First Reading Acts 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioc h. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 144:8-13. R. cf. v.1

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Second Reading Rv 21:1-5

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there

will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.' Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

Gospel Acclamation Jn 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 13:31-35

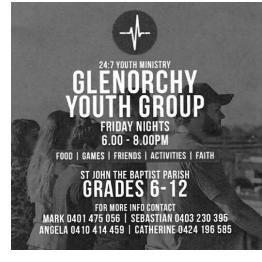
When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified.

If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.

My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another.

By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'



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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH



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St. Monica

14 - 15 May 2022, 5th Sunday of Easter - Year C

Dear Friends,

At the Last Supper, in His farewell speech, Jesus gave His closest friends His own special commandment by which the world would know that they were His disciples, "Love one another as I have loved you." This love for all would show them God's love for them. If we love one another as Jesus loves us, anyone who meets us will notice the love of Jesus Himself. They will all discover Him, even those who are distracted or despairing. May the Virgin Mary Mother of God help us put Her Son's commandment into practice in our lives.

- 24th May is the feast of Mary Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia. As I proposed at the beginning of the year, I would like to promote a new parish group in honour of Our Lady Help of Christians known as ADMA. This association was started by Don Bosco in 1869 and it is a vibrant worldwide movement in our Salesian Congregation. If you would like to help me start it, please contact me. (Fr Guy)
- Mr Tony Brennan will be speaking at our weekend Masses to recruit new members to St John the Baptist Vinnies Group.

- The first meeting of the parish youth group last Friday was a success. There were 7 young students, several leaders as well as the four 24:7 Youth Leaders who are in charge, on behalf of the parish priest. I would like to place this group under the patronage of St Joseph. Please pray for this new parish initiative.
- The federal elections are only a week away. Please pray that Australia may be blessed with good, honest, and selfless politicians who will work for peace and unity and the benefit of all.
- Dr Drasko Dizdar is again gracing us with his inspirational biblical wisdom and theological insights on the Sacrament of Confirmation and its importance in our lives. Please come to the talk at 11.00 am on Saturday 25 June 2022 at St John's Glenorchy. All welcome.



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PARISH DIARY

May 2022 14 Saturday, St Matthias,

apostle

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- •6.00pm Vigil Mass-St John's

15 Sunday, 5th Sunday of Easter

- 8.30am Mass-St Monica's
- •10.00am Mass-St John's 16 Monday
- •9.00am Mass-St John's 17 Tuesday
- •9.00am Mass-St John's
- 18 Wednesday, St John I,pope, martyr
- 9.00am Mass-St John's

19 Thursday

- •12noon Mass at St John's
- 20 Friday, St Bernardine of Siena, priest
- •9.00am Mass-St John's
- 21 Sat., St Christopher Magallanes, priest and companions, martyrs
- •9.00am Mass at St John's
- •6.00pm Viail Mass-St John's
- 22 Sunday, 6th Sunday of Easter
- 8.30am Mass-St Monica's
- •10.00am Mass-St John's

Inspirational Talk on Confirmation by Dr Drasko Dizdar 11.00 am Saturday 25 June 2022 at St John's Church Glenorchy

Have you ever wondered why there are seven sacraments? or noticed that the sacrament of Confirmation is about the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit? What role does Confirmation play in this seven-fold schema? How do the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit "confirm" our initiation into the mystery of God's love that Baptism begins and Eucharist fulfils? These are some of the questions we will be exploring as we ponder the deeper meaning of the mystery/sacrament of Confirmation that meanders like a mighty river springing from Baptism as its source and flowing out into the Eucharist as into an endless sea, with the other four sacraments constituting the landscape and consecrating the inscape of the mystery of our lives.

Parish Fundraising for Don Bosco Technical School Nepal The Outreach committee will be selling soup (\$3 take away) after Mass on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 May in support of Don Bosco Technical School Nepal students. We recently forwarded \$1500 and received an email from Fr Jesuraj, the priest in charge, thanking us for our continuing generous help. The ability of the school to operate during covid restrictions was severely limited due to network availability and associated costs to students. They recommenced in November, with renewed enthusiasm and vigour, said Fr Jesuraj, offering courses in computer, electrical and welding. So come along and try our super soups!

