#### GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

#### God sent his Son to save the world through him.

Jesus said to Nicodemus,

- 'God loved the world so much
- that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may
- not be lost
- but may have eternal life.
- For God sent his Son into the world
- not to condemn the world.
- but so that through him the world might be saved
- No one who believes in him will be condemned:
- but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already,

because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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# Breaking Open the Word

#### GRACIOUS AND FORGIVING LOVE

The blessing 'The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you' is one familiar to us all. It may come as a surprise to know that it was originally the conclusion of Paul's second letter to the Corinthians. The community was bitterly divided, and Paul wrote the letter to reconcile himself with a community that had become estranged from him and one another. He saw that they were all called to model their lives on the living God's gracious, loving, and unifying nature.

The graciousness and life-giving character of God's love have been seen throughout all of salvation history but seldom clearer than in the episode of the golden calf. Face to face with the living God on the holy mountain Moses feels it necessary to plead for the people of Israel and their idolatry. He knows their desperate plight but before he even pleads for the people God reveals that Israel's God is one of compassion, tenderness, faithfulness, and mercy.

For people of faith there is always the danger that people hide from the living God because of fear in the face of failure and sin. Nicodemus is invited to understand that the power of God is most clearly seen in a love that will risk everything to bring us back, even the most precious gift of all, Jesus Christ. On this feast of the Trinity, these readings lead us to reflect on the nature of God that we celebrate - creative, saving and forgiving love.

**Christopher Monaghan CP** 

# THE SAVING WORD

#### THE MOST HOLY TRINITY / A

FIRST READING Ex 34:4-6. 8-9 A reading from the book of Exodus The Lord God, ruler of all, merciful and loving.

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.

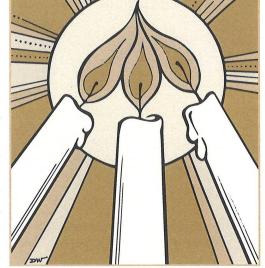
The word of the Lord.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Dan 3:52-56, R. v. 52

- 1. You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. R. Glory and praise for ever! Blest your glorious holy name.
  - **R**. Glory and praise for ever!
- 2. You are blest in the temple of your glory.
  - **R**. Glory and praise for ever! You are blest on the throne of your kingdom.
  - **R**. Glory and praise for ever!
- 3. You are blest who gaze into the depths.
  - **R**. Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest in the firmament of heaven.

**R**. Glory and praise for ever!



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**SECOND READING** 2 Cor 13:11-13 A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

The word of the Lord.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

cf. Apoc 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia! / Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: / to God who is, who was, and who is to come. / Alleluia!

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Jn 3:16-18



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### MASS TIMES, RECONCILIATION AND DEVOTION

Weekday Mass: Monday - 7:30am (Communion Service, except on Feast Days); Tuesday to Thursday - 7:30am (followed by Holy Rosary); Friday - 5pm Weekend Mass: Saturday Vigil - 5:30pm (livestreamed); Sunday - 8am, 9:30am, 6pm CCC Mass: Sunday at 11:30am (English/Cantonese) Eucharistic Adoration: Friday 4pm-5pm First Friday Devotion: Monthly at 4pm First Saturday Mass and Devotion: Monthly at 9am Exposition and Benediction: First weekend of the month at all Masses Sacrament of Reconciliation: Friday 4pm-4:45pm and Saturday 4:30pm-5:15pm

# The Most Holy Trinity **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

Recently Deceased: Angela Di Giorgio, Lynette Crown, Helena Calvalho

Death Anniversary: Pauline Hart, Jacki Boyce, Eric Smith, Silvana Saurini, Mariane Vella Deceased: Alexander, Mary & Kevin McDonell; John Davidson, Lucy Ng, Cecilia Tan, Don Raffin, Selwyn Jackson, Sandra Wehbe, Peter McNamara, Milly Farrell, Marie Cummins, Francis Murray; Casey, Landon, O'Connor, Pigott and Stewart families; Geoff & Patricia Clarke; Ron and Jan Brayan

Sick: Dennis Ho, Elizabeth Uy Tan, Burkhart Foertsch, Graham Rumble, Sam Wong, Robert Lauw, Tenille Moujalli, June Phelan, Anne McIntyre, Adhy Guna S., Daisy Gouw, Nur Gouw

