



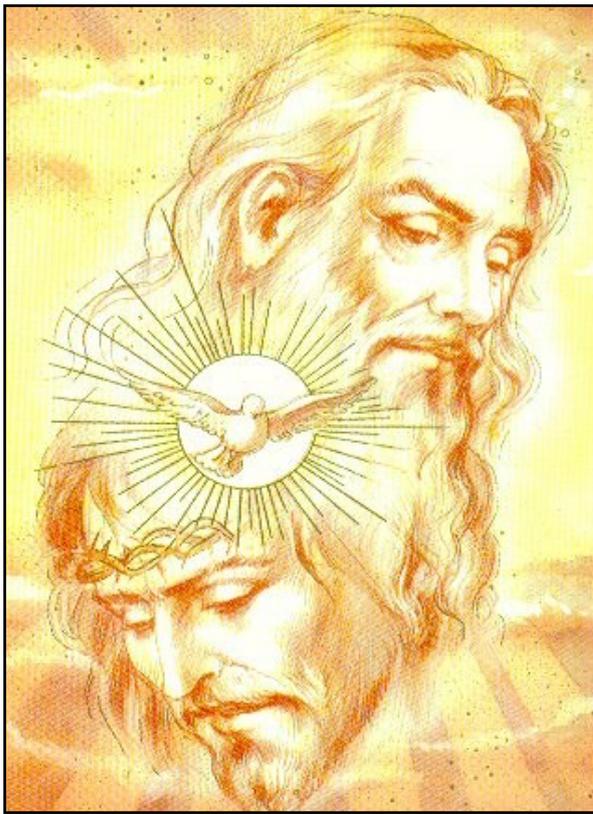
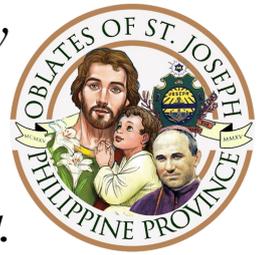
Welcome to the Holy Family Parish Catholic Community

Albany, Western Australia

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

Sunday, 7 June 2020

A very warm welcome to everyone in our parish this weekend.



INDWELLING OF THE TRINITY

“Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him.” John 14:23

Children seem to get it. They seem to understand that God dwells in their hearts. Of course if you asked them how they know this they may look at you with a confused look and not know how to respond. But, nonetheless, somehow they do understand that God dwells within them.

So what would you say if someone asked you, “How do you know that God comes and makes His dwelling within you?” Perhaps you also may be at a loss for words to describe this incredible mystery of our faith. Do you believe this to be true? That God wants to make your heart and soul His dwelling place? If so, how does this happen?

By the gift of faith we, like little children, just know that God wants to dwell within us. We know that He wants to possess our souls, speak to us, strengthen us, lead us and guide us. We know, by the gift of faith, that God is real and desires the deepest and most intimate relationship with us. We just know.

The good news is that faith leads to understanding. This means that the more we are attentive to the voice of God speaking within us, leading and guiding us, the more we begin to understand His indwelling presence. As St. Augustine said, **“Faith is to believe what you do not see. The reward of faith is to see what you believe.”** Faith in God’s indwelling presence leads us to the answer of the question above. The answer is one that God and God alone can give to us. We can share our faith with others, give witness to His presence in our lives, and give those around us the answer to that question through faith. How do I know God dwells within me? The answer: Because I see Him there, I speak to Him there, and He speaks to me.

Reflect, today, upon the Lord living within you. Let Him speak to you and, in that ever deepening conversation, allow His Indwelling Presence to grow and to become manifest to others. God wants to not only dwell within you, He also wants to shine through you.

Lord, come live in my heart. Make my heart Your dwelling place. Help me to see You there, to meet You there, to converse with You and to love You in my soul. Jesus, I trust in You.

Source: <https://catholic-daily-reflections.com/2020/05/10/indwelling-of-the-trinity-2/>

Today’s Readings...

First Reading:

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

Responsorial Psalm:

Glory and praise for ever!

Second Reading:

Corinthians 13:11-13

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:

John 3:16-18

HEALTHY HYGIENE AND SOCIAL DISTANCING

Wash your hands regularly for at least 20 seconds, using soap & water or alcohol-based gel



Stay home if you are sick don't go to work or school if you have symptoms



Avoid close contact with others try to keep at least 1.5 metres away



Cover your mouth/nose when you cough/sneeze using a tissue or flexed elbow



Avoid shaking hands or making other unnecessary physical contact with others



AROUND OUR PARISH

Our Parish Prayer Intention this week



We pray for our sisters and brothers around the world who have been affected because of the Corona Virus—those who are sick, for their healing; those who are in isolation and those FRONTLINERS (healthcare workers, peacemakers, first responders, volunteers and non-health workers) for their protection from harm; and civil leaders, that they would listen to the voice of the Spirit in every decision that they will do.

