

**First Reading Gen 9:8-15**

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.' God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

**Responsorial Psalm  
Ps 24:4-9. R. see v.10**

**(R.)** Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

**Second Reading 1 Pt 3:18-22**

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God

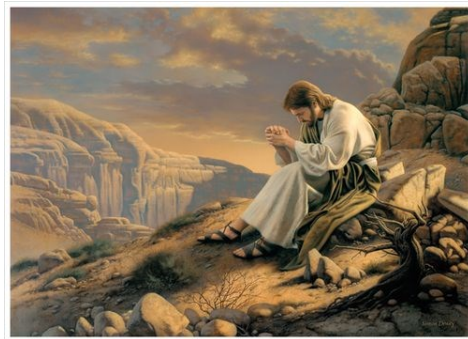
from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

**Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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**Gospel Mk 1:12-15**

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH**



St. John the Baptist

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St. Monica

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

**20th & 21st February 2021 - 1st Sunday of Lent - Year B**

**Dear Friends,**

The Gospel today has two parts to it: in the first part we have the temptation of Jesus in the desert; and in the second part, Jesus' proclamation of the Gospel: "The time has come and the Kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News." Jesus commences His public ministry preaching repentance and faith in Him. The call to repentance is a call to follow Jesus, to listen to Him and do what He asks of us. It is to open our hearts to God's love and to believe in His Gospel.

A mother camel was talking to her young son. "Mother", asked the young camel, "why do our feet look different from the others?" The mother replied, "Well, son, our feet have three hooves so that when we walk on the sand in the desert, we will not sink." The son again asked, "But why do we have such long eyelashes?" And the mother said, "Those long eyelashes will protect our eyes from the sands during sandstorms." "And why do we have these ugly humps on our back?" asked the young camel. "Well," the mother explained, "in the desert, water and food are scarce. Those humps look ugly, but that is where we store our food and water when we cross the desert." But the young camel was still not satisfied.

"Now I know that these hooves are for walking in the sand, those long eyelashes are to protect our eyes from the sand, and the humps are for our food and water as we walk in the desert. But why do we need these? We are not in the desert! We are right here inside Manila Zoo!" (M. Ezeogu).

For many of us, we may feel like this young camel. We are in Manila, and there is no desert here. It is simply difficult to relate to the Gospel this Sunday about Jesus in the desert. But we must understand, however, that the desert may not necessarily be a physical location. In biblical context, the desert is any situation where a person can be in solitude. And in this solitude, two things can happen: an encounter with God, and an encounter with the Tempter. This is what happened to Jesus in the Gospel this Sunday.



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**PARISH DIARY  
February 2021**

- 20 Saturday**  
 •9.00am Mass at St John's  
 •6.00pm Mass at St John's  
**21 Sunday, 1st Sunday of Lent**  
 •8.30am Mass at St Monica's  
 •10.00am Mass at St John's  
**22 Monday, Chair of St Peter**  
 9.00am Mass at St John's  
**23 Tuesday**  
 •9.00am Mass at St John's  
**24 Wednesday**  
 • 8.00am-8.50am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
 •9.00am Mass at St John's  
**25 Thursday**  
 • 9.00am-11.50am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St John's  
 • 12.00 noon Mass at St John's  
**26 Friday**  
 •9.00am Mass at St John's  
 •7.00pm Stations of the Cross at St John's  
**27 Saturday**  
 •9.00am Mass at St John's  
 •6.00pm Mass at St John's  
**28 Sunday, 2nd Sunday of Lent**  
 •8.30am Mass at St Monica's  
 •10.00am Mass at St John's

**Coming up**

- 23rd Feb Lenten Talk: Why does God allow us to be tempted? by Dr Drasko Dizdar - 7:00pm  
 9th Mar Lenten Talk: Laudato Si: Caring for our Common Home by Dr Trish Hindmarsh - 7:00pm  
 24th Mar Lenten Talk: One Man's Way of the Cross by Ed Sianski - 7:00pm

**Lenten Talk: February 23rd, 2021**

Dr Drasko Dizdar, currently working with the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office will speak on The Desert of and Temptation - Why God allows us to be tempted? 7:00pm-8:30pm. Please make a special effort to come to this talk. All Welcome (Fr Guy)

**St John's Parish 50/50's Club**

Please help the parish raise funds for those necessary emergency repairs and maintenance for example we bought a new ride on mower and fixed damaged window. Cost per member - \$50. On the 27th June 2021 we will have a raffle of the names of the members and draw 3 prizes: 1st \$150, 2nd \$100 & 3rd \$50. All welcome to join.

**Project Compassion**

Jamila, 22, is a Rohingya woman living in the world's largest refugee camp in Bangladesh. She was forced to flee the armed conflict in Myanmar to save herself, her elderly mother and her eight-month-old baby.



With the support of Caritas Australia, through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila was able to access emergency food and shelter. She also received counselling, emotional support, and learnt sewing skills to help her earn an income.

Jamila now feels less alone, with a sense of community around her. She is able to 'Be More' to her little family. "Thank you, and thanks Caritas Australia," Jamila says. Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help mothers like Jamila be more for her family and her community. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes at the table in the foyer.

