CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AND ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS
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Mass Times
Sat: 5:30pm (Vigil)
Sun: 8am & 10am
Mon to Fri: 9:00am
Sat: 9:30am

Family Mass with **Children's Liturgy**
3rd Sunday of the Month 10am Mass

Family Rosary & Morning Tea - 2nd Sunday of the Month after 10am Mass in the Church Hall

Filipino Mass
1st Sun 11:30am

Il Gruppo di Rosario Italiano Il gruppo di preghiera Italiano, si raduna ogni giovedi alle ore 10 nella salla parrocchiale.

Sacraments
Confession
Sat 8:30-9:20am, 4:45pm or any time by appointment

Baptism
Every 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday 11.15am

Marriage
At least 6 months notice required

Anointing of the Sick
Any time on call

Devotions
Holy Hour & Rosary
Sunday - Friday
before morning mass

Rosary & Benediction
Sat 8:30-9:30am

Elsa George Rosary Group Second Saturday of the month at 2.30pm 9716 6676 All welcome

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wednesday 7pm

Congratulations to Fr Andrew on the successful completion of his studies with the John Paul ii Institute for Marriage and the Family in Rome and the award of a Doctorate in Sacred Theology. After many delays, because of the pandemic, he was able to defend his thesis in an online interview (in Italian) last Monday.

The Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help will resume next Wednesday at 7pm. It will be held in the church and not the side chapel because of social distancing rules. Please remember to sign the attendance sheet on the night following government regulations.

Directives for Churches and Liturgies from 1 June 2020

- churches in the Archdiocese shall be open but no more than 50 people may attend
- this applies to private prayer, Confessions, Mass, Rosary in common, Bible study etc.
- contact details of all those entering the church (name and phone number or email address) must be recorded
- spatial distancing (at least 1 1/2m from each other) and hygiene directions must be observed
- only 20 attendees are permitted at Weddings
- congregational singing is suspended until further notice; Holy Communion shall be received under the form of the Body of Christ only and in the hand
- those who are unwell or at high risk due to compromised immune or respiratory system must not attend; those over 70 should exercise particular caution

Even with fifty in attendance and some multiplication of Sunday Masses, many of the faithful will be unable to attend. The faithful are therefore dispensed from attending Sunday Mass. The faithful can keep Sunday holy by setting aside some time for prayer at home, reading the Scriptures of the day, watching Mass on television or online, and asking God for the graces they would normally receive in Holy Communion ('spiritual communion').

Feast/Memorial/Saint of the Week (8-13 June 2020)

Tue	9/6	St Ephrem, deacon, doctor
Thu	11/6	St Barnabas, apostle
Sat	13/6	St Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor

St Ephrem of Syria

Born in Nisibis, a city in Roman Mesopotamia, St Ephrem was banished from his home by his pagan father for his Christian sympathies. He found refuge with St James, Bishop of Nisibis, under whose guidance he received a thorough education. After the death of St James he fled to Edessa, where, after entering the monastic life, he was ordained deacon.

He wrote many works in defence of the Catholic Church, on the various mysteries of Our Lord Jesus Christ and in honour of the Virgin Mary. Poet, exegete, and orator extraordinary, St Ephrem was called "the Prophet of the Syrians" and "the Lyre of the Holy Spirit." He was numbered among the Doctors of the Church in 1920 by Pope Benedict XV.

St Barnabas

Though not one of the Twelve, St Barnabas is considered an Apostle by the Church. He was a Jew of the tribe of Levi, but born in Cyprus. Hi success in preaching prompted the Apostles to change his name of Joseph to that of Barnabas—which means "son of exhortation" or "consolation." He also was noted for his generosity in the early Christian community of Jerusalem.

It was St Barnabas who befriended the recently converted and former persecutor of the Church, Saul of Tarsus, and set him on the path to becoming the great Apostle Paul by introducing him to the Apostles. When St Barnabas went to Antioch to consolidate the infant Church there, he asked St Paul to share his labours. After labouring a year at Antioch, the two Apostles brought offerings of the community to the famine-stricken poor of the Judean community.
Together with St Paul, Barnabas preached the Faith in Cyprus and central Asia and attended the First Council of Jerusalem. But on their return to Antioch they parted company. A tradition relates that he died at Salamis in Cyprus, after being stoned.

St Anthony of Padua

Born in Lisbon, Portugal, Anthony left the Augustinians to become a Franciscan. Ill health forced him to abandon his missionary activities among the Moors, and during his return voyage from Morocco a storm brought him to Italy, where he remained. He was a famous preacher undoubtedly one of the greatest of all times, and was reportedly visited by the Child Jesus. He is a Doctor of the Church.

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Trinity Sunday

The oneness which love creates

The beginning of today's Feast of the Most Holy Trinity lie in the story of Jesus as it is told in the Gospels. They tell a story of Jesus, the Son, who speaks intimately of his Father and to his Father in prayer. He addresses him as 'Abba', an endearing expression never before used to speak to God and only ever used by a son to speak to a father whom he loves very much. But Jesus also speaks regularly of the Spirit who will be with his followers once he has returned to the Father. Although the Gospels never attempt to explain how there can possibly be a Father, a Son and a Holy Spirit, all three are part of the story of Jesus.

From these Gospel truths, the Church has eventually come to speak of the Trinity…… and wonder how there can be three persons in one God. At first sight, today's Gospel may not appear to have a great deal to do with the mystery of the Trinity but it has been deliberately chosen to give us the key to a proper understanding of God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Everything begins with the loving action of God. There is only one motive for the Father's sending of his Son: love. But what does it mean "to believe in him"? It would be a mistake to think, as so many have over the centuries, that such belief is simply an intellectual assent to a set of dogmas. There is only one place where we can discover the love which motivated the Father to send his Son-in the love which the Son showed both for his Father and for us. To 'believe in' the Son, the manifestation of God's love in the world, is to allow ourselves to be caught up in the same divine reality: love.

Deep in our hearts we know that this is what we yearn for, no matter how often we thwart our longings. "No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already." We judge ourselves, as we either accept or refuse the love of God made known to us in the person, the teaching and the death and resurrection of Jesus. Are we prepared to accept this Son?

But the events described in the Gospel story happened two thousand years ago. How are we touched by God's love, shown to us in his Son? The loving union between the Father and the Son which has broken into our human story is the Holy Spirit. He is very much alive among us as a Church, touching the deepest depths of our lives. "Restless are our hearts, dear Lord, until they rest in you" (St Augustine). To believe in a God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit is to place all our hope and trust in a oneness which only love can create.

from **This is the Gospel of the Lord** Francis J Moloney SDB pp128-129 1992 Society of St Paul Homebush

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.

With St Paul of the Cross we pray …

For the sick
Lourdes Tee
Fr Jim Duggan
Paul Weber
Kevin Russell
Pat Allport
Cardo, Zennie, Ian, Pat
Martin Welfare
Frank Katra
Francheska Bechara

Recently Deceased

Death Anniversary

For the Souls

All forgotten Souls and Holy Souls in Purgatory

Special Intentions
Ian Pinto
Rian Galliott