

All our Parishioners are invited to celebrate
The Solemn Mass of Installation of Fr Henry Adler SVD
 as Parish Priest for Holy Family and Holy Trinity
 Bishop Brian Mascord will be presiding

Sunday 27 March 2022 at 9am

Join us after Mass for tea or coffee
 (Please Note: there will be no 8am Mass at Minto on this day)



Holy Family
 Catholic Parish
 I N G L E B U R N

Holy Family Church
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 Ingleburn

Holy Trinity Church
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 Minto

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1st Sunday of Lent

6 March 2022

REFLECTION

The temptation of Jesus is always read on the first Sunday of Lent. It is a good introduction to our observance of this holy season. One reason is the number. Jesus' forty days in the desert is paralleled with the forty days of Lent. In this period we have a heightened awareness of our personal struggle with temptation and sin. Another reason pertains to Lenten practices. We are asked to take the challenge of discipline by fasting and abstinence. Some people will even try mortification by proving their stamina for pain and the sacrifice of denying themselves certain pleasures. But none of these will be of value without the true spirit of the season. Jesus showed what it means to live by the Spirit. What will lead us during this Lent? Will we allow ourselves to be carried by the desires of our bodily appetites and the basic instincts of our emotions? Or will we take the test of character by heeding the higher call of the Spirit towards deeper prayer, meaningful sacrifice and acts of charity?

Responsorial Psalm: Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble .
Gospel Acclamation: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

Readings this weekend:

First: Dt 26:4-10;
 Psalm 90:1-2,10-15;
 Second: Rom 10:8-13;
 Gospel: Lk 4:1-13



**Project
 Compassion 2022**

Anatercia 12, was struggling to cope with adult responsibilities after her father died. Then she participated in Caritas Australia-supported training and gained access to psychosocial supports. Now, her quality of life has improved and she can focus on school.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help young people succeed in the future and bring stability to vulnerable youth like Anatercia.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

PARISH CONTACTS

Fr Henry Adler PP *Parish Priest*
Michaela Donovan *Parish Secretary*

SERVICE TIMES

Holy Family	Mass	Tues	9am
	Mass	Wed	9am
	Mass	Thurs	9am
	Mass	Fri	9am
	Adoration	Fri	9.30am
Reconciliation		Sat	9am—10am
Holy Trinity	Mass	Wed	6pm
	Mass	Sun	8am

We pray for ...

All people in need especially the sick, lonely and dying.

If you have any information, news or message that you would like us to consider for the parish bulletin, please contact the Parish office

Whats On

- 9 March Legion of Mary meeting 9.30am
- 9 March Choir meeting 7pm
- 10 March St Vincent de Paul Meeting 7pm
- 11 March Stations of the Cross 7.30pm
- 12 March Baptisms 10.30am
- 13 March Baptismal Preparation

2022 Sacramental Programme

First Reconciliation – 3rd/4th June 2022
First Holy Communion – 20th November 2022
Confirmation – 5th August 2022

Further information will be provided for each Sacrament so please continue to check our bulletin and website for the latest updates or contact the parish office.

Meeting with our Parish Choirs

There will be a meeting on Wednesday 9th March at 7pm at Ingleburn for all the members of our Parish Choirs from both Holy Family and Holy Trinity churches.

Station of the Cross every Friday during Lent at Holy Family Ingleburn at 7.30pm

Legion of Mary will resume meetings on Wednesday mornings after the 9am Mass. Everyone is welcome

St Vincent de Paul Ingleburn Conference Meeting—next meeting is Thursday 10th March at 7pm. Everyone is welcome.

Ladies Weekend Gathering 01-03 April, 2022

This special weekend retreat for women has been running for over 45 years. The invitation is extended to women from all parishes to join in a weekend of prayerful, relaxed time out. This is an opportunity to refresh yourself, both spiritually and physically, as you embrace the company, experiences and love of other women in a prayerful environment.

WHEN 1st – 3rd April, 2022.

WHERE St Mary's Towers Retreat Centre Douglas Park.

COST \$335 per person, all meals, accommodation and Facilitator fee included.

Arrival is any time after 2pm on Friday. Fee assistance is available.

For more details please contact Ann-Marie Green on 0416 051 206 or email amtg4@hotmail.com

Message from Fr Henry

Dear Parishioners,

The season of Lent is about to begin, and with it the opportunity to renew our faith together as one parish community. The prophet Joel in the first reading of the Ash Wednesday liturgy calls us to come back to God. "Now, now, come back to me with all your hearts.... Let your hearts be broken, not your garments torn!"

With these penetrating inaugural words of scripture we are reminded that the season of Lent is about coming back! As such, these words are the foundation for the message God wishes to communicate to us this Lenten season.

This year, this invitation to come back is particularly important. After two years of extraordinary challenges, one filled with much weeping and mourning, when we have fasted from so much of our "normal" lives, it can feel as if we have been living in a prolonged Lent. For many, these two years have been filled with loss: loss of loved ones, loss of jobs, loss of community, loss of normality.... We have been living through a dark time in human history. What we hear from the prophet Joel on Ash Wednesday can be a beacon of light and hope in the midst of that darkness. But in order to hear this invitation and message of hope, we need to come back!

"Now, now, come back to me with all your hearts....

Come back to me... Come back to your Parish Community...

During the long two years of lockdown and restrictions the practice of faith was able to continue in homes thanks to

livestreaming of Mass and other devotions on Facebook, YouTube or Zoom. We are certainly grateful for the gift of technology, which enabled us to be connected during these difficult times, but we miss the Real Presence, not only the real presence of Jesus in the Sacrament of the Eucharist but also our Real Presence to each other.

Some of us may still have good reasons to feel vulnerable or be concerned due to poor health or senior age, but as the world around us opens up more and more, not only our churches, but also places of business, leisure entertainment or hospitality, this season of Lent calls us to heed to the voice of God, to come back... to come back to Mass... to physically gather in our churches... to not be afraid.

The invitation to come back to God during Lent is a call to return to the loving arms of God, a caring and merciful Father, to trust him, to entrust oneself to him like adopted children, regenerated by his love. The prophet Joel was clear on the urgency of the call: "Now, now....". St Paul echoes this in the Second Reading, "See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!" We cannot let this moment pass because it is given to us as a unique and unrepeatable opportunity.

May this 2022 season of Lent bring us closer to God and to one another as a Parish Community.

Yours in Divine Word
Fr. Henry Adler, SVD

Congratulations to Lachlan Shannon, Maria Babic, Emanuele Vocisano, Enzo Astudillo, Maison Fazzolari, Brodie Spilstead, Isabelle Spilstead, Jasper Smith, Noah Adraneda, Mia Tran who we welcomed into the church in February.



Next Baptismal Preparation Session: 3.30pm, Sunday 13th March 2022 at Holy Family Ingleburn. Bookings are essential.