

**Liturgy Rosters:**  
Many thanks for the wonderful works you do!

**Weekend: 29th May**

**Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm**

Prayers: P. Coultie

Reader: P. O'Brien

Ministers: D. Kierce

**Sunday: 10.30am**

Prayers: J. Howman

Reader: M. McKenzie

Ministers: F. Mizzi

**Next Weekend: 5th June**

**Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm**

Prayers: P. Howman

Reader: D. Baudinette

Ministers: P. Rowe

**Sunday: 10.30am**

Prayers: B. Healy

Reader: M. Schultz

Ministers: T. McCallum

**Church Flowers: Judy Hall**

**Church Cleaning:**

**23/05 A. McIntyre, C. Legg**

**06/06 K. McNamarra, M. McGennissen**

*Note: All that is required for cleaning is dusting and a general tidy up. If there is anyone else willing to be put on the roster please email Parish Office: [Portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:Portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au)*

## PRAYER

O God,  
you reveal the signs of your presence  
among us in the church, in the liturgy  
and in our brothers and sisters.

Let no word of yours  
ever fall by the wayside  
or be rendered ineffective  
through our indifference or neglect.  
Rather, make us quick to recognise  
your saving plan  
whenever we encounter it,  
and keep as ready always  
to serve as prophets  
and apostles of your kingdom  
Amen.

## LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

All Saints Parish has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your First Communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness.

By leaving a gift to your Parish in your Will, you will leave a legacy of faith – a legacy to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue both for today's needs and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.

If you would like to receive a weekly copy of "The Spire" by email, please send us an email and we can add you to a list of subscribers



**30th May  
2021**

**The Most Holy  
Trinity  
Time Year B**



**NOTE: NO WEEKEND MASSES THIS WEEK  
- Any updates will be emailed by Fr Greg or  
see the Parish Facebook page.**

**Weekly Services 01/06 to 04/06**

**Tuesday: No Mass**

**Wednesday: No Mass**

**Thursday: No Mass**

**Friday: No Mass**

**Recording attendees at all masses is still required. If  
your mobile phone has the right app please use the  
QR Code sign in to register your every attendance.**

**Recent Deaths:**

**Anniversaries:**

Merv Powell, Pat Pluckhahn, John Bowden, Charlie Mifsud, Michael Kierce, Margaret Clark, Kathleen Wilson, Sam Debono, Lucrica Cresencia, Marg Van Heughten, Keith Barnes, Kevin Fitzgerald, May Phillips, Margaret Belden, Annie Brown, Irene Harrington, Joseph Harrington, Russell Hurst, Frank Sileni, Emmanuelle Mifsud, Nancy Wright, Fr Noel Donnelly

**Prayer Requests:**

Margaret Coultie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Nicky Schultz, Claire Jesser, Lea-anne Bourke, Michelle Mutch, Deanne Atkinson

*If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only Next of Kin may ask for names to be added: Thank you*

**Weekend Mass & Sacrament of Penance times.**

**PORTLAND**

Mass: Saturday 6.00 pm,

Sunday 10:30 am

Baptisms by appointment with Fr. Gregory

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday 10.30am or any Saturday 6.30pm vigil

Marriages by appointment with Fr Gregory Tait.

Sacrament of Penance By Appointment with Fr Gregory.

# "The Spire"

**All Saints' Parish**

**Portland - Heywood - Dartmoor**

**All Saints' Parish Office**

**PO Box 210 Portland 3305**

**Phone: 5523 1046 Mobile 0475 512530**

email: [portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

[www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/parishes](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/parishes)

Rev. Gregory A. D. Tait, P.P.

email: [greg.tait@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:greg.tait@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

Parish Secretary: Antonella Webstock

Wednesday & Thursday 9.00am till 3.00pm

*All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.*

*All Saints Parish Portland acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our Parish Community meets, the Gunditjmarra people. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation and constitutional acknowledgement of first peoples*

## Psalm 32

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.

With 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.

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.

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.

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

## Gospel Acclamation

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!

The English translation of the Psalm Responses, the Alleluia and the Gospel verses, are from the Lectionary for Mass © 1997, 1981, 1968, International Committee on English in the Liturgy, Inc. All rights reserved.

