

# WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S STRATHFIELD SOUTH PARISH

Trinity Sunday (Year A)

3 & 4 June 2023

## Weekday/Weekend Mass Timetable:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am  
Tuesday - Friday 9:15 am  
Saturday: 9:15 am

Reconciliation - Saturdays from 9:45 am  
Baptisms, marriages and funerals, by appointment only.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge and celebrate that this land is of the Wangal people of the Darug nation on which we are gathered. We commit ourselves to work together for reconciliation, justice and peace.



## SUNDAY READINGS:

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9  
St Paul to the Corinthians 13:11-13  
John 3:16-18

Responsorial Psalm: Glory and praise for ever .

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!



### FOR OUR DEAD

Please remember those who have gone before us:

Ronnie Africa  
Josephine Cameron Smith  
Dorothy Rouse  
Lincoln Fox  
Jerome D'Rozario  
Giovanni Biordi  
Joyce Parisi  
Lui Farre

### FOR OUR SICK

Peter Scoulis



Anyone under the illusion that Trinity Sunday is about an other-worldly doctrine needs only to consider the earth-shattering experience of Paul the apostle. More than once in his letters he boasts of his Jewish heritage. "I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin," he wrote in his letter to the Romans (11:1 NRSV). As such he would have prayed the Shema daily with deep devotion: "Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone" (Dt 6:4 NRSV). We can hardly imagine how seismic was his discovery that Jesus of Nazareth was the promised Messiah, in whom "the One God has acted climactically and decisively . . . even as Israel's Messiah. A shocking blinding reality. The reality that would change the world" (N.T. Wright. Paul, A Biography, NY: HarperCollins, 2020, 54). Famously Paul went on to write of "the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything . . ." (Phil 3:8). In time Paul understood more and more deeply how faith in Christ gave birth to life in the Spirit. His letters are a treasure trove of teaching about the work of the Spirit in individuals and communities alike. We cannot reclaim Paul's original experience for ourselves, but whenever we are greeted with "the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit," we can feel solidarity with him.

Source: Liturgy Brisbane

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### FIRST EUCHARIST SUNDAY



Congratulations to all the children who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend. May you all grow in the light and love that comes from receiving our Lord Jesus Christ and may He continue to bless you and your families.

Jesus made you special you're unique in every way and He loves you very much on this your First Communion Day.

### THANK YOU



A special thank you to year four students from St Anne's who prepared the Artwork last week for the Feast of Pentecost.

Thank you also to everyone who brought flowers to the statue of Our Lady and maintained them during the month of May.

### SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

It is important that all Parishioners are aware of the importance and responsibility of our Volunteers to meet the Child safety requirements. This week I bring your attention to the requirement of a Working with Children Check.

All Safeguarding requirements are on the Archdiocese Website and the website of the Office of the Children's Guardian.

**Office of the Children's Guardian** regulates and oversees organisations in NSW because children and young people have the right to be safe.

The Archdiocese Safeguarding Office has been advised that Churches within the Archdiocese will be audited by the Office of the Children's Guardian this year.

It is the Church's obligation to participate in the audit but more importantly, we are required to meet the Regulations set down for Volunteers.

The first responsibility (among others) is to ensure that volunteers in certain Parish roles that DO require a WWCC, have one.

In our Parish the following roles are required to hold a WWCC which must be verified by the Parish:

Parish Secretaries, Sacramental Group Leaders, Catechists in State Schools, Acolytes and Senior Altar Servers, Ministers of the Word/Readers/Lectors, Parish Collectors and Eucharistic Minister.

If we do not meet the requirements of the Office of the Children's Guardian, the Priest and the Church will be fined and the amounts are substantial.

I urge any volunteer in the above categories that do not have a WWCC to immediately obtain one and forward a copy to the Parish Office. Please check that your WWCC has not expired, and you need to renew it. There is no cost associated with holding a WWCC and if you have any queries, please contact the Parish Office on a Tuesday and we will be able to answer your queries.



