THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 30TH MAY 2021

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 (JB) 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.

The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **R**.

By his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars. He spoke: and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being. R.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. R.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. R. Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17 (JB)

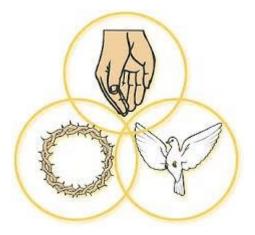
Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children 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: Matthew 28:16-20 (JB)

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.'



Welcome

Parish of Cororooke

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Moderator: Maureen Finn 0428329231 Supervising Priest: Fr Michael O'Toole School Principal: Leanne Eastman Parish Sec: Gracesyn Perrett 52331464 Child Safety Officer: Leanne Eastman St Brendan's: 9.30am Sunday/ 5pm 4th Sunday St Joseph's: 10:30am Lay-led/Mass 1st Sunday

ST BRENDAN'S: 6th June

Commentator: C Grist Reader: C Finlay Communion: L McGuane Leaders: B Allet/C Grist

<u>ST JOSEPH'S: Mass 6th June @10:30</u> Family: Mulheron Communion: P Mulheron Lay-leaders:

ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES: St Brendan's: 6-13 June:A Bayne/M McGee St.Joseph's: Mulheron

<u>Counters</u>: June 6 : L Darcy

RECENT DEATHS:

<u>ANNIVERSARIES:</u> Mick Sherman, Pat Mc Guane, Fr Vin Page, Elizabeth Russell, Molly Moore, Sheila O'Toole, Gerard Melville, Edward Jones

<u>Those seeking our prayers for</u> <u>healing and wellbeing:</u> Leah Spokes, Geraldine Finn,

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<u>DATES TO REMEMBER:</u> JUNE 3: Parish L'ship meeting

Calling All knitters!

Ann-Maree has a very simple beanie pattern to keep those who are sleeping rough outdoors or in cars, a little warmer this winter. Requires size 7 needles and 2 balls of same/different colour 8ply acrylic, knitted together(16ply). Please contact Ann-Maree if you'd like the pattern. <u>aconvery123@gmail.com</u>

Understanding the Word

Jesus and Moses

The choice of the first reading from Deuteronomy sets up both a comparison and a contrast between Moses and Jesus. The book of Deuteronomy is presented as Moses' great farewell speech to the Israelites. After wandering in the wilderness for forty years the Israelites, led by Moses, have come to the threshold of the Promised Land. Moses can look across the Jordan to the land they - but not he - will enter. There Moses once again takes on his greatest role as the spokesman for God who gives to the people God's Law. The first time he had done this was at Mount Sinai when he had delivered the Ten Commandments and all the laws contained in the books of Exodus, Leviticus, and Numbers, Now, on the Plains of Moab, Moses repeats the Law for their instruction. This is, therefore, the second time he gives the Law: the word 'Deuteronomy' means 'second law.' Thereafter Moses ascends Mount Nebo where he dies.

In this gospel from Matthew Jesus, after his resurrection, goes 'to the mountain'; though the exact location isn't specified. 'the mountain' probably refers to the mountain of teaching in chapters 5-7 and the mountain of transfiguration/revelation in 17:1. There Jesus meets his disciples and delivers to them his farewell speech: these are the last words of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Throughout this gospel Matthew had presented Jesus as the great teacher (chs. 5-7, 10, 13, 18, 24-25) and the definitive interpreter of the Law (5:1-7:29) who is greater than Moses. In this last speech Jesus is once again the teacher as he commissions his disciples to do as he had done: to 'make disciples' by 'baptizing' and 'teaching.' He instructs them to teach, not the Law Moses had given, but 'all that I have commanded you.' Jesus is the new and greater Moses, his commands are the new and greater Law. The gospel ends as it had begun. In the annunciation story Jesus was given the name 'Immanuel' ('God with us,' 1:23); he now assures them, 'I am with you always.'

