

**INVITATION TO SUNDAY MORNING TEA**  
 Each Sunday after the 8am Mass we host a morning tea. Please join us. Meet and talk to your fellow parishioners.

**PIETY STALL**  
 Please visit our piety stall if you wish to buy some religious articles. Piety stall is situated on the right side of the church as you enter through the main entrance. One could also check the catalogue and order any specific items.

ROSTER	Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Sat 1st June	Sun 2nd June
Welcomer	Gerard	Catherine	Anne	Gail
1st Reader	Felicity	Susan	Warren	Peter
2nd Reader	John	Christine	Ron	Tyson
Communion	Gerry Judy	Con Rebecca	Sue David	Con Cris
Servers	Cody Chet	Elveena Elissa Pius	Sophie Nicholas Charlotte	Byron Xavier
Musicians	Anita	Bong	Rita	Justin
Singers	Theresa	Filipino Choir	Men	Theresa
Mass set up	Beverley Lou	David Rebecca	Carmel	David Rebecca
Morning Tea		Filipinos		Perry
Floral Arrgmt	Sue Flavel, Geraldine Ward and Lisa Baker			

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**NEWSLETTER 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024**  
**TRINITY SUNDAY - YEAR B**

BLEST BE GOD THE FATHER,  
 AND THE ONLY BEGOTTEN SON OF GOD,  
 AND ALSO THE HOLY SPIRIT,  
 FOR HE HAS SHOWN US HIS MERCIFUL LOVE.

**THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

There's this little boy named Timmy. Timmy was very afraid of the lightning and the thunder. His mom went into his room during a thunderstorm and said,

"Now, Timmy, don't be afraid. God is right here in this room with you." He said, "Okay, Mom, I won't be afraid."

But then as the mom went into her room and started to get ready for bed, the lightning clapped, and the thunder rolled, and Timmy screamed bloody loudly. Timmy's mom went back into the room and said, "Honey, I thought I told you, you don't need to be afraid. God is right here in the room with you."

Timmy said, "Mom, I know God is right here in this room with me, but I need someone with skin on."

Like Timmy, we all need God as well as each other, as God does not exist in solitary individualism but in a community of love and sharing. God is not a loner. This means that a Christian in search of God must avoid every tendency to isolate him or herself from the community. St Paul was quick to add that the way to achieve this is through a loving relationship with one another.

Now the Easter season is over. It was concluded last Sunday with the Pentecost. Today we return to Sundays in Ordinary Time. If there is one theme that marks the Ordinary Time of the liturgical year, it is the theme of growth in Christian living.

The liturgical colour green symbolizes life and growth as we know from nature. Ordinary Time will take us to the end of the liturgical year. If the theme of the Ordinary Time is growth, why then does the church choose to come back to it with the solemnity of the Blessed Trinity? Growth is a practical, everyday concern but the Trinity seems to be a mystery to us which we can always relate to through the sacraments.

Therefore, brothers and sisters, as we return to Ordinary Time and to the daily challenges of living the Christian life, let us know that we are not alone in the struggle. God the Father is with us, Jesus Christ the Son of God is on our side, the Holy Spirit the Power of God Most High is in us. That is our faith, and we are proud to profess it. Amen.

**Peace be with you!**  
**Fr Lucius**

**This Week's Mass Schedule**

29/05/2024	Wednesday	8:00am
30/05/2024	Thursday	12:00pm
31/05/2024	Friday	8:30am
01/06/2024	Saturday	6.00pm
02/06/2024	Sunday	8.00am 10:00am

**1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION**  
**EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm**

*Please Ensure Silence*  
*In The Church By*  
*Supporting Silent Prayer*

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2024**  
**St. Mary's.**

**Confirmation:**  
 3rd Session  
 Saturday 1st June 5pm.

**First Holy Communion:**  
 1st Session and Parent  
 Information Meeting: Saturday  
 10th August 5pm.

**READINGS**

**The Most Holy TRINITY - Year B**  
**(p.589 in St Pauls Missal)**

- 1st - Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40
- Psalm - 32 Resp. hymns page
- 2nd - Romans 8:14-17
- Gospel Accl. hymns page
- Gospel- Matthew 28:16-20

**Next weekend: Corpus Christi**  
**- Year B (p.592)**

- 1st - Exodus 24:3-8
- Psalm - 115
- 2nd - Hebrews 9:11-15
- Gospel - Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

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**PLANNED GIVING:** We are in the process of preparing to order the new sets of envelopes for Planned Giving for the next 12 months for weekly donation from July 2024 to June 2025. We are unable to meet the day-to-day expenses without your assistance. We encourage more people to participate in this essential financial support of our Parish. If you would like to have a set of envelopes or prefer to give by direct debit (weekly/fortnightly/monthly), please contact/visit the Parish Office.



## 2024 St Mary's Parish Debutante Ball

This year's (96<sup>th</sup>) Debutante Ball will be held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June. The event has a change of venue this year; it's heading back to the Ball's traditional home, being the Maryborough City Hall.

The move back to City Hall does mean that some extra hands are required, and the Committee has asked us to do a call-out to members of the Parish for volunteers for the following tasks and roles:

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June:** From 10am - Assist with set up of tables and chairs, tablecloths, chair covers, table runners

### Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June:

- From 1pm - Set up of bar
- From 1pm - Laying out of placemats, cutlery and napkins on tables
- From 5.30pm - Ushering until approx. 6.45pm
- From 5.30pm - Gallery Ticket sales in foyer until approx. 8.30pm
- From 7.00pm - Door Security until approx. 11.00pm
- From 5.30pm - Bar sales (preferably RSA holders) until approx. 11.00pm
- From 7.00pm - Glass collection until approx. 11.00pm

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June:** From 10.00am - Assist with pull down of event and restoring hall back to pre-event state

The Committee would be grateful for any assistance. If you are able to help out, please contact Lisa Lewis on 0408 232 613 or email [stmarysdebball@outlook.com](mailto:stmarysdebball@outlook.com).