# **UPCOMING FEAST DAYS:**

St Boniface June 5, St Marcellin Champagnat June 6, CORPUS CHRISTI June 11

# **PARISH NEWS:**

- May the Lord bless us all on the holy occasion of Trinity Sunday!
- LITURGICAL ROSTERS WILL BE UPDATED SOON. Email the parish office for any changes.
- Next Baptism Info Evening: Tuesday, 6th June at 8pm in the Parish Office Meeting Room. To register your attendance, email: parish@stkevinseastwood.org.au
- ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL will be happening on June 17/18. Help support families in need! Details on how to donate will be available next weekend.
- JUNE 24 & 25 will be the last weekend for receipted Planned Giving Donation for 2022-**2023 financial year.** New set of planned giving envelopes will be issued soon.
- SAVE THE DATE: November 10-12, 2023 Eastwood Community Camp: Book a campsite or a cabin. When booking, please advise that you are with the 'Eastwood Community Group' so that we are situated together. Book via DEL RIO RESORT 4566-4330 or visit: https://delrioresort.com.au/. For more information contact Belinda at 0421 669 752.
- Grab a copy of The Catholic Weekly for \$2! In this week's edition: 92-yo Cooma taser victim was devout Catholic; Calvary Hospital: PM supports ACT Government takeover.

JUNE 3 - HAPPY FEAST DAY OF ST KEVIN! St Kevin lived a holy life devoted to teaching and learning. He spent many years as a 'hermit' and was revered for his great love of nature. St Kevin is one of the lesser known Irish saints. He died in 618 and received his canonization in 1903. Until his death, he presided over the monastery at Glendalough living a life of fasting, prayer and teaching. Glendalough, with its seven Churches, eventually became one of the major pilgrimage destinations in Ireland.



To celebrate the feast day of St Kevin's, FOSK (Friends of St Kevin) will be serving a special morning tea in the parish hall this Sun, June 4, after the 9:30am Mass. Please join us. It would be great if you can bring a plate to share. Thank you! ALL WELCOME!

Our Parish and School community of St Kevin's Eastwood will be attending the WALK WITH CHRIST EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION in the city on Sun 11th June 2023. This event is celebrated annually on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi and is a beautiful public expression of our faith in the true presence of Christ, body, blood,

soul and divinity in the Eucharist. The event will start with a festival in Martin Place from 1pm followed by the Eucharistic procession at 2:30pm from the corner of Martin Pl and Pitt St, concluding at St Mary's Cathedral forecourt. We will meet outside St Kevin's church at 12pm and depending on the number of families participating, we can either catch the train as a group or arrange a bus. You can also make your own way to Martin Place and meet up with the St Kevin's



group if preferred. Please scan the QR code to register your interest by Tues, 6th June so we can make a decision about transport. . Further details will be emailed closer to the event.

**UPCOMING TRAININGS** to be conducted by the Archdiocese of Sydney Liturgy Office, Venue: St Kevin's Parish Hall. Copy of Baptism Certificate required. COST: FREE. For details on how to register go to: https://liturgy.sydneycatholic.org/ministry-training-formation/

- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMOHC), Wednesdays, July 19, 26 and Aug 2, 6pm-9pm All current EMOHC and Senior Altar Servers who haven't done this course from the Liturgy Office are **strongly encourage to participate**. This course is a pre-requisite to all Senior Altar Servers who wish to take the Acolvtes course.
- Acolytes/Senior Altar Servers: Saturdays August 5, 12 and 19, 9am-12pm
- Readers: Saturdays October 7 and 14, 9am-12pm

# **AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE:**

Multicultural Mass Sunday Celebrated by Bishop Vincent Long, Sun 18th June, 2pm at St Mary's Cathedral: For the Parramatta Diocese and Sydney Archdiocese. Open invitation for Migrant Chaplains of both Dioceses and people from all ethnic communities. For more info contact Fr Roland Maurer EV or Kylie Cullen at immigration@sydneycatholic.org

# PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL:



St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

# 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,

contact Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office (02) 9390 5810 or E: safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support & guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to police.



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