

CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

2025

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



FIRST READING Proverbs 8:22-31

A reading from the book of Proverbs

Wisdom was born before the earth was made.

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.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 8:4-9

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

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**.

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**.

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

To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.

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.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf Revelation 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 Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.

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.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

WORD FROM THE DEAN



Dear Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors,

Today, being Trinity Sunday, we reflect on the distinctively Christian belief in Three Persons, One God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It is Jesus himself who revealed to his disciples the Trinity, which He expressed in terms of his own relationship to the Father and to the Holy Spirit. A couple of instances of this are: "The Father and I are one" (John 10.30) and "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf (John 15.26).

Now, it is impossible to explain in only a few sentences why God only gradually revealed himself as Trinity, rather than doing so straight away to the Israelites. But I do find these words of St Gregory Nazianzus, one of the great "Fathers of the Church" of the Fourth Century, helpful:

The Old Testament proclaimed the Father quite clearly, and the Son only dimly. The New Testament revealed the Son and allowed us to glimpse the divinity of the Spirit. Now the Spirit dwells among us and shows himself more clearly. When the divinity of the Father was not yet recognised it would not have been prudent openly to proclaim the So; and when the divinity of the Son was not yet admitted it would not have been fair to impose – I dare put it like that – a new burden on men by talking to them about the Holy Spirit. Otherwise, like people whose digestions are strained by too rich a diet or who have stared at the sun's light with eyes still too weak from illness, they would have run the risk of losing the strength they had already gained. It was necessary therefore to work towards perfection by stages, by an "upward journey" to use David's phrase: it was necessary to go forward by of successive clarifications, by increasingly enlightening improvements and advances, in order to see the Trinity shine out at last. - (St Gregory Nazianzus, Fifth Theological Discourse, n.26)

Let's be thankful to the Lord for shining that light of his holiness and love on us in the fullness of time. Our response can only be gratitude and humility and joy that he has made himself known fully, and that he invites us into communion.

See you next week on *Corpus Christi* at the "Walk with Christ" Eucharistic Procession! Fr Don Richardson, Dean.

UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS

June 2025

			14	15	16	17
TRINITY SUNDAY			Saturday	Sunday TRINITY SUNDAY 2pm Sunday Public Tour	Monday	Tuesday
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	6:30pm CITY COMPASS		St Aloysius Gonzaga	The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST (Corpus Christi) Walk with Christ 2pm Sunday Public Tour		The NATIVITY of ST JOHN THE BAPTIST
25	26	27	28	29	30	
6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	6:30pm CITY COMPASS	Friday The Most SACRED HEART of Jesus	Saturday	Sunday Sts. PETER and PAUL 2pm Sunday Public Tour	Monday	

Affekly Mass Schedule

MASS

Monday to Friday: 6:45am, 1:10pm, 5:30pm Saturday: 9:00am, 12:00 noon Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 10:30am (Solemn Choral Mass), 6:00pm

RECONCILIATION

Monday to Friday: 12noon to 1:00pm and 4:30pm to 5:25pm Saturday: 11.00am to 12noon and 4:30pm to 5:30pm

EVENING VESPERS

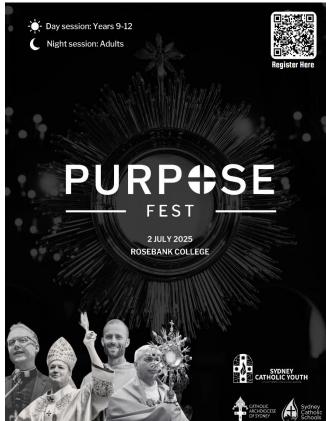
Monday to Friday: 5:00pm
Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday: 5:00pm
(Choral Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)

CATHEDRAL NOTICES











A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney:

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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.

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.

HOMELESS PERSONS' MEMORIAL SERVICE

Commemorating the lives of all people who have died homeless in the past year



SAT 21 JUNE 2025 at 6pm

All welcome to the service and light refreshments from the Vinnies Van

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