# **The Most Holy Trinity**

Year A Sunday 4th June 2023

## **Entrance Antiphon**

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.

# **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 Dn 3:52-56. R. v.52

(R.) Glory and praise for ever!

- 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!

# **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.

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## **Gospel Acclamation**

See 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!

# Gospel

Jn 3:16-18

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.

# **Communion Antiphon** Gal 4:6

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

# St. Laurence O'Toole, Leongatha and St. Joseph's, Korumburra

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#### WEEKEND MASSES as at 3/4 June 2023

Leongatha Korumburra Saturday 5.30pm Sunday 9.30am

Sunday 11.00am

#### Tarwin Lower

Mass— Mass on Saturday before 3rd Sunday at 4.00pm

5th Sunday

#### Mirboo Nth

Mass— Mass 1st Sunday 4.00pm Liturgy with H/C 9.30 Sunday 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th

#### Meeniyan

Mass— Mass Saturday before 2nd & 4th Sunday at 4.00pm

Liturgy with H/C 9.30am on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday's

# Liturgy with H/C Saturday 5.30pm before 1st, 2nd, 4th,

#### Weekday Mass or Liturgy of the Word and **Holy Communion Times KORUMBURRA** Wednesday Parish/ School Mass 9.30am **LEONGATHA** Tuesday Mass -Church 5.00pm Mass-Mary McKillop College Thursday 9.10am Liturgy-Church 9.30am **Friday**

#### The Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. Laurence O'Toole Church Leongatha

Before 5.30 pm Mass—5.00pm Saturday: Sunday: Before 11am Mass—10.30am

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Anniversaries: Jack and Monica Cummins,

Peter O'Loughlin, Fr James Byrne

Sick: Vin McDonald, Nellie McDonald, Heather Head,

Cathy Abood (Matthew), Brodie Gollop

#### Sacrament Calendar 2023

Leongatha: **Confirmation** 

Thursday 22nd June 4.00pm

Korumburra: **Confirmation** 

Thursday 22nd June 6.00pm

#### **PARISH ROSTERS**

10th June 11th June LEONGATHA:

Flowers: E Stephens Cleaning: Volunteer Please

Greeting: J Casey S Cannata M O'Rourke S Nicita Reader: J Fiddelaers Special Minister: M Casey

**KORUMBURRA:** 

11/06 Cleaning: M Trewin 11/06 Greeter: A Nicholson

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#### **RECONCILIATION TIMES**

**Leongatha:** Friday after 9.30am Mass & before 5.30pm

Mass on Saturday

Korumburra: Sun before 9.30am mass

# **REFLECTION** by Fr Michael Tate

# Painting the Picture of God

When he was crucified Jesus uttered: 'It is finished.' What had finished? His earthly ministry during which he painted a picture of the most intimate communion between Himself, the Father, and the Holy Spirit, so intimate that the Church needed a new word: 'Tri-Unity' or 'Trinity' for short.

God is pulsating, shimmering light, dancing in threefold exchange of love, each being simultaneously poured into the other. God is 'Being-In-Love' and love is always relational.

'You are made in the image and likeness of God'? Because of the ministry of Jesus Christ, we know what that really means. We are made to live in relationship – not in solitary.

If we think that the ultimate good is to be self-sufficient/autonomous, that leads to a hellish existence. When we live with as much self-giving as is possible, we are on the way to a heavenly existence.

We could pause for a moment to give thanks for the revelation of the nature of God, and consequently of the true nature of human beings.

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#### **OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD**

#### St Laurence Parish:

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496.80
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#### St Joseph Parish

Stewardship envelope:	\$484.00
Stewardship cast (1st offering)	\$73.80
Presbytery (2nd offering)	\$246.25
Trinity Families Special Collection	\$350.00

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We are a child safe parish. Any children, young persons and adults at risk have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our Parish Child Safety Officers. They can be contacted through the Parish Office. Telephone 03 56 622 020

#### Message from Fr Siju

Dear sisters and brothers of St Joseph parish Korumburra and St Laurence parish Leongatha, (Mirboo North, Meeniyan, Tarwin Lower), greetings in the Lord!

