



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
6th / 7th July 2019

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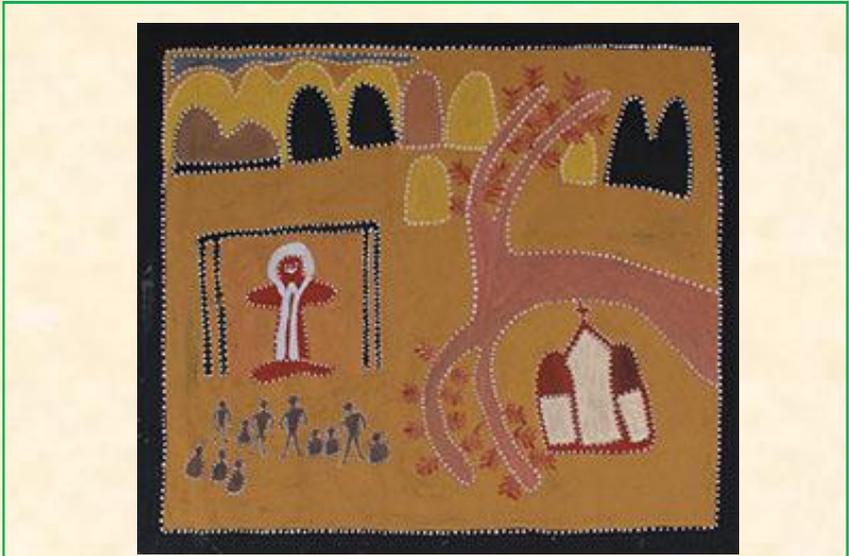
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Mass Times

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6.00 pm
 SUNDAY: 9.30 am

WEEKDAY MASSES: This Week
NO WEEKDAY MASSES SCHEDULED FOR
THIS WEEK

RECONCILIATION
 SATURDAY: 5.15 PM-5.45 PM
BAPTISMS—By appointment.
 Preparation Course: 0411 883 661



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday
7th July 2019

The theme for the 2019 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday is “Peace to this house and all who dwell within”.

This weekend is the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time and the Australian Bishops and our National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council invite us to celebrate and recognise this day.

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics number over 130,000 and are growing strongly.

Today we acknowledge that God has been walking with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, making His Presence known through a continuous living culture over many thousands of years.

We pray in thanksgiving for these people who have enriched and sustained our continent over all that time.



Parish Community



We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Ray Weaver, Graeme Collins, Maree Chandler, Helen Power, Billie Jo Delphin, Stan Gard.

ANNIVERSARIES: Maria Azzi, Max Liston, Br Maurice Esler, John Bylart, Patricia Higgins, Pat Kernaghan, Maureen Bullivant, Sinclair Parkinson, Elizabeth Miller, Bernard Dick, John Farrugia, William Parker, Dorothy Finlayson, Martha Hodda, Heather Briggs, John Ziebarth, Leah Treloar, Dr Donato Savickis, Jack Walsh, Maude Smith, Mary Rowe, Bill Drum, Michael Nagle, Patrick Mulquiney, Phoebe Ley. *Gather our loved ones into your arms. Quiet our doubt and anger and send us your healing grace. Through Christ our Lord.*

Prayer for the Sick

We pray for all those who are sick. May they draw strength and healing from God's presence with them and from our prayers and thoughts for them. May they have peace in their hearts and know they are greatly loved by all. We offer our prayers believing that God's presence and power can do more than we can ever know. Amen

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 6th /7th July

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2	Kellie Gordes Brian Waters Paula Waters	Bede Hart Cathy Nyhan Rom Hayes
Eucharistic Ministers	Judy Lindsay Catherine Cutler 1 volunteer	Peter & Dianne Treacy Kevin Kennedy Trish Parkinson Marjorie Serbinek Marissa Hart
Cantor Musicians	Margie & Ed Brown Judy Foley	Simon Goss Val Hayes
Counters		

Sat/Sun: 13th /14th July

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2	Anthony Foley Karen Purtle Barbara Godde	Richard Parkinson Wendy McFerran Michael Stephenson
Eucharistic Ministers	Michael Regan Pat Hopkins 1 volunteer	Pamela McIntosh Mary Lefevre Kansas Michael Sue Betts Ann McIntyre Sr Patricia Weekes
Cantor Musicians	John van Lint Catherine Cutler	Judy Lindsay Val Hayes
Counters: Nardia Scarvell & Liz Simon		

Prayer for Reconciliation

God of all creation, as we journey together in this Great Southern Land, we pray for healing, forgiveness and unity, creating a path of good will, with justice and compassion.

Jesus, through the power of your love, You have given us the courage, wisdom and strength to share our gifts and talents in humanity.

In peace and understanding we reconcile with each other.

Creator Spirit, we come together in prayer and thanksgiving for the many blessings we have received.

Allow your Spirit to wash over us and give us strength to work together as one.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

A Thought for the Week (Pope Francis):

' Indigenous Peoples, with their variety of languages, cultures, traditions, knowledge and ancestral methods become for all a wake-up call, which highlights the fact that man is not the owner of nature, but the one who manages it.'

Parish News

Pastoral Planned Giving

Last weekend marked the end of the current financial year. Thanks for your ongoing support of our parish community in this regard. The parish is reliant on you generous monetary contributions to meet its financial commitments and to engage in pastoral activities. 2019/2020 planned giving envelopes (red) are ready for collection at church entrance (Mate Street). If you are not already contributing to our parish community in this way and are able to do so please fill in the details on the slip where the envelopes are located and place in the container provided. Otherwise contact the parish office by email/phone with the relevant details. Donations can also be made on a regular basis by direct debit.

