

## FIRST READING

*A reading from the book of Proverbs 8:22-31*

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

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

## SECOND READING

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 5:1-5*

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.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*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

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John  
Jn 16:12-15*

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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## The Most Holy Trinity – Year C

11<sup>th</sup> / 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2022

***O most Holy Trinity,  
You are a mystery as deep as the sea;  
Bless us with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.  
Please give us wisdom, so that we may  
recognize the importance of others  
and keep God central in our lives.  
In the unity of one God  
for ever and ever. Amen***



**FOCUS ON THE WORD:** Saint Patrick is famous for making the shamrock a handy tool to illustrate the Blessed Trinity: one plant, three leaves that are all connected and united – symbolising the one God, three persons that are all connected and united. Sometimes close relationships are also compared to the Trinity: the person you love, the person who loves you, and God. If God is a part of your relationship, it's hard to think of the two of you without the power, joy and courage that God brings. Do you have any relationships like that? What are they like? A family, a team or a close group of friends can also form a community of love that is similar to the Trinity – several persons that are connected and united in a very special way. The Holy Spirit brings the truth of God. Sometimes in our life we are running away from a truth, or trying to ignore or avoid it. What basic truth in your life do you think God wants you to be more aware of? The main message of every Gospel is to know the way of the Spirit and to follow the way of the Spirit. © St Mary's Press

Here's a date for your diaries: **the weekend of 25-26 June marks the 175th anniversary of the Diocese of Melbourne!** Archbishop Peter A Comensoli will celebrate a special 11am Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, with specially-commissioned music by local Indigenous artists and the various migrant communities that now call Melbourne home.

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN:** The Parish of St John the Baptist, and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. You can find out more about the church's work in this area at: [www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention](http://www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention)

**FEAST DAYS:** *Mon 13<sup>th</sup> June – St Anthony of Padua,*  
*International Day: Sun 12<sup>th</sup> June - [World Day Against Child Labour](http://www.worlddayagainstchildlabour.org)*

*I have come that you may have life and have it to the full*

*(John 10:10)*

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**SCHOOLS:**  
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Principal: Maria Haggett

**MASS TIMES:**  
**Saturday** 6:00 pm  
**Sunday** 9:00 am, 11:00 am  
Tuesday **No Mass**  
**Wed & Thurs - Communion Service** 9.15 am  
**Friday** 11.00 am  
**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays 5.15 pm

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**BAPTISMS:** Either during a weekend Mass or at 12.30pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. 6 weeks' notice required. Please refer to our Guidelines for Infant Baptism on our Parish Website.  
**Contact the Parish Office on: 9758 1029 or via email at: [office@stjohnthebaptist.net.au](mailto:office@stjohnthebaptist.net.au)**

**WEDDINGS:**  
By appointment, 6 months' notice required. Saturdays or weekdays (not Sundays). Contact the Parish Office: on 9758 1029.

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**PRAYING FOR...**  
*All who have died recently:*



*Those who we remember at this time:*  
Leandro Morales, Justin Walker, Concetta Cavarra, Betty Callahan, Shar Aherne, David Ritchie, Hugh Crowe, Maureen Witham, Sheila Thompson, Anne Yeo

*The sick:* George & Genevieve White, Michael Jones, Maureen Wilson, Lucy Denzin, Gabby Sundstrom, Ray Loel, Kathryn Kircos, Peter Thomas, Wilma Neville, Ruby Samtoy, Fame Pelgrim, Elsie Johnson, Barbara Kenny, Anne Jayawardena, Lea Hartley, Catherine Turner, Patricia Quinn, David Merton, Michael Byrne, Bev McNamara, Anthony McNamara, Victoria Lewis, Nicole Moore, Peter Fairhurst, Hans Whitaker, Edward Osborne, Allida Serafin, Clive Geach.

**SICK LIST** – If you are aware that any names on the sick list need to be removed, please contact the Parish Office on 9758 1029.

**ROSARY** is recited prior to Morning Weekday Mass on Wed, Thurs, Friday, in the Church. All welcome to join in the recitation. **Pope Francis has invited everyone to pray the Rosary with him for peace around the world. The Pope said on Sunday: I invite the faithful, families, and communities to join this invocation to obtain from God—through the intercession of the Queen of Peace—the gift which the world awaits.**

**GROUP ROSARY SESSION FOR PEACE**  
When: First Saturday of the Month at 10.30 am.  
Where: 37 Lane Road, FTG. All are welcome.  
Contact: Pauline Barlow on 9758 5106.

**FRIENDSHIP GATHERING:** Meet in the Parish Hall on Thursdays between 10am to 1pm for a **chat over a cuppa, join a card game, knit or just sit for a while.** New friends welcomed.

