



Sunday 7th February 2021

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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

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Tuesday & Thursday: Mass 9.15am
Saturday: Vigil Mass 6.00pm
Sunday: Mass 10.30am

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 9.30am to 10.00am

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ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 13th & 14th FEBRUARY

SACRED HEART 9.00am

Special Minister: J. Bruce
Reader: Flynn House Mass

ST THOMAS Vigil 6.00pm & 10.30am

Special Minister 6.00pm: J. Bohan, W. Watson, L. Carty
Special Minister 10.30am: M. Tipping, J. Millar, R. Piccolo

6.00pm: **Reader:** J. Bohan **Commentator:** S. McMahon **Set Up:** J. De Carlo
10.30am: **Reader:** Mackillop House **Commentator:** J. Kerr **Set Up:** J. Kerr
Counters: Kym Irvine, Silvana King **Cleaners:** Louise Carty, Joe Di Carlo (13th February)

Mass will still be recorded 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, Rose Hegarty, Nicole Bisticic, Bernice Burke, Linda Bisticic, Joan Moran, Shirley Bourke, Annette Hyland,
Catherine Leonard, Haylie Adams-Vivanxay, Giovanna Ng, Petronilla De Leo, Elaine Chapman, Jim Goodge,
Tony Ledda, Sarah Drummond

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

Nese Roberts, Leanne Lynch, Ursula Morrissey, Judy Vincent, Fr Peter Fulton, Mary Crothers, Francesca Serrao, Reginald Chircop,
Sanico de Carlo, Brian Kenny, Nick Buttifant, Giuseppe Piccolo, Eddie Scully, Leslie Lowe, Kevin Phin, Rosemary Schneider,
Alfonso Nguyen, Maria Nguyen

First Reading Jb 7:1-4. 6-7

I am filled with sorrow all day long.

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more
than pressed service,
his time no better than hired drudgery?
Like the slave, sighing for the shade,
or the workman with no thought but his
wages,
months of delusion I have assigned to
me,
nothing for my own but nights of grief.
Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be
day?'
Risen I think, 'how slowly evening
comes!'
Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.
Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days
have passed,
and vanished, leaving no hope behind.
Remember that my life is but a breath,
and that my eyes will never again see joy.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 146:1-6. R. v.3

**(R.) Praise the Lord who heals the
broken-hearted.**

or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. Praise the Lord for he is good;
sing to our God for he is loving;
to him our praise is due. (R.)
2. The Lord builds up Jerusalem
and brings back Israel's exiles,
he heals the broken-hearted,
he binds up all their wounds.
He fixes the number of the stars;
he calls each one by its name. (R.)
3. Our Lord is great and almighty;
his wisdom can never be measured.
The Lord raises the lowly;
he humbles the wicked to the dust. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 9:16-19. 22-23

Punishment will come to me if I do not preach the Gospel

I do not boast of preaching the gospel,
since it is a duty which has been laid on
me; I should be punished if I did not preach
it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might
have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is
a responsibility which has been put into my
hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is
this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the

Good News free, and not insist on the rights
which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I
have made myself the slave of everyone so
as to win as many as I could. For the weak I
made myself weak. I made myself all things
to all men in order to save some at any cost;
and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel,
to have a share in its blessings.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 8:17

Alleluia, alleluia!

**He bore our sickness,
and endured our suffering
Alleluia!**

Gospel Mk 1:29-39

*He cured many who suffered from diseases of one kind or
another.*

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with
James and John straight to the house of
Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-
in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they
told him about her straightaway. He went to
her, took her by the hand and helped her
up. And the fever left her and she began to
wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to
him all who were sick and those who were
possessed by devils. The whole town came
crowding round the door, and he cured
many who were suffering from diseases
of one kind or another; he also cast out
many devils, but he would not allow them
to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got
up and left the house, and went off to
a lonely place and prayed there. Simon
and his companions set out in search of
him, and when they found him they said,
'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered,
'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring
country towns, so that I can preach there
too, because that is why I came.' And he
went all through Galilee, preaching in their
synagogues and casting out devils.



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we see three snapshots from
the photo album of life.

Suffering comes to everyone. It can
take such a hold of us that the
happiness of the past is swallowed
up, the beauty of better days is
forgotten, and the hope of a brighter
future is imperilled. Life ceases to be
an adventure and takes on the guise
of drudgery. At such times suffering
appears to be our permanent fate,
and life seems too short for suffering
to run its course. If we become
identified with our distress, we will
be tormented.

Jesus knew the harshness of life,
because he was one of us. He saw it
in the lives of those he loved, and he
was touched by their torment. He
came to release people from the
demons that possess them, from the
illness that undermined their lives.
He came to bring the reign of God,
the reign of peace and fulfilment. He
came to heal the brokenhearted, to
bind up their wounds.

Paul was a messenger of this gospel
of salvation and fulfilment. He was
so committed to his mission that he
empathised with all those who heard
his preaching – the slaves, the weak,
the brokenhearted, all those who
knew well the harshness of life. Now
it is our turn. We are the disciples
who must bring the good news to the
brokenhearted, to those who are
enslaved, to those who are weak.
We are the ones who will then share
in the blessings of this good news.

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