

First Reading Is 5:1-7

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

Second Reading Phil 4:6-9

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Acclamation See Jn 15:15

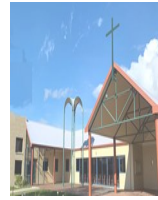
Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 21:33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? 'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH



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St. Monica

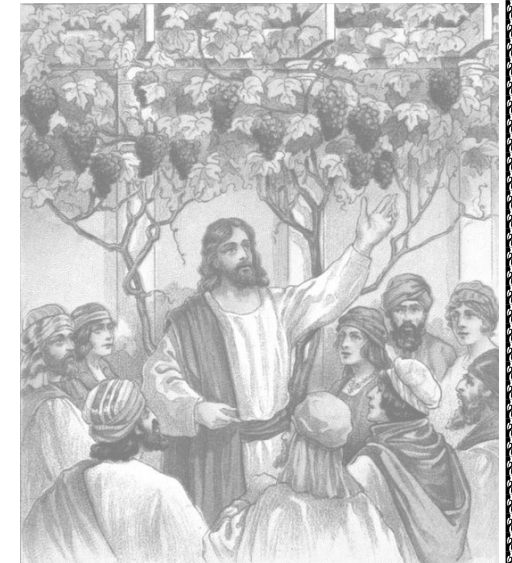
27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A - 3 & 4 October 2020

Dear Friends,

This Sunday, our scripture texts contain references to the symbols of vineyards and grapes. In the time of Jesus, vineyards with their abundance of grapes were a familiar sight. We too, in Tasmania appreciate the value of this type of agriculture and the value it has for our welfare.

In the Hebrew Scriptures, Israel in a beautiful song, is referred to as a vine that God planted. It was meant to yield good grapes but instead, because of the evil of those in charge, the grapes were sour. So the Lord punished those neglectful people by causing damage to their livelihoods.

In our gospel passage from Matthew (21:33-43), Jesus uses the same symbol of the vineyard, likening God to the owner who went away, leaving tenants in charge. They abused his trust, just as Israel turned its back on the law. We see Jesus as the Son sent to save the people but he too is killed.



But through his death the kingdom of God is given to us so that we might produce fruit. This is the message given to us in the passage from St Paul to the Philippians as he describes how prayer and thanksgiving will give us the virtues required to bring about this kingdom.

Sr Pamela Davis OP

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PARISH DIARY

October 2020

3 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St John's
- 4 Sunday, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St John's
- 5 Monday**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 6 Tuesday, St Bruno**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 7 Wed., Our Lady of the Rosary**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 8 Thursday**
- 12.00pm Mass at St John's
- 9 Friday, St Leonard**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 10 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St John's
- 11 Sunday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St John's

Coming up:

- 17-18 October Catholic Mission Appeal
- 20 October Talk on Mary - Dr Drasko Dizdar
- 17 November Talk on Lazarus - Fr Richard Ross
- 3 December Anointing of sick at Mass
- 15 December Advent Reconciliation

High Tea Boxes for Nepali Students and More!

A BIG thank you to everyone for their very generous support of students at the Don Bosco Technical School, Biratnagar, Nepal. The High Tea boxes raised \$950; a parishioner who hosted a High Tea for 20, including 10 Nepalese guests, raised \$250 and the chocolates and plants sold at the 'pop up' stall at the Vigil Masses a further \$525. When we forwarded funds earlier in the year we indicated that in view of the COVID crisis we would leave it to the discretion of the Salesians in Nepal to direct the money to the area of greatest need. They were appreciative of this and directed the funds to support the COVID relief activities undertaken by the Biratnagar house.

Two Dates for Your Diaries !

Way back in March before the Covid-19 restrictions caused them to be cancelled Dr. Drasko Dizdar and Fr. Richard Ross had each agreed to give a Lenten talk. As the restrictions are beginning to lift we have contacted them again and are pleased to announce that both have accepted an invitation to give a presentation. As October is the month of Mary Dr. Drasko Dizdar will talk on "Mary: Mirror of our Humanity" at 7.00pm on Tuesday 20 October and Fr. Richard Ross will talk on "Lazarus" in the light of his own experience with cancer at 7.00pm on Tuesday 17 November. Both talks will be held in St John's church.

A few words about Dr Drasko Dizdar

Dr. Drasko Dizdar is a member of the Emmaus monastic community, affiliated to the ecumenical Monastery of Bose (Italy). He is a theologian and has taught in various universities and colleges in Australia and overseas, including the Australian Catholic University. He works in the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office to develop teachers' understanding of Catholicism. Drasko has the ability to see the big picture of our relationship with God. He works with students who have found him to be an inspirational speaker. This promises to be an enriching faith-filled evening.

Parish Covid-19 Safety Plan

On reviewing our response to our parish COVID-19 Safety Plan we have decided to remove the remaining cloths and the Tabernacle veil at St John's and St Monica's to reduce the risk of spreading infection.

COVID-19: Our Archbishop Julian Porteous reminds us that we are still required to maintain the various practices and procedures required by health authorities, in particular with regard to social distancing and hygiene. It is also important that we do not exceed the numbers allowed for our churches and parish gatherings. For St John's Church - 90 people in church, and 20 in church foyer; for St Monica's - 40 people. We have introduced various changes to our liturgical practices, like non-contact sign of peace, no reception of Holy Communion from the chalice except for the celebrant, and so on. These practices are to be retained for the immediate future.

Footy Points Margin

We have two winners! Julie Callander won Round 18 (52 points) and Marge Eade won Round 19 (53 points)! But still to be claimed - Round 1 (52 points), Round 2 (61 points), Round 3 (24 points), Round 6 (32 points), Round 8 (12 points), Round 16 (45 points) and Round 17 (26 points). The next game is the 2nd. Qualifying final between Brisbane Lions and Richmond on Friday 3rd. October. 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, Monique Matzner, Amy Matzner, Patricia Leamey and Gerard Carty.

Prayers for the Deceased

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

Covid-19 Safety Action Plan

St John the Baptist Catholic Parish Glenorchy/Chigwell
This Diocesan plan is in place to meet government regulations. A copy of this safety action 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 & 5.15pm 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: 5 Oct

Mary Parsisson's Team

Next Week : 12 Oct

Mary Parsisson's Team

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$451.35
Loose Plate:	\$814.00
Direct Deposit:	\$380.00
TOTAL:	\$1,645.35
<u>Weekly Budget:</u>	<u>\$ 2,500.00</u>
Difference:	-\$854.65