

First Reading Is 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

Responsorial Psalm Ps 114:1-6. 8-9. R. v.9

(R.) I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

Second Reading Jas 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead. This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds - now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

Gospel Acclamation Gal 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia! My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

Next weeks readings: First Reading Wis 2:12, 17-20, Responsorial Psalm Ps 53:3-6. 8. R. v.6, Second Reading Jas 3:16 - 4:3, Gospel Acclamation See 2 Thes 2:14, Gospel Mk 9:30-37

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NEWSLETTER

16 September 2018

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

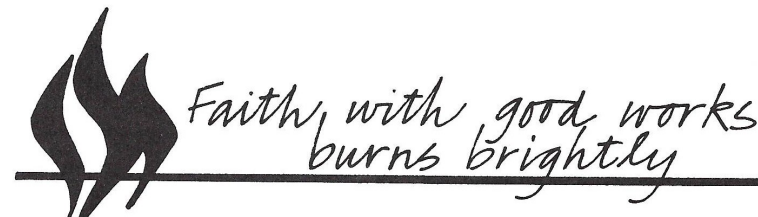
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St. Monica

Dear Friends,

The reading for today given to us by St James speaks of a faith that is real. He emphasises that faith alone cannot save us, but that it must be accompanied by action in order to keep it alive. We have heard this for as long as we can remember, and have practised, through love and care for our neighbour, that which we see as following this mandate.



At this time in our history, more is being asked of us! The Church we love is planning the great synod of 2020, to look at the needs of our Australian Church. No doubt you have heard about this event, but it is important that we put in a genuine effort to become involved ourselves and not leave the work to others. Maybe for the first time in our lives we have been asked for a personal opinion about what the Church means to us, and how we can make it stronger in the mission given to us by Jesus.

Since the Second Vatican Council we have become used to the phrase "signs of the times" which has given the Church the impetus to relate to our modern world in a more meaningful way. We think of ourselves as the People of God, each one loved and deserving of dignity. We yearn for a consultative approach in the decisions made by higher authority. At this time of Synod we are being asked to consider our own gifts and join in the prayer and discussion around the following question:

What do I think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?

There will be groups to join in our parish. Answers will be collated and sent to the Synod Committee on our behalf.

Pamela Davis OP

PARISH DIARY
September 2018

15 Saturday, Our Lady of Sorrows

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's
- 6:00pm Vigil Mass at St. Johns

16 Sunday, 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St. Johns

17 Monday, Week 24

18 Tuesday, Week 24

- 9.00am Mass at St. John's

19 Wed, Week 24

20 Thursday, St Andrew Kim Tae-gon

- 12.00pm Mass at St John's

21 Friday, St Matthew

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

22 Saturday, Week 24

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

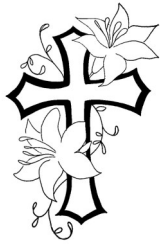
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's

- 6:00pm Vigil Mass at St. Johns

23 Sunday, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's

- 10.00am Mass at St. Johns



We offer our condolences to the family and friends of

Brian Travers Salvesen

Father of our parishioner
Felecia Phillips
who went to his reward on
9th September 2018

First Eucharist

Everyone is invited to share in welcoming the young people as they celebrate Eucharist with us for the first time on Sunday 23 September at the 10.00am Mass. Please join with them as they continue the celebrations following Mass. (A plate would be welcome.)

Sacramental Preparation

Children commence their faith journey at their baptism. If you are a parent or carer who thinks their child may be ready to continue this journey you are invited to attend an information meeting about children and the sacraments. This will be held in St. John's presbytery meeting room at 2.00 pm. and repeated at 7.00pm. on Tuesday 18 September. Please choose whichever is most convenient for you.

To register your interest or for further information contact St. John's parish office (6272 6363) during office hours or Jo (0419 510 014).

Living with teenagers in the internet age. Seem familiar?

Michael McGirr, an exceptional writer, deep thinker and a man of keen wit and faith will bring acute awareness to this scenario as he unpacks the rocky road of living in a household with three teenagers in the internet age when he presents **the John Wallis Memorial Lecture on Wednesday 19 September, GYC Hobart Campus, at 7 pm.** Michael, a family man, theologian and author, will speak about **God, Family and Other Related Matters.** Donation: \$10/\$5. An Auslan interpreter will be present. A selection of current books will be on sale. Supper will be served. Everyone is welcome. further information: Eva Dunn 0417 734 503

Relating to God: Good reading on an interpretation of the Genesis Story, in harmony with the science of evolution, can be found in theologian, Kevin Treston's book: *Emergence for Life Not Fall from Grace*; Wipf & Stock Publishers, 2013. Book available for borrowing from Parish Office.

Entrance Hymn (Sunday)

We wait in hope for the Lord
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God is our help and our shield.
And so our hearts rejoice,
for we trust in God's holy name.

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Parish Fundraiser

Saturday 6th October after the 6pm Mass. Trade table, Assortment of gifts, books, plants, lemons, jewellery, Jam, pickles, cakes etc.



Sunday, 7th October after 10:00am Mass. Trade table as above, and Sausage sizzle. This fundraiser event can only be a success if each and every one of us contribute something, even our time. Any items for the trade table would be appreciated. Contact Kay Grainger.

Footy Points Margin

Found – one winner. Don Ambler had the winning ticket for round 22 (8 points). Round 20 (3 points), round 21 (43 points), round 23 (22 points) and the 'bye' round (12 points) are still waiting to be claimed. The nominated game for the Semi-Final will be the game to be played on Friday night. And a reminder – next weekend we will be selling the tickets for the Grand Final – tickets \$5 with \$200 for the winner and \$50 each for the runners up either side of the winner.

OUR SICK - Please remember in your prayers:

Leonie Hills, Ester Underwood, Monique Matzner, Carol-ann Jones, Zayden Direen, Mary Nichols, Charlie White, Patricia Mc Donah, Sarah Gill, Nance Bennette, Trevor Coleman, Kate Hayes-Newington, Patricia Leamey, Delma Walsh, Maila Beekmeijer, Peter Crane, Ted Grainger, Lani Baron, Marie Knight, Alida Beric, Nell Smith, Peter Drake, Eileen Sherrin Tracey Deayton and Warwick Cardamatis

WEEKEND MASSES

St John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Saturday
- 6.00pm Saturday Vigil
- 10.00am Sunday

St. Monica's, Chigwell

- 8.30am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Tues, Friday, Sat.
- 12.00pm Thursday

ROSARY

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.40am every Saturday

RECONCILIATION

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.30am & 5.15pm Sat.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- Cancelled until further notice

LEGION OF MARY

at St. John's, Glenorchy

- 6.45 pm Every Tuesday

ST. JOSEPH'S

PRAYER GROUP

at St. John's, Glenorchy

- 1st Wednesday of the month at 10.00am

COUNTERS' ROSTERS

This Week: 17 Sept

John Grace's Team

Next Week : 24 Sept

Des Mortimer's Team

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: \$ 900.10

Loose Plate: \$ 960.75

Direct Debit: \$ 225.00

TOTAL: \$ 2,085.85

Weeks Budget: \$ 2,500

Deficit: \$ 414.15