



Trinity Sunday-31 May 2026

St Matthew's-Holland Park

Trinity Sunday Readings

Overarching Theme: The God who reveals, blesses, and sends

Trinity Sunday is not only about explaining a doctrine. **It is about meeting the living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.** Across these readings, God reveals his mercy, receives our praise, blesses the Church with grace and peace, and sends disciples into the world with his presence.

Exodus 34.1–8

What is happening: Moses goes back up Mount Sinai with two new stone tablets. Israel has broken faith by making the golden calf. Yet God comes down in the cloud and proclaims his name: **merciful, gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.** Moses bows down and worships.

Main point: God is holy, but not cold. **God is just, but also full of mercy.** Even after failure, God makes himself known as the One who restores covenant.

What to wonder about: Do I really believe God's mercy is greater than my failures?

Song of the Three Young Men 29–34-in place of Psalm

What is happening: This song is a hymn of praise. **God is blessed in the temple, in glory, on the throne, in the depths, and in the heights of heaven.**

Main point: The God we meet in mercy is also worthy of endless praise.

Worship reminds us that God is greater than our troubles, fears, and limitations.

What to wonder about: How might praise change the way I face ordinary life?

2 Corinthians 13.11–14

What is happening: Paul closes his letter by calling the church to peace, unity, encouragement, and restored relationships. He blesses them with the grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit.

Main point: The Trinity shapes Christian community. God's grace, love, and fellowship are meant to be seen in the way believers live together.

What to wonder about: Where is God asking me to seek peace, healing, or reconciliation with others?

Matthew 28.16–20 What is happening:

The risen Jesus meets his disciples on a mountain. They worship him, though some still doubt. **Jesus sends them to make disciples, baptising in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and promises to be with them always.**

Main point: Jesus sends imperfect disciples with a perfect promise: His authority and his presence.

What to wonder about: How can I be part of God's mission, even when my faith feels small?

The Trinity means we are loved by the Father, saved by the Son, strengthened by the Holy Spirit, and sent into the world with God's presence.

[What is the significance of Trinity Sunday?; Exodus 34:1-8 NIV - The New Stone Tablets - The LORD said - Bible Gateway; 31 May 2026 - Trinity Sunday – Year A | The Church of Scotland](#)

Wine and Cheese Evening 17 July-Kiwi Theme-Please bring your Kiwiana

Bible Study Lady Chapel 10am Friday

Men's Breakfast 4th June This Thursday **'Money is the root of Evil'**

Meditation 10 June Wednesday night 5pm

Op Shop Every Thursday 9-12 and 1st Saturday of month

Next Sunday Pentecost 2 9am 7th June: **Genesis 12.1-9; Psalm 33-1-12;**

Romans 4.13-25; *Gospel: Matthew 9.9-13,18-26 Green*

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