

# Gospel Mk 12:38-44 or (shorter form Mk 12:41-44)

This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me

#### Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The willingness to give all that one has is the central theme of today's readings. They offer us three models.

Jesus is the ultimate example of heroic generosity. He first offered himself as expiation for our sin. Now, as the eternal high priest, he stands before God as our mediator, pleading on our behalf, bringing salvation to those who eagerly await him.

It is interesting to note that the other two models of selfless giving are widows. individuals who are doubly disadvantaged by the patriarchal societies of which they are members. Their generosity is religiously inspired. and it comes from women who had the least material possessions to give. This kind of giving requires that we reach deep into ourselves and almost strip ourselves of our hold on life, and that we do this for religious reasons. The giving that is pictured in today's readings is nothing less than heroic generosity.

God will not be outdone in generosity. Sometimes we become the beneficiaries of obvious blessing, as was the case in the story of the woman of Zarephath who was granted a year's supply of floor and oil. At other times, we simply continue living life as usual, like the woman in the temple who was unaware of the commendation that Jesus had given her. The truly generous do not look for They their reward. carry out responsibilities and place the rest in God's hands.

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repose, near restful waters he leads me.

# PARISH OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE

EAST KEILOR 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B Volume 42, Number 41

### Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

## First Reading 1 Kgs 17:10-16

The widow made a little scone from her flour meal and brought it to Elijah.

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives', she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

#### Ps 145:7-10. R.v.2

- (R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!
- or

#### (R.) Alleluia!

 It is the Lord who keeps faith forever who is just to those who are oppressed.

It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord who sets prisoners free. (R.)



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 It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down.

It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord who protects the stranger. (R.)

3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan

but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (*R*.)

#### Second Reading Heb 9:24-28

Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of many on himself.

It is not as though Christ had entered a manmade sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself. and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

#### **Gospel Acclamation** Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs. Alleluia!

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, 0 Lord.

#### IN YOUR PRAYERS

#### SICK

Ellen Burnside, Gary Lusi, Maria Profeta, Laura Guzzardi, Pino Farrugia

#### RECENTLY DECEASED

Gioan Minh Ven Le, Salvatore Singarella, Matilda Vitagliano, Bernadette Ugwo

## ANNIVERSARIES

John Galea, Joseph & Carmen Galea, Santo & Angela Sciacchitano, Anthony Doan Dao, Anna Hoang Bich Hong, Kenneth Perry, Joseph Pham Van Khanh, Peter Tran Van Hanh, Theresa Tran Thi Vinh, Dominic Tran Van Dat, Maria Nguyen Thi Mai, Elizabeth Ngai Bui, Andre Quang Minh Le

## BAPTISMS AT ST PETER'S

12 Noon - Sunday, 7 November 2021

## Chloe Polidano

11am – Saturday 13 November 2021 *Kate Rodrigues* 

Please pray for these children and their families.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) Please call Mrs Teresa Paradowski on 9337 3103 for further information

ST PETER'S PARISH ZOOM 'COMMUNITY AT HOME TIME'

Continues next Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November from 8-9pm. The Link to join is: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6279668391?p</u> wd=TTJVY1R0dThxaHM5WEQzQ3FjeXlz Zz09 ID: 627 966 8391 Passcode: 7774040. Everyone welcome to join in.

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## **PARISH NEWS**

ST PETER'S MASS TIMETABLE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

## Saturday

9.15am Morning Mass – For Unknown Vaccination Status (30 people max)
5.00pm Vigil Mass – Only for Fully

Vaccinated 6.00pm Vigil Mass – For Unknown Vaccination Status (30 people max)

## <u>Sunday</u>

8.30am Mass – Only for Fully Vaccinated (for the time being, Mass only in English) 10.30am Mass – Only for Fully Vaccinated \*5.00pm Mass on 7 November – For Unknown Vaccination Status (30 people max)

\*Please note that from <u>Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup></u> <u>November</u>, the Sunday 5pm Mass will be a Special Mass for St Peter's School Children and their families only, with a different year level in attendance each weekend . Hereafter, the 6pm Mass on Saturday will be the only Weekend Mass for people of "Unknown Vaccination Status". Capped at 30 people. <u>Monday</u>

No Services.

### Tuesday-Friday Morning

9.15am Morning Mass – For Unknown Vaccination Status (30 people max)

For 'Unknown Vaccination Status' Masses, anyone can attend regardless of whether they are vaccinated or not, but keep in mind that capacity is capped at 30 people.

For 'Only for Fully Vaccinated' Masses, the cap is 100 in our Church, in line with the 4sqm density quotient.

**Confessions** will be available after the Saturday morning 9.15am Mass, from approx. 10.00am. Alternatively, please approach Fr Sebastian personally for Confession at other times.

## STREAMED MASS

As our Church is now open, our online streamed Mass has ceased. Mass on Sundays from St Patrick's Cathedral is available on Channel 44 (31) at 11am on Sundays.

#### CATHOLIC DEAF APPEAL – 14/11/21 Next weekend at all Masses, we will have a Special Collection for the Catholic Deaf.

COVID CUECK by Manager

# COVID CHECK IN MARSHALS

It is compulsory for all Places of Worship to have COVID Check in Marshals at Masses. They will assist with the Services Victoria OR Code Check In and must sight the proof of vaccination at all Masses for the Fully Vaccinated over the age of 16 years. You will be asked to show your COVID Vaccination Certificate (either by Digital Certificate or hard copy of the Certificate) on entry to the narthex. Please have your mobile phones ready to show Check In marshals. If you do not have the digital certificate on your phone, please fill in your name and contact number on the clipboard sheet and a Marshal will note that the hard copy has been sighted. Please be kind to our Check In Marshals as they are only doing what is required by the Government, to keep our Parish safe!

GOVERNMENT DIRECTIVE: MANDATORY VACCINATIONS FOR PARISH EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS All religious workers, (paid and volunteers e.g. staff, sacristans, musicians & livestreaming technicians) who work at or in connection with a place of worship are subject to Mandatory Vaccination (Workers) Directions. It would be appreciated if all volunteers in our Parish could please either scan and email your vaccination status - COVID-19 digital certificate or provide a hard copy to the Parish Office asap. Information held will be kept strictly confidential.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS' ROSTER

Please update your availability to the Parish Office, for the period 13/11/21-31/1/22, no later than Wednesday,  $10^{th}$  November.

NOVEMBER MASSES Envelopes for November Masses are available in the narthex

## 2022 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Are available for purchase - \$9 each Please ask Cathey, Ken, Adele or Helena and they will assist you.

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SCHOOL NEWS

# Reminder!

Please remember the speed limit in Parkside Avenue and neighbouring streets is 40kph!

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