

First Reading Acts 15:1-2. 22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders. Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them: 'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 66:2-3. 5-6. 8. R. v.4
(R.) O God, let all the nations praise you!

Second Reading Rv 21:10-14, 22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

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St. John the Baptist

NEWSLETTER

26th May 2019

6th Sunday of Easter — Year C



St. Monica

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

Dear Friends,

The Gospel today is taken from Jesus' farewell speech at the Last Supper where Jesus speaks to His disciples in a more intimate way.

Before His departure to the heavenly Father, Jesus gives them His commandment to love others as He has loved His disciples. This is the real test of our friendship with Jesus. If we love Him, we will keep His commandments and love one another as He loves us.

The Gospel also speaks about the coming of the Holy Spirit. Chapter 14 of John's Gospel answers the question of Peter: "Where are you going?" Jesus is going to the Father. His departure means a new relationship with His disciples. Jesus' earthly mission will be

accomplished through them and with the help of the Holy Spirit. They will continue to be united with Him through the love for Him and for others. The Holy Spirit will be their helper, friend and comforter as they continue the mission of Jesus in the world. The Holy Spirit is also a Helper to whom we can turn to in our need, especially when we must make difficult decisions.

I would like to thank Archbishop Julian Porteous and everyone who has helped make the ceremony of my installation as your parish priest a prayerful and joyful celebration.

Please see the inside of this Newsletter for details of the Walk with Christ Procession, the Parish Mission and the Evangelium Conference.

**PARISH DIARY
May 2019**

25 Saturday

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm reconciliation at St John's

26 Sunday, 6th Sunday of Easter

- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St. Johns

27 Monday, St Augustine of Canterbury

- 9.00am Mass at St. John's

28 Tues

- 9.00am Mass at St. John's

29 Wednesday

- 8.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

- 9.00am Mass at St. John's

30 Thursday

- 12.00pm Mass at St John's

31 Fri, The Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

June 2019

1 Saturday, St Justin Martyr

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's

- 6.00pm Mass at St. Johns

2 Sunday, Ascension of the Lord

- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St. Johns

**WALK WITH CHRIST
Hobart City, 23rd June 1:15 to 3:00 pm.**

Celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ by walking with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament through the city of Hobart.



Be at St Joseph's Church (Harrington St) by 1.15 pm, and walk with us to St Mary's Cathedral for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction concluding at 3:00pm. There will be a 'cuppa' afterwards. If you can't do the walk come to the Cathedral at 2:00 for prayer and Adoration.

Experience our rich Catholic heritage in solidarity with Catholics all over the world and through the ages, by bearing public witness to our Lord and Saviour.

Can't join us in person? Prayer intentions written in the 'Book of Life' in your parish will be taken in the procession and presented at the Cathedral.

Evangelium Conference

The Evangelium Conference is aimed at engaging Catholics in evangelisation. It will be held from 30 & 31 August 2019 at St Bernard's Church in Claremont. The conference's keynote speaker is Robert Falzon. Tickets are \$65.00 each include access to keynote addresses and workshops, lunch & dinner, morning and afternoon tea, tea and coffee. To book and pay or further details contact Diana Batchelor on (03) 6110 8805. or go to www.eventbrite.com.au and search 'Evangelium Conference Tas'

Parish Volunteers,
To meet legal requirements as a result of the Royal Commission on sexual abuse, all parishes must ensure all staff and applicable volunteers have required compliance checks in place, namely a current Police check as well as Working with Vulnerable People Registration. We are compiling a list of 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. The parish will of course reimburse you for the minimal costs involved. Please contact Sr Pamela Davis or Sheila Gonzales at the parish office as soon as possible. Fr Guy Riolo

Winter Blanket Appeal

With winter coming on, there will be many in our community who do not have a warm blanket to keep them warm on a cold night. Our Parish has for the past 3 years generously donated Clean, New, Fleecy blankets to St Vincent de Paul for distribution through Louis Van. Blankets may be left in the foyer at St John's/St Monica's or brought to the parish office over the next two weeks.

International Outreach Committee

If you are interested in supporting students at the Don Bosco Technical School in Biratnagar, Nepal you are invited to the next meeting of this committee at 7.00pm. Tuesday 28 May in the parish meeting room.



CONCERT FOR CAMBODIA



Thursday 6 June 6.30pm-8.30pm Don Bosco Creative Arts Centre
Tickets \$5



GYC are presenting a concert to raise funds in support of Salesian schools in Cambodia. Please support this Fund-raiser.

Mission Evening with Archbishop Julian Porteous

An evening of song, testimony, preaching adoration and prayer. At St John's Glenorchy
7.00 pm Wednesday, 24 July 2019

Footy Points Margin

Are you sure you have checked your tickets? There are now FIVE unclaimed tickets! Round 6 (16 points), round 7 (39 points), round 8 (5 points) and now round 9 (16 points) are all waiting to be claimed.

OUR SICK - Please remember in your prayers:

Leonie Hills, Monique Matzner, Carol-ann Jones, Zayden Direen, Mary Nichols, Charlie White, Patricia Mc Donah, Sarah Gill, Nance Bennette, Trevor Coleman, Kate Hayes-Newington, Patricia Leamey, Delma Walsh, Maila Beekmeijer, Peter Crane, Ted Grainger, Lani Baron, Alida Beric, Nell Smith, Peter Drake, Eileen Sherrin, Tracey Deayton, Don Ambler and Doreen Street.

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially Augusto Di Tommaso, Marie Knight and Esther Underwood, Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord, let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

WEEKEND MASSES

St John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Saturday
- 6.00pm Saturday Vigil
- 10.00am Sunday

St. Monica's, Chigwell

- 8.30am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Mon, Tues, Wed, Friday, Sat.
- 12.00pm Thursday

ROSARY

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.40am every Saturday

RECONCILIATION

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.30am & 5.15pm Sat.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.00am Wednesday

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 10.00am

COUNTERS' ROSTERS

This Week: 27 May

Bob Mochrie's Team

Next Week : 2 June

Mary Parsisson's Team

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: \$828.00

Loose Plate: \$1,078.90

Direct Deposit: \$125.00

TOTAL: \$2,031.90

Week's Budget: \$ 2,500

Deficit \$468.10