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SUNDAY 26 MAY 2024

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

YEAR B

ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm
Closed 12:00pm – 12:30pm

SUNDAY

8:00am Mass
10:00am Mass

MONDAY

No Mass and Office closed.

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY

9:00am Mass
Novena to St. Padre Pio
9:30am Sacrament of Penance
5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass

BAPTISMS

11:30am 1st, 2nd, and 3rd
Sundays. Please contact the
Parish Office. Presentation and
Baptism Information mornings
are held every 4th Sunday.

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

8:00pm – 9:00am Saturday Mass
3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet

CHILDREN'S YOUTH GROUP

For children: Year 1 to Year 8.
Every 1st & 3rd Saturday
4.30pm-5.30pm in school hall

FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

9:30am – 11:30am 0-6 years
Bethany Catholic Primary School
Hall. Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish Office.

After many weeks of being in the extraordinary times of Lent and Eastertide, we return to Ordinary Time after celebrating the feast of Pentecost last week.

This Sunday however, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. On this great Solemnity of the Church, we are invited to live in the awareness of the presence of the Triune God who is always close to us – the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Whilst perhaps one of the most theologically complex doctrines of the Church, the Holy Trinity is the most central mystery of our Christian faith and life. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that the Holy Trinity is one, that the divine Persons are distinct from one another, and that the divine Persons are relative to one another (CCC #253-255). We profess this every time we say the creed, "I believe in one God..." This doctrine can seem quite difficult to comprehend and this is why we call it a mystery of our faith.

Saint John Paul II shares some very beautiful words as he describes the Holy Trinity, "A great mystery, a mystery of love, an ineffable mystery, before which words must give way to the silence of wonder and worship. A divine mystery that challenges and involves us, because a share in the Trinitarian life was given to us through grace, through the redemptive Incarnation of the Word and the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Despite this mystery, we are still called to have a living relationship with all three Persons of the Holy Trinity – the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit and to share that love with those around us.

May each time we make the Sign of the Cross prayer, a visible expression of our Trinitarian faith, remind us of God's love for us, the sacrifice that Jesus made to give us salvation and the presence of the Holy Spirit within us.

May God bless you,
Fr. Mathew CRS.

"My hope, O Lord, is in you. You are my Way, my Truth, my Life; my one and supreme good. Help me to never lose sight of my ultimate destination or be detoured by the maze of slogans clamouring for my attention. Keep my heart and my gaze fixed on you, who give meaning to everything in and around me."

— **Pope Paul VI**

ST. RITA OF CASCIA

Feast day: 22 May



St. Rita was the daughter of parents, both nearing middle age at the time of her birth. The father and mother of Rita were themselves very pious, and from their laudable habit of composing the quarrels and differences among their neighbours, they were known as the

"Peacemakers of Jesus Christ." Little Rita as she grew up, seems to have acquired a great deal of this spirit of the supernatural, for she showed little if any inclination for games, seeking her recreation chiefly in prayer and visits to sacred shrines. It is not surprising to learn that Rita, as she neared womanhood, felt that her vocation lay in the convent rather than in that of domestic life.

We are not aware of the circumstances that led her parents to oppose this apparently obvious course, but oppose it they did, and Rita submitted, even so far as to please them by marrying a man whom all accounts describe as exceedingly bad-tempered and something worse! It is the teaching of the Church that the grace of the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony, if corresponded with by a good life, works miracles, almost, in the way of establishing and perpetuating conjugal happiness. Acerbities of temper, temperamental differences, and all the other difficulties arising out of the necessary variations of human nature, are, under God's influence, toned down and adjusted, provided always Holy Mass, prayer and the sacraments are not forgotten—for "whosoever two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

So, Rita tamed her rough spouse, and for two-and-twenty years lived harmoniously (concorditer) with a husband who, like most quarrelsome individuals in the days when sword and stiletto ever sharp, hung from every Italian gentleman's belt, perished in a feud...This usually meant a prolonged vendetta, and, of course, the two sons of the dead man at once took up the quarrel. Meantime, poor Rita was in despair, and finding her expostulations useless to prevent further effusion of blood, she had recourse to prayer, earnestly beseeching God to take her boys from this world rather than permit them to live on stained by homicide. The mother's prayer was heard, and the two youths shortly afterwards died edifying deaths, forgiving their father's slayer and resigned to God.

The way was now clear' for our Saint to satisfy her long yearning for a conventual life. After due consideration, she applied to be "accepted" by the Augustinian nuns at Cascia...The new postulant entered upon her life in religion with characteristic zeal and thoroughness...The Passion of Our Lord was her constant meditation, and while recalling the manifold sufferings of the Man of Sorrows, she often seemed to be carried away by mingled grief & devotion...

