



# ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## [Mary Help of Christians Church]

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TRINITY SUNDAY (B)

30 MAY 2021

### 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.

### First Reading | Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

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 | Psalm 32(33):4-6,9,18-20,22

*Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.*

For 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.

By his word the heavens were made,  
by the breath of his mouth all the stars.  
He spoke; and it came to be.  
He commanded; it sprang into being.

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.

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.

### Second Reading | Romans 8:14-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

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 co-heirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

### Gospel Acclamation | cf Revelation 1:8

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.

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.*

### Communion Antiphon | Gal 4: 6

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

## PARTS OF THE MASS

### Confiteor

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,  
through my fault,  
through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

### Credo | The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

*At the words that follow, up to and including  
'and became man', all bow.*

and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### Orate fratres

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),  
that my sacrifice and yours...

*The people will stand and reply:*

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands  
for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

### Mysterium fidei

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.

### Libera nos

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant peace in our days...

*The people conclude the prayer, acclaiming:*

For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours now and for ever.

### Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us. (2x)  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.

*After the Lamb of God, the people kneel.*

### Ecce Agnus Dei

Behold the Lamb of God,  
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

*And together with the people, the priest adds:*

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.



### Prayer for the Year of St Joseph



*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace,  
mercy and courage,  
and defend us from every evil.  
Amen.*

### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



## YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

08 December 2020 to 08 December 2021  
150th Anniversary of the Proclamation of  
Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church



### NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Mass Times this Week

Monday & Tuesday 07.00am  
Wednesday thru Friday 09.30am

#### PP Diary

Tuesday Feast of St Hannibal Maria di Francia  
Concelebrated Mass in Narrabri

#### May: Month of the Holy Rosary

Pope Francis is urging Catholics to pray their Rosaries through the month of May for an end to the COVID-19 pandemic. The movement has the involvement of 30 Marian Shrines from across the world.

#### First Holy Communion

The First Holy Communion Mass will take place at the 9.00am Mass on Sunday 06 June 2021. We have 30 plus candidates who will receive the Holy Eucharist for the first time. Please pray for our candidates and their parents.

#### Covid Safe Practice

At a recent Liturgy Committee meeting, relaxation of Covid-19 restrictions for Masses was discussed. It was decided that Government restrictions permitting, we will implement the following changes effective the first weekend in July 2021:

- spacing of church pews to return to normal,
- we return to 3 weekend Masses – Sat 5.30pm, Sun 9.00am & 5.30pm
- ministers will no longer be required to wear face masks during the distribution of holy communion,
- simple sign of peace to be reintroduced but with no physical contact,
- 6 months roster for Readers, Commentators and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC).

#### BE A MAN | online course in Masculine Theology

Join Fr Paul Chandler and the Maximus Team as we delve into the depths of masculine theology using Fr Paul's book, *Esto Vir*.

The course will run over 5 Wednesday evenings: 21/04; 05/05; 19/05; 26/05 and 09/06, and will take place via Zoom from 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Fr Paul will present a talk at each session based on the reading homework. There will also be small group and large group discussion and Q&A. Register here: [www.sydneycatholic.org/beaman](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/beaman)

or for more information <https://fb.me/e/3oQFSvDxL>

#### 4-Day Heart Healing Retreat at Shalom

Thursday 10th June 2021 5:00pm to Monday 14th 2:00pm.

This 4-day Healing Retreat is designed for adults wanting to heal the unresolved emotional and/or spiritual wounds of difficult or traumatic events that have occurred in their lives. The retreat will focus on healing childhood wounds such as attachment difficulties, family dysfunction, abuse, bullying and trauma.

It is presented in a group format with a maximum of 8 participants completing therapeutic activities on an individual basis. The retreat facilitator, Di Frost is a registered psychologist who has been working in the trauma field for over 15 years.

