

First Reading Jer 38:4-6. 8-10

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said, 'these men have done a wicked Thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

**Responsorial Psalm
Ps 39:2-4. 18. R. v.14
(R.) Lord, come to my aid!**

Second Reading Heb 12:1-4

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started.

Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future,

he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice,
says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 12:49-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'



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St. John the Baptist

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St. Monica

13 - 14 August 2022, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Dear Friends,

The gospel for today is challenging. St Luke writes about Jesus who usually gentle and compassionate, is highly emotional about his cause. He is yet to experience his death which is his "Baptism of Fire" or the persecution he will undergo because of the commitment to doing the will of his Father.

The image of fire has a long history in the Old Testament. It is the fire of testing and judgement, and Jesus 'the one who is to come' is the first to experience it, not by inflicting it on others, but by undergoing it himself. He shows in his response both impatience and reluctance. He longs for his mission to be completed.

In Luke's community there is mention of households being divided. Some failed to recognise Jesus as the Messiah and some Jewish Christians were expelled from the temples. The first Christians were persecuted in their new found beliefs.

As we reflect on this gospel passage we realise that rifts in families and in church communities still occur. Let us pray for communal strength and passion in our longing for unity in Jesus Christ.
Sr Pamela Davis OP



Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Monday 15 August

The Assumption is a holy day of obligation. There will be a 9.00am. Mass as usual. There will not be an evening Mass.

Coming up:

No Wednesday Exposition at 8:00am 10th and 17th August.

- 18 Aug - 9.00am-11.50pm Exposition
- 20 Aug - 4.30pm 1st Holy Communion Preparation Session 2
- 22 Aug - 9.00am Queenship of Mary
- 25 Aug - 9.00am -11.50pm Exposition
- 26 Aug - 6.00pm-8.00pm Parish Youth Group
- 27-28 Aug - Sick and Retired Priest Collection
- 3 Sept - 4.30pm 1st Holy Communion Preparation Session 3
- 4 Sept - Fathers Day
- 10 Sept - 11.00am -12.00pm Talk on the Eucharist by Dr Drasko Dizdar
- 10 Sept - 4.30pm 1st Holy Communion Preparation Session 4

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PARISH DIARY August 2022	
13 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary	
• 9.00am Mass at St John's	
• 6.00pm Vigil Mass-St John's	
14 Sunday, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
• 8.30am Mass-St Monica's	
• 10.00am Mass-St John's	
15 Monday, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
16 Tuesday, St Stephen of Hungary	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
17 Wednesday	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
18 Thursday	
• 12noon Mass at St John's	
19 Friday, St John Eudes	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
20 Saturday, St Bernard	
• 9.00am Mass at St John's	
• 6.00pm Vigil Mass-St John's	
21 Sunday, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	
• 8.30am Mass-St Monica's	
• 10.00am Mass-St John's	

Concert for Ukraine
St John the Baptist Catholic Church,
62 Bowden Street, Glenorchy
Saturday 20 August at 2.00pm.

Featuring
The Alpine and French Horn Ensemble, Bagdad Singers,
German and Meli Melo choirs,
Guitar Trio and others.

Adults \$20.00, Concessions \$15.00
Tickets on www.trybooking.com or at the door
Refreshments included
Silent Auction
Funds raised will go to support Ukraine Crisis Appeal

Dr. Drasko Dizdar to speak about the Eucharist

Come and hear Dr. Drasko Dizdar open up the mystery of the Eucharist! Saturday 10 September at 11.00am in St John's church. In past talks Drasko has opened our eyes to the wonders of the sacraments of baptism and confirmation. This will be an opportunity to increase our understanding of the meaning of communion and so deepen our participation in the Mass.

Something to ponder: At the last meeting of the Evangelium group, participants shared their thoughts and experiences around this question posed by the Archbishop in his talk: "How have I sensed that the Risen Christ is with me?" For your thoughts too. Contact Marie 0472 545 919 for information about joining the group.

First Holy Communion Preparation Classes: Last week the children in the Sacramental programme began their lessons to complete the last of their Sacraments of Initiation. They will receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist at the Vigil Mass on Saturday, 24 September. This is an important step in each child's faith journey. We invite parishioners to pray for the children throughout their weeks of preparation.

Spring High Tea!

Boxes filled with delicious goodies for a scrumptious high tea will be on sale again this year on Saturday 1 October and NO increase in price! Still only \$15! Numbers are limited so submit your orders now to Felecia on 0447 887 512 for collection from the parish meeting room between 1 - 2pm. on Saturday 1 October.

Fr Jesuraj, in charge of the Don Bosco Technical School, Biratnagar, wrote in May thanking us for our continuing generous support. (We had forwarded \$1500 in April.) When they re-commenced following a covid induced shut down they had run a number of short courses. At the time of writing they were developing more specific training programmes tailored to local needs.

Ministers of the Word

The new roster will be drawn up shortly. If you know you will be unavailable between 3 September and 20 November inclusive could you let me know before 14 August, please? Jo 0419 510 014

Sacrament of Reconciliation

While Fr Guy is away 29/7-20/8 Please see a priest after Mass on Saturday if you wish to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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.
We have 13 people who have joined. We need 37 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 basket.

Interested in a parish ministry?

We thank the people who expressed an interest in the following ministries - reading at Mass, music/choir, communion to the sick, maintenance - in the pew survey undertaken in November. Please contact Sheila on 62726363 (Monday, Thursday Friday 9.00am.-2.00pm.) to further your interest.

Positions vacant

Help wanted to clean the church brass. Takes about an hour once a month. Day/time negotiable. Enquiries Jo 0419 510 014

Footy Points Margin

The O'Connor family had the winning tickets for both round 10 (15 points) and round 11 (6 points) and Annette Bailey the winning ticket for round 20 (46 points).

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, Vince Mele, Barbara Campbell, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Marj Direen, Zofia Dzierbicki, Philip Percy, David Smith, Mary Hinds, Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Fr Brian Nichols, Fr Lawrie Moate

Prayers for the Deceased

Frances Direen, Peter Crane, Sr Carmel Hall, Kerris Direen, Michael Percy, Doreen Street, Fr Peter Rankin, Gavin Direen, Gloria Valenzuela, Linda Gonzales, Patricia Leamey, Pauline Fitzallen, Lucy Williams, Derek Cate, Alan Tabe, Alvin Walker, Ruby Markham, Judy Kingston, Antonio Palmese, Mary Dowd, June Webb, Adelina Valentin, Cecile Valenzuela, Bob Mochrie, Jan Leslie, Nicola Lattanzio, Vinze Pinzone, Dorothy Shearing, Danny D'Abate

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**

- 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**

- Every Friday at 3.00pm

COUNTERS' ROSTERS	
This Week:	15 Aug
Roberta Puckett's Team	
Next Week :	22 Aug
Chris Foale	

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
Envelopes:	\$508.00
Quest Tap & Go:	\$180.00
Loose Plate:	\$412.80
Direct Deposit:	\$220.00
TOTAL:	\$1,321.35
Weekly Budget: \$2500.00	
Difference:	-\$1,178.65