

First Reading Exodus 20:1-17

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 'You shall have no gods except me. 'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. 'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it. 'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work on that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, nor your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred. 'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you. 'You shall not kill. 'You shall not commit adultery. 'You shall not steal. 'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. 'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 18:8-11. R. Jn 6:68

(R.) Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we

preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel Acclamation

John 3:16

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

God loved the world so much,
he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him
might have eternal life.

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king of endless glory!

Gospel John 2:13-25

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said. During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH



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St. Monica

The Parish has been entrusted to the Salesians of Don Bosco since 2000

2-3 March 2024, 3rd Sunday of Lent- Year B

Dear Friends,

The Temple in Jerusalem replaced by Jesus, the Temple:

The Johannine account, in which Jesus quotes Zec 14:21, "Stop making my Father's house a marketplace," seems at first glance to support the interpretation of the event as a cleansing. However, the greater emphasis here is not so much on the cleansing of the Temple, as on the replacement of the Temple.

The Temple in Jerusalem was the place where God made His Name or Glory to dwell. With Jesus' coming on the scene, the Temple was no longer important in Jewish life as John tells the story.

The Temple had ceased to have a function. Jesus' promise of a new Temple suggested that God's glory would be manifested, not in a building, but in a Person. By the end of the first Christian century, whenever Christians heard the word Temple, they no longer thought of the destroyed stone and mortar edifice which Solomon had originally constructed and Herod had rebuilt, but of the risen Jesus: the Temple which had been destroyed and raised up again in three days.

Jesus had replaced and superseded everything the Temple had formerly symbolized. By his prophetic actions in the Temple, Jesus made it clear that the God Who gave the Law on Sinai could not be bought by sacrifice or bribe.

Jesus is the Temple in Whom His followers come into contact with God. Our Faith is Person-centered, and we are dealing with a relationship. The cleansing of the Temple by Jesus conveys to us the message that our parish Church should be the source of strength for our spiritual life and the proper venue for its public expression. (<https://frtonyshomilies.com/2024/02/25/lent-iii-sunday-march-3-2024/>)



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PARISH DIARY	
<u>March 2024</u>	
2 Saturday	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass-St John's • 6.00pm Mass-St John's 	
3 Sunday, 3rd Sunday of Lent	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.30am Mass-St Monica's • 10.00am Mass-St John's 	
4 Monday, St Casimir	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass-St John's 	
5 Tuesday	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass-St John's 	
6 Wednesday	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass-St John's 	
7 Thursday, Sts Perpetua and Felicity, martyrs	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12noon Mass -St John's 	
8 Friday, St John of God, religious	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass-St John's 	
9 Saturday	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass-St John's • 6.00pm Mass-St John's 	
10 Sunday, 4th Sunday of Lent	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.30am Mass-St Monica's • 10.00am Mass-St John's 	

Parish Lenten Reconciliations

Tuesday 19 March at 7.00 pm

Fr Abilio Guterres and I will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please come to prepare well for the Easter Celebration on 31 March. Our Lady of Fatima urges all Catholics to confess their sins weekly!

Reconciliation Times :
Saturdays: 9.30am - 10.00am & 5.15pm - 5.45pm

During Lent – extra Reconciliation Times :
Thursdays: 11.15am - 11.45am
Fridays: 3.00pm - 4.00pm

Day of Mercy
Friday, 22 March 2024

"Don't be afraid to go to the Sacrament of Confession, where you will meet Jesus who forgives you."
Pope Francis

Reconciliation Times: Friday, 22 March 2024:
9:30 - 10:00am
3:00 - 4:00pm
6:30 - 7:00pm

There will be the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during these times.

Project Compassion - 3rd Sunday of Lent


Samoa may be a country surrounded by water, but access to clean drinking water is scarce in some areas, with many families facing extreme hardship as a result.

Leaia lives with her five children, husband, brother and sister-in-law on the island of Upolu in Samoa. Not having access to a reliable source of clean water caused Leaia a lot of worry. Their home is not connected to a piped water system, so they had to rely solely on rainwater collected in old fridges. When their water ran out, Leaia had to walk with her young children to collect water in buckets and containers from a neighbour down the street. With the support of Caritas Australia's local partner, Caritas Samoa, a water tank was installed at Leaia's home. She and her family now have a steady supply of clean drinking water at home. Next year, they will also have a toilet built, with the support of Caritas Samoa, which will further improve their health and living conditions. "We are very thankful and grateful for the water tank. It has helped us so much and made our daily life easier," Leaia said.

Please donate to Project Compassion. 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 on the table in the foyer.

Stations of the Cross,

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



Legion of Mary

Active and Auxiliary Legion of Mary Members and interested Parishioners are invited to attend the Annual Mass and Acies Ceremony on Saturday, 2pm, March 23rd, 2024. To be held at Christ the Priest Parish, Jindabyne Road, Blackman's Bay.

St John's features in promotional video for archbishop's Parish Mission Plan. To access - google hobart.catholic.org.au then search Parish Mission Plan then A new vision for Tasmanian parishes launched. Scroll to the end and watch the video clip.

Glenorchy Parish Easter Timetable

<u>St John's</u>			
28 March	Holy Thursday	Mass	7.00pm.
29 March	Good Friday	Stations	10.00am.
		Passion	3.00pm.
30 March	Easter Vigil	Mass	7.30pm.
31 March	Easter Sunday	Mass	10.00am.
<u>St. Monica's</u>			
31 March	Easter Sunday	Mass	8.30am.

Footy Points Margin

Collect your footy tickets this week end, if you have not already done so, ready for the Opening game on Friday March 8 between Brisbane Lions and Carlton (tickets marked 'O')

Please remember in your prayers our sick

Fr Bob Curmi, Vince Mele, Elizabeth Drake, Zofia Dzierbicki, Marj Direen, David Smith, Mary Hinds, Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Vickie Mackay, Alan Hinds, Peter Reynolds, Philip White, Arnold Markham, Ted Grainger, Bev Evans, Kath Goss, Elsa Natoli, Lorna Bromfield, Elaine Brown, Stephen Mortimer, Noel Sharp, Garren Guevarra, Geoff Urquhart, Peter Bailey, Vito Russo

Prayers for the Deceased

Don Ambler, Barbara Oakley, John Grace, Harvey Bullen, Stephen Hanlon, John Sheehan, Marian Whyman, Maree Triffett, Antonietta Bradshaw, Beatrice Mackey, Darby Quinn, Erno Giczi, Pamela Mavis Porteous, Kerry Eaves, Martin Valenzuela, Isabel Riley, Erminia Sella, Teresa Larkin, Vincent Aiken, Margaret Everett, Anne Hickey, Carey McIver, Fr Terry Yard

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.

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 Registration to Work with Vulnerable People (RWVP)**. 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

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:	4 March
Mary Parsissons	
Next Week :	13 Mar. Wed.
Bridget Hayde	
WEEKLY COLLECTION	
Envelopes:	\$407.00
Quest Tap & Go:	\$100.00
Loose Plate	\$700.70
Direct Deposit:	\$385.00
TOTAL:	\$1,592.70
Weekly Budget: \$2,500.00	
Difference:	\$907.30