

First Reading Jer 31:7-9

The Lord says this:
Shout with joy for Jacob!
Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout!
The Lord has saved his people,
the remnant of Israel!
See, I will bring them back from
the land of the North
and gather them from
the far ends of earth; all of them:
the blind and the lame,
women with child, women in labour:
a great company returning here.
They had left in tears,
I will comfort them as I lead them back;
I will guide them to streams of water,
by a smooth path
where they will not stumble.
For I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 125. R. v.3

(R.) The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading Heb 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

Gospel Acclamation See 2 Tim 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away
with death,
and brought us life through his gospel.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.



St. John the Baptist

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St. Monica

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - 23 & 24 October 2021

Dear Friends,

The Gospel today presents Jesus on the road from Galilee to Jerusalem. In Jerusalem, He will fulfil His mission through His passion, death and resurrection. It is on this journey that Jesus meets the blind beggar, Bartimaeus who asks Him, "Let me see," and Jesus works the miracle. Jesus not only restores his sight but more importantly, gives him the gift of faith, that is, the ability to believe that Jesus is the Chosen One of God. The Gospel says that Bartimaeus "followed Jesus on the road." But the road leads to Jerusalem and to Calvary.

In the past few Sundays, Jesus has asked His disciples, including us, to live faithfully the commitments of married life, not to set our hearts on the riches of this world and to put ourselves at the service of others following His example as the One who came not to be served but to serve. However, His teaching is not easy. It requires sacrifice, self-control and the control of our passions and inclinations, humility and accepting the crosses that come our way.

Like Bartimaeus who recovers his sight, Christians should follow Jesus to Calvary. We may not fully understand God's plan for us, so we need to hear Jesus' words to us, "Go, your faith has saved you," as we follow Him more closely in our lives. He will heal us of our blindness and help us to understand God's ways. Jesus will support us in our weakness and help us to do God's will. May we repeat often, "Jesus, have mercy on me, Lord, let me see." May the Virgin Mary Mother of God pray to Jesus for us and may She bless us and keep us close to Her Son, Jesus.

Parish Diary

- All Saints Day Masses: Monday 1st November, 9.00am and 7.00pm at St John's
- All Souls Masses: Tuesday, 2nd November, 9.00am and 7.00pm at St John's
- The Parish Fair has been moved to Sunday, 31st October
- Meli Melo Christmas Concert Saturday, 4th December, 2.00pm at St John's
- Talk: Robert Kreshl (homelessness) Tuesday, 30th November, 7.00pm at St John's
- Talk: Fr Krish Mathavan (Laudato Si) Tuesday, 7th December, 7.00pm at St John's

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PARISH DIARY**October 2021**

23 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St John's
- 24 Sunday, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St John's
- 25 Monday**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 26 Tuesday**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 27 Wednesday**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 28 Thursday, Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles**
- 12.00 noon Mass at St John's
- 29 Friday**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 30 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St John's
- 31 Sunday, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St John's

Ministers of the Word

Rosters for 27 November to 26 February will be drawn up shortly. If you will be unavailable during this period could you let me know by 31 October, please? Jo Elliott 0419 510 014

2022 Columban Art Calendar

These traditional and beautiful calendars will soon be available. If you would like one please write your name on the list on the table in the foyer. Cost will be \$9 Please pay when the calendars are delivered.

Mass Pew Survey:

The Parish Pastoral Council is planning to hold a Parish Assembly in February 2022. We want to use that opportunity to celebrate what the Parish is doing well and to identify possible growth areas. Because your opinion matters, the PPC is inviting you to complete a one-page anonymous pew survey which will be distributed during the usual time of the homily at all Masses on the weekend of 6/7 November. Your thoughtful responses will assist us in preparations for the Assembly Day. Fr Guy

The 2021 John Wallis Memorial Lecture

Around the Table with Pope Francis – a place and a voice for the poor, will be delivered by international educational leader and social change advocate Dr Wayne Tinsey, at the Don Bosco Creative Arts Centre, Guilford Young College, Glenorchy, on Wednesday 27 October, at 7 pm. Entry via Mill Lane, Glenorchy (good parking, flat access). Cost: \$10 donation (suggested). Supper will follow the lecture. Bookings (for seating and catering purposes): <https://www.trybooking.com/BUDQB>
 Further information: graciousgenerosity.com.au or Eva Dunn eva.dunn@gmail.com or 0417 734 503

Liturgy Committee Minutes Summary 12 October 2021

- Blessing prayer for families to be said by all during Advent.
 - Continue to keep the work of the Plenary members in our prayers.
 - Choir to come forward for communion after the assembly have received.
 - RCIA – one young man to complete his initiation later this year. A young woman has begun the process of becoming a Catholic.
 - Christmas Mass times – Friday 24 December 6.00pm.; Saturday 25 December St. Monica's 8.30pm., St. John's 10.00am.; Sunday 26 December Holy Family St. Monica's 8.30am., St. John's 10.00am.
- Note:** There is no Mass at 6:00pm Saturday, 25th December

St John's Parish 50/50 Club

What is it? A parish fundraiser for necessary emergency repairs to church and grounds.

How does it work? We need 50 parishioners or friends to pay \$50, there is a raffle draw of 3 prizes: \$150, \$100 & \$50. The next raffle will be drawn in December 2021. We have 22 people who have joined. We need 28 people to complete the fundraiser.

Application to join may be made by contacting Sheila, the parish secretary, at the Parish Office 62726363 or by envelopes which are available on the table at the back of the church and can be put in the basket.

Christmas Raffle

Now it is time to start planning again. 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. Please contact Kay Grainger 6272 9024.

Bequests

Have you updated your will recently? If you are updating your will, you may wish to think about bequeathing part of it to St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish, Glenorchy.

Our Sick - Please remember in your prayers

Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Doreen Street, Fr Bob Curmi, Mary Dowd, Monique Matzner, Amy Matzner, Patricia Leamey, June Webb, Vince Mele, Barbara Campbell, Fr Peter Rankin, Judy Kingston, Paul Becker, Les Williams, Pauline Fitzallen, Krystyna Szukielojc, Bob Mochrie, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially:

Bill Oakley, Gwen Lincoln, Betty Direen, Frances Direen, Craig Rickards, Peter Crane, Sr Carmel Hall, Minka Busch, Ron Nilsson, Stan Brach, Kerris Direen, Vic & Margaret Derrick, Michael Percy, Luigi Valdarchi, Cath Mc Carthy, Georgette Thomas, Luis Escobar, PK Varghese

Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

Reminder for Covid-19 Safety

You must check in every time you come to St John's church or the Parish office. Everyone aged 16 years or older must check-in no matter how short their visit to church or parish office/meeting room. Please pray for all those sick with the Coronavirus and for those who have died from it.

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

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP at St. John's, Glenorchy

- Every Friday at 3.00pm

COUNTERS' ROSTERS

This Week:	25 Oct
Bob Mochrie's Team	

Next Week :	1 Nov
Mary Parsissons' Team	

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WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	No Mass
Quest Tap and Go	\$140.00
Loose Plate:	No Mass
Direct Deposit:	\$185.00
TOTAL:	\$325.00
Weekly Budget: \$ 2,500.00	
Difference: -	\$2,175.00