



#### OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday:** 8.30am - 12.30pm  
**Tuesday - Thursday:** 8.30am - 3.30pm  
**Friday:** 8.30am - 12.30pm

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#### MASS TIMES:

**Weekend:**  
**Saturday:** 6pm Vigil  
**Sunday:** 7am, 9am and 5.30pm  
**Italian Mass:** 10.30am

**Weekday:** 6.30am & 9am  
 Monday to Friday  
 8am Saturday  
 & Public Holidays

#### Reconciliation:

**Saturday:** 8.30am - 9.00am  
 5.30pm - 6.00pm  
 or by appointment

#### PARISH TEAM:

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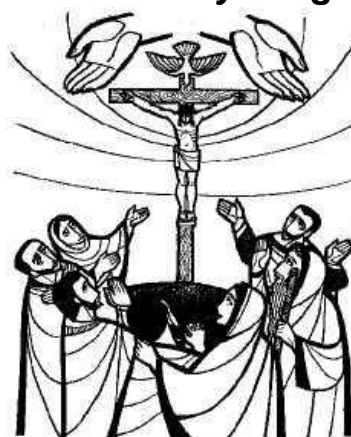
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The Most Holy Trinity

16 June 2019

## Reflection by Greg Sunter



In the Gospel of John, today's reading appears as part of the rather lengthy Last Supper discourse that runs from chapter 13 to chapter 17. The discourse is a centrepiece of this particular gospel. In it, Jesus speaks a number of times about the coming of the Holy Spirit. The portion that makes up today's reading comes from a slightly longer passage about the sending of the Spirit (16:4-15).

Throughout the Last Supper discourse, the Holy Spirit is identified as Gift and Love. The Spirit is the Gift that will be sent by the Father and by the Son so that the world may continue to experience the Love of the Father and the Son. In the discourse, Jesus calls on the disciples to love one another with the same love that they had experienced from him – the love of God. To assist the disciples to continue to love with the same love of God and Jesus, the Spirit is sent to them. The Holy Spirit is the lasting expression of the divine love that had previously been experienced through the Father and the Son. The discourse makes it very clear that the Spirit will continue the work of Jesus.

Today's passage has Jesus saying to the disciples that there is still so much that he has to say to them, to teach them. But the disciples are not ready to receive everything in the time that Jesus has remaining. So to continue the teaching of Jesus and to continue the expression of Love, the Father and the Son will send the Spirit. It was the sending of the Spirit that we celebrated last week in the feast of Pentecost and it is the unity of Father, Son and Spirit that we celebrate this week in Trinity Sunday.

## PARISH HAPPENINGS

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### Sunday 16 June

- 5.30pm St Martin's Led Mass (Yr 5 & 6)

#### Monday 17 June

- 10.30am Dominican Laity - Library

- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group – Church

#### Tuesday 18 June

- 9.30am Playgroup – Hospitality

#### Wednesday 19 June

- 9.30am Wednesday Friendly Group – Hosp.

- 6.30pm Legion of Mary – Library

#### Thursday 20 June

- 9.30am Playgroup – Hospitality

- 7.00pm FHC Parent Info Evening – Church

#### Saturday 22 June

- 7.15pm AA – Library

#### Sunday 23 June

- 9.00am St Martin's Led Mass (Yr 4)

**Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick Carmel Olive and those whose anniversaries occur around this time Tony Nobilo, John Sullivan, Patricia Bergin and the recently deceased Jonas Asido and Irene Gur**

### Change to Office hours 23 June to 3 July 2019

Due to the absence of the Parish Secretary for the period of 23 June to 3 July, the office hours will change to 8.30am to 12.30pm, Monday to Friday. This will be in effect as of Monday 24 June. We apologise for any inconvenience.

### SPIRIT – Music to touch the soul

Our Lady of Graces thanks The Thomas Cantley Singers for their wonderful concert last Sunday afternoon. It was a wonderful performance with a beautiful selection of music. If you missed out on the performance or you want to find out more information you can check the group out on Facebook, or email us at [tcschoir@gmail.com](mailto:tcschoir@gmail.com)

### Deanery Trivia Night

Thank you for your generous support of the Deanery Trivia Night. The 24 raffle prize winners have been notified. The evening was a great success with \$4,090 being raised to help with Deanery activities: scripture study courses, secretary's day for parish offices, and other deanery supported events, groups and activities. Special thanks to all those involved. Congratulations to St Thomas' Parish for winning the trophy for 2019 and congratulations to the OLOG 500 Card Group for coming in 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE!

