

First Reading Dt 26:4-10

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement: "My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 90:1-2. 10-15. R. v.15

(R.) Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

Second Reading Rom 10:8-13

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the
mouth of God.
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Gospel Lk 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.' Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH



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St. Monica

5-6 March 2022, First Sunday of Lent - Year C

Dear Friends,

As we commence our Lenten journey to Easter Sunday, we begin our annual spiritual season of renewal and recommitment to follow Jesus more closely. It is Jesus' resurrection from the dead which gives hope to all Christians. Through His resurrection all Christians can now share in God's divinity forever.

In today's Gospel passage, St Luke writes, "Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days." The temptations are for Jesus a radical test of His relationship with God the Father. Through His trust in God's goodness and mercy and in the light of the Scriptures He is able to overcome the devil.

Christians of all times are tempted in the same way as Jesus was. But while Jesus was always obedient to God the Father, Christians sometimes fail to put their trust in God. Jesus succeeded where we sometimes fail because Jesus lived according to the Scriptures. It is the Scriptures and the commitment to follow Jesus more closely that will help us always to be obedient to the Lord.

Lent is a special time to listen to the Word of God in the Scriptures and allow God to speak to us and transform us. May the Virgin Mary Mother of God, who was always faithful to God, help us and pray for us to Her Son, Jesus.

The war unfolding between Russia and the Ukraine is a tragedy for humanity and a crucial reminder of the need for all people to work for peace in our world. We pray through the intercession of Mary, Queen of Peace for a peaceful resolution to the conflict between Russia and Ukraine and that all nations will be spared the catastrophe of a worldwide war.

Our Holy Father, the Pope appeals for all people of goodwill to pray and work earnestly for "political resolutions to conflicts in Ukraine and in other parts of the world." The pope writes, "It is a day (Ash Wednesday) to be close to the suffering of the Ukrainian people, to be aware that we are all brothers and sisters, and to implore God for an end to the war." (Vatican News)

Please take your copy of the Lenten Pastoral Letter by our Archbishop Julian Porteous at the back of the Church. The Archbishop encourages all Catholics to take the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent as a means of spiritual purification and preparation for Easter. Our constant stance before God is one of acknowledging our sinfulness and pleading for God's mercy: "Be merciful to me a sinner". (Fr Guy)

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PARISH DIARY March 2022	
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	
7 Monday, Sts Perpetua & Felicity, martyrs	
•9.00am Mass-St John's	
8 Tuesday, St John of the Cross, religious	
•9.00am Mass-St John's	
9 Wed., St Frances of Rome, religious	
•9.00am Mass-St John's	
10 Thursday	
•12.00pm Mass-St John's	
11 Friday	
•9.00am Mass-St John's	
•7.00pm Stations of the Cross	
12 Saturday	
9.00am Mass-St John's	
•6.00pm Mass-St John's	
13 Sunday, Second Sunday of Lent	
8.30am Mass-St Monica's	
•10.00am Mass-St John's	

Coming up	
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	7.00pm Parish Lenten Talk 1
17 Mar	12.00pm St Patrick
18 Mar	7.00 pm Stations of the Cross
19 Mar	9.00am St Joseph
22 Mar	7.00 pm Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service
25 Mar	7.00 pm Stations of the Cross
26Mar	11.00am Parish Lenten Talk 2
31 Mar	12.00pm Anointing within Mass

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

Project Compassion

Anatercia 12, was struggling to cope with adult responsibilities after her father died. Then she participated in Caritas Australia-supported training and gained access to psychosocial supports. Now, Anatercia can easily access clean drinking water, community members are able to grow healthy crops all year round, and there is enough nutritious food to eat. Anatercia feels better supported by her community, has more time to study and do her homework, and hopes to fulfil her dream of becoming a nurse. Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help young people succeed in the future and bring stability to vulnerable youth like Anatercia. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available at the table in the foyer.

Legion of Mary

Active, Auxiliary members of the Legion of Mary and interested Parishioners are invited to the Annual Legion of Mary Acies Mass and Ceremony, to be held at St. Paul's Church, Paice Street, Bridgewater. Saturday, March 26, 2022, commencing at 2pm

'Hidden Things' – A reflection day for women

An invitation is extended to women to a day of prayer, reflection and discovery through entering the narrative of the woman who "began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment" (Luke 7:38). Saturday 2nd August, 10am - 3pm, at Josephite Mission and History Centre, 67 Clare Street, New Town. Facilitators: Maureen O'Halloran and Belinda Chapman. Cost: \$30 (BYO lunch). Please book before 2nd August - by phone: 0418 141 171 or email: belindachapman.sd@gmail.com

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. 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.

Footy Points Margin

Thank you to all those who have already signed up. There are still a few spots left. \$2 a week for a chance to win \$100. Sign up on the yellow sheet or see Jo 0419 510 014

Congratulations to Emma Ayebare and Vu Nguyen who were commissioned as student leaders for Guildford Young College at St. Mary's Cathedral on Friday 18 February.

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.

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, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Joanna Colli, Maria Mele, Marj Direen, Zofia Dzierbicki, Cecile Valenzuela, Linda Gonzales,

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, Michael Percy, Luigi Valdarchi, Cath Mc Carthy, Georgette Thomas, PK Varghese, Esterina D'Onofrio, Dino Di Benedetto, Luis Escobar, Doreen Street, Fr Peter Rankin, Gavin Direen
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:	7 March
Mary Parsissons' Team	
Next Week :	17 March, Thursday
Bridget Hayde's Team	

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
Envelopes:	\$507.85
Quest Tap & Go	\$150.00
Loose Plate:	\$1,037.25
Direct Deposit:	\$625.00
TOTAL:	\$2,320.10
2 Weeks Budget: \$ 5,000.00	
Difference: -	\$179.90