First Reading Ex 22:20-26

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans. "If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him. "If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

Responsorial Psalm Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51, R, v,2

(R.) I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading 1 Thes 1:5-10

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for vour instruction, and vou were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread - and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to

tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: vou must love vour neighbour as vourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'



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30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A - 24th & 25th October 2020



Dear Friends,

Several days before his passion and death on a cross, Jesus finds himself in a heated discussion with the religious authorities. The debate centres around his identity: who is he and where does he come from? In today's Gospel, the Pharisees ask Jesus a question regarding the commandments, hoping to discredit him. They ask: which is the greatest commandment of the Law? Jesus replies that the love of God is the greatest commandment and the love of neighbour is the second greatest because these two commandments sum up the Law and the Prophets.

Therefore, the way to tell if someone has a true love of God is if they love all others. Jesus is our model. For us the greatest temptation is to separate these two commandments because then our consciences would not be disturbed when we were confronted with the poverty of others. May the Virgin Mary Mother of God pray to Jesus for us.

NOVEMBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

In a few days' time, we commence the month of November which is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. May we remember to pray constantly for our loved ones and all the Holy Souls who may need our prayers to be freed from their sins. They will most certainly not forget us in our need and will pray always for our eternal salvation.

THREE TALKS BY RENOWNED **TASMANIAN SPEAKERS:**

Fr Brian Nichols, Fr Richard Ross and Dr Drasko Dizdar.

At St John's Church Glenorchy

- Dr Drasko Dizdar spoke enthusiastically on MARY: MIRROR OF OUR HUMANITY last Tuesday. Those who came were enriched and inspired.
- Fr Richard Ross will speak on "Lazarus" in the light of his experience with cancer 7.00 pm - 8.30 pm Tuesday 17 November 2020
- Fr Brian Nichols will speak on Church Environment and Art. Date to be announced soon.

Please make a special effort to come to these talks. All welcome



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PARISH DIARY

October 24 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary

- •9.00am Mass at St John's
- •6.00pm Mass at St John's 25 Sunday, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- •8.30am Mass at St Monica's •10.00am Mass at St John's
- 26 Monday
- •9.00am Mass at St John's 27 Tuesday
- •9.00am Mass at St John's 28 Wednesday, Sts Simon & Jude, apostlés
- 8.00am-8.50am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- •9.00am Mass at St John's 29 Thursday
- •9.00am-11.50am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St John's
- •12.00pm Mass at St John's 30 Friday
- •9.00am Mass at St John's 31 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary
- •9.00am Mass at St John's
- •6.00pm Mass at St John's

November 1 Sunday, All Saints

- •8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- •10.00am Mass at St John's

Coming up:

2 November All Souls' Day Masses 9:00am & 7:00pm

15 November Parish Trade Table

17 November Talk on Lazarus - Fr Richard Ross, 7:00pm

3 December Anointing of sick within Mass, 12:00 Noon

15 December Advent Reconciliation 7:00pm

Parish Quick Raffle

Please support this St John's Parish Fundraiser. Raffle tickets will be on sale after weekend masses. Books of 5 tickets at \$10 and individual tickets at \$2 each. Raffle will be drawn on Sunday 1st November 2020.

Raffle Prize	value
1st Prize - Comfort Box/Hamper	\$200
2nd Prize - Kettle	\$90
3rd Prize - Cash	\$50

Columban Calendars

Your calendars are available for collection in the parish office during business hours on Weekdays except Wednesday's. Calendars are \$9 each.

November Masses

For many centuries it has been the practise of the faithful to pray and offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the eternal repose of their loved ones. As usual, we will have the names of the people to be remembered written up around the walls of the church. In this way the whole congregation can see the names and join in prayer for the faithful departed. Those who are in the Planned Giving Program have envelopes already. Additional envelopes are available in the fover. Please write clearly your name and contact number on the front of the November Envelope. On the back of the November Envelope please write in BLOCK LETTERS the names of relatives and friends for whom you wish to offer Masses. These Masses will be celebrated by the Salesian Fathers here in Australia or overseas in the Missions.

A Few Words about Fr Richard Ross

Fr Richard Ross has been a priest of the Archdiocese of Hobart for almost 23 years. Ten years ago, aged 42, Richard was diagnosed with stage four bowel cancer with multiple bowel and liver secondaries and a life expectancy of 3 - 6 months. He will reflect with us on the journey that has followed this diagnosis and what he has learned about life and faith. During this time many of the Catholic community prayed for him.

St John's Parish Fundraiser **Trade Table & Christmas Raffle**

Our St John's fundraising events were put on hold due to the Covid-19 Virus. Now it is time to start planning again. I am appealing for donations for our trade table on Sunday, 15th November suitable items preloved gift packs. perfume, jewellery, bric a brac, plants etc. Our major fundraiser for the year will be our Christmas Raffle. If anyone feels they would like to donate a prize it would be greatly appreciated. Contact Kay Grainger 6272 9024

Catechist Formation Information Session

Archbishop Porteous would like to invite those interested in becoming Catechists to teach the Catholic faith to children and to prepare adults to become Catholic through RCIA. The session will be an online Zoom meeting which you can do from home. Date: Wednesday, 4th November, 7-8pm. Please contact Sr Pam or Fr Guy on 6272 6363.

Footy Points Margin

Two more winners this week - Tom Carty claimed Round 17 (26 points) and Kerry Eaves the Semi-final (31 points). Who has Round 1 (52 points), Round 3 (24 points), Round 6 (32 points), Round 8 (12 points), Round 16 (45 points) and the Preliminary Final 16 October? Grand Final this week end - remember we pay out on the winner and the runners up! Jo 0419 510 014

Our Sick - Please remember in your prayers

Maila Beekmeijer, Lani Baron, Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Doreen Street, Fr Bob Curmi, Frances Direen, Tom Carty, Robert Campbell, Mary Dowd, Monigue Matzner, Amy Matzner, Patricia Leamey, Gerard Carty & June Webb

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially: Raelene Di Martino, Judy Pigden, Peter Drake, Ken Young, Frank Hesman, Richard Challis, Sheila Darby, Gina Passarelli, Nell Smith, Sr. Maura McAvoy O.P, Khiet (Van) Tran, Graziano Ceron, Robert Bridges, Minka Busch Stan Brach, Anne Hansch, Bret Cowan, Gertrude Margaret Joseph, Ian Irvine, Fr Frank Gibson, Jackson, Jovana & Silvestro Drea and Fr Liam Floyd. Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

St John the Baptist Catholic Parish: Glenorchy/Chiqwell **Covid-19 Safety Action Plan**

The parish Covid-19 Action plan is in place to meet government regulations. A copy of this plan is available on the churches' noticeboards.

WEEKEND MASSES St John's, Glenorchy

- 6.00pm Saturday
- 10.00am Sunday

St. Monica's, Chigwell

• 8.30am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday
- 12.00pm Thursday

ROSARY At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.30am every Wednesday
- 8.40am every Saturday

RECONCILIATION At St. John's, Glenorchy

• 9.30am-10.00am & 5.15pm-5.45pm Saturday

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.00am 8.50am Wednesday
- 9:00am 11.50pm Thursday

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 9.30am

COUNTERS' ROSTERS

This Week: 26 Oct Bob Mochrie's Team

Next Week: 2 Nov

Mary Parsissons' Team

WEEKLY COLLECTION		
Envelopes:	\$1,019.90	
Loose Plate:	\$879.10	
Direct Deposit:	\$270.00	
TOTAL:	\$2,169.00	
Weekly Budget: \$ 2,500.00		

Difference: -\$331.00