## Our Finances

### Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 927.00

**Target \$62,400**

**Total YTD 2020/21 \$ 53,534**

**Total YTD 2019/20 \$ 52,748**

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

**Account Name:** Portland Catholic Church

**BSB:** 083 532

**Account No.** 5159 81661

### Presbytery Account

Priest support: inc. EFT \$ 626.50

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

**Account Name:** All Saints Presbytery Portland

**BSB:** 083 526

**Account No.** 24476 6002

## Making sense of the Trinity



Today we celebrate that God comes to us, communicates with us, and relates to us in three distinct ways as three distinct persons. It is no accident that we celebrate Trinity Sunday at this particular point in the liturgical year — after Easter, Ascension and Pentecost — because it was through those events that the disciples realised that God is a Trinity of three divine persons, and yet only one God.

This deep conviction that God exists in three persons emerged in those Easter events. It is a conviction that has confounded Christians ever since: how to express this and how to make sense of it. Even St Augustine and St Thomas Aquinas wrestled with this complexity.

Artists and icon writers have depicted the Three in various ways: as three angels, as three human-like figures, and two men (a Father and Son) with a dove (representing the Holy Spirit who descended like a dove at Jesus' baptism). Just as no words can express this ineffable mystery, neither can it be adequately expressed through any visual image.

What is reassuring and invigorating for our faith today is that our forebears among the early Christians, as well as many saints and mystics throughout the ages, have been keenly attuned to this great mystery. They recognised that these Three, who from the very earliest of days were called Father, Son and Holy Spirit, coexist as equals in the one God, and that this is the three-personed love in which we, and indeed all creation, live and move and have our being.

We, each and every one of us, like the early disciples and the saints and mystics, are invited into that three-personed love, into relationship with these Three. Our prayer today is that we, individually and together, might enter ever more deeply into this mystery of God's love, and allow it to enter into us, and to work in us. This indeed is grace: it is God, the Trinity, abiding in us and transforming us ever more closely into God's image. Little by little, we then come to see, understand and love the world and all the people in it – if but dimly – as God sees, understands and loves it. That is in fact what we glimpse in the lives of holy people, and that is what is promised to each and every one of us.

And little by little, we take up the challenge which the mystery of the Trinity offers to us in our daily lives. The challenge is to be whole-hearted in our hospitality and concern and compassion for others, to be welcoming to the stranger, the lost, the lonely, the wounded, the asylum seeker, the refugee, and to respond generously and sensitively to their needs. It is in those concrete ways that we live true to our faith in God who is Trinity.

**All Saints Outreach Op-Shop: (In Target Car park) Phone: 5521 1587**

**The Parish Outreach Op-Shop is in urgent need of good quality clothing; bric a brac or furniture.**

Please ring Outreach for pick up if necessary. Thank you all for your ongoing support of Outreach. Outreach is open Monday to Friday 10 am - 4pm and Saturdays 10am - 12 mid-day. Outreach is a significant fundraiser within the Parish and we regularly need Volunteers to give 3 hours in the mornings or afternoons.

**Please contact Marg Herbertson at Op-Shop for further information.**

**Divine Renovation Webinar: The Holy Spirit's role in renewing the Church**

There is a lot of uncertainty swirling around what to expect of the post-pandemic Church. There is one certainty to give us hope and confidence and that is the role of the Holy Spirit in the renewal of the Church. Join Kevin Bailey as he guides you through a recorded telecast with Father Mike Schmitz on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 12.00noon (AEST). Jude Hennessy (Director/Office of Renewal and Evangelisation in the Wollongong Diocese) will lead the prayer for the Spirit to move in us so we can be inspired to go out again on mission to renewal.

To register for the event go to <https://www.tfaforms.com/4904708>

**Eathcare Game – small steps to save the planet**

EARTHCARE game is a fun way to explore the many ways we can care for the earth, connect with nature and help conserve the planet's resources. Take small steps to save the planet and earn points. Make a mess, waste energy or water and lose points. I CARE cards help you do good things. EARTHCARE is inspired by the game CONSERVATION, invented by R. J. Reynolds in New Zealand in 1976. For more information go to

<https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/earthcaregame/1338460967?ref=19yujk&token=d803ad58>

**International drawing contest for kids**

The earth's climate is changing. Kids need to know what is happening, why, and how it will affect them in the future. This contest offers a chance to take action to help slow climate change – because a tree will be planted for every kid that enters! Adults will also be encouraged to contribute to planting more trees too. The competition runs from May – June 2021 for kids aged 4-14. For more information go to <https://kidscareaboutclimate.org>

### ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/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

<https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholar-shipfor-lay-ministry.html>

**Closing Date 30 July 2021**

**Cuppa after Mass - Sunday 30th May - Cancelled due to Covid19 restrictions**