

## FIRST READING

*A reading from the book of Exodus*  
34:4-6, 8-9

With the two tablets of stone in his hand, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there. He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

*The Word of the Lord.*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*R./ Glory and praise forever!*

## SECOND READING

*A reading from the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians* 13:11-13

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

*The Word of the Lord.*

## 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!*

## GOSPEL

*A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John* 3:16-18

Jesus said to Nicodemus,  
'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned' but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

### Inspiration:

*"Our Lord does not come down from Heaven every day to lie in a golden ciborium. He comes to find another heaven which is infinitely dearer to him - the heaven of our souls, created in His Image, the living temples of the Adorable Trinity."*

*St Therese of Lisieux*



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## **TRINITY SUNDAY - Year A**

**10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2017**

*Heavenly Father,  
complete within us the work of Your love,  
so that we who are in communion with Christ  
may come to share fully  
the undying life He lives with You,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.*



## **FOCUS ON THE READINGS**

The focus of our reading is the experience of God acting in our lives in various ways. We have no adequate language for God, because God is beyond any single image we may have. We experience God in Jesus Christ who shares with us His experience of God – as creator, as redeemer, and as a person of intimate relationship. Our experience of this relationship is the Spirit of God living in us.

In the second reading, Paul tells us that because we live in the Holy Spirit, and because we are brothers and sisters of Christ, we are children of God. We too can enjoy the intimate relationship that Jesus called "Abba."

In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples to preach, baptize and teach in the name of God – the God who is intimate like a parent (Father), who comes as Saviour (Son) and who lives within us (Holy Spirit).

## **FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK**

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June St Anthony of Padua

***I have come that you may have life and have it to the full***  
***(John 10:10)***

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**St. Joseph's College** 9758 2000  
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**Mater Christi College** 9754 6611  
Principal: Mary Fitz-Gerald

**MASS TIMES:**  
Saturday 6:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am  
Tuesday 7.00 pm  
Wednesday & Thursday 9.15 am  
Friday 11.00 am

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays at 5.15 pm

**BAPTISMS:**  
Either during a weekend Mass or at 12.30pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month.  
6 weeks' notice required. Please refer to our Guidelines for Infant Baptism on our Website. Contact the Parish Office on 9758 1029 or via email at office@stjohnthebaptist.net.au

**WEDDINGS:**  
By appointment, 6 months' notice required. Saturdays or weekdays (not Sundays). Contact the Parish Office on 9758 1029.

**Trinity Sunday - Year A**  
**10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2017**

**PRAYING FOR ...**

*All who have died recently:*

**We remember the anniversaries of:**  
Ross Jackson, Justin Walker, Hugh Crowe, Amparo Judit, Anne Yeo, David Ritchie, Federico, Angelo and Silvia Zaro, Luigi, Damiano, Margherita and Jilda Coviello.

**Prayers for the sick** – Fr Jerry Breen SDB, Keith Scutt, Peter Commons, Wilma Neville, Mary Brimelow, Steve Reid, Ron Prince, Patricia Quinn, Charles Kelly, Bonnie Williams, Kathleen Hatton, Edward Kitain, Scott Warner, Grace Gamley, Lilian Luiyf, Kayden McDevitt, David Merton, Rosa Jones, Peter Mitchell, Jemma Du Buisson Perrine, Lisa Whittaker, Brock McAvaney, Beryl Turner, Bernard Guerin, Michael Byrne, Ann Jayawardena, Mary Edmunds, Anabelyn Malabed, Fran Middlebrook, Miep Wirth, Ethel Arrowsmith, Eillien Patrick, Brendan Kearns, Elsie Johnson, Jill Neville, Maria Iaconis, Bev McNamara Anthony McNamara, Victoria Lewis, Nicole Moore, Peter Fairhurst, Hans Whitaker, Edward Osborne, Charles Gatt, Allida Serafin, Barbara Kenny, Clive Geach.

**GROUP ROSARY SESSION FOR PEACE**

Date: *Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> July, at 10.30 am*  
Venue: 37 Lane Road, FTG. All are welcome.  
Contact: Pauline Barlow.

