

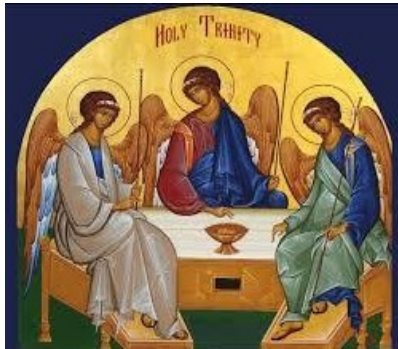


The Cathedral Connection



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Holy Trinity Sunday

The Most Holy Trinity



Little Lucy was asked by her teacher to draw something special. Her teacher asked her what she was drawing. Lucy said, 'I'm drawing God!' Her teacher said, 'That's not possible, No one has ever seen God,' to which Lucy replied, 'They will soon, when they see my drawing!' We may smile at the naiveté of little Lucy, but the same can also be applied to ourselves when we seek to describe God. Some wise person once said, 'When we talk of God, the gates of heaven slowly close.' We don't get it. God is God and we are merely humans!

Nevertheless, today's Feast of the Blessed Trinity invites us to contemplate and reflect on the nature of God, Father, Son and Spirit.

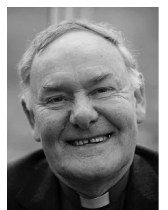
The readings offer some small insights.

In the passage from Deuteronomy, Moses insists on the unique and supreme nature of God, excluding any other gods; but insists that this ultimate God has actually entered into the lives of this people through the Exodus and the experience of Sinai; God has acted 'before your eyes'. God has been directly involved with this people. God calls them to a relationship, a covenant.

In the passage from Romans, that relationship is an intimate personal one – it brings the believer into the very life of God – as children of God, and as heirs therefore – 'and co-heirs with Christ', as the 2nd Eucharistic Prayer reminds us.

The Gospel of Matthew gives us the command to make disciples and bring all people into the life of God, and that life is eternal: 'I am with you always: yes, to the end of time'.

Today's Feast is both about the utter immensity and incomprehensibility of God on the one hand, and the closeness of God on the other. We cannot fathom the former, but we can experience the later through love and prayer.



Fr. Ron Bennett
Parish Moderator

Readings For The Week

Sunday 30th May – Holy Trinity Sunday

Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40, Romans 8:14-17, Matthew 28:16-20

Monday 31st – Zephaniah 3:14-18, Luke 1:39-56

Tuesday 1st June – Tobit 2:9-14, Mark 12:13-17

Wednesday 2nd – Tobit 3:1-11,16-17, Mark 12:18-27

Thursday 3rd – Tobit 6:10-11,7:1,9-14,8:4-9, Mark 12:28-34

Friday 4th – Tobit 11:5-17, Mark 12:35-37

Saturday 5th – Tobit 12:1,5-15,20, Mark 12:38-44

Sunday 6th – Corpus Christi Sunday

Exodus 24:3-8, Mark 14:12-16,22-26

Psalm Response:

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

OUR MISSION & VISION

To joyfully share God's love.
To be a missionary people
united in the hearts of Jesus
and Mary.



Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish is a partner in the Wellington Central Pastoral Area with St. Mary of the Angels (CBD), and the Catholic Parish of Otari (Wilton and Karori)

Quote of the week

The human person grows more, matures more and is sanctified more to the extent that he or she enters into relationships, going out from themselves to live in communion with God, with others and with all creatures... Everything is interconnected, and this invites us to develop a spirituality of that global solidarity which flows from the mystery of the Trinity.

Pope Francis: [Laudato Si'](#) (paragraph 240)

EVENTS



Prayer Group meetings

1st and 3rd Mondays of the month in the Cathedral foyer at 7:30 pm

Adoration every Thursday

There is now Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament available every Thursday from 8.30am after the 8am Mass up until 7pm in the Connolly Hall Chapel. We would encourage everyone to take advantage of this very special time. Come and spend a few minutes, or longer if you are able, to increase your intimacy with our loving God. It is an opportunity to come away to a place of quiet reflection away from the busyness of life. All are welcome.



