



Gospel Mt 18:15-20

If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

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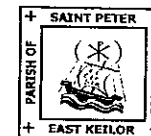
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Season of Creation by Nick Brodie

How should we deal with people who obstinately refuse to admit their own culpability? Jesus says that, when all else fails, Christians should respond as a group. By communal witness, consensus, and intercession, the Church can change hearts and minds and even the world.

Now, during the Season of Creation, the Church asks us to reflect and act together for earthly justice. In the encyclical *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis reminds us that the Church has long been concerned to protect the environment from destructive exploitation, especially when it most directly and disproportionately afflicts poor countries and vulnerable people. At a time when oceans are poisoned, forests destroyed, and even our climate is changing, Christians must bear witness, build consensus, and intercede for the common good of our common home.

Although he does not cite it directly, Pope Francis seems to draw on this Gospel's message of collective action. In *Laudato Si'*, in fact, he uses the word 'we' three hundred and sixty-six times, neatly underlining that the best answer to the rapacious individualism that plagues our times – is us.



First Reading Ez 33:7-9

If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 94:1-2.6-9. R. v.8

*(R.) O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.*

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
2. Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)

3. O that today you would listen to his voice!

'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

Second Reading Rom 13:8-10

Love is the fulfilment of the Law.

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;

and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

COVID-19 STAGE 4 RESTRICTIONS

With Stage 4 restrictions still in place, our Parish Office is closed. Parish Secretary, Helena Meredith is working remotely from home. These are challenging times. Please email if you need anything or call 9337 4141 and leave a message. We will respond to calls as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding.

Please do not risk a fine by leaving your home outside the permitted hours of 8pm and 5am or travelling more than 5kms from your home. I hope that by this time next week, we will have news of lesser restrictions on our freedom to move around.

If you have envelopes for the weekend collections, please contact me if they need to be collected, or keep them with you until we are able to open again. Please consider changing to credit card, direct debit or direct online banking. We can assist you with setting this up. May God bless you all.

Fr Arockia Sebastian

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SICK

Bernadette Camilleri

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'HAPPY FATHER'S DAY'

Wishing all fathers, grandfathers and special men in our lives a very 'Happy Father's Day'. May you all be richly blessed by the grace of God.

FATHER'S DAY APPEAL- COLLECTION FOR RETIRED AND SICK PRIESTS 'Caring for those who cared' – 6 September

The Priests Retirement Foundation runs the Father's day appeal annually on the first Sunday of September, Father's Day. The donations received go towards the cost of supporting our retired priests, a cost of approximately \$3m annually.

Donations can be made to the Foundation as follows:-

Mail: Send in your cheque or money order made payable to "Priests Retirement Foundation" and mail to P O Box 615 East Melbourne VIC 8002.

Via the Parish: An envelope for this appeal will be found in your yearly set of Thanksgiving Envelopes. If you do not have an envelope, please call the Parish Office and we will organise to get one to you.

Donations are 100% tax deductible. Receipts will be sent out to confirm receipt of payment.

Bequests by individuals and Trusts:

Bequeathing of donations to the Foundation is worthy of consideration when preparing a Will. Your solicitor should use these words:

"I give and bequeath (insert details of the bequest or legacy) to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne for the benefit of retired priests of the Archdiocese."

Thank you for your kind generosity.

PARISH REMEMBRANCE BOOK

The Parish Remembrance Book will soon be updated. If you would like to add the name of a departed loved one, please email or telephone the Parish Office. Details required for inclusion in the book are: full name, month, date and year of death. Thank you.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 8 Sep The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



A Prayer for all Fathers and Priests

God our father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.

We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation, may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for our own fathers, who have supported and challenged us; may they continue to lead in strong and gentle ways.

We pray for fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering, may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

Most importantly, we pray for all our Priests, our spiritual fathers who guide, teach us and lead us to You and who feed and nourish us with Your Sacraments.

We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us

but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.

Amen.

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The Parish of St Peter's, Keilor East and the Diocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community.

All staff and volunteers in our parish must have a current Working with Children Check.

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