We pray for the special intentions...

Norma Doyle, Margaret Muller, Jane Shaw, June Higgins, Robert Main, Jane Bell, Bill Parker, Sarah Stevenson, Virgilio Pesigan, Todd Bennett, Carrie Bertola, Mary McGlynn, Maurice Byrne, Halina VanMoorsel, Julian Letter, Bonita Stevenson, GaryMaxine Fryatt, Lucy Sheridan, John Dawson, Betty Donovan, Vicky Southworth, Lorelie Donkin, Vita Grappio, Chloe Fields and the baby, quick recovery of Mark Letter.

If you have a loved one who wishes to be included on the prayer list, please message or ring us.

ROSARY STATUES: *Pilgrim Statue Ivor & Wilma Ward* | *Filipino Statue June & Luisa Medrano*

PARISH FINANCE UPDATE

On behalf of the Parish Finance Committee, I would like to personally thank you for all of your great support in helping our parish community spiritually and financially, and to all our volunteers for their tireless contributions in making our parish a beautiful community of faith.

On this note, I would like to say that we are committed to continue our pastoral services to all our parishioners in all capacity where we can share the Gospel.

As you all know, our parish collections drop exponentially because of the pandemic. That's why, I am humbly asking for your help financially, so that we can continue propagate the gift of faith to everyone. Your donation can make a big difference.

If you are interested, I do suggest couple of useful options, particularly those that have committed to planned giving.

OPTION 1: CDF Pay

To be assisted with this option, please check out our website at:
www.albanycatholicparish.org.au.

OPTION 2: Planned Giving Pledge Forms are now available for 2020-2021.

- **For the NEW Givers** - Pink forms are available in the foyer or in our website to register.
- **For the Previous Givers** - Please notify us by phone or email of your interest to continue or to update your details, as you do not need to fill any forms.

OPTION 3: ONLINE BANK TRANSFER

Account Name:
Albany Catholic Parish
BSB: **086-006**
A/C: **84-698-5771**

If possible, could you please add a narration such as "**NAME for Planned Giving**" so we can identify the money when it comes into the account.

Should you wish to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me anytime. Thank you once again for your support & co-operation during this time. God Bless!

-Fr Christian Saminal, OSJ

*"Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver...
- 2 Corinthians 9:6*

Feast of San Antonio de Padua on Saturday, 13 June 2020!!

To commemorate this feast, we invite you to join us in the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in St. Joseph's Church at 9AM. Please wait for further announcement if Morning Tea after the Mass will be available due to Covid-19.

Feast of the Corpus Christi on Sunday, 14 June 2020!!

To commemorate this very important feast, there will be a procession of the Blessed Sacrament around the St Joseph's Church after the 7:30AM. **Holy Hour** will come after the procession.

Really! It's now going to be 100!

Dear Parishioners,

As we will soon be moving to Phase 3 of COVID-19 restrictions, this will mean that 100 people will be allowed to attend each church service. For this **Sunday 7th June, simultaneous celebrations** will again be held both in St Joseph's Church and Holy Family Church at **7.30am | 9.30am | 5.00pm**.

While the **Holy Family Church has adequate space for 100 attendees, St Joseph's Church can only accommodate 65 attendees** while securing the 2 square metre ruling. With this in mind, we are endeavouring to accommodate as many parishioners as possible.

On this regard, although we will have more people in each of the churches, I would like to ask everyone to please still strictly observe the protocols that we have in place.

- As you enter each of the churches, a Door Keeper will stand by the door to welcome you. **Please wait to be seated.**
- **We are obliged to keep a record of who attends the Mass.** Please do not be offended when we ask for these details. They will be treated confidentially.
- **Please sanitise your hands before handing the list or pens provided.**
- Attendance will be strictly on a **'first come, first serve basis'**. Though it is not necessary, but I highly encourage you to **'Book-A-Seat'**, the same as you would in a restaurant. If you will be missing your booking appointment, please notify us as soon as possible, so that we can give the slot to others. You can reach us through:

Phone: (08) 9841 1129

Email: albacath@iinet.net.au

Web: www.albanycatholicparish.org.au

- If you happen to arrive and cannot be accommodated, you may either stay in your car and attend the Mass Online and wait for the priest for the blessing and Communion; or you may attend the other Mass times.
- As we are coming to the new normalities and making Masses more available, we opted to have our last day of livestreaming this coming Sunday.

Starting Monday, 8 June, our TIMETABLES are as follows: (Schedules are subject to change.)

