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St John Fisher, Kurnell

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**As a Community We Serve God**

## The Most Holy Trinity, Year C

### Prayer of the Church: Psalter Week 3

#### 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: Proverbs 8:22-31

#### Responsorial Psalm:

**O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!**

#### Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5

#### 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: John 16:12-15

#### Communion Antiphon:

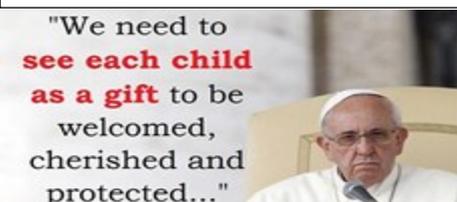
**Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.**

### Congratulations To



**Lucas John Kocovski and Jarrah Dusk Towers** whom we welcome to our Catholic community this weekend. Through his Baptism we pray they will love and serve the Lord always.

**Please be aware that all relevant Archdiocese Policy, Protocols and guidelines for safeguarding children, are public documents and are available on the Sydney Archdiocese website.**



### Trinity Sunday

One God, Three Persons, united in One Love that has been poured into our hearts! We begin our readings with a beautiful description of how this creative relationship of Love was one with the Creator before all things came into being. Wisdom delighted God as she danced through creation in a spirit of playfulness (First Reading).

The Psalm is a song of human delight in God's creation, and it sings also of the relationship with creation in which God has invited us to share.

The Second Reading explores this Trinitarian relationship. Through our unity with Jesus we are at peace with God, and the love of God enters our hearts by the Holy Spirit. In this letter to the Romans, we are reminded of how this love will help us to grow in the trinity of Faith, Hope and Love.

In St John's Gospel, Jesus encourages his disciples by saying that they do not need to know everything while he is still with them. The Holy Spirit will be their guide, and will lead them deeper into the truth of the relationship of Father, Son and Spirit: each Person of the Trinity pouring love into the other.

As the Spirit of love has been poured into our hearts, so we are called to pour out the love of the Spirit into the hearts of all whom we meet. Our faith is based on a God of relationship, and will deepen when we enter more fully into that relationship through prayer.

As we try to bring God's Spirit to all we meet, let us hold each other in prayer this coming week in that same Spirit of creative love.

#### GOSPEL (John 16:12-15) REFLECTION

Wherever I choose to pray, I prepare myself in silence to enter deeper into the mystery of the Trinity. I take time to read through the Gospel slowly, asking the Spirit of truth to help me hear the word of God with an open and attentive heart.

I pause in silence to allow the words to settle in my heart. I read the passage again. What do I notice about how Jesus relates to the Holy Spirit and to the Father? Jesus encourages his disciples by reassuring them that they will be led by the Spirit of truth, that exists in unity with him and the Father.

I imagine standing with the disciples and hearing Jesus address these words directly to me. I pause . . . and listen. How do I feel hearing these words? I ponder . . . Where have I noticed the Spirit at work in my life?

What is my response to being invited into this relationship of love that unites the Holy Trinity? I share this with God: Father, Son, Spirit. I close my prayer, saying Glory be . . .

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## Friendship across the sea

The St Aloysius Parish Community Cronulla  
linked in friendship with  
St Joseph Parish Hato Udo Timor Leste





### First reading: Proverbs 8:22-31 ::::

*Wisdom was born before the earth was made.*

The Wisdom of God cries aloud:

The Lord created me when his purpose first unfolded, before the oldest of his works. From everlasting I was firmly set, from the beginning, before earth came into being. The deep was not, when I was born, there were no springs to gush with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills, I came to birth; before he made the earth, the countryside, or the first grains of the world's dust. When he fixed the heavens firm, I was there, when he drew a ring on the surface of the deep, when he thickened the clouds above, when he fixed fast the springs of the deep, when he assigned the sea its boundaries - and the waters will not invade the shore - when he laid down the foundations of the earth, I was by his side, a master craftsman, delighting him day after day, ever at play in his presence, at play everywhere in his world, delighting to be with the sons of men.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm: Ps 8:4-9 ::::

**R. O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!**

When I see the heavens, the work of your hands, the moon and the stars which you arranged, what is man that you should keep him in mind, mortal man that you care for him? **R.**

Yet you have made him little less than a god; with glory and honour you crowned him, gave him power over the works of your hand, put all things under his feet. **R.**

All of them, sheep and cattle, yes, even the savage beasts, birds of the air, and fish that make their way through the waters. **R.**

### Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5 ::::

*To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.*

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. But that is not all we can boast about; we can boast about our sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope, and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel: John 16:12-15 ::::

*Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the

Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### Father Tom's Farewell Mass Sunday 30th June 10am ::::

In two weeks time we say farewell to Fr Tom as he leaves for the parish at San Souci.

