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## June 4 – Holy Trinity Sunday (Year A)



Today's feast invites us to live in the awareness of the presence of the Triune God within us: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The mystery of the Holy Trinity, a doctrine enunciated by the ecumenical councils of Nicaea and Constantinople, is one of the fundamental doctrines of Christianity and the greatest mystery of our Faith, namely, that there are Three Divine Persons, sharing the same Divine Nature in one God. "There is one God, who has three Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Each Person is God, yet there is still only one God" (CCC #234, #253-256). We have the Father Who is the

Creator, the Son Who is the Redeemer and the Holy Spirit Who is the Sanctifier, the Counsellor. The doctrine of Three Persons in one God, co-equal and co-eternal in Divinity yet distinct in Person, is not explicitly spelt out in the Bible. Even the very word "Trinity" is not found in the Bible. But the doctrine of the Trinity underlies all major Christian feasts, including Christmas, the Epiphany, Good Friday, Easter, the Ascension and Pentecost. All the official prayers of the Church, including the Holy Mass and the Sacraments, begin with an address to the Holy Trinity: "In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." We are baptized, absolved of our sins, and anointed in the name of the Blessed Trinity. *(frtonyhomilies)*

### 4 Giugno : Santissima Trinita' (Anno A)

Spesso ci si immagina un "Dio" lontano, astratto, ridotto quasi a un sistema di idee contorte o semplicissime, ma inesplicabili. Soprattutto quando ci si accosta alla dottrina della Trinità, si ha l'impressione di essere di fronte a una sciarada beffarda. E invece, l'essere concretissimo di Dio è comunione che liberamente si effonde. Anzi, ci chiama a varcare la soglia della sua vita intima e beatificante. Non riusciamo a capire perché Dio si sia interessato di noi: più di quanto, forse, noi ci interessiamo a noi stessi.

Proprio mentre eravamo peccatori, il Padre ha mandato il suo Figlio per offrirci la vita nuova nello Spirito. Liberamente. Per amore. "Dio ha tanto amato il mondo da dare il suo Figlio unigenito". Cristo non si impone. Non costringe ad accettarlo. Si consegna alla nostra decisione. È questa la vertigine della vita umana. Possiamo passare accanto al Signore Gesù che muore e risorge, senza degnarlo di uno sguardo nemmeno distratto. E, tuttavia, non possiamo fare in modo che egli non esista come il Dio fatto uomo che perdona e salva. "Chi non crede è già stato condannato".

Ma se ci apriamo alla sua dilezione...

Allora Cristo si rivela come colui che ha suscitato in noi tutte le attese più radicali. E colma a dismisura queste attese.

È la redenzione. È la grazia. È lo Spirito che abita in noi e ci conforma al Signore Gesù.

La vita nuova, che ci viene donata, apparirà in tutta la sua gloria oltre il tempo. Inizia qui, ed è la "vita eterna". *(lachsia)*

### St Vincent de Paul, Fawkner Conference

#### Donation basket

There is a basket in the church for those wishing to donate food items (non-perishables). These items will be passed on to the Fawkner Conference of St. Vincent de Paul.

**The sick in our parish:** Teresa & Con Lamonaca, Nola, John Markis, Miriam Markis, Elda Taranto, Panfilo Ambrosini, Carmela Renda, Krys Herrmann and Family, Bob Brown, Angela Barto, Diana Nash, Patrick Brennan, Sonia Taranto, Evelyn McDonough, Laurence, Floriano Pivetta, Bruna Zando, Rita Paladino, Joe and Monica Zahra, Cathy Taviane, Emma and Tony Mallozzi, Nina Garoffolo, Giovanna Gamberale, Josie, George, Lori, Catarina Calvi, Aiden Agius, Francesco Galante

**Upcoming funerals:** Salvatore Musso, Friday, 9 June at 11.00 am

**Recently deceased:** Vincenzo Di Lorenzo, Salvatore Musso, Maryann Josephine Bugeja, Lilliana Di Giorgio, Vincenza Cavalli, Anna Maria D'Agostino, Rosa Romano, Carmela Pali, Carmelo Caltabiano, Rosa Romano, Bernardo Cerra, Nelda D'Alessandro, Rosaleen Stagnitta, Amelia Testa, Anna Sicilia, Kay Conlin, John O'Sullivan, Michael Ruiz, Giovanna Conte

**Anniversaries:** Eustachio and Giannina Quatrocelli, Palmina Badov, Benil Fernando, Myrtle Eliyathamby, Blossom Weerasinghe, Sherine Adolphus, Clarence Fernando, Serena Calabro, Giovanni Cilia, Giovanni and Giovanna Beltempo, Giorgio and Angelina Markis, Gabrielle Paliaga and Family

*We especially pray for all the deceased St. Matthews parishioners, those whose names are on the Church pews & the Resurrection Chapel.*

#### Mass times

##### Weekday:

Tuesday-Friday: 9.30 am

Wednesday: Novena mass: 6.00 pm

##### Weekend:

Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm

Sunday 9.00 am ; Sunday 10.30 (Italian mass)

Reconciliation: Saturday: 5.00 pm. Bookings are essential. Contact the Parish Office

#### Mass times

##### St. Marks, Fawkner (Leo Street, Fawkner)

##### Weekday:

Monday-Saturday: 9.00 am

##### Weekend:

Saturday: 6.00 pm ; Sunday: 10.00 am ; 6.00 pm

Hope Café: Thursday: 5.30 pm (free dinner for the needy)

Reconciliation: Saturday: 9.30 am and 5.30 pm or phone Fr. Colin (9359 3111)

### Rosters for weekend masses (June 10/11)

**Lectors:** Saturday 5.30 pm: J, Caparelli

Sunday 9.00 am: Vicky Burgio; 10.30 am: G. Gamberale

**Bus driver:** J. Butera

### Propagation of the Faith Appeal

The Catholic Mission this year will be focusing on projects within Timor-Leste, specifically in Venilale. Venilale is composed of 8 villages, with the majority of the population working and living off the land.

Main challenges: Poverty, access to resources, poor infrastructure including water and sanitation, lack of gainful employment, health care.



### First Holy Communion

Pray for those children receiving their first holy communion this weekend.

"Dear Lord, we thank You and praise You for the most precious gift of the Holy Eucharist. We ask You to bless all those who are preparing to receive Your Body and Blood for the first time. You have provided for us richly through the gift of Your Body and Blood in the Eucharist."

*(praymorenovenas.com)*

**St. Matthew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.**

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