

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Apoc 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

Mt 28: 16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

*Baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

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.



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# Breaking Open the Word



# THE SAVING WORD

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY / B

30 MAY 2021

## THE MYSTERY OF GOD'S SHARING

The feast of the Trinity reminds us that the mystery we celebrate today is the mystery of God's sharing in our story through the ages. It is an invitation to remember the story of God among us and the task that has been entrusted to all of us who have been baptised in the name of the Father, Son, and Spirit.

The scripture readings for today lead us to explore the nature of God from a number of different perspectives. First of all, Moses asks the people to take stock of what their experience of God has been. He asks them, and us, to reflect on our experience of God's graciousness and faithfulness. For the people of Israel, the time in the desert was their opportunity to discover the living God as one who cared for them; it was a time of discernment and decision.

Secondly, Paul speaks of the meaning of our baptism in Father, Son, and Spirit. While some members of the community were convinced that they were closer to the Lord on the basis of their spiritual gifts Paul sees that all who are baptised share in the same dignity as children of God. Furthermore, every Christian is called to share in the same inheritance, and even more importantly, to be united in sharing in the suffering and glory of Jesus. Thirdly, the Gospel calls us to remember that we have been baptised into the Father, Son, and Spirit. As such we are given a mission; to share what we have experienced with others.

Christopher Monaghan CP

## FIRST READING

Deut 4: 32-34, 39-40

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

*The Lord himself is God in heaven above and on earth below: there is no other.*

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.

## RESP PSALM

Ps 32: 4-6, 9, 18-20, 22. R. v. 12

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

1. 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. **R.**

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



3. 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. **R.**

4. 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. **R.**

## SECOND READING

Rom 8: 14-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

*You have received the Spirit that makes you God's own children, and in that Spirit we call God: Father, our Father!*

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 coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

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## WEEKEND MASSES

Malabar

Vigil Sat. 5pm Sunday 9am

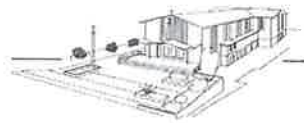
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## WEEKEND MASSES

Matraville

Vigil Sat. 5.30pm Sunday 10am

Weekday Masses: 7 am Tues, Wed, Fri

9.10am Thurs

## RECONCILIATION:

Sat. 5pm - 5.15pm

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## From my desk

Greetings one and all. This Sunday begins our 1st Holy Communion Sacrament celebrations. This term, Year 4 and above will be receiving this most special sacrament of the Eucharist as a catch up from last year, when because of Covid, this sacrament was not celebrated. Just a note we still must observe covid restrictions. Next term, Year 3 will celebrate their, 1st Holy Communion. We will have an extra Mass this Sunday at 11.30, at St Agnes', where 36 candidates from our parish community will receive Jesus for the first time, with Holy Communion.

Next Sunday, St Andrew's will celebrate extra Masses at 10.30 and Midday for those candidates receiving their 1st Holy Communion. We are still affected by Covid restrictions. At the end of this month, believe it or not, I have been with you for, four months. In that time, I have had the privilege to walk with you. I have met many of you and look forward to my term of six years and hopefully more years, depending on the Archbishop. Here at Malabar, I am so blessed to be ministered by a most extraordinary, kind and generous person in Lee Leo. Lee, anticipates, even before anyone thinks about it, here at Malabar, and I am very grateful and wish to her a very happy 80th birthday! Lee, I congratulate you, and wish you together, with all the parish many happy returns and many more years to come!

Our Kindergarten class from St Andrew's has been invited to come and celebrate our Vigil Mass celebration at 5.00pm. Welcome Kindergarten! Other classes throughout the year will be invited.

The NSW government has announced that it will merge all cemetery trusts into a single government-run trust, and dismiss faith-based operators, including the Catholic Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust after 140 years, and other faith-based operators. The Archbishop has written to all parishes, to write or phone local members of parliament, in an appeal to reverse this decision. A letter that the Archbishop has written (The Australian 27 May) is at the rear of the Church for your reading.

God bless.

Fr John



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021.** Please pray for those children who will receive this wonderful sacrament at St Agnes' this weekend.

Dear Parishioners, as you may have noticed the Malabar Processional Cross had been missing, for some time? The reason was, that it had been at the Restorers being restored. This is a wonderfully, beautiful cross, that we now can appreciate fully in its restorative beauty. There are other items of beauty that are also in need of restoring, since our church opened in 1977. A book of donors has been acquired, so that anyone wishing to make a donation (please place in an envelope and place in any of the collection baskets), can write your name or your family's name to be remembered and inscribed in the Donors Book. Thank you, for your generous giving.

REMINDER Parish Outing Tuesday 01 June 2021.

Departs St Agnes' in Matraville RSL Carpark at 8-30am. Departs St. Andrew's Anzac Pde near Library at 8-45am. Departs Anzac Pde Maroubra 8-50am. Please bring your ID for entry to the Builders Club.

**Happy Birthday and Congratulations to Lee Leo, celebrating her 80th Birthday from all here at St Andrew's.**



## TRINITY SUNDAY

*Go Make Disciples,*

**The Mission Plan for the Archdiocese of Sydney**

Please pray for the Faithful Departed:

Recently deceased: Charlie Jurisic, June Hill, Adriano Maradini, and Roy Lloyd.

Anniversary: George Kerbage, Aldo Viselli, Daisy Joseph, and Brent Baker.



Please try to download the Service NSW app so that your phone can scan the QR Code

**St Agnes' and St Andrew's are registered as COVID Safe. Those who are unwell or at high risk are asked not attend. Please observe signs on the pews.** Please keep the physical distance of 1.5 metres (2 arms lengths) at all times.

## Where will Fr John be??

This Week Saturday 29 May - 5.00 pm Malabar, Sunday 23, May, - 9am Malabar

Next Week: Saturday, 5 June - 5.30pm Matraville, Sunday 6 June - 9am Malabar

Funeral for the late June Hill, - St Andrew's, Tuesday, 1 June, 10:30am

Funeral for the late Adriano Maradini, - St Agnes', Wednesday, 2 June, 10.00 am