We invite all our Parish Community to join with us in celebrating a farewell Mass and pray in Thanksgiving for Father Tom and his time here at St Aloysius Cronulla as Parish Priest.

**We will distributing farewell envelopes on the seats if you would like to contribute to a farewell gift: please put the envelope on either of the collection plates.**

After Mass let's all gather in Thornton Hall for a farewell light luncheon. We ask you all to bring along your favourite cakes, sandwiches, sausages rolls, drinks etc. There will be a RSVP sheet to write your name on in the back foyer and what plate you will bring to share.

## First Holy Communion Dates 2019



**Retreat Day and Commitment Mass 19th June  
9am — 3pm Thornton Hall**

**Sacrament of First Holy Communion  
10am and 12pm Masses 23rd June.**

Please note there has been a change in the Commitment Mass date. In an effort to accommodate more families, the Commitment Mass will be on the same day as the Retreat, the 19th June at 9.30am.

We warmly invite all of our First Holy Communion Families to attend this Mass.

### A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney ::::

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime 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](mailto: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.



### Calendar for the Coming Week

<b>Monday:</b>	Parish Office closed. St Vincent de Paul Day Conference: 10.00am at the Chapel.
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Legion of Mary: 4.00pm at the Chapel.
<b>Wednesday:</b>	First Holy Communion Retreat Day. Care and Concern coffee: 10.00am at Monro Park. Rosary Guild: 12.30pm at the Chapel.
<b>Thursday:</b>	Social Justice Group Meeting: 5:30pm at the Chapel.
<b>Friday:</b>	Feast of St Aloysius.
<b>Saturday:</b>	No notice.

If anyone can help with readers and communion ministers, especially at the 10am Mass, could they contact the Parish Office?

#### St Aloysius Social Justice Group ::::

*"Friendship across the Sea in Action"*  
HatoUdo, Timor Leste, Education Scholarships

This weekend the SJG will have FAIRTRADE chocolates on sale to support our **High School Education Scholarships** for young people in HatoUdo. Your support is much appreciated. We can assure you all the funds raised through the sale of the chocolates assists third world farmers and the scholarship recipients. Some may also be used towards construction of the HatoUdo Bakery.

Donations are always welcome.



#### Patron Saint: Saint Aloysius Gonzaga Feast Day June 21st ::::

St. Aloysius was born in Castiglione, Italy. The first words St. Aloysius spoke were the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary. He was destined for the military by his father (who was in service to Philip II), but by the age of 9 Aloysius had decided on a religious life, and made a vow of perpetual virginity.

To safeguard himself from possible temptation, he would keep his eyes persistently downcast in the presence of women. St. Charles Borromeo gave him his first Holy Communion. A kidney disease prevented St. Aloysius from a full social life for a while, so he spent his time in prayer and reading the lives of the saints.

Although he was appointed a page in Spain, St. Aloysius kept up his many devotions and austerities, and was quite resolved to become a Jesuit. His family eventually moved back to Italy, where he taught catechism to the poor. When he was 18, he joined the Jesuits, after finally breaking down his father, who had refused his entrance into the order.

He served in a hospital during the plague of 1587 in Milan, and died from it at the age of 23, after receiving the last rites from St. Robert Bellarmine. The last word he spoke was the Holy Name of Jesus.



#### Confirmation Dates 2019

Commitment Mass 16th June 6pm  
Session 1: 3rd September 6.30pm St Aloysius Church  
Session 2: 10th September 6.30pm St Aloysius Church  
Retreat Day: 18th September 9am —3pm Thornton Hall  
Sacrament of Confirmation: 20th September 7pm.



#### St John Fischer: Patron Saint Kurnell Church ::::

St John Fisher (c. 19 October 1469 – 22 June 1535), was an English bishop, Cardinal, and Theologian. Fisher was also an academic, and eventually served as Chancellor of the University of Cambridge.

Fisher was executed by order of Henry VIII during the English Reformation for refusing to accept the King as Supreme Head of the Church of England and for upholding the Roman Catholic Church's doctrine of papal supremacy. He was named a Cardinal shortly before his death. He is honoured as a Martyr and Saint. He shares his feast day with St Thomas More.



#### This week in the Catholic Weekly ::::

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- Sanctity of the Seal: Why confession matters
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