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** Come and join us for Praise, Prayer and fellowship. We in the Parish Hall 10.15am on Tuesday Mornings. All welcome. Enquiries: Judy on 9752 2986.

**MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP.** Come and join with other mothers of any age to pray together. 9am–10am each Tuesday in the Parish Centre.

**CDFPAY FOR PARISHES – ONLINE PAYMENT PORTAL** for those who would like to contribute to our Parish electronically, please click on: [CDFpay](#)  
**Many thanks to all contributors for your support.**

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE FOR QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY** The Parish Office will be closed on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June for the Public Holiday. The office will re-open as normal on Tuesday.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL "WINTER APPEAL" COMING UP ON 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> JUNE** Our Ferntree Gully Conference has worked throughout the year, each day responding selflessly to the many instances of disadvantaged in our area. We have supported may clients who have suffered **Unemployment, Homelessness, Drug Abuse, Mental/Physical/Emotional Abuse.** We invite you, to support our Winter Appeal by:

1. Donating a wonderful variety of **Non-Perishable Food** for our weekly hampers
2. **Volunteering your time** in our Op Shop located at 1821 Ferntree Gully Road, FTG.
3. Making generous **Financial Donations** through our appeal to support our food store.
4. **Contributing to the Knox Vincentian Scholarship Scheme.**

You can donate non-perishable food in your own bag/SVDP bags in the Church foyer, or, if you are not able to attend the Mass, **you can still be a part of this wonderful work by dropping off food bags or your donation to the Parish Office.** You can donate via the **Special Collection on the 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> June** or via the website. Please go to: [VINNIES.ORG.AU](http://VINNIES.ORG.AU) or PH: 131812. Thank you for your generosity.

**THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES** will be held from June 22 to 26. To watch the pope's video about his June prayer for families go to: **For Families – The Pope video 06 – June 2022 – YouTube** The official event will be held in Rome from 22 June and you can also attend 'virtually'. There are many wonderful resources on their [website](#) and I encourage you to visit and take the virtual journey to Rome.

**MEDITATION SESSIONS** St John the Baptist will hold two meditation sessions a week one in the morning and one in the evening: **Wednesday Morning at 10am and Wednesday Evening at 7:30pm, (subject to numbers)** in the Parish Administration Building. All are welcome to attend. The meditation session will run for about 1 hour. If you are interested in attending the sessions or have any queries **please contact Mary** at [marymakarucha@stjohnthebaptist.net.au](mailto:marymakarucha@stjohnthebaptist.net.au)  
*"Be still, and know that I am God."* Psalm 46:1



**BAPTISMS** – We offer our congratulations to **Alexis Huitema** daughter of Rients & Clouie, and **William Weber** son of Peter & Xi, who are to be baptised this weekend: The Church of God welcomes you with great joy



**COMMUNION TO THE SICK** We have a number of pyx outstanding at the moment. If anyone is not using theirs, and has forgotten to return it, could they please bring it back to the Scaristy? With winter upon us, the need is becoming greater. Thank you for your service in this vital ministry.

**catholic mission** **CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL: 26<sup>th</sup> JUNE.** Malnutrition is a challenge many families face in Ethiopia, especially those with babies and young children. In two weeks' time, you will learn about **Neela\*** and her son **Ajani\***, and how families like theirs can be supported through a new Church-run community program. This is an opportunity to partner with a life-giving mission program – your prayers and generosity are crucial in ensuring this program can even begin. This is also a great way to commit to being witnesses of Jesus Christ, as He has called us to be in Acts 1:8. **\*Name altered to protect identity.**  
<https://www.catholicmission.org.au/>

**PARISH NEW DIRECTIONS - BOOK CLUB** You are most welcome to join St John the Baptist Book Club. The book we are reading for this month is: - **Eddie Jaku - Happiest Man on Earth.** If you are interested in joining, please contact Mary [marymakarucha@stjohnthebaptist.net.au](mailto:marymakarucha@stjohnthebaptist.net.au) or ring the Parish Office 9758 1029.

**A MESSAGE FROM AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA,** dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. Our brothers and sisters in Lebanon are suffering due to ongoing financial and political instability. As the body of Christ we are called to support one another. Will you join us as we help them by providing food parcels to 500 needy families in the diocese of Baalbek, Lebanon? To read about the project, or to make an offering visit: [www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject](http://www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject). Flyers in Foyer.

**ROSTERS: 13<sup>th</sup> June to Sun 19<sup>th</sup> June**

Flowers	Ann P & Connie B
Linen	Alvi M
Welcomers	6pm Myra N, Wilma H 9am: Terry S, Neil & Loraine, Peter C 11am: Priya H, Patrick S
Lectors	6pm: Jan R 9am: Gordon V 11am: Peggy S
Counters	Tony B, Steph H, Connie B & Peter F
Gardening	Roger K