

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy
4:32-34. 39-40

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt? 'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R./ Happy the people the Lord
has chosen to be his own.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
8:14-17

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

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 READING

**A reading from the holy Gospel according
to Matthew**
28:16-20

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

LIVING THE GOSPEL

The Sign of the Cross

Jesus' instruction that the disciples go out to all the nations and baptize them 'in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit' is an instruction that is still being carried on today. Those precise words are used by the priest at every baptism. They are also the words used in the sign of the cross – whether that is a personal, private blessing of oneself or a blessing of a group as in the introductory and dismissal rites as part of a Eucharistic celebration. When we make the sign of the cross we use the words of Jesus.

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY – YEAR B

25th / 26th MAY, 2024



Trinity Sunday celebrates the core Christian conviction that God is a communion of relational love. In today's Gospel, Jesus commands his disciples to make disciples of all peoples and to baptize in the name of the Trinity. Jesus is named Emmanuel, "God with us" and with Jesus' final assurance, "know that I am with you always", we find ourselves gathered into the very life of God. Furthermore, St. Paul reminds us in today's second reading that God is not a distant God, but rather a God whose Spirit draws us, as "joint heirs with Christ", into God's own life of love and relationship. Trinity Sunday is the day we set aside to celebrate the mystery of God and the nearness of God who invites us into the dynamic cycle of life and love, a cycle that reaches out beyond the human community and embraces the entire cosmos. As we make the sign of the cross, a symbolic action with a two millennia history, we might become more and more attentive to the wonder of the divine life that dwells in us and in whom we are privileged to dwell.

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MASS TIMES - CHELTENHAM & HIGHETT
SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY MASSES:
Saturday [St Agnes Church] 6:00 pm
Sunday [OLA] 9:00 am, 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:
Tuesday [St Agnes Church] 9.00 am
Tuesday [OLA Church] 6.00 pm
Wednesday [OLA Church] 9.15 am
Thursday [OLA Church] 9.15 am
Friday [St Agnes Church] 9.00 am
Saturday [OLA Church] 9.00 am

COMMUNION SERVICE (except Public Holidays)
Monday [OLA Church] 9.15 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
Wednesday 9:45 am
Saturday 9.30 am
i.e. following Mass (COVID-safe protocols apply)

BAPTISMS: Contact Parish Office: 9583 6161.

WEDDINGS: By appointment, 6 months' notice required. Saturdays or weekdays (not Sundays).

The clergy, employees and volunteers of our two parishes are committed to upholding a duty of care to all children, young people and vulnerable adults, taking all reasonable steps to protect children, young people and vulnerable adults from all forms of abuse and harm and commit to safeguard their health and well-being.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
YEAR B - 25th/26th May, 2024

PRAYING FOR:

Darryl Jones, Maria Gonzalez,
Rocco Piccolo, Norberto Capule,
Josephine Gibbins, Mary Petoud,
...and all those who died recently.

WE ALSO REMEMBER:

Ewa Paplinska-Boraczewska, Doris Borg,
Dennis Butler, Sam Carter, Flor Pardo,
Greg Lannan, Collette D'Souza,
Carmiline D'Souza, Kitty Lohan, Jim Malane,
Phyllis Dealey, Leonard Dealey,

....and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

...additionally we keep in our prayers all who are currently unwell.

Readings for this liturgical year from Advent 2023 to Christ the King 2024 are taken from Year B in the Lectionary cycle

Should you wish to view the Scripture Readings for Daily Mass (Australian Liturgical Calendar) please visit:
universalis.com/australia.melbourne/1000/Mass

VOLUNTEERS: Please make sure that your WWCC/POLICE CHECK documents are current, that is, have not expired, and copies made available to the Parish Office.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: Thank you to all parishioners who continue to support both the Thanksgiving and Presbytery collections through your generous contributions. Both OLA & St Agnes are now registered for online contributions.

The **CDF Pay** link for **OLA, Cheltenham** is:
<http://bit.ly/CDFpayCheltenham>

The **CDF Pay** link for **St Agnes, Highett** is:
<http://bit.ly/CDFpayHighett>

CHELTENHAM-HIGHETT

The Report and other documents relating to the forthcoming formal amalgamation of Highett & Cheltenham Parishes can be accessed via the OLA website News Page:

<https://olacheltenham.org.au/2024/04/19/discernment-sessions-phase-2-documents/>

Download the detailed '**Implementation Plan**' for the '**Reconfig-uration of the Bayside Parishes**' here: bit.ly/47JiBhr

You are invited to discern and submit potential new names for the parish that reflect a Christological charism. Submissions should include how you think the name reflects the charism and why you think it would be a good choice.

Please email your submission to Vino.Krishnan@cam.org.au with "**New Parish Name**" in the subject line, **no later than this Monday 27th May.**



OLA COMMUNITY PANTRY is now located at the end of the Wilson Street exit to our car park. Created & designed by the amazing Grade 3/4 students, this pantry is a symbol of our community spirit. Offering a helping hand to those in need, we gratefully accept donations of non-perishable food items. Together, through your generosity and the creativity of our young leaders, we can build a stronger and more supportive community for all. **Please take what you need & give what you can.**

FR ROB McCULLOCH, a Columban priest, will provide an update on Catholic projects in Pakistan. His talk will be at the St Patrick's Church Community Centre, Mitchell Street, Mentone on **Monday 3rd June at 7pm.** Supper to follow and an opportunity to meet Fr Rob.

RSVP John Beruldsen on M: 0429 693 030 or Email: johnberuldsen@gmail.com for catering purposes.



Next Sunday 2nd June, you're invited to stay and join fellow parishioners for a cuppa **after the 9am & 11am Masses**, in the OLA Church Meeting Room.



BAPTISM THIS WEEKEND With great joy the Church of God welcomes Ariya Bradley who is to be Baptised **BAPTISM** this weekend.

FYI: THE ANNUAL ARCHDIOCESAN MASS COUNT concludes this weekend.



CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
Online Information Session
Monday 17th June at 7.30pm

Register via our website:
ctc.edu.au

For more information contact:
Dr Maureen Saclot - Email: ctc@ctc.edu.au



UPCOMING FUNERAL

Funeral Prayers
Friday 31st May at 1.00pm (OLA)
Mary Petoud (RIP)

May the souls of all our faithful departed, rest in peace.

