

## Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held at 7pm.



## Lenten Group Gathering

Please join us for a Lenten Program Group every Friday after Stations of the Cross at approximately 7.45pm in the Parish Meeting Room



**Holy Family Church**  
136 Oxford Rd  
Ingleburn

**Holy Trinity Church**  
57 Guernsey Ave  
Minto



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12 March 2023

Third Sunday of Lent, Year A

## Sacrament of Reconciliation



We invite parishioners to the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 9am to 10am (or as needed)

Tuesday during Adoration/Holy Hour after 7pm Mass (7.30pm to 8.30pm)

There will also be sufficient opportunities available during Holy Week.

## REFLECTION FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

The first reading of today tells us of the ordeal of the Israelites in the wilderness. After four hundred and thirty years of slavery in Egypt, God came to deliver them. Yet, they grumbled against Moses, and consequently, against God because they were thirsty. God instructed Moses to strike the rock. From it, water came forth. The Israelites drank, and were satisfied.

In the second reading, Paul described how the love of Christ, “is poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit.” Here, Paul implicitly mentions water by the use of the verb: “to pour.” He reminds us also of how helpless our life was and could still be without Christ, the Living Water. In other words, through his death, Christ made himself the source of our own life.

In today’s gospel, Jesus presents himself to the Samaritan woman as the Eternal Living Water. This underscores the importance of Christ in our life. The lesson from this, is we must not discriminate against people on the basis of their race or culture. Jesus knew quite well who the woman was (a Samaritan) and her life history. Yet, he approached her for a drink. Jesus’ aim was actually, to draw her closer to himself, the Eternal Living Water.



## EASTER SERVICES

### Holy Thursday – 6 April

7pm (Ingleburn) Mass of the Lord’s Supper  
Adoration to follow Mass to 10pm

### Good Friday – 7 April

10am (Ingleburn) Stations of the Cross  
10am (Minto) Stations of the Cross  
3pm (Ingleburn) Passion of our Lord

### Holy Saturday Vigil -8 April

7pm (Ingleburn)

### Easter Sunday – 9 April

8am (Minto)  
9am (Ingleburn)  
(no evening Mass)



### Reconciliation 1<sup>st</sup> Rite

Tuesday 4 April 5:30pm (Ingleburn)

Wednesday 5 April 9:30am (Ingleburn)  
5pm (Minto)

Holy Thursday 6 April 9:30am (Ingleburn)

Good Friday 7 April 5pm – 7pm (Ingleburn)

Each Saturday morning from 9am (Ingleburn)

### SERVICE TIMES

<b>Holy Family</b>	Mass	Wed - Fri	9am
		Tue	7pm followed by Holy Hour
		Sat	5pm Vigil
		Sun	9am and 5pm
	<i>Benediction</i>	First Friday of each month	9.30am
	<i>Reconciliation</i>	Sat	9am - 10am
<b>Holy Trinity</b>	Mass	Wed	6pm
	Mass	Sun	8am

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



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## What's On

- 11 March Altar Servers: preparation for commissioning meeting - 11am
- 12 March Commissioning of Altar Servers - 9am Mass
- 15 March Year 4 joining 9am Mass
- 16 March SVDP Meeting - 7pm
- 18 March Church Cleaning - Team "B"  
Aboriginal Mass - 10am, Holy Trinity Church Minto
- 22 March Year 1 joining 9am Mass
- 24 March Sacrament of First Reconciliation - 5pm
- 29 March Year 3 joining 9am Mass
- 1 April Ministry Workshop with Sr Monica - 9.30am
- 16 April Appin Massacre Memorial Ceremony - 11am to 3.30pm, Cataract Dam
- 7 May Samoan Mass with Fr Feleki
- 24 May Sorry Day Service - 10.30am, Holy Trinity Church Minto
- 18 June Sacrament of First Holy Communion
- 12 November Sacrament of Confirmation



**We pray ...** For those who are affected by the droughts, floods, earthquakes and those affected by war: that God will grant peace, justice and healing to all involved during these times.

For all the forgotten Souls and Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**For the sick and homebound:** Lesley McFarlane, Noal Bornstein, Phil Clarke, Dawn O'Donoghue, Ann Marie Praud; our sick relatives, friends and parishioners and all who have nobody to pray for them.

*May the saving power of the risen Lord bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies and send strength to their carers.*

**For our recently dearly departed:** Lally Sabater, Ezio Epifania, Josephine Ooi, Marian D'Cruz, Jennifer Malone, Lorraine Morrison, Margaret Rose, Michael Brezinski. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*

**For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Janet Kipling, Jeanette Morand, Gerald Barbara, Giuseppe Occhiuto, Joyce O'Keefe, Angelita Z Molano. *Having returned to the Father, may they rest in peace.*

**Visiting the Sick and Homebound:** There are an increasing number of people who, whether due to age or ill health, are not able to attend church, but would like to receive Holy Communion. If you know of somebody in this situation, please contact the Parish Office, so that a visit can be arranged.

**With joyful hearts, during February we welcomed the newly Baptised to our Holy Family parish community:**

Mia Mercuri, Luna De Los Angeles Sinclair, Thomas Dwyer, Alison Cremona.



## Piety Stall

Come and see the lovely gifts available for purchase in the Piety Stall! We currently have some attractive plaques with inspiring sayings, great gifts for family and friends, or self! We also have a range of Bibles and Prayer books, catering for children through to adults, as well as Baptism gifts, Rosary beads, and other religious items. The Piety Stall is open after Mass.

## Sacrament of First Reconciliation - Session 3

**Date:** Monday, 13 March 2023 **Time:** 6.30pm **Venue:** Parish Meeting Room.

### Reminder:

- \* Ensure you bring a pen/pencil with you.
- \* Children must be accompanied by a parent/carer at all sessions.

Session 4 - 20 March, 6.30pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be received on Friday, 24 March at 5pm.

## Congratulations

We congratulate our Altar Servers as they make their commitment to serve this ministry. Thank you for your "Yes" to serve at the altar, for the glory of God and your

commitment to grow in your faith journey.

Thank you also to the parents who bring them early to Mass and who support them to grow in the love of God and His people.

As they begin their new work of faithful service, we assure them of our prayers, support, and admiration for their commitment to serving the Lord



## Ministry Workshop

On Saturday, 1 April, Sr Monica and her team will be hosting another Ministry Workshop (specifically for Readers, Ministers of Communion and Acolytes) for both existing ministers and those interested in joining these ministries. The day will begin with mass at 9am, followed by the workshop at 9.30am and concluding with a light lunch at approximately 1pm.

**Date:** Saturday, 1 April **Time:** 9.30am to 1pm

**To register for this workshop, please complete the enrolment form on the parish website at <https://www.hfi.org.au/events/liturg-y-training-workshop/>, or contact the parish office.**

## SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

All singers or accompanists are welcome to join the choir on the First Saturday Vigil Mass each month. If you are interested or for further information, please contact Greg on 0423 120 456.



## Project Compassion Third Sunday of Lent 11 & 12 March

Zimbabwe is experiencing an intense drought, exacerbated by climate change. With the support of Caritas Hwange, Priscilla learnt conservation farming skills to grow drought-resistant crops and started poultry farming to support her family during the current food crisis.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.**

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/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413.

