

First Reading Sir 27:4-7

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind, so too the defects of a man appear in his talk. The kiln tests the work of the potter, the test of a man is in his conversation. The orchard where the tree grows is judged on the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words betray what he feels. Do not praise a man before he has spoken, since this is the test of men.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. See v.2

(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Second Reading 1 Cor 15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

Gospel Acclamation Phil 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 6:39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'



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St. John the Baptist

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St. Monica

26-27 February 2022, 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Lenten Penance

The Church's Canon Law reaffirms our obligation to do penance - to interrupt the usual comforts of our lives, with prayer and charity towards those in need. The special times of penance are all Fridays throughout the year except when a Solemnity falls upon the Friday, and especially during the season of Lent. We recall that St. John the Baptist prepared for the coming of the Lord by "preaching a baptism of repentance". Christ began his ministry on earth with the exhortation to repent: "Repent and believe the Gospel" Mk 1:15. Repentance means the rejection of sin. It implies conversion to, and reconciliation with God. Penance is the concrete expression of repentance. It takes the forms of prayer, self-denial, and works of charity. Each of these identifies us more closely with our Saviour. By penance we make satisfaction for our sins, and take real steps in the renewal of our lives. Penance is the proof of our repentance. Repentance and conversion are central, ongoing features of Christian living. Penance has to be a constant, even daily, practice in our lives. In nominating special times of penance, the Church encourages and promotes in all of us the habit of penance. Furthermore, observance of these special times by all Catholics throughout the universal Church emphasises what we call "the social dimension of sin". The sin of the individual member always in some measure infects the whole body. Therefore, when we do penance it is not only for ourselves but in the name of the Church and of the world. We must take very seriously our penitential obligations and be sure to carry them out. The Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference has not restricted our penance to fast and abstinence in all cases, it has left room for our own responsible choices. In exercising that choice we should carefully select the form of penance that we consider most appropriate for our own circumstances and growth in the Christian life.

DAYS OF PENANCE

1. Abstinence from meat, and fasting, are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
 - All who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are bound to fast.
 - All who have completed their 14th year are bound to abstain.
2. On all other Fridays of the year, including the Fridays of Lent the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following:
 - a) Prayer - for example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the rosary.
 - b) Self-denial - for example, not eating meat or sweets; giving up entertainment or social media to focus on the family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor of one's own country.
 - c) Helping others - for example, special attention or direct support to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened.

LENT LASTS FROM ASH WEDNESDAY (2nd March) TO THE MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER EXCLUSIVE (14th April). ON GOOD FRIDAY AND, IF POSSIBLE, ALSO ON HOLY SATURDAY UNTIL THE EASTER VIGIL, THE EASTER FAST IS OBSERVED

PASCHAL PRECEPT

Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is to be done between Ash Wednesday, 2nd March, and Trinity Sunday, 12th June, 2022 unless for a good reason it is done at another time during the year. All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year. Archbishop of Hobart St Mary's Cathedral, HOBART February 24th, 2022

PARISH DIRECTORY	
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PARISH DIARY	
February 2022	
26 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary	
9.00am Mass-St John's	
•6.00pm Mass-St John's	
27 Sunday, 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
•8.30am Mass-St Monica's	
•10.00am Mass-St John's	
28 Monday	
•9.00am Mass-St John's	
March 2022	
1 Tuesday	
•9.00am Mass-St John's	
2 Wed., Ash Wednesday	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
• 7.00pm Mass-St John's	
3 Thursday	
•12.00pm Mass-St John's	
4 Friday	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
5 Saturday	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
• 6.00pm Mass-St John's	
6 Sunday, First Sunday of Lent	
•8.30am Mass-St Monica's	
•10.00am Mass-St John's	

Coming up	
1 Mar	7.00 pm Shrove Tuesday - Burning of Palms
2 Mar	9.00 am & 7.00 pm Ash Wednesday Masses
4 Mar	7.00 pm Stations of the Cross
7 Mar	7.00 pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
8 Mar	4.00 pm Parish Finance Committee Meeting
8 Mar	7.00 pm Parish Liturgy Committee Meeting
11 Mar	7.00 pm Stations of the Cross
15 Mar	7.00 pm Lenten Talk 1: Fr Howard & Fr Guterres
17 Mar	12.00 pm St Patrick Mass
18 Mar	7.00 pm Stations of the Cross
19 Mar	9.00 am St Joseph Mass
22 Mar	7.00 pm Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service
25 Mar	7.00 pm Stations of the Cross
26 Mar	11.00 am Lenten Talk 2: Dr Drasko Dizdar
31 Mar	12.00pm Anointing within Mass

Project Compassion Sunday 26 & 27 February	
Please take home a Project Compassion box or a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and For All Future Generations.	
With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2022 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come to build better future for all. As St Pope John Paul II said, "The future starts today, not tomorrow."	
You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available at the table in the foyer or by visiting lent.caritas.org.au , or by calling 1800 024 413.	