Liturgy Workshop – Communion to the Sick

Where: St Joseph's Church, Ellice St, Mt Victoria

When: 7pm, Thursday 17th June 2021

Tea & Coffee available from 6:45pm

Register: Contact Chris Walkerdine: (04) 496 1706 or email: c.walkerdine@wn.catholic.org.nz

Presenter: Fr Patrick Bridgman - Liturgy Advisor
Archdiocese of Wellington

St Patrick's College Open Day Tours

The Open Day tours for those interested in enrolling their son at St Patrick's College for 2022 will be held on Tuesday 15 June between 9.30 to 11.00am and from 12.00pm to 1.30pm and again on Thursday 17 June between 9.30 to 11.00am and from 12.00pm to 1.30pm.

To make a booking please either email admin@stpats.school.nz with your request or to make a booking yourself visit the St Patrick's College website: <https://www.stpats.school.nz>

On the front page of our website you will see 'Open Day'. Open this section and select "[Open Day Booking Form](#)" (an online booking form). Enter your details and make your selection regarding day/time. A reminder email will be sent closer to your booked day.



Rosary - Mondays from 11:30am in the Connolly Hall Chapel (Not on Public Holidays)

Divine Mercy Devotions

Sunday 6:00pm to 6:30pm in the Connolly Hall Chapel



Scripture Meditation

Tue 5:00-5:30pm by Zoom

[https://zoom.us/j/94186740914?](https://zoom.us/j/94186740914?pwd=WlgwbkYyT2pzbGhKdHBLZDFYSIRBZz09)

[pwd=WlgwbkYyT2pzbGhKdHBLZDFYSIRBZz09](https://zoom.us/j/94186740914?pwd=WlgwbkYyT2pzbGhKdHBLZDFYSIRBZz09)

Meeting ID: 941 8674 0914

Chorale Kaleidoscope

Come and join us as we wander through the colourful landscape of chorale melodies. South African organist Eon Malan promises a new insight into some well-known and not so well-known tunes ranging from the 17th Century through to the 20th.

This free concert is being held in the awesome historic surroundings of Old St Paul's on Sunday June 6th at 3pm. Just bring yourself and your friends and bask in the music.

Programme includes JS Bach's well-known *Schmücke dich*, compositions by South African composers, and John Behnke's Variations on *Kum Ba Yah*.



Quiet Days with Suzanne Aubert on June 10 at the Crombie Chapel of Our Lady's Home of Compassion (2 Rhine st. Wellington) from 10AM to 2PM.

A time for gentle reflection on insights from the life and works of Venerable Suzanne Aubert.

A simple lunch is provided – or bring your own. There is no fee, but a koha is greatly appreciated. Registration is required by 3pm a day before the event. Registration – Ph. 04 383 7769 or email – sr.sue@compassion.org.nz

APPEALS

SPONSORSHIP - We are inviting businesses and firms to support the Parish newsletter, and other communication efforts, by advertising in our new, enlarged newsletter. If you are a parishioner in business or offer goods and services that would interest our parishioners, you may like to take up this opportunity. For further information, please contact Frank in the parish office.

Donations for Sacred Heart Cathedral strengthening, and restoration campaign can be made to bank account number: **02-0506-0138488-025** **Particulars:** Your surname & initials **Code:** Your phone number. **Reference:** REOPEN. Check the Cathedral Fundraising Campaign website: www.cathedralcampaign.org.nz and please mention it to your friends too.

Planned Giving

If you are not yet registered for planned giving, and would like to financially support our parish then please contact Frank in the parish office (04) 496-1700. Many thanks for your continued support. You and your parish working together.

NOTICES



Parish Feast Day: Please mark the date Friday 11 June in your calendar. This is our Parish Feast Day, and we are having a special celebration starting at 5.30pm in our Connolly Hall Chapel with Mass celebrated by Fr James Lyons, followed by refreshments and fellowship in the Cathedral Foyer. Please join us and, if you can, please bring some finger food to share.

Parish AGM: Another important date to mark in your diaries is that our Parish AGM will be held immediately after the 10:30am Mass on Sunday 27 June 2021. You are all encouraged to attend as we look at the past year and plan for the next.

Prayer requests - If anyone has a prayer request, please send it to Frank in the office. These will be placed unopened on the altar at the 7:00 pm Mass where they will be prayed for during the Mass.

