

### First Reading Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being. The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden. The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death".' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

### Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 50:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. see v.3**

**(R.)** Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

### Second Reading Rom 5:12-19

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law. Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift. The results of the gift also outweigh the results of one man's sin: for after one single fall came judgement with a verdict of condemnation, now after many falls comes grace with its

verdict of acquittal. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

### Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4

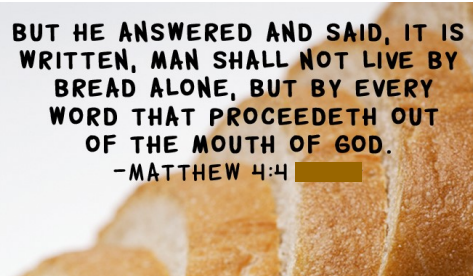
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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### Gospel Mt 4:1-11

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.' The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says: He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.



St. John the Baptist

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St. Monica

### 25 - 26 February 2023 - 1st Sunday of Lent - Year A

### Dear Friends,

The purpose of Lent is to prepare us for the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus, our Lord on Easter Sunday. It does this through an intense listening of the **Word of God, prayer and self-denial**. Lent is a long journey which leads to the new life in Christ we celebrate at Easter. It is an inner journey that leads us to a deeper relationship with Jesus, our Risen Lord. It is not easy for us to know Him and to live as true followers of Christ. Therefore, it is necessary to make space and time in our lives and allow the Word of God to speak in our hearts, and to mould us. Lent is also a time to overcome the devil, who is always ready to tempt and fool us and draw us away from the love of God. We can ask the Virgin Mary Mother of God to help us know Her Son better, become more like Him and to serve others, especially those in need.

### Message of the Holy Father Francis for Lent 2023

The Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke all recount the episode of the Transfiguration of Jesus. ... I would like to propose two "paths" to follow in order to ascend the mountain together with Jesus and, with him, to attain the goal, that is: (enter ever more deeply and fully into the mystery of Christ the Saviour).

**The first path** has to do with the command that God the Father addresses to the disciples on Mount Tabor as they contemplate Jesus transfigured. The voice from the cloud says: "Listen to him" (Mt 17:5). The first proposal, then, is very clear: we need to listen to Jesus. Lent is a time of grace to the extent that we listen to him as he speaks to us. And

how does he speak to us? First, in the word of God, which the Church offers us in the liturgy. May that word not fall on deaf ears; if we cannot always attend Mass, let us study its daily biblical readings, even with the help of the internet. In addition to the Scriptures, **the Lord speaks to us through our brothers and sisters**, especially in the faces and the stories of those who are in need.

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

In the Sunday homily during Lent I would like to focus on the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Jesus' initial message was "repent and believe". This remains a constant call for us. To be Christian is to embrace the call to turn back to the Lord.

### One year since the invasion of Ukraine by Russia

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has requested all Parishes in Australia to 'pray especially this weekend for peace in Ukraine and the immediate cessation of the carnage of innocent civilians and children.' Please pray the Rosary every day for this intention.

### For your diary

- Stations of the Cross: 7pm every Friday
- Anointing of the Sick: 12.00 pm Thursday 1 March
- 156 days to World Youth Day: Please pray for the young people going on pilgrimage.
- St Patrick's Pilgrimage: 18-19 March
- Talk on Lent by Dr Drasko Dizdar: 11.00 am 11 March

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**PARISH DIARY**

**February 2023**

**25 Saturday, after Ash Wednesday**

- 9.00am Mass-St John's
- 6.00pm Mass-St John's
- 26 Sunday, 1st Sunday of Lent - Year A**
- 8.30am Mass-St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass-St John's
- 27 Monday, St Gregory of Narek, doctor**
- 9.00am Mass-St John's
- 28 Tuesday**
- 9.00am Mass-St John's

**March 2023**

- 1 Wednesday**
- 9.00am Mass-St John's
- 7.00pm-St John's
- 2 Thursday**
- 12noon at St John's
- 3 Friday**
- 9.00am Mass-St John's
- 4 Saturday**
- 9.00am Mass-St John's
- 6.00pm Mass-St John's
- 5 Sunday, 2nd Sunday of Lent - Year A**
- 8.30am Mass-St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass-St John's

**Project Compassion - First Sunday of Lent**



Laxmi, 16, lives in in Jajarkot, a remote district in Nepal where almost half of the population live below the poverty line. Tragedy struck when Laxmi was 10 years old and her father passed away. Her father worked hard to pay for his children's education and after losing him Laxmi was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty.

