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 68:14,17,30-31,33-34,36-37 R. v.33

(R) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Second Reading—Col. 1:15-20

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation. for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers—all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation—Jn 6:63,68

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; You have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Gospel-Luke 10:25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus. 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands: they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one, who took pity on him; he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself.'

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH



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9-10 July 2022, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Dear Friends,

The story of the Good Samaritan reveals God's love for us. Therefore, our love for one another can only have one measure: God's love for us. This is Jesus' new commandment: "that we love one another as He has loved us."

Jesus teaches us that we should be a neighbour to all especially those who need our help and support. If we close our hearts to them, we are far from the love of God.

About twenty years ago, one of our Salesian priests from our Australian-Pacific Province came to Melbourne from Pakistan for some specialized medical treatment. As a missionary in Pakistan, he was instrumental in building a technical school for poor boys. During his stay in Melbourne, he willingly spoke to anyone who would listen to him about his work among the poor. He also visited my community at Lysterfield and spoke about his experience in a non-Christian country. One of the stories he told us made an impression on me.

Pakistan, he told us, is a very poor Muslim country. There are many local terrorists who terrorise the people. It is also a very dangerous place to be, for non-Muslims. Christians are few in number and are often persecuted. He said his life was in danger every day, but he willingly and gladly worked for the good of the poor young people who came to the technical school to learn a trade. The school where he taught was mainly for young people who



came from Christian families.

After a few years he decided to accept a number of Muslim boys as well at the school. But some of the Christian boys treated them badly. One day he noticed that one of the Muslim bovs came to school by bicycle but left on foot. When he asked him why he was returning home on foot the boy told him that the Christian boys deflated his bicycle tyres. The following day he spoke to the whole school saying: "You call yourselves Christians and you behave like that?" "Do you think you are following Jesus? Jesus would not have done something like that. He taught us to love our enemies. Why then are you interfering with this boy's bicycle?" All the Christian boys did not dare to look up while he spoke. They were ashamed of their bad behaviour. They understood that they had acted foolishly and did not do it again. Furthermore, the Muslim boys made many friends at the school and they fitted in very well. May the Virgin Mary Mother of God pray to Jesus for us as we try to love others as Jesus loves us.

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PARISH DIARY **JULY 2022**

9 July Saturday, Blessed Virgin Mary

- •9.00am Mass at St John's
- •6.00pm Vigil Mass at St John's
- 10 July Sunday, 15th **Sunday of Ordinary Time**
- •8.30am Mass-St Monica's
- •10.00am Mass-St John's
- 11 Monday, St Benedict 9.00am Mass-St John's 12 Tuesday,
- •9.00am Mass-St John's 13 Wednesday, St Henry
- 9.00am Mass-St John's
- 14 Thursday, St Camillus de Lellis

12noon Mass at St John's

15 Friday St Bonaventure

- 9.00am Mass-St John's
- 16 Saturday, Our Lady of **Mount Carmel**
- •9.00am Mass at St John's
- •6.00pm Mass at St John's 17 Sunday, 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time
- •8.30am Mass-St Monica's
- •10.00am Mass-St John's

2022-2023 Planned Giving Envelopes

Please pick up your Planned Giving Envelopes from the table at the back of the Church. Thank you.

If you use Tap and Go you no longer need Planned Giving Envelopes. Please let the Office know.

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.

Maintenance/Gardening-volunteers needed

Anyone who would like to help with maintenance and/or gardening jobs around the Church and grounds please contact Jo Elliott 0419 510 014

Parish Sacramental Programme

Congratulations to the Parish children who last Saturday evening received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Archbishop Julian Porteous. Thank you to all the parishioners who willingly prayed for the children during their preparation period.

The children will soon begin preparing for the last of the three Sacraments of Initiation—First Holy Communion. Sessions will start on Saturday, 6 August at 4.30pm in the Parish meeting room.

John Wallis Winter Walk:

You, your family (and your dog if you wish) are invited to join the annual John Wallis Walk being held on Saturday 23 July, commencing at 1.30pm at the St Francis Xavier Church Hall. There will be a number of possible routes between 1 and 5km in the historic South Hobart area, including part of the Rivulet Walk. The Walk will end at afternoon tea back at the Hall. This gathering is in memory of Fr John Wallis, a keen bushwalker, and his contribution to the Church of Tasmania, including his founding of the Missionary Sisters of Service. Book with Eva 0417 734 503 eva.dunn@gmail.com

Glenorchy Community Care Food Program:

Can you help? Volunteers are needed on Wednesday mornings to pack food parcels in the Uniting Church Hall, Kensington Street as part of the Glenorchy Churches Network. Current Parish volunteers—Tom and Tam—can no longer attend. Their services have been greatly appreciated. Contact: Marilyn Goninon on 0418123530

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 each. There is a raffle draw of 3 prizes: \$150, \$100 & \$50. Applications to join may be made by contacting the Parish Office on 62726363 or by envelopes which are available on the table at the back of the church. These can then be placed in the collection basket.

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More Information and application forms are available on our website. Closing date 29 July 2022. https:// pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarshipfor-lay-ministry.html.

Footy Points Margin

Round 16 (15 points) was won by Catherine Phillips. Still waiting for round 10 (15 points) and round 11 (6 points)

Parish Youth Group

The Parish Youth Group for Grades 6-12 meets every Friday night: 6-8 pm at St John's Parish Meeting Room. Fun, food and faith for voung people. Adult supervision with trained Youth Ministers. New members always welcome. Join any time.

Please remember in your prayers our sick

Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Fr Bob Curmi, Monique • Every Friday at 3.00pm Matzner, Amy Matzner, Vince Mele, Barbara Campbell, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Mari Direen, Zofia Dzierbicki, Philip Percy, David Smith, Sophie Ilic.

Prayers 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 Szukielojc, Judy Kingston, Antonio Palmese, Mary Dowd, June Webb, Adelina Valentin, Cecile Valenzuela, Bob Mochrie, Jan Leslie

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 11.50am 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

	ROSTERS	
_	This Week:	11July
	Bridget Hayde	
	Next Week :	18 July

Roberta Puckett

WEEKLY COLLECTION		
Envelopes:	\$435	
Quest Tap & Go:	\$160	
Loose Plate:	\$880	
Direct Deposit:	\$870	
TOTAL:	\$2290	
Weekly Budget: \$2,50		
Difference:	-\$155	