DAILY MASSES

In St Joseph's Church ONLY

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday - 9:00AM Mass

Friday - 12:00 Noon Mass

****First Friday - Healing Mass**

Daily Devotions:

Mon, Wed and Thurs (8:30AM) - LAUDS

Tuesday (8:30AM) - ROSARY

Friday (10:00AM) - Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday (9:45AM - onwards) - SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

****First Thursday - Holy Hour at 6:00PM**

****St Joseph's Church will be open for personal prayer and devotion from 9:30am until 5:00pm.**

WEEKEND MASSES

Holy Family Church

6:00PM - Saturday

9:30AM - Sunday

St Joseph's Church

7:30AM and 5:00PM - Sunday

2. Observe social distancing; avoid hand shaking.
- 3. COMMUNION is to be received by the hand.**
4. If you are not well or susceptible to any virus, please stay at home. In lieu of this, we are happy to visit you and give you Communion at home. Please communicate with us.
4. Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze.
- 5. Please ONLY sit on the marked seats in the church.** Wipes are available for you to use.
6. For all the ministers, we will still stop with the existing roster that we had set previously. However, since we will be resuming to our original schedule especially on weekends and big numbers are expected, **Co-ordinators for the Readers, Acolytes and EHMC will contact you on how to help during the liturgical services.**

Once again, thank you for your kind understanding and support. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please do not hesitate to ring or message us. We are all in this together. Let's all do our part. God bless!

**Fr Christian Saminal, OSJ
Parish Priest**

Reflections for a Time of Pandemic

Do We Seek Christ in Times of Loneliness? Bishop Gerard Holohan

The Eucharist

The most important way that we can share personally in Christ's priestly role is by offering our lives as he offers himself to God the Father in the Eucharist.

The actual Prayer of Offering is prayed immediately after the Consecration in each Mass.

We can share in Christ's priestly role in our parish. At the parish level, we can share in Christ's priestly role by serving in liturgical roles as well. These include musicians, readers, servers, acolytes, church cleaners and flower arrangements.

As we offer our lives as spiritual sacrifices, in union with the Risen Jesus, we are drawn closer to him – the one who can soothe our loneliness.

Other roles

Jesus offered also his whole life to his and our Father by fulfilling his mission to the world as Messiah. This included fulfilling his roles as Prophet and King.

Sharing in Christ's role as prophet

Jesus fulfilled his role as prophet, first by calling people into relationship with God through himself. He taught that **"No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know the Father also."**

Second, he fulfilled this role also by proclaiming his teachings. We can share in Christ's prophetic role individually. We share in Jesus' prophetic role every time that we proclaim him to others in our lives, encouraging them to enter into personal relationship with God through him.

Second, we share in Jesus' prophetic role every time we share his teachings with others in our lives by our example and our words in daily life.

But proclaiming the Risen Jesus himself as the first priority and calling people to begin relating with him by entering into conversation with him about their lives is the first way to share in his prophetic role.

We can share in Christ prophetic role in our parish. We can share in his role too at parish level if we participate in ministries which proclaim the Risen Jesus and also his teachings. These include the parish religious education programme for children who do not attend Catholic school the preparation of adults who seek full initiation into the church and adult faith education programmes.

As we share in Jesus prophetic role, he draws us closer. If we do so by playing roles in parish ministries, he draws us closer to others in our parish.

Sharing in Christ's role as king

Jesus revealed the kingdom of God by his miracles and his teachings. He revealed that all can draw upon the divine power of the kingdom through him.

We can share in Christ's role as king individually. We can share in his role as king, first by drawing on his power to conquer all in our lives that is not part of God's original creation. This can include experiences which affect our ability to live as Jesus called – such as life hurts we find hard to forgive and personal confusion human weaknesses, such as selfishness, jealousies and greed crippling habits, such as gossip and other vices, and attitudes such as racism and negativity dominating emotions, which can take over our lives at times such as a quick temper temptations to disobey God's laws, not only by behaviour others can see, but also in our hearts as Jesus warned against.

We can share in Christ's role as king in our parish. We can share in the kingly role of the Risen Jesus by joining with others, especially fellow parishioners, to promote in our local community and wider society trends and activities which reflect values of the Gospel, especially love, compassion, forgiveness and social justice initiatives which challenge what is contrary to the Gospel, such as lack of respect for people's dignity and rights.

We can do these things by organising together to form committees or special groups; by organising petitions and writing to decision-makers; by using social media.

Finally, we can share in kingly role of the Risen Jesus by playing roles on parish bodies such as the Parish Pastoral Council or Finance Committee as well as organisations such as the Catholic Women's League and the St Vincent de Paul Society.

Again, as we seek the power of the kingdom for our lives and as we participate in parish ministries related to proclaiming the kingdom, the Risen Jesus, through the Spirit, draws us closer to himself and others in our parish community. If we are troubled by loneliness, we will find this replaced by peace.

Conversation with Christ

Let us pause now to converse with our Risen Lord in our hearts, thanking him for the various ways he is present to us.

Let us pray too for the faith to respond to him as the 'Way, the Truth, and the Life' by offering our lives as 'spiritual sacrifices' to God the Father.

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