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** We meet *every Tuesday at 10.05 am* in the Parish Hall for praise and worship, inspiring teaching and prayer ministry. All are warmly welcome. Enquiries: Tineke 9763 1096, Judy 9752 2986 or Andrew 9755 2443.

**MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP:** Come and join with mothers, grandmothers, spiritual mothers and godmothers, to pray together on *Tuesdays from 9 am to 10 am* during school term in the Parish Centre. For enquiries, contact the office.

**FRIENDSHIP GATHERING:** Come and join us this Thursday **and every Thursday between 10 am and 1 pm** in the Parish hall for friendly card playing and a chat over a cup of tea or coffee. All are welcome.



**Congratulations** to all the children receiving the Eucharist for the first time this weekend. *Our Parish community wishes you every blessing for this significant step in your Christian initiation.*

**MELBOURNE CATHOLICS:** June copy now available in the church foyer for \$4 a copy.

**LECTORS' ROSTER:** A new roster is being prepared for July-September. Could those who are currently on the roster please notify the office if they are unavailable during that period or if there are any other changes required. If you would like to read at Mass please contact Stephanie before 19<sup>th</sup> June on 97585497 or via email: smhorgen@gmail.com. You may consider sharing the role by reading just one of the readings. Students in Years 11 and 12 are welcome to take part in this ministry. Rosters and guidelines will be available on the weekend 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June.

**MATER CHRISTI COLLEGE:** Everyone is welcome to the next scheduled tour departing at 10am on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Mater Christi College is a vibrant, inclusive and warm community where girls, build friendships, feel safe and become intelligent and reflective learners. For more information, or to arrange a personal tour, contact Kylie Lee on 9754 6611. Enrolments for Year 7 2019 will close on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

**DON BOSCO CAMP, SAFETY BEACH** – A Catholic winter holiday program for young people, 9-13yo (Junior) and 13-16yo (Senior), during upcoming school holidays. A fun, exciting holiday for all, regardless of financial circumstances, in a safe and supportive environment. For more information visit [www.donboscocamp.org.au](http://www.donboscocamp.org.au) or call 03 5987 2692.

**MEDITATION ON JESUS:** Meditation through breathing exercises and gentle postures for healing and well-being of body, mind and soul, guided by Fr Gilbert Carlo SVD, at Janssen Spirituality Centre, 22 Woodvale Road, Boronia. From 10.30-11.45am on Fridays June 26, 30, July 14, 28 and Saturdays June 10, 14, July 8 and 22. RSVP 9762 6625. Cost by donation.

**Baptism: Congratulations to Jackson Brian Carroll**, son of Amanda and Nicholas, who will be baptised this weekend. *The Church of God welcomes you with great joy.*

**FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:** On the trolleys is Carolyn's reflection on the Trinity. Please feel free to take a copy home.

**FEAST OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST:** On 24<sup>th</sup> June we celebrate the Feast day of the Birth of Saint John the Baptist. Would you like to know more about our Patron Saint? Carolyn Sombekke will be presenting a slide show on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June from 7pm-8pm** where you are invited to come and hear his interesting history. The presentation will be in the parish centre meeting room followed by a light supper. Please let the parish office know if you would like to attend.

**LINEN ROSTER:** The new linen roster is now ready for collection in the church foyer. Thank you for your commitment to this church ministry.

**WINTER BLANKET APPEAL:** Support those less fortunate this winter. Donate your blankets at your nearest Le Pine Funeral Parlour located at 1096 Burwood Highway Ferntree Gully, and it will be delivered to those in need.

<b>ROSTERS:</b> <b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June to Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2017</b>	
<b>Flowers</b>	Anne & Connie
<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>6pm:</b> Kiara, Nicholas
<b>Linen</b>	Laurel
<b>Welcomers</b>	<b>6pm:</b> Peter G <b>9am:</b> Sue W, Thelma <b>11am:</b> Kath, Andrew, Maria
<b>Lectors</b>	<b>6pm:</b> Stephanie <b>9am:</b> Peter F <b>11am:</b> Carolyn S
<b>Counters</b>	Peter, Dawn, George, Genevieve
<b>Gardeners</b>	Barry

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[www.cam.org.au/Jobs.aspx](http://www.cam.org.au/Jobs.aspx)