### First Holy Communion Parent info evening

This notice is for the parent of children who went through the Confirmation program in 2018 or for children 8 years or older who have not completed the sacramental program. We invite you to come to the FHC parent info evening on Thursday 20 June at 7pm in the church. If you are unable to make it to this meeting, you can email Shelly Stone, Pastoral Associate [sc.carina@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sc.carina@bne.catholic.net.au)

### Our Lady of Graces Youth-Alpha 2019



**If you are 15- 20 years of age and wanting to get answers to some of life's questions, you are Invited...**

The brand new Alpha Youth Series has been totally reimagined for today's youth culture. Through 13 sessions filmed in Vancouver, London, Paris, Rome, Israel, and many other incredible locations, the Alpha Youth Series explores timeless questions about life and faith from a Christian perspective. There are 9 weekly episodes and 4 episodes for the Alpha Weekend/Day.

The series offers compelling stories, images, questions, and discussion topics well spread throughout each episode to better engage youth, helping them think about how these issues relate to their lives as they discuss with their friends and leaders.

Our Lady of Graces Youth Alpha journey starts on 03 July with dinner at 6.30 and session proper from 7pm to 9pm at the Parish Library. For more information contact Vilma Simbag on 0433 514 634 or email [vsimbag@gmail.com](mailto:vsimbag@gmail.com) or contact the Parish Office on Phone: 07 3398 2977, Email: [carina@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:carina@bne.catholic.net.au)

### Corpus Christi Procession

It is that time of year again where we have the Corpus Christi Procession at 2pm, on Sunday 23 June in the city. A bus has been organised again to leave and return to Our Lady of Graces. The bus will leave 1.15pm sharp for the Cathedral, fares are \$5 return single or \$15 return for a family. If you would like to travel with the Parish please write your name down on the folder at the back of the Church. If you have any queries, please contact Bill on 3157 2452.

### Scripture Group News

The BED Scripture Study will commence on July 2nd and 3rd 2019 and will run for 8 weeks. 'Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible', presented by Jeff Cavins, will explore how the sacraments, the church and our entire Catholic faith are rooted in scripture and tradition. It will also show how the Old Testament and New Testament are connected as well as how the bible relates to every day life. Please read the following for more information:

**Evening sessions:** Tuesday's 6.30pm (starting on 2/7) at St Thomas's Church, Camp Hill

**Morning sessions:** Wednesdays 10.30am (starting on 3/7) at Our Lady of Graces Parish

**Where to sign up:** There will be a form at the back table to write your information down.

**Contact:** For more information or general enquiries, please contact Louise Simento on 0456700040.



During the weekend 22/23 June 2019, Our Lady of Graces Parish is asked to 'welcome, protect, promote and integrate migrants and refugees in recognition of World Refugee Day. We should reflect and recognise the lamentable situation of many migrants and refugees fleeing from war, persecution, natural disasters and poverty. It is important to express the Church's concern for migrants, displaced people, refugees and victims of human trafficking.

This is the first of a series of notes that will appear in the coming weeks providing feedback on Planned Giving matters. A new Planned Giving Continuation Committee has been formed by the Parish Finance Council (PFC) as a small group whose aim is the maintenance of the Parish's Planned Giving program.

**However, it is concerning that the collections reported each month have been steadily declining and worryingly, are not meeting Budget expectations.** This message therefore is to encourage all who have made pledges to review their contributing practices. We know that times are difficult for all, but no less so for the Parish.

- a) Examine your circumstances and return to contributing the amount pledged in June last year (If you cannot remember your pledged amount please call the Finance Officer on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday)
- b) Ask the Parish Office for a new pledge form and notify the amount that you believe you will be able to honour.

A final message for this week. The payment of pledges by Direct Debit is encouraged, especially as contributions come in a more consistent order allowing for better financial planning. Direct Debit is easier for you too - no need to chase money each week and it saves the counting team tallying, recording and banking each Monday.

- *Plenary Council announces six national themes of discernment from 17,500 submissions*
- *Hendra parishioners celebrate 90 years of heaven at Our Lady Help of Christians Church*
- *Regents Park parishioner recognised for his lifesaving service in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours List*
- *Panel of three judges has retired to consider three courses of action in Cardinal George Pell's appeal against his conviction*
- *Young men from Marist Ashgrove and Padua College build community and raise awareness for mental health*

**Become a part of the parish Planned Giving Program to help your Parish grow.**

We thank, sincerely, all Parishioners who contribute to Planned Giving. Your ongoing commitment and contribution assists the parish to budget for operating expenses (wages, rates, electricity, phones, maintenance etc) as well as parish pastoral planning (faith education, sacramental preparation, resources etc). To obtain Planned Giving Envelopes or to contribute by direct debit, complete this form and place on the plate, or contact the Parish Office. Planned Giving contributions are not Tax Deductable.

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