The last years of the Saint were marked by a most painful and lingering illness—cancer doubtless—which as in the case of all her other seeming misfortunes she employed as another means of forwarding her greater sanctification. At the approach of death, she received with wonderful fervour the last rites of the Church, and then, as it is piously believed, at the call of Our Lady, she breathed forth her spotless soul to God on 20th May 1456.

The sacred remains long after death yielded a most sweet and refreshing odour, and many miracles have been recorded as the fruit of her powerful intercession. She has since been known as "La Santa de los impossibles!" She was Beatified by Clement XII and on 24th May 1900, Pope Leo XIII enrolled her name among the Saints.

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ST. PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

THIS SUNDAY: SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Please pray for the children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday at 2pm. May the Holy Spirit continue to be their guide as He fills them with His Sevenfold Gifts.

Sunday 26 May: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, Yr. B

Monday 27 May: St. Augustine of Canterbury, *Bishop*

Wednesday 29 May: St. Paul VI, *Pope*

Friday 31 May: Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday 01 June: St. Justin, *Martyr*

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

Would you come and spend an hour with Jesus?

When: Friday, 07 June.

8:00pm: All-night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins

3:00am: The Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:00am: Adoration concludes on Saturday with 9am Mass & Novena to St. Padre Pio. We encourage all parishioners to add their name to the sign-up sheet on the Welcome table.

NEXT SUNDAY is THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Corpus Christi) Year B

Ex 24:3-8. Ps 115:12-13, 15-18. Heb 9:11-15. Mk 14:12-16, 22-26.

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 28 May. **Place:** Mel & Eric Ruiz.

Date: Tuesday 04 June. **Place:** Maria & Edgar Castro.

LEGION OF MARY meeting every Thursday, 5.30pm in the meeting room.

BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL FOR CATHOLIC CARE'S PROJECT ELIZABETH:

When: 08 & 09 June

Will you strengthen the dignity of struggling mums? Your compassionate generosity and prayers will provide struggling mums with the practical and emotional support they need to overcome adversity and build a better future for themselves and their families. Thank you for your generosity.

WALK WITH CHRIST (Corpus Christi) PROCESSION

The Walk with Christ annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney exists to make a joyful public proclamation and act of worship towards the person of Jesus Christ (as King), and to invoke His blessing upon the city. Please join in.

When: Next Sunday 02 June, 2.30pm, cnr Martin Pl & Pitt St, Sydney (Festival from 1pm at Martin Place)

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST:

MINISTRY TO THE SICK IN HOSPITALS

Are you interested in bringing Holy Communion to the Sick in the Hospitals of the Diocese? Formation will be provided and it is on a roster basis. Please email: bernard.ellis@catholiccarewsbm.org.au by 15 June

DIOCESAN NEWS: NATURAL FERTILITY SYMPTO-THERMAL METHOD OF FAMILY PLANNING

INTRODUCTION SESSION. **When:** Tuesday 28 May, 7.15pm-8.15pm via Zoom. The Sympto-Thermal Method is 99.6% effective in postponing pregnancy and helps couples identify the best time to achieve pregnancy! For more information, contact Catherine on 0400 427 605 catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org

MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

Deceased: Francis Farrugia & Holy Souls in Purgatory. **Prayers for the Sick:** Mario Cauchi, Alona Alcaraz, Adrienne Auld, Trent Moore, Bernadette Tecson, Ernesto Modelo, Joselito Canaria, Lynn Navarro, Kim Baluyot, Jasmine Arada, Maricris Palencia, Yvonne Videla, Alejandra Modelo, Emily & Danilo Rosales, Georgina Rastegorac, Maryrose Vella, Catherine Vella. **Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered.**

ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK ONE – FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 01/02 JUNE

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Trudi Almeida	Lynn Young	Regina Rossetto
ACOLYTE SENIOR SERVER	Billy Layug Lya Layug Kylie Sultana Tracy Amituanai	Khalid Younan Gilbert Grech Brady Fisher	Chris Hersey Manny Medel
READER	1. help needed 2. help needed	1. Trish Warda 2. Denise Robens	1. Zon Lupisan 2. Regina Rossetto
MUSIC	Mitchell's Group		Children's Choir
HOSPITALITY		Vera Daher	Zon Lupisan
BAPTISM			Presentation & Preparation
CLEANING TEAM	Doris Cutajar, Paula Harris, Mel Gaudoin, Josephine Caruana, Valeni Rodrigues, Meghan Warda		
PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAIL EACH WEEK & CONTACT LYNN YOUNG IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND YOUR MASS			

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY READINGS YEAR B

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 4:32-34. 39-40

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy
The Lord himself is God in heaven above and on earth below: there is no other.

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt? 'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 32:4-6. 9. 18-20. 22. R. v.12

(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.)**

SECOND READING

Romans 8:14-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
You have received the Spirit that makes you God's own children, and in that Spirit we call God: Father, our Father!

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children, we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

Matthew 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.