With the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club at her school where she was encouraged to resume her education. Through the child's club, Laxmi developed the skills and confidence to become a leader, advocating for clean water taps at her school. Laxmi is now excelling in her studies and working towards her dream of becoming a civil engineer. She continues to be involved in the child's club, serving as an advisor and mentoring the next generation of young leaders at her old school. Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available at the table in the foyer.

**St Patrick's Pilgrimage**

Join Archbishop Julian Porteous for Mass following a pilgrimage in celebration of the feast of St Patrick. Pilgrims will set out from St John the Evangelist Church, Richmond to St Patrick's Church, Colebrook. This popular pilgrimage is open to all young adults between the ages of 16-35 years and will conclude with Mass at St Patrick's on Sunday afternoon.

**When:** Saturday 18 March - Sunday 19 March 2023

**Where:** Richmond - Colebrook

**Cost:** \$55 or Early Bird \$45 (closes 3 March 2023)

Go to [eventbrite.com.au](https://eventbrite.com.au) and search 'St Patrick's Pilgrimage 2023' to register.

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**Syria Earthquake Relief through the Salesians of Don Bosco**

If you have any enquires regarding the earthquakes impact and Salesians response please visit our website [www.salesianmissionsaustralia.com](http://www.salesianmissionsaustralia.com).

For direct donors supporters may leave a contribution to <https://www.givenow.com.au/salesianmissions>

If you have any further questions, please contact Olga or Tina on 03 9377 6060 or email [salmiss@salesians.org.au](mailto:salmiss@salesians.org.au).

**Talks by Dr Drasko Dizdar on Lent, Easter and Pentecost**

We are happy to announce that Dr Drasko Dizdar will be opening our hearts and minds to the wonders of the Seasons of Lent and Easter.

- Lent - what is it about?  
Saturday 11 March, 11am at St John's church.
- Easter to Pentecost - what is it about?  
Saturday 20 May, 11am at St John's church.

Join with Our Lord on the journey of the **Stations of the Cross**  
 Every Friday in Lent, 7:00pm at St. John's



**World Day of Prayer**

10:30am, Friday 3rd of March, at Your Church 29 Charles St. Moonah, contact person David Morse 0417399985

**Parish Volunteers**

To meet legal requirements, all parishes must ensure all staff and applicable volunteers have required compliance checks, namely **a current Police Check as well as Working with Vulnerable People Registration**. We are reviewing the status of all these checks and you may find that we contact you to arrange to have these checks in place if you do not already have them. Please contact the parish office as soon as possible. Fr Guy Riolo

**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 9 person who have joined. We need 41 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.

**Footy Points Margin**

Thank you to all those who have signed up to this parish fund raiser. To make it really profitable it would be good to have more people signed up. Why not give it a go? Only \$2 a week! You don't need to know anything about footy and you might win \$100! Contact Jo 0419 510 014

**Please remember in your prayers our sick**

Don Ambler, Fr Bob Curmi, Vince Mele, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Marj Direen, Zofia Dzierbicki, David Smith, Mary Hinds, Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Vickie Mackay, Sr Frances McShane, Alan Hinds, Peter Reynolds, Alan Brock, Philip White, Arnold Markham

**Prayers for the Deceased**

Joe Benson, Frank Rogers, Sr Josepha RSJ, Kaye Brock, Darrel Patmore, Angelo Pasutto, Don Fogg, Barbara Campbell  
*Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

**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**  
 • Every Friday at 3.00pm

**COUNTERS' ROSTERS**

**This Week:** 27 February

Chris Foale

**Next Week :** 6 March

Mary Parsissons' Team

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Envelopes:	\$481.85
Quest Tap & Go:	\$100.00
Loose Plate	\$692.75
Direct Deposit:	\$290.00
TOTAL:	\$1,564.60
<b>Weekly Budget: \$2500.00</b>	
Difference:	-\$935.40