**St Patrick's Pilgrimage'**

Join Archbishop Julian on a weekend pilgrimage from Richmond to Colebrook, especially designed for young adults aged between 18-30. To register, please visit eventbrite.com.au and enter St Patrick's Pilgrimage or contact youth@aohas.org.au

**Confirmation & Eucharist**

The Parish is offering to assist parents of primary school students, to help prepare them to be confirmed and make their First Holy Communion. These children must have already made their First Reconciliation (Confession) in the Sacrament of Penance. An information session, for parents only, will be available on Tuesday 23 March at 7 pm in the Parish meeting room. For further information, please contact the parish office (62726363).

**Issues discussed at the Liturgy Group Meeting  
February 2nd, 2021**

- Development of guidelines for art and the environment in the Church following a presentation by Fr Brian Nichols. An initial Sub-Committee was formed. Members: Sr Pamela; Jo; Mary; Jan; Mary-Anne.
- COVID Restrictions impacting on the parish's sense of community. A Sub-Committee has been formed by the PPC to look into COVID issues
- 75th Anniversary of Salesian presence in Glenorchy - To be celebrated in August
- Easter Ceremonies: Online Booking System via Diocesan website may be available

**Footy Points Margin**

Footy Points Margin fund raiser is on again! Tickets are \$2 per week for a chance to win \$100 every week and you don't need to know anything about footy. The first nominated game is Collingwood v. Western Bulldogs on Friday 19 March. Tickets on sale from 6 March. Sign up on the yellow sheets in the foyer. Jo Elliott 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, Gerard Carty, June Webb, Vince Mele and Barbara Campbell

**Prayers for the Deceased**

*Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially:*  
 Mary Nichols, Jennifer Barnard, Bill Oakley, Joseph Nguyen Van Thuong, Raelene Di Martino  
*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/Chigwell  
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 and 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**

<b>This Week:</b>	22 Feb 21
Bob Mochrie's Team	
<b>Next Week :</b>	1 Mar 21
Mary Parissons's Team	

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

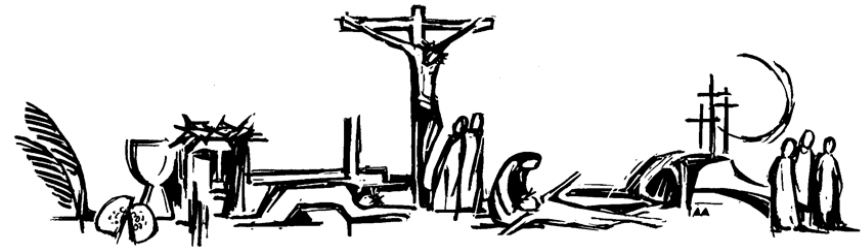
Envelopes:	\$724.85
Loose Plate:	\$489.50
Direct Deposit:	\$600.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$1,814.35</b>
<b>Weekly Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>
Difference: -	\$685.65

### From fasting to feasting

A guide through our journey of Lent:

- Fast from judging others; feast on seeing the best in people.
- Fast from emphasis on differences; feast on the unity of all life.
- Fast from despair; feast on hope.
- Fast from thoughts of illness; feast on the healing power of God.
- Fast from words that destroy; feast on phrases that are encouraging
- Fast from discontent; feast on patience.
- Fast from being negative; feast on being positive.
- Fast from worry; feast on trust.
- Fast from complaining; feast on appreciation.
- Fast from hostility; feast on peacemaking.
- Fast from bitterness; feast on forgiveness.
- Fast from constant activity; feast on slowing down.
- Fast from disrespect; feast on recognising the sacred in all of life.
- Fast from self-concern; feast on compassion for others.

(Adapted from an unknown source)



### **EASTER MASS TIMES 2021**

#### **Palm Sunday**

Saturday, 27th March	6.00pm Vigil Mass, St. John's
Sunday, 28th March	8.30am Mass, St. Monica's 10.00am Mass, St. John's

#### **Tuesday**

Tuesday, 30th March	7.00pm Chrism Mass, St Mary's Cathedral Hobart
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#### **Holy Thursday**

Thursday, 1st April	7.00pm , St. John's Thursday of the Lord's Supper (Please note: No 9am-12pm Adoration & Mass at 12.00 noon)
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#### **Good Friday**

Friday, 2nd April	10.00am Stations of the Cross, St. John's 3.00pm Passion of the Lord, St. John's
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#### **Holy Saturday**

Saturday, 3rd April	7.00pm The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night, St. John's
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#### **Easter Sunday**

Sunday, 4th April	8.30am Mass, St. Monica's 10.00am Mass, St. John's
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#### **Divine Mercy Sunday**

Sunday, 11th April	8.30am Mass St Monica's 10.00am Mass St John's
	2.00pm Exposition St John's 2.15pm Rosary 2.40pm Chaplet of Mercy 2.50pm Benediction 3.00pm Mass 3.45pm Veneration of Divine Mercy Image *2.00pm - 2.50pm Individual Reconciliation



Join with our Lord on the journey of the Station of the Cross Every Friday in Lent, 7.00pm at St John's

### HOLY THURSDAY

Please remember to bring your Project Compassion boxes and envelopes to the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday 1st April at 7.00pm. Also bells to ring adding to the joyfulness of the Gloria.



### HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil, Holy Saturday 3rd April 2021 at 7.00 pm. Our celebrations start around the Easter fire on this most holy night, we listen to the stories of our history and share in the Eucharist. Bring your bells again as we