The verse from the Psalm, "How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me?" (Ps 116:12) comes to my mind when I sit down to write a few lines of gratitude and appreciation to you all for your love, care, and support you have given me whilst my stay with you as a priest in residence. Although I did not have an active role in the parish, you have allowed me to settle gently in among you, and yet I enjoyed every opportunity given to me for pastoral care.

Post Easter readings from the Letters of St Paul have highlighted two biblical characters: Aquilla and Priscilla who serve as a prototypical couple of evangelization and their contributions are noteworthy. Looking closely at their role in the pastoral ministry and missionary journey of St Paul invites me to look at your role in your parishes. As they are involved in helping St. Paul preach the Gospel, each of you in your own way contribute to the pastoral ministry of your priests. Thank you for being the "Aquillas" and "Priscillas" of your parish.

From among you, some of you have been "Martha" and "Mary" of the Gospel who took time to cook and feed me while I was convalescing post-surgery and for your prayers and wishes during my exams as well as your concern and prayers during my hospitalisation. Certainly, I cannot repay the Lord and remain indebted to him for his goodness shown to me through you all. Many thanks!

To name you and number your contributions to your parish communities is impossible. All I wish to say to you is "THANKS A MILLION!"

As I depart from you, I shall pray for you and I seek your blessings and prayers for my safe journey, studies and stay in Canada. While I freeze in the Northern Hemisphere winter, I shall enviously think of your warm days.

Remain warm in the Lord.

Fr Siju Xavier, Priest in Residence.

# **Parish Events**

#### **ATTENTION ALL PARISHES**

Welcome back to Fr Stanly

Parish Office will be closed on Thursday 8th June, 2023

**Reminder to both Parishes:** Please check the expiry date on Working with Children Check as some are due to be renewed over then next few months.

Also if you have gone onto a Roster and you don't have a WWC Check please arrange to obtain one as soon as possible. If you require any assistance please contact Ann at the Parish Office.

**Catechist Formation Day**: Father Elio Capra will conduct a formation day for catechists and others who are interested in Sacraments at St. Jarlath's Hall, Yarragon on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30 am to 3.30 pm Cost is \$10 per head and catering is provided. Please contact Barbara Durand on 0414965079 or <a href="mailto:barbarad@sale.catholic.org.au">barbarad@sale.catholic.org.au</a> or book with Trybooking <a href="mailto:https://www.trybooking.com/CHWBF">https://www.trybooking.com/CHWBF</a>



Thank you to everyone who supported the Trinity Families Special Collection last weekend.

**St. Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust:** The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills inleadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. **More information and Applications Forms** are available on our website **pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship** 

#### **LEONGATHA PARISH:**

MASS MINISTRY ROSTER Thank you to all those who give of their time and talent to be an active part of our Mass. Our current roster finishes at the end of June. We would really like to see some new people join us as a Reader or Greeter. If you would like to give it a go please put your name on the clipboard list in the foyer. For anyone who is currently on a roster but needs to come off please record this on the clipboard list so I know not to use you or phone Anne Vaughan 0421083110.

Cleaning & Flower Roster–Leongatha The current Roster finishes on 25th June. Thank you to all who commit to this. We are in need of more names. If you are able to help out with either, or both, you would be most welcome. A Clipboard will be in the Church Foyer for new names. Any Enquiries please contact Evelyn 0419642205

Gospel Reflection Group meets on Mondays in school term from 1.30-3pm in the Parish Centre. This is a small friendly group that reads the coming Sundays Gospel then discusses and relates it to their everyday life finishing with a cuppa. Everyone most welcome

**God's Ecumenical Men Servants** will meet on Wed 7th June 7.30pm at the Salvation Army. Guest Speaker Rev Jim Murray

#### **KORUMBURRA PARISH:**

**Cuppa** will be held after Mass on the 1st Sunday of every month.