For those who have attended our Debutante Ball in the past, we're sure that you would agree that this is a wonderful event and a very special part of our Parish's history.



## Corpus Christi Procession

There will be an outdoor procession of the Blessed Sacrament on the Feast of Corpus Christi Sunday 2 June. The procession will move from the

Church — Bazaar St — Sussex St — Adelaide St — Kent St — Bazaar St — Church.

## Updates

### Repairs

- We had some electrical repair work done in the Church. A platform lift was hired. The repairs included changing some cables and repair/installation/changing the altar lights. We will also be upgrading some lights in the Church grounds.
- We also could do the stained glass window repair on the same day. This repair was pending for many months.
- We have now changed the noisy Whirlybird on the shed.
- We did have someone to check the microphones and cables for the Choir. Currently, we are in the process of replacing the damaged pencil microphone for the choir.

### Garden Maintenance

- General tidy up every Tuesday afternoon from 2.30 – 4.00. Tools will be provided or BYO if you prefer. All interested members are welcome. We had around 10 members on the first day of this initiative on 21st. Thank you :-).
- The small garden area to the right of the grotto has been cleared by Rob & Mary Kirkpatrick and they both will be working to have a new turf on the cleared area.

### Thank you for your contribution

**Message from the Commissary of the Holy Land, Australia:** "On behalf of the Holy Land Custody of the Franciscan Friars and the Christians of the Holy Land, I would like to sincerely thank you and your parishioners for your contribution of \$942.50 to the Good Friday Holy Land Collection for 2024." - Franciscan Provincial Office

**Message from Caritas - Project Compassion:** "Thank you for your unwavering support of Project Compassion! The generosity and dedication of parishes like yours have made a significant difference in the lives of countless individuals and communities around the world." Total donation this year is \$2350.

**Message from SewPNG:** SewPNG is immensely grateful to St Mary's parishioners who donated \$1,795 in this year's Mothers Day appeal. Two pallets of school supplies and clothing have been sent this year, and another pallet should be ready by August. It is truly impossible to describe the joy in the faces of Tufi children and mothers when these boxes arrive. Without a doubt the generous people of St Mary's church and primary school are helping to lift PNG village children out of poverty. Thank you to all our wonderful donors. Pat Burkett. Picture: These children in the village of Sefoa are wearing clothes made and donated by SewPNG ladies.



## ENTRANCE: HOW SHALL I CALL YOU?

How shall I call You?  
Maker of Heaven,  
Poet of sunset and painter of sky;  
Father Almighty Who's running to find us.  
Giving His Son Who must suffer and die.

### Refrain:

Glory to the Father, the Son and the Spirit,  
Let's sing it again and again.  
Glory to the Father, the Son and the Spirit,  
For ever and ever. Amen.

How shall I call You?  
Lover of children,  
Shepherd and teacher and brother and friend;  
Healer of blind man and healer of leper:  
You are beginning and middle and end. R/.

How shall I call You?  
Spirit of comfort,  
Cloud in the daytime and fire in the night;  
Guide as we wander, protector in danger,  
List'ner and helper and giver of sight. R/.

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## PSALM RESPONSE: (SAID)

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

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

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

## COMMUNION: COMMUNION SONG

We see bread and wine before us,  
But hidden there from our view  
Lies the Flesh and Blood of Jesus,  
Now sacrificed for us anew.

### Refrain:

Jesus, we bring to You our bodies.  
Jesus, we bring to You our souls.  
Needing nourishment,  
Needing healing,  
Seeking peace.

On the night before He suffered,  
He took the bread into His Hands.  
Giving thanks and praise He broke it,  
Saying, "Take and eat, this is My Body." R/  
And when supper was then ended,  
He took the wine, again gave thanks,  
Saying "Take and drink, of My cup.  
This is My Blood, to be shed for you." R/

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## THANKSGIVING: GIVE THANKS

Give thanks with a grateful heart.  
Give thanks to the Holy One.  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.  
(Repeat)

And now let the weak say, 'I am strong',  
Let the poor say, 'I am rich',  
Because of what the Lord has done for us.

(Repeat)

Give thanks.

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## RECESSIONAL: GLORY BE TO GOD IN HEAVEN

Glory be to God in Heaven,  
Peace to those who love you well;  
On the earth let all Your people  
Speak Your grace, Your wonders tell:  
Lord, we praise You for Your glory,  
Mighty Father, Heaven's King;  
Hear our joyful adoration  
And accept the thanks we bring.

Only Son of God the Father,  
Lamb Who takes our sin away,  
Now with God in triumph seated  
For Your mercy, Lord, we pray:  
Jesus Christ, most high and holy,  
Saviour, You are God alone  
In the glory of the Father  
With the Spirit: Three in One!

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### Please remember in your prayers:

**Those in ill health:** Bevan Stephensen, Bohdan Pastuch, Janet Jackson, Joan Lucas, Ailsa Wickbold, Betty Hove, Evelyn Keys, Carmel Bird, Gregory Massingham, David Brettell, Anna Pecar and Ame Cox.

**The Recently Deceased:** Margaret Petith, Carmen Macua, Marie Hayes and Mark Vincent Singho.

**Anniversary of Death:** Juanito Garlitos, Stephen Parker, Margaret Hogan, Philip Bertram, Agnes Mallet, Tim Hogan, Doug Seymour, Allan Schmidt and Steven Wroe.