Venue: Shalom House of Prayer, 7 Collins St Carcoar, NSW

Cost: \$500 (\$125/day includes materials, accommodation & meals)

Max number participants: 8

Bookings enquiries: Ph:02 63673058 or

email: [shalomcarcoar@gmail.com](mailto:shalomcarcoar@gmail.com)

### *In your charity, please pray for*

#### *Our sick*

Shelly Howlett  
Barry Winning  
Sally Shrago  
Fr John Willis  
Harryson Ritz  
Chris Fardy  
Petrina (Fardy) Keys  
Baby Isabelle Mathew  
Ricky Lee Peachy  
Jay Peachy  
Addison Peachy  
Narelle Albans  
Julien Ryan  
Angela Allan

#### *Our Deceased*

+ Peter Gooley  
+ Lisle Doyle  
+ Ted Mulligan  
+ Fr Peter Liu  
+ Ian Foote  
+ Patricia Harman  
+ Ann Honess  
+ Herbert Makepeace  
+ Myra Ferris

#### *Mass Intentions*

31/05 Sr Margaret Lamb, RSJ  
01/05 Sr Bede Hintz, RSJ

#### *Roman Martyrology*

31/5 The Visitation of the BVM  
01/6 St Hannibal Maria Di Francia  
02/6 Sts Marcellinus and Peter, *martyrs*  
03/6 Sts Charles Lwanga & companions,  
*martyrs*  
04/6 St Alexander, *bishop*  
05/6 St Boniface, *bishop & martyr*

*Omnes sancti Mártyres,  
oráte pro nobis*

#### **MASS THIS WEEK**

Monday & Tuesday 07.00am  
Wednesday thru Friday 09.30am  
Saturday 05.30pm  
Sunday 8am, 9am, 05.30pm

#### **BAPTISM**

*by appointment*

#### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

*by appointment*

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday & Sunday 04.45 - 05.15pm

#### **Last Week's Collection**

23/05/2021

1<sup>st</sup> Collection \$ 961.60  
Envelopes PG \$ 692.00  
Loose \$ 27.35

✠ The Word in other words ✠

**First Reading | Commentary**

The Book of Deuteronomy is primarily about the love of God, the revelation of God's awesome, forgiving love to his people. Love is the nature of God. We can never understand God, or what we mean by three Persons in one nature. Rather than the Church giving us a reading which might get us a tiny step nearer understanding what we might mean by that, the Church gives us the heart of the revelation to Jews and Christians that God is love. Other religions feel their way towards this staggering and daunting truth, but to us it has been revealed. The revelation of God as love is a personal revelation, inviting us to a response in love, inviting us into a personal relationship with God as love. All the instructions that God gives us are simply meant to show us what that love means and how we can respond to it and stay close to God as our God's people. In the beginning man and woman were made in the image of God, and if I am to remain close to God I must shape my desires, my activities, my relationships to be like those of God.

**Second Reading | Commentary**

The Trinity is often treated like a mathematical and philosophical problem. No attempt to understand the intra-trinitarian relationships of the three Persons can get very far. The reading which the Church gives us, instead, gives an inkling of our triple relationship with God. The basis is Jesus' own prayer, in which he called God 'Abba', the dignified and affectionate word in Jesus' own language by which a son addressed his father. The staggering next move is that Jesus told us that we might use the same form of address; so we use it, even in Aramaic. It is, however, only because Christ has given us his Spirit as our spirit that we can do so. This Spirit is also the Spirit of the Father. Sometimes in the gospel it is Jesus, sometimes it is the Father who sends the Spirit. We can say that the Spirit gives us access to the Father and to the Son, or that the Father gives the Spirit of the Son, or that the Son gives us his Spirit. In this way the Trinity, each Person in a different way, imparts to us the love of God and draws us into God's own love.

