

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

O Lord, our God! The mystery of the Blessed Trinity is too deep for us now. But gradually the Holy Spirit will lead us to the fullness of the truth about God. Day by day we will grow in our sense of wonder that this God, Who created the heavens and the earth, cares for us in an intimate, personal way. All

we can do is cry out ‘Glory’ to the One God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

(St Pauls Sunday Missal)

A reflection by the Venerable Servant of God, Archbishop Fulton J Sheen

If we would seek out the mystery of why love has a triune character and implies lover, beloved, and love, we must mount to God Himself. Love is Triune in God because in Him there are three Persons and in the one Divine Nature! Love has this triple character because it is a reflection of the Love of God, in Whom there are three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Trinity is the answer to the questions of Plato. If there is only one God, what does He think about? He thinks an eternal thought: His Eternal Word, or Son. If there is only one God, whom does He love? He loves His Son, and that mutual love is the Holy Spirit. The great philosopher was fumbling about for the mystery of the Trinity, for his noble mind seemed in some small way to suspect that an infinite being must have relations of thought and love, and that God cannot be conceived without thought and love. But it was not until the Word became Incarnate that man knew the secret of those relations and the inner life of God, for it was Jesus Christ, the Son of God, Who revealed to us the inmost life of God.

It is the mystery of the Trinity which gives the answer to the quest for happiness and the meaning of Heaven. Heaven is not a place where there is the mere vocal repetition of alleluias or the monotonous fingering of harps. Heaven is a place where we find the fullness of all life's greatest values. It is a state where we find in their plenitude those things which slake the thirst of hearts, satisfy the hunger of starving minds, and give rest to unsolaced loves. Heaven is the communion with Perfect Life, Perfect Truth, and Perfect Love: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

Here is the answer to the riddle of love. Love implies relation. If lived in isolation, it becomes selfishness; if absorbed in collectivity, it loses its personality and, therefore, the right to love. The ultimate reason why it takes three to make love is that God is Love, and His Love is Triune. All earthly love worthy of the name is

the echo of ‘This Tremendous Lover,’ Who is not an individual Ego, but a Society of Love. As every sentence implies a subject, predicate, and object, so all love implies a triple relationship of Lover, a Beloved, and the Unifying Love.

Divine Life is an endless rhythm of three in oneness: Three Persons in one Nature. If God had no Son, He would not be a Father; if He were an individual Unity, He could not love until He had made something less than Himself. No one is good unless He gives. If He did not give to the highest way by generation, He would not be Good, and if He were not Good, He would be Terror. Before the world began, God was Good in Himself, because He eternally begot a Son. There is no act in God which is not God Himself. Thus, God is the eternal vortex of love, which is ever in blissful activity because He is Three, and yet One because proceeding from one Nature which is God. Here is the White Source of all love whence comes to us all its straggling rays. Here alone is the Source, the Stream, and the Sea of all love. All fatherhood, motherhood, sonship, espousals, friendship, wedded love, patriotism, instinct, attraction, all interaction, and generation, is in some faint measure a picture of God. Father and mother in their unity constitute a complete principle of generation, and the child born of this principle is attached to the parents by a spirit: the spirit of the family. This spirit does not proceed uniquely from the love of parents for their children, but from the reciprocity of their affection. The spirit of love in parents is at once desire, pity, tenderness, bearing all things, suffering all things for the children. In the children, it is an offering such as the birds make to the branches in the springtime. The spirit of the family is as necessary to the family in generation, as the Holy Spirit is to the love in Father and Son.

Three in One, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; Three Persons in One God; One in essence with distinction of Persons - such is the Mystery of the Trinity, such is the Inner Life of God. Just as I am, I know, and I love, and yet I am one nature; just as the three angles of a triangle do not make three triangles, but one; just as the power, light, and heat of the sun do not make three suns, but one; as water, ice, and steam are all manifestations of the one substance, H₂O; as the form, colour, and perfume of the rose do not make three roses, but one; as our life, our intellect, and our will do not make three substances, but one; as 1 x 1 x 1 does not equal 3, but 1; so, too, in some much more mysterious way, there are Three Persons in God yet only one God.

(Three to Get Married)



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - YEAR C

15 JUNE 2025

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - “PILGRIMS OF HOPE”



“The three Persons are distinct from one another; a sublime knowledge is infused into the soul, imbuing it with a certainty of the truth that the Three are of one substance, power, and knowledge and are one God.”
- St Teresa of Ávila

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 Proverbs 8:22-31

A reading from the book of Proverbs

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 Ps 8:4-9

R: O Lord, our God, how wonderful Your name in all the earth!

