



### Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king  
of endless glory!*

*No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from  
the mouth of God.*

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of endless glory!*

### Gospel Mk 1:12-15

*He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.*

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

### Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The Rainbow is God's signature to a treaty with humankind. On God's part, material forces will never be sent to annihilate human beings as a punishment for wrongdoing. On our part, as humans made in the likeness of God, we are to image God's rainbow relationship to nature.

This is the Divine Treaty basis of our responsibility for the environment. We undertake not to engage in practices or support policies which could severely damage the fragile ecology which supports life on our planet. The deforestation of the slopes of the Himalayas, leading to floods which kill thousands, is a catastrophic example.

And, gazing at the rainbow, we can pray for our planet, for the human beings and all other creatures who inhabit it, and quite often for ourselves at a deep personal level. For we know that, just as after a storm and dark clouds, light penetrates the misty sky and the beautiful bow of colour appears, the same phenomenon can occur in our own lives.

We could take a moment to pray that the rainbow will appear, perhaps for ourselves, perhaps for others we know who are going through a stormy time.

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## PARISH OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE

EAST KEILOR

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1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent – Year B

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### First Sunday of Lent, Year B

21 February 2021

#### First Reading Gn 9:8-15

*I will recall the covenant between myself and you...the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.*

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

#### Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 24:4-9. R. see v.10**

*(R.) Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth  
to those who keep your covenant.*

1. Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth, and teach  
me:  
for you are God my saviour. (R.)

2. Remember your mercy, Lord,  
and the love you have shown from of  
old.  
In your love remember me,  
because of your goodness,  
O Lord. (R.)
3. The Lord is good and upright.  
He shows the path to those who stray,  
he guides the humble in the right  
path;  
he teaches his way to the poor. (R.)

#### Second Reading 1 Pt 3:18-22

*The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves  
you now.*

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

### IN YOUR PRAYERS

#### SICK

Fred Schembri

#### RECENTLY DECEASED

Rev. Ian Mackintosh

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Ian Van Geyzel, Jack Rennie, John Chalabi, Dominic Dat, Maria Mai, Peter Hanh, Anthony Doan Dao, Anna Hoang Bich Hong, Francesco & Elizabeth Ciacci, Sebastiana Giardino, Nunzia Bonnici, Giuseppe Sgro, Pasquale Cuppari, Linda Sylvia D'Mello, Refalo family

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#### Caritas Australia Lenten Prayer

God of all peoples and nations,  
As you accompany us on our Lenten journey,  
May our fasting strengthen our commitment to live in solidarity,  
Our almsgiving be an act of justice, and  
Our prayers anchor us in love and compassion.  
Through living simply and loving generously,  
May we care for our global family and our common home, as we

*"Aspire not to have more, but to be more."\**

We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

\* Saint Oscar Romero

### PARISH NEWS

**LENTEN SCRIPTURE JOURNEY WITH ST JOSEPH AT ST PETER'S PARISH, KEILOR EAST** Due to the Stage 4 lockdown last week, commencing date will now be **Tuesday, 23 February** until Tuesday, 30 March from **7.00pm** in the **Parish Centre**. Live the "Year of St Joseph" during the Lenten Season through a 33-day consecration. This weekly program consists of prayers, discussion and reflection on the role of St Joseph in the story of salvation. Led by Jonathan Hili. Please add your name and contact number to the sign up sheet in the narthex, or call or email the Parish Office by next Tuesday afternoon. **ALL WELCOME.**

#### ASH WEDNESDAY

Ashes will be distributed at all Masses this weekend.

#### CARITAS AUSTRALIA: PROJECT COMPASSION 2021 'BE MORE'

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes from the basket in the narthex.

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Jamila is a Rohingya refugee living in a camp in Bangladesh with her elderly mother and baby daughter. With the support of Caritas Australia, and through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila has been able to access emergency food, shelter, counselling, and vocational training that will help to support her family.

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> EUCHARIST MASSES - 27/2 & 28/2

The Year 5 children who were unable to make their 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist last year due to the pandemic and church closure, will now celebrate this Holy Sacrament on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February (private Masses due to restricted capacity in Church). Please keep these children, their teachers and families in your prayers.

**GRADE 6 CONFIRMATION COMMITMENT MASSES** are being held during this weekend's Masses. Please pray for these children as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation on 5<sup>th</sup> May.



#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday during Lent from 7.00pm.

**SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY MORNING MASS** will commence at **8.30am (not 9.15am)** on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> February.

#### 24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

Thank you to all who participated in the 24 Hours of Adoration on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February. Our next Adoration will be on 19/20 March.

#### REGISTERING FOR A WEEKEND MASS

Weekend Mass bookings are required. All online bookings for weekend Masses 27/28 February open Monday morning, 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 9.30am and close Saturday 27 February at 3.00pm. The link to book is: <https://www.trybooking.com/BOYCO>

If you do not have a computer to book in online, please contact the Parish Office by 11.00am Friday and we can book you in.

Please wear your mask, unless you have a medical reason not to or child under the age of 12. Please remember to keep a physical distance of at least 1.5 metres. Please do not come to Mass if you are feeling unwell.

#### MASS ATTENDANCE RECORDERS & GREETERS REQUIRED

Attendance Recorders and Greeters are required for all Weekend Masses. If you are available to assist, and can be at the Church up to half an hour before a Mass commences, please contact the Parish Office on 9337 4141. A current Working with Children Check is required for all Parish volunteers.

#### ST BERNARDS'S COLLEGE -

**Year 7 - 2023 Enrolment Parent Information Evening** A virtual online presentation Tuesday 16 March 2021 at 7.00pm. Applications close Tuesday 27 April 2021. College Tours - Bookings essential Refer to College website: [www.sbc.vic.edu.au](http://www.sbc.vic.edu.au)

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#### MASS TIMES

#### Weekend Mass Times:

9.15am Saturday Morning Mass

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass

8.30am, 10.30am & 5.00pm Sunday Masses

#### Weekday Mass Times:

9.15am Tuesday, Thursday & Friday (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction)

7.00pm Wednesday (followed by Benediction & Devotion to two hearts)

#### RECONCILIATION

9.45am Saturday; 5.30pm Saturday

#### ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### SCHOOL NEWS

#### 2022 PREP ENROLMENT - OPEN DAYS

*Come and see learning in action!*

10th March - 9.15am-10.45am. Tour and presentation.

11th March - 9.15am-10.45am. Tour and presentation.

Enrolment Applications close Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 at 1.00pm.

*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.*