





Sunday 10th January 2021

Parish Priest: Fr. Steven Rigo Assistant Priests: Fr. Tao Pham & Fr. Dixon George

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The Partnered Parishes of:

St. Mary's

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Mass Times

Monday: Liturgy of the word 9.15am *Tuesday to Friday:* Mass 9.15am

Saturday: Mass 8.30am & Vigil Mass 6.30pm **Sunday:** Mass 8.00am, 10.00am & 5.00pm

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 9.00am & 5.45pm

Parish School Principal

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Secretary: Pat Guatta

Mass Times

Wednesday & Friday: Mass 9.15am

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month: Vigil Mass at

St. Peter's Hurstbridge 7.15pm

Sunday: Mass 9.00am

Reconciliation Times

Friday: 9.45am to 10.15am

Parish School Principal

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Secretary: Lisa Leahy

Mass Times

Tuesday & Thursday: Mass 9.15am

Saturday: Vigil Mass 6.00pm

Sunday: Mass 10.30am

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 9.30am to 10.00am

Parish School Principal

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WORSHIP & PRAYER

The celebration of Masses has resumed in our 3 Parishes.

Tuesday-Friday 9.15am St Mary's

Tuesday/Thursday 9.15am St Thomas

Wednesday/Friday 9.15am Sacred Heart

Saturday: 6.00pm St Thomas 6.30pm St Mary's Sunday: 8.00am/10.00am/5.00pm St Mary's

Sunday: 9.00am Sacred Heart Sunday: 10.30am St Thomas

Bookings are essential for Weekend Mass via Trybooking:

The collection plate will not be passed around could you please leave your contributions in the baskets provided. You can search Trybooking without the link: Sacred Heart Diamond Creek or St Thomas Greensborough Mass.

Mass will still be recordered and uploaded onto our websites.

*****NO MASSES AT ST PETERS'S UNTIL DISTANCE RESTRICTIONS ARE REMOVED*****

Our prayers have been asked for sick parishioners & friends that they may be healed & comforted during this time:

Martin Leonard, Bridie Burke, Rose Hegarty, Nicole Bistricic, Bernice Burke, Linda Bistricic, Joan Moran, Shirley Bourke, Annette Hyland, Catherine Leonard, Haylie Adams-Vivanxay, Giovanna Ng, Petronilla De Leo, Elaine Chapman, Jim Goodge, Tony Ledda, Fr Owen Doyle, Sarah Drummond

We pray for those who have died and all those whose Anniversaries occur in the month of January that they may enter joyfully into God's Kingdom

Fr Chris Barnett, Clare Watson, Grace Van Oosterom, Mary Ind, Laurie Rainsbury, Con Frisby, Ray Jose, Martin Pittle, Arthur Ongarello, Alan Leahy, Pat Glennen, Ellen Mithen, Francis Mc Laughlin, Tadeusz Chadzyuski, Maria de Bartlolo, Yvonne Grant, Valerie Hughes, Rodney Bottrell, Loreto Valeri, Kath Glennen, Mary Campbell Allison Cooper Renata Croce

The Baptism of the Lord, Year B

10 January 2021

First Reading Is 42:1-4. 6-7

Here is my servant, my chosen one in whom I am well pleased.

Thus says the Lord:

Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom my soul delights.

I have endowed him with my spirit that he may bring true justice to the nations.

He does not cry out or shout aloud, or make his voice heard in the streets. He does not break the crushed reed. nor quench the wavering flame. Faithfully he brings true justice; he will neither waver, nor be crushed until true justice is established on earth for the islands are awaiting his law.

- I, the Lord, have called you to serve the cause of right;
- I have taken you by the hand and formed

I have appointed you as covenant of the people and light of the nations. to open the eyes of the blind, to free captives from prison, and those who live in darkness from the dungeon.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 28:1-4. 9-10. R. v.11

(R.) The Lord will bless his people with peace.

- 1. O give the Lord you sons of God, give the Lord glory and power; give the Lord the glory of his name. Adore the Lord in his holy court. (R.)
- 2. The Lord's voice resounding on the waters, the Lord on the immensity of waters; the voice of the Lord, full of power, the voice of the Lord, full of splendour. (R.)
- 3. The God of glory thunders. In his temple they all cry: 'Glory!' The Lord sat enthroned over the flood: the Lord sits as king for ever. (R.)

Second Reading Acts 10:34-38

God anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.

'It is true, God sent his word to the people of Israel, and it was to them that the good news of peace was brought by Jesus Christ but Jesus Christ is Lord of all men. You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.'

Gospel Acclamation See Mk 9:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 1:7-11

You are my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

In the course of his preaching John the Baptist said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

It was at this time that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptised in the Jordan by John. No sooner had he come up out of the water than he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit, like a dove, descending on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Jesus was immersed in the Waters of the River Jordan as though he were a repentant sinner. Why? Jesus wanted to be identified with the mass of sinful humanity. During this great act of solidarity, Jesus clearly had a mystical experience as He emerged from the waters: the Heavens opening, the Spirit descending like a dove, and hearing a bat qol, a whisper echoing Heaven.

Each of us has been incorporated into Our Lord's Baptism. At whatever age we received Baptism, the Heavens were opened and Divine love and power streamed from Heaven to earth. The Holy Spirit, Divine Lover of humanity, hovered gently. Deep down, at the intimate wellspring of life, the Divine Voice was heard: 'You are my beloved daughter' or 'You are my beloved son, my favour rests on vou.'

We could pause for a moment to pray that we might wake up each morning with that Divine Voice ringing in our ears, and then reechoing it in our lives.

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