First Reading 1 Kgs 19:16. 19-21

The Lord said to Elijah: 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.' Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 15:1-2. 5. 7-11. R. cf. v.5 (R.) You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Second Reading Gal 5:1. 13-18

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community. Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Sm 3:9; Jn 6:68

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 9:51-62

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village. As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

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NEW\$LETTER 29 - 30 June 2019

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

St. John the Baptist

The Parish has been entrusted to the Salesians of Don Bosco since 2000

St. Monica

Dear Friends,

The Salesian, Fr Francis Moloney, a well known international biblical scholar, places the Gospel passage into context for us. He writes:

"Today's Gospel marks a turning point in Luke's story of Jesus. Jesus sets out on his journey to Jerusalem, but the reader is told that this journey is not only to Jerusalem. He is going to Jerusalem because the time is drawing near 'for him to be taken up into heaven.' Jesus is journeying to Jerusalem so that he might return to his Father. There is one further word that needs to be noticed: "resolutely". Jesus responds without hesitation to the design of God, cost him what it may."

On the way to Jerusalem, Luke uses three short stories to describe what it means to be His disciple. Three times Jesus says, 'Follow me!'. This means that Jesus should take first place in our lives.



Perhaps, we are still too attached to the things of this world and place our trust in them. Perhaps, we hesitate and are not committed when the Lord asks us to follow Him courageously by being good and honest.

Perhaps, we are uncertain and have second thoughts and regrets in following the teachings of Jesus.

May the Virgin Mary, Mother of God, pray to Jesus for us and may She give us the courage to always follow the law of love as Jesus taught us.

Fr Guy

PARISH DIARY

June 2019 29 Saturday, Sts Peter & Paul

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St. lohns

30 Sunday, 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

July 2019 1 Monday

• 9.00am Mass at St. John's

2 Tuesday

• 9.00am Mass at St. John's

St

Wednesday, **Thomas**

- the Blessed Sacrament
- 9.00am Mass at St. John's

4 Thursday

John's

5 Friday

John's

6 Saturday

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St. lohns

7 Sunday, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Monica's
- lohns

Candidates' Corner

Guided by their parents and godparents the Holy Spirit, which our candidates received at their baptisms, has been growing in them. This week we look at how we see and feel the Holy Spirit working in ourselves and in the people that we meet according to their different



aifts - maybe it is wisdom? Or fortitude? Or courage? What gifts can we see in the people around us?

Mission Evening with **Archbishop Julian Porteous**

An evening of song, testimony, preaching adoration and prayer. At St John's Glenorchy 7.00 pm Wednesday, 24 July 2019

Evangelium Conference

The Evangelium Conference is aimed at engaging Catholics in evangelisation. It will be held from 30 & 31 August 2019 at St Bernard's Church in Claremont. The conference's keynote speaker is Robert Falzon. Tickets are \$65.00 each include access to keynote addresses and workshops, lunch & dinner, morning and afternoon tea, tea and coffee. To book and pay or further details contact Diana Batchelor on (03) 6110 8805. or go to www.eventbrite.com.au and search 'Evangelium Conference Tas'

The Verbum Domini Institute is offering two bi-• 8.00am Exposition of ble studies: An Introduction to the Old Testament Prophets: This eight session bible study will guide you through the great prophetic literature of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Amos, and the other prophets. When: Wednesdays 10,30am-12,30pm. 17th & 31st July, 14th August, 11th & 25th Sept., • 12.00pm Mass at St | 16th & 30th Oct., 13th Nov. A Study of the Gospel of St. Matthew: Reading the Old Testament in the New. This bible study will help you discover the riches of • 9.00am Mass at St | the Gospel of St. Matthew by plumbing the depths of its Old Testament background. When: Thursdays 6.30 - 8.30pm, 11th & 25th July, 8th & 22nd August, Cost: \$20 per course for study guide. Where: Murphy Room, Diocesan Centre. Register: 6208-6236.

Parish Volunteers,

To meet legal requirements as a result of the Royal Commission on sexual abuse, all parishes must ensure all staff and applicable volunteers have required compliance checks in place, namely a current Police check as well as Working with Vulnerable Peo**ple Registration.** We are compiling a list of the • 8.30am Mass at St status of all these checks and you may find that we contact you to arrange to have these checks in place • 10.00am Mass at St. | if you do not already have them. Please contact Sr Pamela Davis at the parish office as soon as possible. Fr Guy Riolo

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES July 2019 - June 2020

Can be collected from the church fover. If you haven't used the envelope system but would like to do so, please contact Sheila at the Parish Office. Thank you to Phillip Stephen Funerals for sponsoring the envelopes.

Spring High Tea

Come and enjoy some scintillating company, be tempted with delicious pastries and cakes at a Spring High Tea while supporting students at Don Bosco Technical School, Biratnagar. Nepal. When? Saturday 21 September, Time? 2.00 - 4.30pm, Where? GYC Catering Suite. Cost? \$20.

Date Claimer!!

Following an interesting and stimulating presentation on the Mass we are pleased to announce that Fr. Brian Nichols has agreed to talk further about the mystery of the Mass. When? 7.00pm. Thursday 26 September. Where? Parish meeting room. Put this date in your diary now!

Children's Choir

Gemma and Mary-Anne have stopped leading the children's choir because of other commitments. There is now an opportunity for someone else to take the choir on, or offer an alternative for the third Sunday music at St John's. There will be support for any willing volunteers. Ring Mary-Anne on 62286000 for further details.

Footy Points Margin

Still no claimants for round 7 (39 points) and round 13 (19 points)! Gary Nilsson had the winning ticket for round 14 (19 points).

OUR SICK - Please remember in your prayers:

Leonie Hills, Monique Matzner, Carol-ann Jones, Zavden Direen, Mary Nichols, Charlie White, Patricia Mc Donah, Sarah Gill, Nance Bennette, Kate Hayes-Newington, Patricia Leamey, Delma Walsh, Maila Beekmeijer, Peter Crane, Ted Grainger, Lani Baron, Alida Beric, Nell Smith, Peter Drake, Eileen Sherrin, Tracey Deayton, Don Ambler, Doreen Street, Fr Bob Curmi, Graziano Ceron, Frances Direen and Anne Hansch

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially Gwendoline Mary Foster Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord, let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

WEEKEND MASSES

St John's, Glenorchy

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

St. Monica's, Chiqwell

• 8.30am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Mon. Tues. Wed. 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

8.00am Wednesday

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:	1 July

Mary Parsisson's Team

Next Week: 8 July

Anne Hansch's Team **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Envelopes: \$719.00 Loose Plate: \$1.205.50 Direct Deposit: \$270.00 TOTAL: \$2,194.50 Week's Budget: \$ 2,500

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