Due to changes in taxation policy and our financial status we have been advised that you will not be able to claim your contribution to the planned giving as a tax deduction. Statements will still be provided for all contributors at the end of this financial year.

Sacrament of Confirmation

The sacrament of Confirmation for children in Year 6 will be celebrated in our parish community on Saturday 17 August at 6pm during our celebration of Eucharist.

Please remember in your prayers the children and parents in their commitment to continue to open their lives to the inspiration and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

St Vincent de Paul Appeals

This is shaping up to be a brutal winter for many people in our community who live in poverty. St Clare's Conference operate the North Albury Care & Support Centre in Mate Street. We need your help.

- Funds are tight with both reduced donations of goods for sale and restrictions on Government Grants. The Winter Appeal is for cash donations.
- Blanket donations will offset our need to spend in order to replenish our stocks. Whatever you can donate would be greatly appreciated, donations can be dropped into the Centre in Mate Street or left in the box at the back of the Church.
- Volunteers are also needed to assist at the Care & Support Centre. If you have a couple of hours per week/month and would like to assist, please contact Trish Parkinson on 0418 167 644.

Winter appeal envelopes are at the Church doors or on the pews. They can either be posted or brought to Mass.

Plenary Council 2020

On the 1st of July, the Plenary Council opened applications for the Discernment and Writing Groups that will play a critical role in helping the catholic church move forward in considering the Council's six National Themes for Discernment.

At Pentecost, the Plenary Council announced that after almost 17,500 submissions reflecting the views of more than 222,000 people were assessed, reflected upon and prayed about, the National Themes for Discernment had emerged.

The themes invited people to consider how God is calling the People of God to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is: Missionary & Evangelising; Inclusive, Participatory & Synodal; Prayerful & Eucharistic; Humble, Healing & Merciful; A Joyful, Hope-filled & Servant Community; Open to conversion, renewal & Reform.

Six groups will now be formed—one each to focus on those National Themes for Discernment—to review the responses made during the Plenary Council's opening Listening & Dialogue stage, including people's questions and stories.

Those applying for the positions should be "visionary and open-hearted, faith-filled people who are committed to the faith, life and ministries of the Catholic Church in Australia and the mission of God", the advertisements state.

The groups' tasks will include writing thematic working papers, which will contribute to the creation of the final agenda for the first Plenary Council session in Oct 2020.

Applicants will be required to provide details about their own affiliation with the Catholic Church and one of their referees must be someone who holds a leadership role within the Church. People with proven experience in communal discernment and shared decision-making are desirable.

Applications for the places on the discernment and writing groups close on Monday 22nd July, with interviews to be held soon after. More information on the groups and roles within the groups can be found on: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Parish Morning Tea

Morning tea is today after the conclusion of our celebration of Eucharist. Thanks to Yvonne & Mardi who are hosting this event.

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors Rosters

Your new rosters are now available for collection on side table at front of church (Swan Street) side.

Feast Days

Thursday 11th July—St Benedict

Liturgy of the Word

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year C

Readings: Is 66: 10-14; Gal 6: 14-18; Luke 10: 1-12. 17-20

Responsorial Psalm:



Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

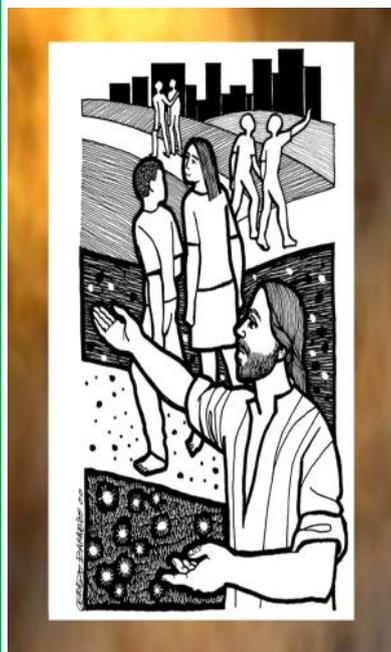
Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia , alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts;

and the fullness of his message live within you.

Alleluia!



Reflection on the Readings

Traditionally, the Gospel this weekend has been used to talk about vocations to the priestly and religious life. While it can apply to these specific roles of service in the Church, to exclusively read the labourers in the harvest as priests and religious undermines the power of Jesus' message. His commission of the seventy disciples must be read over and against his commissions to the twelve. The seventy are called to be evangelisers, to go and prepare the way for Jesus to visit the surrounding villages and towns. This commission is for the whole community. It is the priesthood of all believers. The twelve are later commissioned to serve as leaders of the community.

Through baptism we have all been commissioned to go out to live and proclaim the Good News of Christ, to keep journeying on to all our sisters and brothers and prepare the way for Christ to come into their lives. The number of labourers for this harvest has never been greater. We have never had more Christians in the world than we have right now. If all of us who have been baptised in Christ were living out the Gospel and bringing it to bear in our personal, family, social and national life, then the world would be transformed. As Gandhi once said, 'I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians living out what they profess to believe.' We seem to have lost our courage, our nerve for the task at hand. We have been consumed by sheepishness and daunted by the wolves.

Jesus reminds us that to live out this commission we need to depend on each other for support, hospitality and kindness. He challenges us to travel light and stick together.

So let us pray in this Eucharist for ourselves, labourers who are putting in a hard day's work in the harvest. Let us pray for the gift of faith and gratitude for the privilege of the commission. Let us also pray that all baptised people will live out their faith in such a manner that it prepares the way for the Christ to come in every village and town. And let us ask for eyes to see the extraordinary flowering of vocations throughout the Church and celebrate how grace comes in many shapes and sizes, even as a life jacket, a boat and a helicopter.

(Fr Richard Leonard SJ)



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