**Gospel | Commentary**

For Matthew this is a momentous climax. Jesus is on the holy mountain. Where is this mountain? We do not know; nor does it matter. The importance is that Jesus is commissioning his followers as the Second Moses. Just so he taught the Sermon on the Mount on the holy mountain, as Moses had given the Old Law on the mount of Sinai. He is the glorious Son of Man of the prophecy of Daniel, to whom all authority on earth was given; but to him is given all authority in heaven and on earth. As Jesus sends them out, he promises that his divine presence will be always with them. It is in the strength of that presence that they will pursue their task. This promise provides the final bracket of the Gospel, as the name given to Jesus by the angel provided the opening bracket: 'They will call him "Emmanuel", a name which means "God is with us".' The divine presence of God in Jesus and in his community is the clue to the whole Gospel of Matthew. In the centre of the Gospel it is again stressed, 'Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.'

On a superficial level this gospel reading seems chosen because of the Trinitarian baptismal formula. It is the only time this formula comes in the scripture, and it is remarkable that the Trinitarian liturgical formula was already developed while the New Testament was being written. At a deeper level this reading of the final five verses of Matthew gives a wonderful Trinitarian view of the work of salvation. The words of the Risen Christ, 'all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me' are reminiscent of the vision of the exalted Son of Man in Daniel, who comes to the One of Great Age, seated on his throne, and receives from him all power on earth. Only Christ receives all power in heaven too, as 'the Son of God in power'. In this power he sends out his disciples, promising his divine presence always. The promise of Christ's divine presence in his Church now, at the end of the gospel, balances the promise at the beginning in the name Emmanuel, given by the angel for the child. Emmanuel means 'God with us'. So the permanent presence of Christ is the message of the whole gospel.

**St Edward's Parish - South Tamworth**

Diamond Jubilee Celebration

1961 –2021

**Important dates during the Jubilee Year**

- Sunday 23/05/2021  
09.00 am Jubilee Year Opening Mass
- Sunday 17/10/2021  
09.00 am Thanksgiving Mass - Bp. Michael Kennedy  
12.00 pm Parish Lunch @ Carmen's details TBA  
A talk on the life of Saint Edward  
Presenter: Steve Cunneen, PhD
- Wednesday 13/10/2021  
Feast of St Edward, King & Confessor
- Wednesday 20/10/2021  
60th Anniversary of the canonical  
erection of St Edward's Parish
- Tuesday 24/05/2022  
11.00 am Solemnity of Mary Help of Christians  
Jubilee Year Closing Mass  
Concelebrated Mass with the priests  
of the Diocese of Armidale

**Our History, Our Story**

1961-1971

A Parish Council was next on the agenda, consisting of 9 men and 3 women meeting once a month at the Presbytery.

The first assistant Priest was Father Bede Ryan. Appointed in September 1967, he was a member of a local family. With great personal charisma, he was an able lieutenant to Father Meehan for 15 months. He suggested the formation of a parish men's club. They drew up a constitution and held their inaugural dinner in the presence of the new Bishop, Bishop James Freeman. The club was active for many years. It carried out magnificent work with buildings and grounds in Robert Street and Hillvue Road for many years.

Father Ryan served in other parishes before being appointed parish priest of Bingara. In 1977 while travelling to Tenterfield he was seriously injured in a car accident. He died in Brisbane, aged 46 and was buried from Armidale Cathedral following a packed Requiem Mass.

*(Faith of Our Fathers, Living Still...*

*Recounted and written by Kitty Thomas)*

*(The Church Upon the Hill by Kitty Thomas)*

**WEEKLY ROSTER**

**Corpus Christi B | 05-06 June 2021**

	<b>Reader</b>	<b>EMHC</b>	<b>Piety</b>	<b>Counters <i>this week</i></b>
Saturday 5.30pm	G Smith	J Milne	D Sullivan	G Smith & B Gordon
Sunday 8.00am	J Manalastas		D Pawsey	
9.00am	F Gooley	Y Benning	O Robson	<b>Counters <i>next week</i></b>
5.30pm	M McKenzie		Volunteer	Terry Hill & S Cunneen