

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

Jn 16:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.



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Breaking Open the Word

THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

We continue on this Feast Day to enjoy the Gospel of John and Jesus' continuing teaching on the Spirit, whose presence is subtly present in the first reading's focus on Wisdom and explicit in Paul's Letter to the Romans. Last week, Jesus offered his fearful disciples the gift of peace. It is the fruit of his Spirit. Today, as he is about to physically leave them, in what feels like a final moment of testimony, Jesus reminds them about the other fruit of his Spirit: the Spirit that will lead them 'to the complete truth', will offer wisdom—a link with the first reading from Proverbs 8—and prepare them for their future.

Jesus accentuates the intimacy which the Spirit has with him. This intimacy, through the Spirit, Jesus shares with his disciples in words that prepare them for his departure. The Gospel writer, looking back from the late first century CE when the Gospel was coming into its final form, had the advantage of hindsight. The evangelist could see how intimacy with Jesus through the gift of his Spirit would sustain them into a future that is essentially unknown and unpredictable.

This Feast of the Holy Trinity allows us to name and celebrate the presence of Jesus' Spirit in our lives, among and around us. Any experience of intimacy, no matter how human or religious this may seem, is the gift of the Spirit proclaimed in today's Gospel.

Fr Michael Trainor

THE SAVING WORD

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY / C

15 JUNE 2025

FIRST READING

Prov 8:22-31

A reading from the book of Proverbs

Wisdom was born before the earth was made.

The Wisdom of God cries aloud:

The Lord created me when his purpose first unfolded,
before the oldest of his works.
From everlasting I was firmly set,
from the beginning, before earth came into being.

The deep was not, when I was born,
there were no springs to gush with water.
Before the mountains were settled,
before the hills, I came to birth;
before he made the earth, the countryside,
or the first grains of the world's dust.
When he fixed the heavens firm, I was there,
when he drew a ring on the surface of the deep,
when he thickened the clouds above,
when he fixed fast the springs of the deep,
when he assigned the sea its boundaries
— and the waters will not invade the shore —
when he laid down the foundations of the earth,
I was by his side, a master craftsman,
delighting him day after day,
ever at play in his presence,
at play everywhere in his world,
delighting to be with the sons of men.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 8:4-9. R v 2

R. O Lord our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

1. When I see the heavens, the work of your hands, / the moon and the stars which you arranged, / what is man that you should keep him in mind, / mortal man that you care for him? **R.**

2. Yet you have made him little less than a god; / with glory and honour you crowned him, / gave him power over the works of your hand, / put all things under his feet. **R.**



3. All of them, sheep and cattle, / yes, even the savage beasts, / birds of the air, and fish / that make their way through the waters. **R.**

SECOND READING

Rom 5:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. But that is not all we can boast about; we can boast about our sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope, and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.

■ The word of the Lord.

15 June 2025
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WELCOME TO ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

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WEEKEND MASSES Sat: 5.30 pm Sun: 9 am & 5 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES Mon: 9am Tues: 9am Wed: 12noon
Thurs: No Mass Fri: 12noon

CONFESSIONS

* Sat: 4.30-5.00pm
* Before every Mass
* By appointment

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out; Abba, Father.



May God have mercy on all those asked to be remembered in prayer:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Ellen Jackson, Maureen McNeill, Sr. Rosalie O'Neill RSJ, Ben Boyd Barry Condon, John Haggart

ANNIVERSARIES: Kevin McNamara (21/5), Sandy Murray (22/5), Pat Smyth (7/6), Grant D'Elboux (21/6)

DECEASED: We pray for our loved ones now in God's care, Marie Southwell, Mimi Bennett, Julia Varga, Dalis O'Brien.

SICK: Sienna Baker, May Press, John Betts, Norma O'Brien, Elaine Murray, Shane Davidson, Sr Cecilia Pistacchio, Cheryl Moloney, Judy Murphy, Monica Austin, Daphne Sweeney (Sr Kathryn's mum), Robyn English, Brian Rodway, Lisa Bond, Noelene Freestone, John Ryan

COMING EVENTS:

15 June First Eucharist - Sunday, 9am Mass

22 June Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

28 June Confirmation - Saturday, 5.30pm Mass

06 July National Aboriginal & TSI Sunday

COLLECTIONS:

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We acknowledge the First Nations people who have walked upon and care for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of First Nations people to this land and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - YEAR C WELCOME TO ALL THOSE JOINING US AT ST PATRICK'S.

The Holy Trinity

Affirmation that God exists
as one being in three distinct persons:
the Father, the Son (Jesus Christ),
and the Holy Spirit.

Each person is co-eternal
and co-equal with the others,
sharing the same divine nature.



FIRST EUCHARIST 15 JUNE: Congratulations to all Candidates as they make their



First Eucharist this Sunday, and to the wonderful St Joseph's staff and Parish Catechists who have helped them prepare for this special day. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they continue on their faith journey.

CALL FOR ROSTER VOLUNTEERS: We are greatly in need of help for our Reader and Gifts rosters for Sunday evenings. If you can help in this way, please speak with Fr Sabu or contact the Parish Office.

THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY: Stories in this week's issue: Sydney Catholics invited to help shape the church's future; Catholics listed among King's Birthday honours recipients; Christians separated by war in Gaza; In conversation with Broome's Bishop Tim Norton SVD; Parish renewal: What is Christ asking of our parishes?

POPE LEO ON THE HOLY TRINITY: 'What does the Trinity mean for us today In a world filled with noise, division and isolation; The mystery of the Trinity tells us that at the heart of all existence there is not separation but communion unity and self-giving love. God does not exist in solitude; He exists in relationship and we are created in his image. That means every person is called to live in connection with God, with others and with oneself'.

ROSTER FOR: 15/06/25

Vigil: R: N Pullman, P Bamford
9am Sun: R: St Joseph's School
5pm: Sun R: A O'Halloran, Volunteer
Counting: G & M Thrift
Fri Cleaning S Brown V Griffiths

Gifts: B & M Watson
Gifts: St Joseph's School
Gifts: Volunteers
Altar Linen: E Smyth

ROSTER FOR: 22/06/25

Vigil: R: C Ledwos Sr Kathryn
9am Sun: R: S Nichols A Sartori
5.00pm Sun: R: C Lavell Volunteer
Counting: P Shiels S Brown
Fri Cleaning M Brown K O'Brien

Gifts: S. Shulze V Griffiths
Gifts: B Schipp C Grima
Gifts: Volunteers
Altar Linen: H Reid