

Caloundra Catholic Parish

**THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
30TH MAY 2021**

Proper of the Mass First Reading: Deut 4:32-34, 39-40 Second Reading: Rom 8:1-17 Gospel:

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Celebrating and Cultivating our Union with God

Take a minute to think about the flavour of homilies you've heard in the past on Trinity Sunday. I wonder if your priests ever bamboozled you with heresies from the second and third centuries like Adoptionism, Arianism and Sabellianism. I remember studying them all at university but to be honest, I had to do a little digging around this week using Dr Google and Wikipedia for a refresher. In doing so, I realised that what's more important than trying to grasp the unfathomable and bamboozling nature of the Holy Trinity, whom we celebrate today, is simply being conscious of who we pray to and the nature of our relationship with God.

Several years ago when I was in the seminary, three of us students were invited by the Banyo/Nundah Parish to give a talk about the Trinity. The talk was held in their Banyo church – *Holy Trinity* – and each of us were charged with delivering a five minute presentation about one of the three persons in the Trinity. I felt like I drew the short straw in having to speak about the first person of the Trinity, God the Father (we did actually draw straws). It was a short straw for me because I'd never really prayed to the Father in a personal, intimate way apart from the formal prayers we pray at Mass. Nor was I able, at that time, to conceptualise a relationship with the Father.

Being conscious of who we pray to – Father/Son/Spirit – is important because while all three persons are obviously God, we relate to them in different ways. I'm a real *Jesus* and *Holy Spirit* person. I can easily perceive and experience a deeply personal, loving relationship with Jesus. I also find myself praying often to the Holy Spirit whose power I've experienced on several occasions over the last few years. I still find it difficult today to pray to the Father but am persevering. The good news is that no matter who you pray to, or whom you identify with, you're exactly where you are meant to be. The wonderful thing about God however, is that God meets us where we are but *never* leaves us there.

Over the next week, try to stretch yourself to pray to a person of the Trinity whom you may not be familiar with. Approach them like you would new person: with respect and a desire to get to know them. We have a forthcoming opportunity to gather together outside of Mass and experience the power, love and majesty of God in a deeply personal and life-changing way. It's an opportunity to invest in our faith and, for many of us, try something new.

Next week on **Thursday 3rd June at 5.30pm**, you are invited to Unity College Chapel – one of our Mass centres at 47 Lomond Cres, Caloundra West – and experience **Encounter** with the living God. This is the third time we have run **Encounter** and the first time away from OLR church. **Encounter** is about sharing fellowship over food and drinks, some teaching on prayer, testimonies, receiving prayer in prayer teams, celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Make your booking on Eventbrite by going to the **Other Events** tab in the Mass booking page. We look forward to seeing you there and helping facilitate an evening that will fill you up and transform you no matter what stage of life in which you find yourself.

Peace and blessings, Fr Josh



The Covid Pandemic has derailed many plans over the past twelve months and all of us are trying to scramble to accommodate our plans into the new Covid environment. As the potential lockdown in Melbourne has illustrated, the best laid plans can be wrecked by a sudden outbreak of the virus.

One causality of Covid has been the Plenary Council! The best intentions and timetable has been severely disrupted. We are trying to get it back on track and not lose the information already gathered.

Perhaps as a start all parishioners are invited to connect with the Plenary Council Prayer Campaign. People across the country are welcome to participate in the **"Fan the Flame"** prayer campaign leading up to the first assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia. The assembly starts on October 3. Campaign materials include resources for personal and communal prayer, reflections, musical suggestions and multimedia content. All Caloundra and hinterland communities are invited to explore the Plenary Council resources at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheffame/



More of our OLR history! Have you seen the Reconciliation Garden and Acknowledgement Stones at the side of the OLR Church? The stones acknowledge the local Gubbi Gubbi people and the design, inspired by them, depicts in the sculpture their local food sources. The garden expresses our hope for reconciliation. The Dedication and Blessing by Fr Kevin Smith, the Parish Priest at the time, occurred on 31st May 2018 as part of the National Reconciliation Week celebrations. It was a project of the OLR Parish and the OLR Primary School.

Details of the sculpture and plaque are on the Parish Website with more information about events this year.

(Aunty Betty Memorial Reconciliation Walk to be held on 2 June at Buderim Forest Park, 10am -12pm. Connect with our indigenous cultural heritage by music and dance.)



Ignite Launch Event and Request for Sponsorship

A small contingent of our youth and young adults recently attended the annual Ignite Launch event at Dreamworld.

This event is comprised of two aspects: first, a day filled with adventure, rides, and WAY too much fun - we had a blast hanging out together, catching up with friends from across the Archdiocese, and meeting new people along the way. Second, the day concluded with an epic rally, where all 438 attendees gathered together for an evening of praise and worship 'in' Dreamworld after the park closed to the public. We also received a sneak preview of the Ignite Conference in September. Ignite Conference is a four-day event for high school-aged children, young adults and even 'not-so-young' adults like Fr Josh.

We are in the process of raising money to pay for the Conference registration fees and are aiming at having 30 Unity College Students

join us for this Catholic mountain top experience - four days of fun, faith, learning and worship. We're encouraging all the parish faithful to get behind this initiative so if you are able and would like to 'sponsor a student', please contact Fr Josh directly:

whiteheadj@bne.catholic.net.au

Kath Ball
Parish Young Adults Coordinator



Are you having trouble booking a Mass on Eventbrite?

Feel free to call **John & Vivienne Cooper** on **0400 291 979** and they will assist you with your bookings.



