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Visiting the Sick and Homebound: Please contact the Parish Office so that a visit can be arranged for those who are home-bound due to age or ill health.

A BLESSING PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

by Greg Sunter

God of all the generations
 Your gift of faith and gift of love have been handed down to us
 through parents, grandparents and great-grandparents for all of time.
 Look with favour on all our grandparents and bless them.

Bless their eyes that look on us with love and affection.
 Bless their ears that listen to our questions and our stories.
 Bless their knees and laps we sit on.
 Bless their arms that hold us and their hands that help us.
 Bless their legs that walk beside us.
 Bless their hearts that swell with pride for us.
 And bless their faces that bring us joy.
 Bless them and keep them as they bless and keep us.

We make this prayer through Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.
 Amen

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

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



Holy Family Catholic Parish

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Holy Trinity Church
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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

23 July 2023

REFLECTION

The readings for this Sunday are focused on the Kingdom of God. The first reading reminds us that God desires justice and has shown us the way of kindness. The second reading tells us that the Spirit aids us in our weakness. And in the gospel Jesus gives us several parables related to the Kingdom of God, including the parable of the weeds in the wheat, the parable of the mustard seed, and the parable of the yeast.

Jesus presents the reality that in this world, both believers and unbelievers will coexist until the final judgment, highlighting the presence of evil and the challenges faced by believers in a fallen world.

The parable depicts the ongoing spiritual battle between good and evil, illustrating the strategies of the enemy to sow deception and hinder the growth of God's kingdom. The parable emphasises God's patience and long-suffering, as He allows both the wheat and the tares to grow together until the harvest, symbolising the delay of final judgment and the opportunity for repentance.

In the gospel for this Sunday Jesus teaches that the kingdom of God will expand and grow, starting small but eventually encompassing many people, cultures, and nations, reflecting God's plan for the expansion of His kingdom.

FATHER HENRY'S ABSENCE

Fr Henry will be away for the next two months (August and September). During his absence, Fr Janusz Skotniczny SVD will take care of the pastoral needs of our parish.

Fr Janusz is originally from Poland. He was ordained priest in 1986 and worked as a missionary in Papua New Guinea for over 30 years. He is currently a member of the Divine Word Missionaries Community in Marsfield, NSW and on the staff of the SVD Provincial Office. He was recently appointed the Chaplain of the Slovak Community.



What's On

- 22 & 23 July Commissioning of Lectors
- 23 July World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
- 15 August Feast of The Assumption - 9am, whole school attending
Feast of The Assumption and India's Independence Day - 6pm Mass
- 19 August Aboriginal Mass - 10am, Holy Trinity Church, Minto
- 3 September Samoan Mass with Fr Feleki - 12noon, Holy Family Church, Ingleburn
- 8 September SVD Foundation Day
- 9 September Aboriginal Mass - 10am, Holy Trinity Church, Minto
- 9-10 September MenALIVE Macarthur Regional Weekend - Micah House, Campbelltown
- 15 October Feast of the Lord of Miracles
- 21 October Aboriginal Mass - 10am, Holy Trinity Church, Minto
- 5 November Samoan Mass with Fr Feleki - 12noon, Holy Family Church, Ingleburn
- 11 November Aboriginal Mass - 10am, Holy Trinity Church, Minto

Liturgical Dates

- 22 July St Mary Magdalene
- 25 July St James, *Apostle*
- 26 July Sts Joachim and Anne, *parents of The Blessed Virgin Mary*
- 3 September St Gregory the Great, *Pope and Doctor of the Church*
- 8 September The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
SVD Foundation Day



We pray ... For those who are affected by war and violence: 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: Erwin Andrade, Gina Macalalad, Marie Crotty, Sybra Hunt, David Harrison, Noal Bornstein, 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. Amen.

For our recently dearly departed: Patiariki Joseph, Val Morris, Margaret McNamara, Eugenia Villarosa, Kevin Sequeira, Dawn O'Donohue, Jolanta Swierk, Mary King, Joaquim Lopes, Tony Heginbotham, Lally Sabater, Lesley McFarlane, 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: Mary Brown, Leon Rego, Doreen Kerry, Donata Gumapas, Helen Lovino, Hazel Pereira, John Patrick Thomas, Yohanes Harjono, Henry Swierk, Noel Pereira, Domingo Diola.
Having returned to the Father, may they rest in peace. Amen.

Prayers of thanksgiving and personal intentions: Dunstan & Annette Rayan, Arsenio Oliver Dizon, Kathrine Grace Dizon, Rufina Pullan, Pusparani Staanslous.

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

Alei Soalo, Ciara Creedon, Oliver Basso, Parker Lang, Alina Cassar, Lukas Hancock.



Electronic parish planned giving

You can continue to contribute financially to the Parish via the two collections at the week-end Masses, but if you prefer, the Holy Family Parish bank account details are:

First collection

Account name: Ingleburn Presbytery
BSB: 066711
Account number: 001978

Second collection

Account name: Ingleburn Parish
BSB: 066711
Account number: 001773



Bible Sharing

Following the experience of the Lent program, some of us would like to continue sharing the word of God on a regular basis. Every Friday evening we will gather for bible sharing in the parish meeting room from 7pm (for approximately 1 hour) to focus on the coming Sunday readings. Text will be provided or you are welcome to bring your own bible.

Sacrament of Confirmation

If your child is in Year 6 or above, has been Baptised and has received the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, they are eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

For further information and the enrolment form, please visit the Parish website (<https://www.hfi.org.au/>).



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES NOW AVAILABLE: 2023/2024 Planned Giving Envelopes are now available for collection. Forms are available for those who would like to join our Parish Planned Giving. Thank you for supporting your parish.

MenALIVE Macarthur Regional Weekend - 9-10 September

Micah House, Campbelltown. Cost \$70 per person (\$50 concession)

Register: dow.sh/MACampbelltown2023

You are invited for the solemn Mass on the feast of "Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary" & celebration of India's Independence Day at **6.00PM** on **Tuesday 15th August 2023**. Please bring a plate (finger food only).

A gift to the Church in your will ... will help!

The Church has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your First Holy Communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness. Its many ministries are far-reaching, life-giving and life-saving. By leaving a gift to the church in your will, you will be leaving a legacy of faith to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue, both for today's needs, and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.

For information about leaving a gift in your will contact Father Henry or visit dow.sh/legacy, call the diocesan representative on **4222 2446**.