## WALK WITH CHRIST - SUNDAY 11TH JUNE

1:00pm - Festival at Martin Place

2:30pm - Procession from Corner of Martin Place and Pitt St

Join us for this year's 'Walk with Christ' annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney to make a joyful public proclamation and act of worship towards the person of Jesus Christ (as King), and to invoke His blessing upon the city.

The presence of the Eucharist in this joyful liturgical act invokes the benevolent spiritual blessings of Christ onto the city and all who live there. The blessing is derived from He who has been "anointed to proclaim the good news to the poor ...to proclaim freedom for prisoners and sight to the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour." It is in this way that the Walk with Christ is part of the spiritual and civic life of the city and Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney.

*"Wherever it is possible in the judgement of the diocesan Bishop, a procession through the public streets should be held, especially on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ as a public witness of reverence for the Most Holy Sacrament, for the "devout participation of the faithful in the Eucharistic procession on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ is a grace from the Lord which yearly fills with joy those who take part in it"*

– Pope John Paul II, *Encyclical Letter, Ecclesia de Eucharistia*

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

If you would like to donate to the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal envelopes are still available on the pews. This envelope can be placed on any collection plate.



4 Jun **The Most Holy Trinity** (This feast, first celebrated in monastic communities in the ninth century as an expression of praise to the triune God, was extended to the entire Western Church in the fourteenth century. It celebrates the mystery of God's self-revelation through the experiences of the people of Israel, the disciples of Jesus, and the Christian people since Pentecost). **Source: Liturgy Brisbane**

It is almost the end of the financial year and the Parish is about to prepare the envelopes for 2023/24 which you will be able to collect in a couple of weeks from the back of the Church.



We invite you to consider joining the Planned Giving programme to continue your support to our Parish. If you have contributed during the last 12 months you will automatically receive new envelopes. If you would like to join/rejoin the planned giving programme, please contact Janelle either by email or phone. Janelle will ensure a new set of envelopes will be available to you as well. The Parish also have Credit Card BPoint services available for either weekly or monthly deductions. A separate form is needed to be completed and Janelle can provide same to you if requested.

Dear Parishioners, Parents and Carers,



Wellbeing Week takes place in week 6 of each term at St Anne's School. The regular homework routine is disrupted, peer support activities take place, and the staff meeting was coffee and cake at Profiterole. This meeting was very well attended!

Friday's activities for the students were highlighted by the "Bee Kind" games. Our new school mascot, Annie the Bee, was introduced. Annie was designed by Bianca V, one of our Year Six students from 2022. Annie will be buzzing around to remind us to be responsible, respectful, safe and kind. These are our Schoolwide Positive Behaviours for Learning (SPBL) values. They help us to "Bounce Back" if things go wrong! Mrs Karen Suttor and Mr Lachlan Hoban were the brains behind the "Bee Kind" games. All students had a lovely time with our senior students doing a great job leading the groups and the games.

Warm regards  
Phil Townsend

## PURPOSE NIGHTS | BLACK AND WHITE NIGHT



Our first ever Purpose Nights event is happening June 27th and we can't wait to have you! There will be a live music concert, food trucks, talks, adoration, confession, bonfires, and a Q&A panel!

**Topic:** 'What is Truth?'

**Dress code:** Black and White Clothing!

Open to students across Sydney in years 9-12

**Date and Time:** Tuesday 27th June, 5.30 PM to 9PM.

**Venue:** St Christopher's, Holsworthy 205 Heathcote Rd, Holsworthy

Registrations are essential. For more information and to register, visit the [event page](#)

## PURPOSE CAMP 2023

Purpose Camp is for highschoolers in years 9 to 12 [UNDER 18s ONLY] led by Sydney Catholic Youth in collaboration with Youth Ministry Coordinators from across the Archdiocese of Sydney.

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY:



Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you, or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org). You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. **Website:** [Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding and Child Protection](#)