

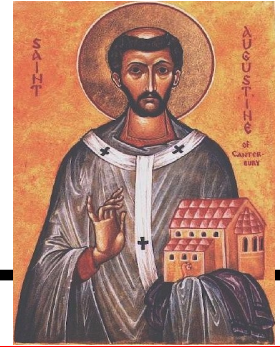


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# PARISH NEWS

Sunday: 11am Sung Mass Wednesday:

Holy Days: 12 noon as announced



**A Very Warm  
WELCOME**

Today is

**Trinity XVIII**

*Commemorate  
Motherhood of the BVM*

**11th October 2020**

The Propers are on  
**Page 631** of the red  
**Book of Common Prayer**

Today there will be no

## Hymns

At the end of the service we  
conclude with the  
**Angelus** (in the back of the  
white **Mass Booklets**)  
Turning to face the Statue of  
Our Lady.

[Government Covid-19  
Guidelines and Rules](#)

In accordance with Govern-  
ment guidelines we ask that  
you wear facemasks in Church  
(clergy in the Sanctuary are  
permitted to use their  
discretion), practice self  
distancing and use hand  
sanitiser.



**Please  
Turn off Your  
Mobile Phones**

Our Organ doesn't like them

*Thank you*

*Dear Friends,*

You know, back in Jesus' day, there were a lot of people who were trying to trip our Lord up. He was constantly encountering people who wanted to test him and see if they could outwit him or better him. The Sadducee's, the Pharisee's, the Herodian's, all had a go at goading him and trying to provoke him in different ways. Of course it was after that failed, they then decided they had no choice but to kill him. You see, they didn't like his message because it was a threat to what THEY believed God wanted.

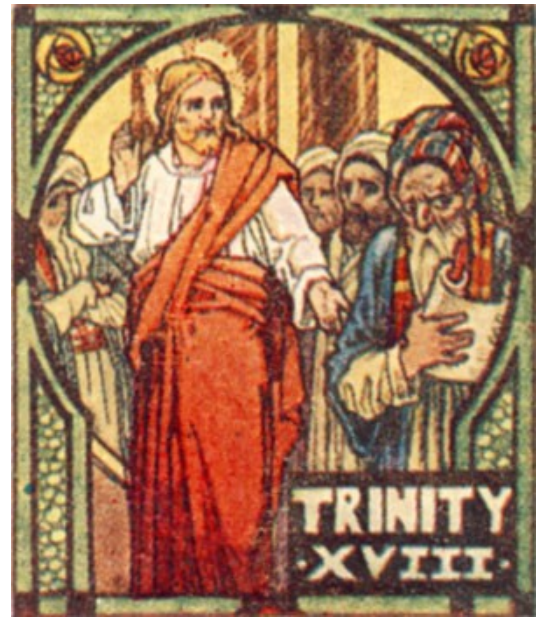
We who follow Christ, and that MEANS following his example, can also meet people who try to trip us up. There are on the internet, websites established by Atheists and anti-Christians, which seek to help equip people to undermine and challenge our faith.

Unfortunately, we are often our own worse enemies, and can trip ourselves up.

We can never earn God's acceptance; Jesus did that for us. He gave us a free gift of grace. Obeying rules wouldn't do it. Only the Cross could pay the debt. However, If the devil can't keep you from pursuing God, then he'll try to divert you by making you adopt the externals of religious practice without cultivating the internals.

There are heavenly principles like "sowing and reaping" (Gal 5). But there is not a single rule that you can obey that will make you acceptable in God's eyes. It's still all about His grace, a **free** gift from Him to you. Stop thinking you earn it, and accept that in response to the gift you should

Please read our Covid-19 worship notice



show thankful gratitude.

When you begin to understand that you are not as close to God as you want to be, you'll be tempted to do some good, godly things as a means of getting closer. But be careful. Go ahead and do good, godly things. But understand this: God doesn't run to meet us because we obey rules well. He runs to us because He sees us loving Him and trusting Him. Obeying rules will never compensate for sin in our life; only the death of Jesus can do that.

