

First Reading (Deut 30: 10-14)

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul. 'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 18:8-11)

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Second Reading (Phil 2: 1-4)

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own

interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead.

Gospel Acclamation (Jn. 16:13; 14:26)

Alleluia

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will teach you all truth and bring to your mind all I have told you. Alleluia

Gospel (Jn 14:23-29)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own; it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now, before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

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St. John the Baptist

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH

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



St. Monica

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - 2 & 3 October 2021

Dear Friends,

The Fifth Plenary Council of Australia will begin on Sunday 3rd October as Archbishop Timothy Costello sdb celebrates the opening Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, Perth . In response to his invitation to Catholics to 'Pray With Us' the prayers and readings at our weekend Masses will be the same as those chosen for this opening Mass.

What is Plenary Council?

A Plenary Council is the highest form of gathering of all local churches in our country. Our Plenary Council is being held so that we can dialogue about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.

The process started pre-covid when all Catholics were invited to 'Listen to What the Spirit is Saying' today in Australia. Some of us may remember gathering in the GYC catering suite to listen and respond. Others sent their responses directly to the Plenary Council facilitation team. The responses were carefully considered and have been collated under the following headings - conversion, prayer, formation, structures, governance and institutions. This will form the agenda for the First Assembly of the Plenary Council 3-10 October.

The Second Assembly will be held 4-9 July 2022 and from August 2022 preparation begins to enact the decisions voted upon at The Plenary Council Assemblies.

The members of the council representing the Hobart archdiocese are Archbishop Julian Porteous, Fr Shammi Perera, Dr. Rachael Bradley and Mr Daniel De La Motte.



Parish picnic / Laudato Si Action Group (LSAG)

We will have a parish picnic / BBQ at Tolosa Reserve today Sunday October 3rd after 10am Mass. We have booked Hut Number 14 ("Casuarina") from 11:30am onwards. The hut provides shelter, seating, and an electric barbecue. It's located quite close to the entrance to the park, near a climbing playground on the flat area next to the old reservoir. BYO food, drinks and seating if required.

PARISH DIRECTORY

Parish Priest	Fr Gaetano Riolo SDB
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PARISH DIARY

October 2021

2 Saturday, The Holy Guardian Angels

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St John's
- 3 Sunday, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St John's
- 4 Monday, St Francis of Assisi**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 5 Tuesday, St Faustina Kowalska, virgin**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 6 Wednesday, St Bruno, priest**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 7 Thursday, Our Lady of the Rosary**
- 12.00 noon Mass at St John's
- 8 Friday**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9 Saturday, Mass of Virgin Mary**
- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St John's
- 10 Sunday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St John's

A Prayer for our Earth

"Loving God, Creator of heaven and earth and all that is in them, you created us in your own image and made us stewards of creation. You blessed us with the sun, water and bountiful land so that all might be nourished.

Open our minds and touch our hearts, so that we may attend to your gift of creation Help us to be conscious that our common home belongs not only to us, but to all of your creatures and to all future generations, and that it is our responsibility to preserve it. May we help each person secure the food and resources that they need.

Be present to those in need in these trying times, especially the poorest and those most at risk of being left behind. Transform our fear and feelings of isolation into hope and fraternity so that we may experience a true conversion of the heart.

Help us to show creative solidarity in addressing the consequences of this global pandemic. Make us courageous to embrace the changes that are needed in search of the common good.

Now more than ever may we feel that we are all interconnected and interdependent. Enable us to listen and respond to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. May the present sufferings be the birth pangs of a more fraternal and sustainable world. Under the loving gaze of Mary Help of Christians, we make this prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen"

Sacramental Preparation - First Reconciliation

Preparation sessions for children wishing to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation will commence on Saturday 16 October at 4.30pm in the Parish meeting room. Parents/carers: If you missed the recent information meeting, but would like your child to join the programme, please contact Marie Aitken (0472 545 919) or the Parish Office (6272 6363) as soon as possible. The Church requires that children have made their First Reconciliation before celebrating Confirmation and First Communion. To help you decide if your child is ready to take this step in their faith journey, please collect the leaflets entitled 'Is my child ready to receive the Sacraments?' and 'Information for Parents/Carers' which are available in the Church foyer.

Can you help?

The Archdiocese of Hobart is looking for some helpful elves to help at its annual carols event. Taking place at Guilford Young College, Hobart, 'Carols on the Hill' is an excellent opportunity for families to gather, light a candle and sing along to some traditional Christmas tunes. If you can assist on Saturday 11 December, please get in touch with Ella Tobin by Friday 15 October. Ella's contact details are: Email: e.tobin@aohatas.org.au Mobile Number: 0468 601 517

Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor

A copy of the Australian Catholic Bishops Social Justice Statement "Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor" is available to read on the noticeboard or you can access it on www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

October: Month of the Rosary

As in past years, the Rosary will be recited before all weekend Masses at St John's, Glenorchy and St Monica's, Chigwell during the month of October. At St John's, it will be led by the members of the Legion of Mary.

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 18 people who have joined. We need 32 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.

Parish Fair - 17th October 2021

Donations of Pre-loved gifts in good condition, Plants and Scratchies for a raffle tree would be greatly appreciated. This will be needed for our parish fair on Sunday, 17th October 2021. Many thanks, Kay Grainger (6272 9024).

Footy Points Margin

No-one has claimed the Grand Final or the runners up yet! 74 points for the Grand Final and 73 and 75 for the runners up. Also, still waiting to be claimed - ticket marked First Week of the Finals (serial number 836613) 35 points and the ticket marked PF (serial number 836625) 18 points. If these are not claimed by 24 October winnings will go to the parish.

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

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
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:	4 Oct
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Mary Parisissons' Team

Next Week :	11 Oct
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Bridget Hayde's Team

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$853.85
Quest Tap and Go	\$130.00
Loose Plate:	\$588.70
Direct Deposit:	\$370.00
TOTAL:	\$1,942.55
Weekly Budget:	\$ 2,500.00
Difference: -	\$557.45