As a Parish Family we extend our prayerful congratulations to **Johnathan Manesha, Elizabeth Carroters & Xavier Porter**

who were baptised this weekend at Our Lady of the Rosary church, Caloundra.

Men Reserve this Date:

Thursday 24 June
10:00-11:30am: Kawana Good Shepherd Centre

Fr Josh Whitehead will be there to share with the men of the parish.

KEY FOR THE PARISH CENTRE

Please note if you have a key for the glass sliding door for the Parish Centre, it no longer works.

You will need to come into the Parish office between 9am-1pm Mon-Fri to collect a new key.

In Transition

We pray for **Daniel Holford**, who died last week and his funeral rites were held at Gregson & Weight yesterday. May his soul and all our deceased Priests, religious and parishioners **Rest in Peace.**

Parish Diary

Monday 31 May

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass (OLR) 9am

Tuesday 1 June

St Justin

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Wednesday 2 June

School Liturgy (OLR) 9am

Thursday 3 June

Charles Lwanga & companions

Mass (Unity) 8.30am

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.30am

Friday 4 June

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Landsborough) 9am

Saturday 5 June

St Boniface

Confession (OLR) 8.30am

Mass (OLR) 9am

Vigil Mass

Mass (OLR) 5pm

Mass (Beerwah) 5pm

Sunday 6 June

The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST

Mass (OLR) 6.30am

Mass (Landsborough) 7am

Mass (Unity) 8am

Mass (Kawana) 8am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am

Mass (OLR) 9.30am

Mass (Lt Mt) 10.30am

Family Mass (Unity) 5pm

WATCH MASS LIVE

To watch live-stream Mass go to the Caloundra Catholic Parish Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/caloundracatholicparish/>

Baptism Preparation Evening for Infants

Those parents with new born babies wishing for them to be baptised are reminded of the preparation meeting which takes place at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Caloundra, this

Thursday 3rd June, beginning at 7pm. At this short preparation meeting we outline some of the symbols used at the ceremony, answer any questions and confirm dates. To book in for the preparation evening and to receive the necessary paperwork please contact the Parish Office on 5430 9390 or email caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday 30 May: **TRINITY Sunday**

♦ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass

♦ Illuminate Youth Group at Unity for grades 9-12 - 6-8pm

Monday 31 May:

♦ Adoration after the OLR Mass each Monday.

♦ The OLR craft group meet every Monday 9am-12noon in the Parish Centre. For more information please contact Helen McGlynn on 0409 050 722.

Tuesday 1 June:

♦ Women's Prayer and Friendship Group every Tuesday in the Parish Centre from 9.30-10.45am. All welcome, any enquiries contact Vivienne 0400291979

♦ Maleny Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8.30am, Mass 9.00am Maleny Rosary 9.30am after Mass.

♦ Maleny Catholic Ladies Group meeting 9.30am in the Pat Daley Centre; please bring your own mug and morning tea.

♦ OLR St Vincent de Paul meet every Tuesday at 3pm in the Parish Centre. We make daily visits to those in need. New members welcome. Phone Dawn 5430 9390 for further enquiries.

Wednesday 2 June:

♦ Art class with Jude this week in the Parish Centre 10-12noon.

♦ Finance Committee meeting 4pm and Evangelization & Pastoral meeting from 5pm in the Parish centre.

Thursday 3 June:

♦ Members of Caloundra's, Our Lady of Good Counsel Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society meet at the Parish Centre at 9:30am. New members welcome. Further enquiries contact Peter 54924402

♦ Kawana Men's sharing group 10-11.30am in the Good Shepherd Centre.

♦ Baptism Prep meeting 7pm in the OLR church

Friday 4 June:

♦ Landsborough Mass this week will be at 9am followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession available while adoration is on. Prayers for Priests in the Ron Hickey Centre with morning tea following Mass.

♦ Maleny SVDP meeting 9.00am in the church flat

♦ Lighthouse Youth Group for grades 6-8 in the Parish Centre from 5:15-7:15pm

Saturday 5 June:

♦ OLR 5pm Wine & Cheese after Mass tonight: COVID rules will apply, come along and enjoy the company.

Sunday 6 June: ***The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST***

♦ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass

♦ Maleny - morning tea in the Pat Daley Centre after Mass; Covid-safe regulations will apply.

♦ Please join us for a cuppa after the 8am Unity Mass, bring a plate to share.

♦ Please stay and join us for a cuppa after the OLR 9.30am Mass.

♦ Illuminate Youth Group at Unity for grades 9-12 - 6-8pm

What's For Dinner?

As a faith community we all have a responsibility to encourage our young women and men to consider a life of leadership and service in the church. Each year the Archbishop hosts two dinners at *Wynberg*, his residence at New Farm for those discerning their vocation to the priesthood or religious life. The dinner for women discerning religious life is on Tuesday, June 8th at 6pm. The dinner for men exploring the priesthood is on Tuesday, June 17th at 6pm.

Anyone interested should contact one of your priests here at Caloundra or email the Vocations Director, Fr Stanley Orji at vocations@bne.catholic.net.au

It is a timely to keep in our prayers William Iulian who spent 2019 with us as part of his final preparation towards priesthood. William will be ordained in June. Also we pray for our own seminarian from Mooloolah, Dylan Asmus who is half way through his first year at Banyo Seminary. As a Catholic Community we are grateful for their witness and generosity.

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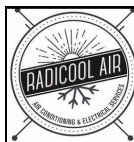
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