and there is no other.

In Jesus, God's word took flesh as a son of Abraham (see Matthew 1:1). And Jesus reveals in the Gospel today that the one God is Father, Son, and Spirit, and that He desires to make all people His own.

As He led Israel out of Egypt, God freed us from slavery, Paul says in today's Epistle. As He adopted Israel (see Romans 9:4), He gives us the Spirit by which we can know Him as "Our Father."

As God's heirs, we receive the commissions of Moses and Jesus today. We are to fix our hearts on Him, and to observe all that He has commanded. The Eucharist is His pledge—that He will be with us until the end, that He will deliver us from death to live forever in the promised land of His kingdom.

[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.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church