1. When I see the heavens, the work of Your hands, the moon and the stars which You arranged, what is man that You should keep him in mind, mortal man that You care for him? **R.**
2. Yet You have made him little less than a god; with glory and honour You crowned him, gave him power over the works of Your hand, put all things under his feet. **R.**
3. All of them, sheep and cattle, yes, even the savage beasts, birds of the air, and fish that make their way through the waters. **R.**

Second Reading Romans 5:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

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.

♦ **The word of the Lord.**

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 John 16:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

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.**

Communion Antiphon: Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of His Son, the Spirit Who cries out: Abba, Father.

Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible

Prayer to the Most Holy Trinity

Glory be to the Father, Who by His almighty power and love created me, making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son, Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell, and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit, Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism, and continues to sanctify me by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.





Sacred Heart Parish

(Canonically Erected 1868)

Roman Catholic Diocese of Armidale

The Most Holy Trinity - Year C

June 15, 2025



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Administrator: Fr Paul Chandler
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Parish Secretary: Peter Turner

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

We pray for: Repose of all those whose death anniversary occurs at this time; Repose of all souls in Purgatory.

the Recently Deceased:

Lloyd Fleming, Yvonne Mowle, Denise Hills, Stephenus Wainamo.

the sick:

Chris Perceval, David Miron, Sue O'Brien, Julie Daley, Pat Gurr, Peter Moroney, Christopher Pay, Neville Barwick, Fr Barry Leech, Lara Bentley, Elizabeth Albany, Fr David Crabb, Rebecca Lane, Brian Barker, and all the sick members of our parish.

Please contact the priest on 67221103 for home visits to the homebound and the sick.

Baptism - Saturdays & Sundays at 10.30am

Marriages and Funerals by Appointment

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CLERGY AND THE PARISH

1st Collection: Presbytery (for support of priest)

BSB 082105 Account No. 001023550

Account Name: Sacred Heart Presbytery Inverell Savings Ac.

2nd Collection: Church upkeep, maintenance, expenses

BSB 082105 Account No. 001013072

Account Name: Sacred Heart Parish Inverell

For those on the Planned Giving Program could you please quote your surname and envelope number for the reference.

Planned Giving Program: If you wish to join the planned giving program, please contact the parish office.

JUNE - THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

MONDAY 16th

Monday of the 11th week in Ordinary Time (Pg. 612)

No Mass - Church open from 8am to 1pm

TUESDAY 17th

Tuesday of the 11th week in Ordinary Time (Pg 614)

Rosary - 8.30am

Holy Mass - 9.00am

Confession for Yr4WL - 10.10 at HTS

Holy Hour - 4.30pm to 5.30pm

WEDNESDAY 18th

Wednesday of the 11th week in Ordinary Time (Pg 616)

Holy Mass - 6.30am

THURSDAY 19th

Feast Day of St Romuald (Pg 1796)

Rosary - 11.30am

Holy Mass - 12 Noon

Adoration - 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Home Rosary - 4.30pm, 11 Diamond St, Tingha

Alpha Program - 6.00pm

FRIDAY 20th

Friday of the 11th week in Ordinary Time (Pg 621)

Rosary - 8.30am

Holy Mass - 9.30am - Confirmation Confirmandi attend

Confirmation Preparation in the Church - 10.15 to 12 Noon

Holy Hour - 4.30pm to 5.30pm

SATURDAY 21st

Feast Day of St Aloysius Gonzaga, religious (Pg 1799)

Rosary - 8.00am

Holy Mass - 8.30am (Celebrant Bishop Peter Murphy)

Baptism of Edward Devlin - 11.00am

Holy Mass of Sunday - 3.00pm at Ashford

Rosary - 5.00pm

Holy Mass of Sunday - 5.30pm - Conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation

SUNDAY 22nd

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ / Corpus Christi

Rosary - 8.30am

Holy Mass - 9.00am

Holy Hour of Adoration - 10.00am to 11.00am

Sacrament of Confession

Sunday: 8.00am to 8.30am

Tuesday: 5.00pm to 5.30pm

Thursday: 1.00pm to 1.30pm

Friday: 5.00pm to 5.30pm (except First Fridays)

Saturday: 4.45pm to 5.15pm (and at any time upon request)

OTHER MASSES:

McLean Village Each 4th Thursday - 10.00am

2nd Saturday - *Tingha*, St. Francis' Church - 3.00pm

3rd Saturday - *Ashford*, St Patrick's Church - 3.00pm

4th Saturday - *Tingha*, St. Francis' Church - 3.00pm

5th Saturday - *Yetman*, St Joseph the Worker - 3.00pm

PARISH NOTICES & EVENTS

ALTAR SOCIETY ROSTER FOR JUNE

Holy Trinity Team

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

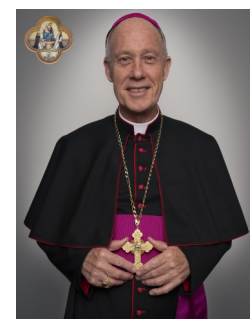
Liturgy Committee - Sat 21 June 2025, 9.00am

Confirmation Mass - Sat 21 June 2025, 5.30pm

Finance Committee - Wed 9 July 2025, 5.00pm

Sunday Morning Tea - Sun 13 July 2025, after Mass

Pastoral Council - Wed 13 August 2025, 5.00pm



Visit of Bishop Peter Murphy

His Lordship, Bishop Murphy, will be with us on Friday 20th and Saturday 21st June.

Apart from meeting with the confirmandi, he will also be visiting Holy Trinity School, visiting our outlying properties at Bundarra, Tingha and Ashford, and meeting the Liturgy committee.

The Bishop will celebrate the 8:30am Mass on Saturday morning at Sacred Heart Church as well as the 5:30pm Mass on Saturday evening at which he will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation.

He would be delighted to meet as many parishioners as possible.

Pilgrimage of the mini-Cathedral, Cathedra and Diocesan relics

In this Jubilee Year 2025, the practice and concept of pilgrimage is central, as it is in every Jubilee or Holy Year. In our Diocese, there is a pilgrimage of holy items making its way around all the parishes and all the schools.

There is a detailed miniature replica of St Mary and St Joseph's Cathedral in Armidale as well as a miniature cathedra (the Bishop's chair which makes a church into a cathedral) and a beautiful collection of Jubilee Relics.

All the students at Holy Trinity have already visited the holy items at school and received instruction about them.

All parishioners are invited to make a mini-pilgrimage to the church from Saturday June 14th to Tuesday June 17th to visit the display. Access will be available at all times that the church is opened.

Of course, there is the pious tradition of praying before the relics of the saints seeking from one, or from all, the intercession that may be needed for you or your loved ones. Among the relics included are those of St Teresa of Calcutta, Bl Carlo Acutis and Bl Pier Giorgio Frassati (both of whom are to be canonised this year).

The Most Holy Trinity - from Fr Paul

from the Catechism of the Catholic Church §233-237, 732:

Christians are baptised in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: not in their names, for there is only one God, the almighty Father, His only Son

and the Holy Spirit: the Most Holy Trinity.

The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in Himself. It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith and the light that enlightens them. It is the most fundamental and essential teaching in the "hierarchy of the truths of faith".

The Trinity is a mystery of faith in the strict sense, one of the mysteries that are hidden in God, which can never be known unless they are revealed by God. To be sure, God has left traces of His Trinitarian being in His work of creation and in His Revelation throughout the Old Testament. But His inmost Being as Holy Trinity is a mystery that is inaccessible to reason alone or even to Israel's faith before the Incarnation of God's Son and the sending of the Holy Spirit.

On Pentecost Day, the Holy Trinity was fully revealed as the third person is manifest. The Father and the Son send the Spirit into the world to bring to birth the Church and so open the Kingdom of God to all who believe in Christ.

HELP NEEDED - Clean-up at Bundarra Church

Most of the sacred items and furnishings have been removed from St Mary of the Angels Church at Bundarra in preparation for the auction on July 5th at 11am. A full list of where the items have gone will be published closer to the auction date.

Now there is an urgent need to do some cleaning in and around the church building. **There will be a clean-up day on this Wednesday, June 18th from 9:30am until 12:30pm.**

What needs to be done?

- ♦ vacuuming the carpet and hard floors
- ♦ removing cobwebs
- ♦ cleaning inside of cupboards
- ♦ a small amount of pruning of shrubs
- ♦ moving "rubbish" items to the rented skip (there are a few heavy items; so some men would be needed)

Please bring with you a vacuum cleaner, brushes, dusters, dustpan & brush, cloths if you can.

Some non-sacred items still in the church that may be of interest to some people are:

- ♦ an electric organ; dual manual; some keys are sticky
- ♦ a foot-pump organ
- ♦ a Christmas tree with some decorations
- ♦ a vacuum cleaner

If you are using a Sunday Missal:

- * Proper of Mass, Page 857
- * Preface of the Most Holy Trinity, Page 44
- * Eucharistic Prayer No. 1, Page 61
- * Daily Missal uses Year One (weekday Mass)