Beanie and Blanket Drive

Now the weather is cooling down, we think of those who are less fortunate and perhaps homeless.

For some years as a Parish, we have collected Beanies for Louie's Van and Blankets which we give to St Vincent de Paul for distribution.

So for the month of May, get the knitting needles out and bring us your Beanies, and also new polar fleece blankets, any size, any price. (Roberta & Mary)

Evangelium - a Church on Mission:

Do you love your faith and the Church and want an opportunity to inflame your heart with a new awareness of the grace and mercy of God? Then, you are invited to join an exciting new initiative of the Archdiocese. Go deeper into your faith experience and join Catholics around the State on a spiritual journey with the Evangelium Project. The programme will be delivered in three modules: Heart: 18 May-15 June: Head: 20 July-17 August and Hands: 21 September-19 October and comprises a time of prayer, a teaching by the Archbishop, a moment of personal reflection and a short time of group sharing. St John's has registered a group for interested parishioners which will meet for one hour on the scheduled Wednesday evenings starting at 7pm in the Parish meeting room. For more information visit www.evangeliumproject.com or Parish contact: Marie 0472 545 919.

St John's Parish 50/50 Club

We have 25 people who have joined. We need 25 people to complete the fundraiser. You may join 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 collection basket.

Fatima Statue

"In the present day we need Our Blessed Mother and the Rosary in our lives more than ever. Would you like to have the Fatima Statue in your home for a month? Legion of Mary members can bring the Statue to your home on (usually) Sunday mornings following 10am Mass. We encourage people to recite the Rosary with Legion members where possible. For further information, you can contact: Francisca 0400906514. John 0434998180. Helen 0408394347"

St John the Baptist Vinnies Group needs members The St Vincent de Paul Society is seeking new members in the northern suburbs/Glenorchy area. Members form part of a local conference group that meets monthly and reflect together to plan compassionate activity in their local area. If you're interested in giving a few hours each fortnight to put your faith into action, please contact Tony Brennan 0439 425 252 or Melissa White 0419 008 204.

Ministers of the Word

The rosters for 11 June to 28 August inclusive will be drawn up shortly. If you know you will be unavailable during this time please let me know by 15 May. Thank you Jo 0419 510 014

Footy Points Margin

Winners of rounds 7 and 8 are to be confirmed but no-one has claimed round 6 (17 points) vet.

Please remember in your prayers our sick

Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Fr Bob Curmi, Mary Dowd, Monique Matzner, Amy Matzner, June Webb, Vince Mele, Barbara Campbell, Judy Kingston, Les Williams, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Marj Direen, Zofia Dzierbicki, Cecile Valenzuela, Jan Leslie

Pravers for the Deceased

Bill Oakley, Betty Direen, Frances Direen, Peter Crane, Sr Carmel Hall, Minka Busch, Ron Nilsson, Stan Brach, Kerris Direen, Michael Percy, Luigi Valdarchi, Georgette Thomas, PK Varghese, Esterina D'Onofrio, Dino Di Benedetto, Luis Escobar, Doreen Street, Fr Peter Rankin, Gavin Direen, Gloria Valenzuela, Linda Gonzales. Palmerino di Santo. Margaret Gough, Patricia Leamey, Pauline Fitzallen, Lucy Williams, Derek Cate, Alan Tabe, Alvin Walker, Ruby Markham, Mietek Szukieloic

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

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

• Every Friday at 3.00pm

COUNTERS' ROSTERS This Week: 16 May

Roberta Puckett's Team

Next Week: 23 May

Chris Foale's Team

WEEKLY COLLECTION Envelopes: \$446.70 Quest Tap & \$100.00 Loose Plate: \$628.65 Direct \$430.00 Deposit:

TOTAL: \$1,605.36 Weekly Budget: \$2500.00

Difference: -\$894.65