Rite of Election	
Parishioners will remember that we recently welcomed Yeni into the order of catechumens when she declared her intention to become a member of the Church. It is now time for the next step in her journey towards initiation at Easter. On the First Sunday of Lent (6 March) she will attend St Mary's Cathedral together with Kay Grainger and other members of the Parish RCIA Team to participate in the election and the enrolment of names. 'This is a liturgical rite called both election and enrolment of names, which closes the period of the catechumenate proper, that is, the lengthy period of formation of the catechumen's minds and hearts. ... The celebration of the rite of election... also marks the beginning of the period of final, more intense preparation for the sacraments of initiation, during which the elect will be encouraged to follow Christ with greater generosity.' (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) This Rite is presided over by the archbishop signifying its importance. It is called 'election' because God has chosen (elected) Yeni and she has answered God's call. "The step is also called enrolment of names because as a pledge of fidelity the candidates inscribe their names in the book that lists those who have been chosen for initiation." It is a public celebration of Yeni's on-going conversion, growth in faith and her intention to follow Christ. We in our turn pledge our continuing support for her and her family in practical ways and with prayer.	

Parish Lenten Talk 1	
7.00pm. on Tuesday 15 March in St. John's Church.	
If we were baptised as babies we may take our baptism as granted but baptism is the foundation of all the sacraments. Two of our priests, Fr Graeme Howard and Fr Abilio Guterres, will share with us how they are keeping the light of Christ alive and living out their calling as members of the Body of Christ. 7.00pm. on Tuesday 15 March in St. John's Church. An evening not to be missed!	

Parish Lenten Talk 2	
11.00am. on Saturday 26 March in St. John's Church.	
"Have you ever wondered what baptism is really about, how it relates to the other sacraments of initiation (Confirmation and Eucharist), and what its biblical and theological roots are? If so, come and be part of a conversation in which we will explore the meaning of baptism (which literally means 'immersion') as a life-long journey of initiation into the mystery of life and death in Christ as our True Self, and as Christ's Body, the Church. We will be drawing on the scriptures and the spiritual and theological Judaeo-Christian tradition as well as our own experience, thoughts, ideas and prayer to give shape and substance to the conversation." Dr Drasko Dizdar	

The Catholic Community of St. Johns welcomes	
Alex Liam Hughes, Adrian Leigh Hughes and Madeleine Rose Cooley	
who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism this Sunday May they always know the love and joy of the Risen Lord.	

Footy Points Margin	
only \$2 a week. Contact Jo 0419 510 014	

Please remember in your prayers our sick	
Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Fr Bob Curmi, Mary Dowd, Monique Matzner, Amy Matzner, Patricia Leamey, June Webb, Vince Mele, Barbara Campbell, Judy Kingston, Les Williams, Pauline Fitzallen, Bob Mochrie, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Joanna Colli, Maria Mele, Marj Direen, Zofia Dzierbicki, Cecile Valenzuela, Linda Gonzales, Gavin Direen	

Prayers for the Deceased	
<i>Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially:</i>	
Bill Oakley, Gwen Lincoln, Betty Direen, Frances Direen, Craig Rickards, Peter Crane, Sr Carmel Hall, Minka Busch, Ron Nilsson, Stan Brach, Kerris Direen, Michael Percy, Luigi Valdarchi, Cath Mc Carthy, Georgette Thomas, PK Varghese, Esterina D'Onofrio, Dino Di Benedetto, Luis Escobar, Doreen Street, Fr Peter Rankin, Michael Glover	
<i>Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.</i>	

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:	28 February
Bob Mochrie's Team	
Next Week :	7 March
Mary Parisissons' Team	

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
Envelopes:	\$617.85
Quest Tap & Go	\$60.00
Loose Plate:	\$618.30
Direct Deposit:	\$345.00
TOTAL:	\$1,641.15
<u>Weekly Budget: \$ 2,500.00</u>	
Difference: -	\$858.85