





First Reading

Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

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.'

Responsorial Psalm

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

Response: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Second reading

Romans 8:14-17

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.

Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

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.'

Reflection:

A DAY OF GREAT JOY

Last Sunday was an occasion of great joy as we celebrated our cultural gifts together in our liturgy and in our sharing of food. It was wonderful to see so many people gathering after Mass to share food and stories

Thank you to Nina for coordinating the hospitality, to everyone who wore cultural clothing, and to the many people who contributed to making the liturgy such a great expression of the richness of our diversity.

The celebration of Pentecost, when the church was born, was a great day in the life of our newly born faith community.

Our mind now turns to today's Feast of honouring the great mystery of love of the Holy Trinity.

As we ponder this mystery perhaps one thing we can all do is be intentional when we make the sign of the Cross. We can easily just go through the motions. However, perhaps we can really focus on the power of the gesture of invoking the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit to bless us.

And next week we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. The feast when we give great thanks for the Eucharist, where Christ continues to make himself present to us in each Mass for our spiritual nourishment.

We will have a short Eucharistic Procession after Mass next week through the Hub and ask you to stay back for this short time of honouring Christ.

Have a great week and may God, through the intercession of St Luke, bless you and your family abundantly.

> Deacon Tony Hoban, Pastoral Director



3 June - Feast of Corpus Christi

MINISTRY ROSTER

Welcomers: Volunteers needed

Acolyte: James Irudayaraj

Servers: Jessica Thompson; Feba

Abby; Tissa Thomas

Readers: Genesis Raymundo; Lavanya Ambrose, Maria Raymundo; Corrie Merdegia

AV operator: Volunteer needed

Eucharistic Ministers: Maria Raymundo; Corrie Merdegia

If you are not able to fulfil your ministry role, or if you would like to volunteer for a vacant role, please email marsdenpark@parracatholic.org

Our Celebrant this week is:

Fr. Domingo Barawid, MI (better known as Fr Meng).

OUR COMMUNITY PRAYER

O God

You show us in St Luke, our patron, a person of faith who desired all people to come to know and love you in the community of your Church.

Teach us to embrace what St Luke pioneered: discipleship of Jesus Christ.

Trusting in your love and grace and nourished by Word and Sacrament may we grow in our relationship with you and together make our Catholic Faith Community a community of communities,

a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a center of constant missionary outreach.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Luke, pray for us.
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.
Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.

Catholic Outlook Survey. Tell Bishop Vincent and the Diocese of Parramatta what you think about *CatholicOutlook*. All responses are anonymous and confidential. Take the survey here:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/catholicoutlook

Plenary Council 2020

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future. To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website, now online: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Pentecost Pastoral Letter

A Pentecost Pastoral Letter from Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv and the Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council can be found here: www.catholicoutlook.org/pentecost

The Catholic Foundation May Appeal

The Catholic Foundation May Appeal is focusing on Diocesan works of Faith, particularly in support of our seminarians. Your donation supports our growing number of seminarians and the good works they do in the community of feeding the hungry, visiting the housebound and sick

and conducting catechises in state schools.

Donations can be made online at

www.yourcatholicfoundation.org.au.

Ordination to the Diaconate of Jack Green: 2 June

Most Rev Vincent Long OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta, will be the principal celebrant for the Mass of Ordination to the Diaconate of Jack Green on Saturday 2 June 2018 at 6.00pm. The ordination will take place at Sacred Heart Church, Westmead. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Feast of Corpus Christi: 3 June

Santa Sophia Catholic College invites everyone to come celebrate the great feast of Corpus Christi. 3 June at Santa Sophia Catholic College, Schofields. Lunch from 12pm and 2pm Eucharistic Procession with Fr Warren Edwards. RSVP Daryl 0407 406 668 or dcastellino@parra.catholic.edu.au

Holy Hour for Vocations: 7 June

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth cordially invite YOUTH (age 18-35) to join us for Holy Hour for Vocations on Thursday, 7 June at 7:00 pm. Join us also for the pizza at 8:00pm, Holy Spirit Convent, 120 Capuchin Way, Plumpton. RSVP: Sr Paula by 1st June, e-mail: vocationscsfn@gmail.com mob: 0449 656 406

The Pope Francis Movie: 10 and 16 June Playing at the Sydney Film Festival this 10 and 16 of June – Pope Francis: A Man of His Word. Wim Wenders' (Buena Vista Social Club) new documentary is a personal journey with Pope Francis, rather than a traditional biography. Selected for the 2018 Cannes Film Festival. Tickets at: www.sff.org.au

Vocation Retreat: 16 June

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth are offering an individual discernment weekend retreat from 16 June 2018 at 3:00 pm for women (aged 18-35) who want to discern their vocation to religious life. This retreat is a unique one-to-one encounter. It includes prayer times, talks and accompaniment. It is a great opportunity to have a live-in experience with the sisters. Holy Spirit Convent, 120 Capuchin Way, Plumpton. RSVP: Sr Paula via e-mail vocationscsfn@gmail.com or mobile 0449 656 406.

Catholic Women Speak: 21 June

On June 21, Catholic women from the Diocese of Parramatta will be given the chance to share their views on the opportunities and barriers to their participation in the Catholic Church at 'Catholic Women Speak,' a special consultation session organised by the

Council for Australian Catholic Women. RSVP by June 18, 2018 via director.opw@catholic.org.au or Andrea 0487 388 873. Starts from 5.30 pm at Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta (enter via Ross St).

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO MADE THE CELEBRATION OF PENTECOST SUCH A JOYFUL OCCASION!



LOW GLUTEN HOSTS ON REQUEST – PLEASE SEE ACOLYTE BEFORE MASS

SUNDAY MASS

Every Sunday 10.00am in The Hub

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