Filipino Variety Show: Please come and support the upcoming Filipino Variety Show "Tunog Pinoy - Original Filipino Music". Saturday, 5 June from 5PM at 20-22 Taine St. Taita, Lower Hutt.

Performers from Palmerston North and Greater Wellington Region will be showcasing a variety of original Filipino music. Part of the proceeds will be donated to Sacred Heart Cathedral in Wellington (Cathedral Restoration Project) For tickets, please message Bing Fernandes on 021-2797474. Thank you.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, 'RCIA', is a process for individuals interested in exploring the Catholic faith. Enquirers are accompanied by members of a parish community as they experience and explore Catholicism in action through liturgies, prayer, scripture, social groups, mission, and service opportunities. If you are interested in sharing our Catholic faith tradition, as a sponsor accompanying and supporting an enquirer, or a catechist breaking open Catholic traditions, culture and practices, or know someone whom you could invite to participate in the programme please contact Trish McAloon (021 223 1987), trish.mcaloon@gmail.com or the parish office (04) 496 1700, cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz

Could someone you know become tomorrow's priest?

Contact Fr Andrew Kim, Vocations Director: andlekis@hotmail.com or 022 102 2011. Visit www.wellingtonpriests.org Follow us on Facebook: [Wellington Priests](https://www.facebook.com/WellingtonPriests)



Collection for the Friends of Cathedral Music

On the 5th Sunday Friends of Cathedral Music have traditionally taken a collection for the support of music in our cathedral parish. The music subcommittee is currently working to submit a plan to the parish on our future music programme and we look forward to this outcome in coming weeks. Thank you for continuing to support the initiatives of Friends of Cathedral Music. A collection will be taken after the 10.30am Mass this Sunday. *Steve Haultain - Chair, Friends of Cathedral Music.*

ALERTS

Covid-19 Alert Level 1 and our Parish — We need to continue to be careful under level 1 — Scan wherever you see a QR Code, Wash your hands and sanitise frequently, and as before, the Sign of Peace remains non-contact. That is, rather than shaking hands, please continue to bow, smile, or raise a hand in acknowledgement.

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MASS TIMES

Weekdays (Except Public Holidays)

8:00am Monday to Friday

12:10pm Tuesday to Friday

12:10pm Monday *Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion*

All in the Connolly Hall Chapel

Saturday

8:30am – Conolly Hall Chapel

5:30pm (Vigil for Sunday) -

St. Thomas More, Wilton

Sunday

10:30am - St. Thomas More, Wilton

7:00pm – Connolly Hall Chapel

Reconciliation: Saturday after 8:30am Mass, or by appointment

Baptism: by appointment. Contact Parish office.

Please keep in your prayers



Paddy McElroy
Gabriel McLeavey
Brian and Moira Dunn
Ken Matheson
Nicholas Dyne (Graham Taylor's grandson)
Simon Lai

Mass will be offered for

Bob Thomson RIP 23 May
Husband of Marjorie

Mike Fahy RIP 24 May

Eduardo Pangilinan RIP 26 May
Husband of Reme and Father of Sonny

Sr. Maureen Richardson RNDM RIP

David Lyons RIP
Cousin of Fr. James



GOD, THE HOLY TRINITY



Jesus taught us that God is not just one Person, but three Persons in one God. The three Persons in God are God the Father, God the Son Who is Jesus, and God the Holy Spirit.

The three Persons in God know each other perfectly and all want the exact same thing. The Blessed Trinity is a mystery that we can't really understand. It is the three Persons of God loving each other so much we could never even measure or understand it! And God, the Blessed Trinity, decided to create us so that we could adore them and join in their love! That's what Heaven is: being with the Blessed Trinity in total happiness forever!

We pray that the Blessed Trinity will be glorified by all creatures when we say this prayer:



*Glory be to the Father
and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit
as it was in the beginning,
is now,
and will be forever. Amen.*



Answers: Dot to dot on front - a shamrock represents the Holy Trinity. Trinity puzzle: Each Person IS NOT any other Person, but each Person IS GOD.

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The Kids' Bulletin

*Feast of the Most Holy Trinity
Sunday May 30th, 2021*



There are three Persons in God:
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
But there is still only one God!
Saint Patrick taught the Irish people about
the BLESSED TRINITY by showing the
people something else that is three-in-one.
What is it? Connect the dots to find out!

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