The first thing that Adam and Eve did, after sinning, was to look at themselves; they became desperately self centred. We have this same spiritual sickness today. We spend much of our thought life obsessing about how great or how rotten we are. Both perspectives lead us into a deadly trap. The only way out is to fix your eyes upon Jesus, the One who is pure and true. It's really about Him, not us.

As we "draw near to God" He will

## October

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**Sunday 11th**

*Trinity XVIII*

*Commemorate  
Motherhood of the BVM*

**11am Low Mass**

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**Sunday 18th**

*St Luke*

*Commemorate Trinity XIX*

**11am Low Mass**

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**Sunday 25th**

*Christ the King*

**11am Low Mass**

*The service will be preceded  
by the Bishop conferring the  
Sacrament of  
Confirmation.*

*After Mass he will bestow his  
Bishop's Award for 2020*

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## November

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**Sunday 1st**

*All Saints Day*

*(Comm Trinity XXI)*

**11am Low Mass**

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draw near to us.

If you are wise, you will do whatever it takes to find and maintain a daily, consistent intimacy with the Lord.

In society, **pride** is often a *celebrated* word. In God's Kingdom, **pride** is *self exaltation*, and that opens the door to all kinds of deceptions and spiritual dangers. "Pride comes before a fall." Pride is what tripped up Lucifer, and pride is what he tries to use against every believer. Humility is a must if you want to grow in the Lord, because "God gives His grace to the humble, but resists the proud."

You cannot trust your feelings. You may go through a honeymoon stage with God, and your feelings may overwhelm you for a while. But a time may come when God calls you to seek Him and trust Him when such feelings don't come.

During the challenges of this present pandemic it is very easy to fall into temptation. Not physically coming to church for the lockdown period can become a little to comfortable if it continues without a genuine reason. The great tempter can wheedle his way in to many situations.

Let's be honest. There are times when we may not get a 'buzz' by coming to Mass. We may feel distant. The time will come when nothing in us feels like God is on our side. We will have to choose which we will believe: our feelings, or God's Word. The only solution is to seek God even harder during these 'dry times', and put our trust in what He says about us, we will the surely come through this season with a deeper faith that no one can steal.

With my love and  
every blessing



Requests for names to be added to our weekly prayer lists may be made by writing the prayer intention (names and reason) in clear printed writing on paper and given to the clergy. If you wish the intention to remain private—note that and the details will not be published on this weekly sheet

## YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR ...

Fr Don & Di Walker, Chris Bosworth, Margaret and Laurence Mead, Paul Fletcher, Barbara Henderson, Todd, David and Sheila, Margaret Miles, Danny and Colin Rumens, Frederick Chadwick, Ann Chapman, Diane Young, Pauline Allison, Harrison and Edward Eckert, Ina Bond, Margaret and Peter Martin, Dulcie Fidge, Margaret Bendelow, Dorothy Hipkiss, Fr Miles Maylor, Vickie Wall, Pat Johnson, Edward Wilkinson, Liz Bakker and all those effected by or suffering from the Coronavirus and other infectious diseases.

For Nick Yates and Jennifer Whittaker who are to be confirmed on the Feast of Christ the King.

*For those who read these Parish Notes on the Notice Board outside and all who receive email or paper copies.*

- For our neighbours and the people of **Painters Forstal** and **Ospringle** and the surrounding countryside, the **growth** of our **Church Family**.
- For the safety and protection of our **Armed, Uniformed and Security Forces** and those of our Allies, especially those on active service. For those charged with our **safety and security** that they may use their powers justly.
- For **persecuted Christians** especially in Africa, Pakistan, the Middle East and China.
- For the **victims of terrorism and warfare and crime**. For those who suffer as a result of natural and man-made **disasters**. For the poor, homeless and destitute and those who seek to help them.

*For those in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer*

- Diocese of Australia & New Zealand, Bishop Ian Woodman and Bishop Denis Hodge.
- Our Lady and St Edward, Bolton, Greater Manchester, Fr Howard Marsh, Fr Roger Bell.
- The propagation of the Holy Catholic and Orthodox Faith, for all Missionaries and Evangelists.

*And we remember the recently departed: NN specially, AND those whose anniversary falls at this time Gillian Parry,*

**P:** ✕ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord **R:** And let light perpetual shine upon them

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