

**Gospel Mt 28:16-20**

Baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up to and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

We humans are created into the image of God. If our idea of God is wrong then we can imagine ourselves in a way which is dangerously de-humanising.

If we think of God as solitary Being then we might imagine that the best way of being human is to be solitary, self-sufficient, totally in-dependent of others. However, Jesus Christ revealed a different way for the eyes of faith to see God.

He had a sense of the most intimate communion with 'Abba', Father, and he had such a close relationship with the Holy Spirit that his very Breathing of God upon them. The early Church was forced to conclude that Being and Relationship were both fundamentally primordial and true of the Tri-une God, or the Trinity for short.

Now, if we are created into *this* image of God, then our very existence needs to be relational for us to be fully human in this life and the next. To be totally self-absorbed is to consign oneself to a Hellish existence. To be open to communion with God, other human beings and the whole of creation is to enjoy a Heavenly existence.

We can take a moment to pray to thank God for this revelation not granted to, or at least not believed by, other great world religions. We thank Jesus Christ for satisfying our yearning to know the truth about our Creator, and helping us to understand what it is to be fully human. May we recall this every time we dip our fingers in the holy water font on entering a church, remembering our baptism: 'In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.'

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The Most Holy Trinity, Year B**30 May 2021****First Reading Dt 4:32-34. 39-40**

The Lord himself is God in heaven above and on earth below: there is no other.

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors - all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?'

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:4-6. 9. 18-20. 22. R. v.12

(R.) Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R.)

2. With his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars. He spoke; and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being. (R.)
3. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
4. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 8:14-17

You have received the Spirit that makes you God's own children, and in that Spirit we call God: Father, our Father!

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

Gospel Acclamation See Rv 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:

to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK

Lazarus Martis

RECENTLY DECEASED

John McCormack

ANNIVERSARIES

Michael Chircop, Giuseppe Caridi

BAPTISMS AT ST PETER'S PARISH

Sunday, 6 June 2021 at 12 Noon

Massimo Forte

Mason Galea

Sabrina, Shannon & Savanna De Jong

Please pray for these children and their families.

PARISH SUPPORT

Thank you all for your continued support. For those who prefer to, online donations can be made as follows:-

Presbytery Collection – 1st Collection

Account Name: St Peter's Presbytery A/C BSB: 083 347 Account No. 66541 7521 Reference as your first initial then surname, or remain anonymous

Church Collection – 2nd Collection

Account Name: St Peter's Church Account BSB: 083 347 A/C No. 53530 4676

Reference as your first initial then surname and if known, your giving number e.g. ASmith T/G 500

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – *Good Works*

Do you need a helping hand? St Vincent de Paul Society volunteers are committed to providing people with access to the resources and support they need to overcome personal hardship. If you require assistance, please phone their Welfare Assistance Line on free call 1800 305 330 Monday to Friday (except for public holidays). This service is free and confidential.

SVDP WINTER APPEAL – 5/6 JUNE

Next weekend at all Masses, we will have a collection for the works of the St Vincent de Paul Society. Please place non-perishable goods, winter clothing and blankets near the Piety Stall in the narthex. Thank you.

PARISH NEWS

'CIRCUIT BREAKER LOCKDOWN'

St Peter's Parish Church is closed for 7 days from 11.59pm on Thursday 27 May until 11.59pm, Thursday 3 June unless otherwise notified.

- No prayer and religious ceremonies permitted.
- Funerals are permitted with no more than 10 people (and those necessary to conduct the funeral).
- No visitors are permitted into aged care or other residential facility settings, except for end-of-life reasons.
- Face masks must be worn inside and outdoors: everywhere except your own home.

ONLINE STREAMED WEEKEND MASS

A Streamed Weekend Mass will be available on our Parish Website via YouTube and on Facebook from 6pm on Saturday, 29th May. We pray that we will all be back in church by the end of next week. Please co-operate with all the guidelines the Government has set, stay safe and prayer for each other.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will be closed during the lockdown period but you may still call or send an email. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

PROCESSION & PARISH LUNCHEON

Due to the sudden Lockdown, unfortunately our 2 planned Parish events have had to be postponed. A new date will be set soon – stay tuned! Thank you very much to the parishioners who have been dropping in prizes for our raffle. They will still be used when we re-schedule the Luncheon.

CHAPLAINCY APPEAL 2021 – THANK YOU

Last weekend we conducted the annual Chaplaincy Appeal in our Parish and raised a generous \$1,423.30. Thank you to those who have donated to this Appeal. If you still wish to donate or if you would like to have more information about Chaplaincy services, please visit www.ccam.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Father Sebastian – 30th May

May God's love and peace be with you always.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You;

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

A Prayer to St Joseph

St Joseph,

You were receptive to God working in your life.

Help us by your prayers at this time of trial.

You kept Jesus and Mary under your watchful care: may your prayers assist our local Church to respond to those in need.

You taught the Christ Child your trade and prayers: help us to follow his example of love.

You were part of God's plan for all humanity: assist us to be vigilant and responsible this day.

You spent your life in service:

May we be mindful of others, particularly the elderly and vulnerable, caring for them in these difficult days.

You trusted in the clear primacy of God over all history and every situation: help us to grow in faith and pray to the Father, *Thy will be done.*

Amen.

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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

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SCHOOL NEWS

Remote learning during current lockdown.

We hope that all the teachers and children will be back in their classrooms soon.

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.