



Gospel Acclamation Mt 17:5

*Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud the Father's voice
is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

Gospel Lk 9:28-36

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Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' - He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The Second Sunday of Lent celebrates the epiphanies of God, the ways in which God's divine presence is revealed. The first divine epiphany is the manifestation of God as one who initiates a covenant, an intimate relationship with human beings. Not only does God initiate this agreement, but God also seals it with blood, making it official. Although we ritualise our relationship with God in a religious setting, the call to enter into the covenant can come in the ordinary events of life. The important thing to remember about this covenant is that God enters into our lives and initiates the relationship. No life is too simple; no life is too busy. Human history in all of its contours is the setting for the encounter with God.

The glory of God is revealed in the transfigured Jesus, the one who discussed his suffering and death with Moses and Elijah. Lent is a time for us to enter into this suffering, not merely through reflection, prayer and penance, but concretely, by sharing in the suffering of the body of Christ. We see this suffering all around us.

God is revealed through women and men who live lives of Christian commitment. In those whose integrity strengthens us, in those whose religious sentiments inspire us, in those whose endurance gives us confidence. God is revealed in those who get involved in bettering the lives of others. God is revealed in very ordinary ways, if we but open our eyes to see.

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Second Sunday of Lent, Year C

13 March 2022

First Reading Gn 15:5-12, 17-18

God made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant.

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied, 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms:

'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 26:1. 7-9. 13-14. R. v.1

(R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

1. The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life before whom shall I shrink? (R.)

2. O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer.
Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.' (R.)
3. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek, hide not your face.
Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. (R.)
4. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord! (R.)

Second Reading Phil 3:17 - 4:1 or Phil 3:20 - 4:1 (shorter form)

Christ will transfigure these bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body.

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK

We pray for all who are sick in our parish community.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Davorka Stevanja, Serafina Ravida, Nicola Miranda

ANNIVERSARIES

Matthew Sesto, John Debono, Filippo & Fortunata Miranda, Josip Grbac

BAPTISMS AT ST PETER'S

12 noon – Sunday, 20 March 2022

*Lucas Cassar
Zoe Ruggieri*

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

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

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

If you would like to join our Stewardship Program (Parish Thanksgiving), Pledge cards are available in the narthex. Please contact the Parish Office if you require further information.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Thursday, 17 March St Patrick
Saturday 19 March St Joseph

WALK WITH MARY – Sunday, 20th March, 2pm-3.30pm Join the Combined Societies of Mary and Bishop Tony Ireland at St Patrick's Cathedral for a special Mass, street procession and entrustment to Our Lady. See noticeboard for further information.

PARISH NEWS

LENTEN PROGRAM - REMEMBER

AT ST PETER'S CHURCH, KEILOR EAST
Continues on Tuesdays 15th, 22nd & 29th March and 5th & 12th April. From 7.00pm-8.00pm. This weekly program consists of Prayer, Scripture Readings, and Reflection. Led by Guest Speakers. All Welcome!



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday during Lent from 7.00pm.

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD – THANK YOU

Thank you for all who participated in the 24 Hours of Adoration on Friday 11th & Saturday 12th March.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

Thank you to all who took home their new box of Thanksgiving envelopes last weekend from the narthex. If you weren't here, please take a moment to find your box and for those who give by credit card, direct debit, or directly online, please take your envelope with your receipt. *If your envelopes or receipts are not found, please contact the Parish Office.*

MINISTERS' ROSTER – MARCH-JUNE

Will be finalised and sent out next week. Easter Triduum Volunteers needed.

PARISH APPEALS

The Vicar General, Father Joe Caddy AM, has commended the following Appeals to all parish communities.

FLOOD APPEAL – SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The floods in Queensland and NSW are having a devastating effect on the people living in these regions of Australia. For those wishing to support the long-term recovery work to be undertaken by St Vincent de Paul Society in Queensland and NSW, financial donations can be made either directly to either state through: www.vinnies.org.au – Flood appeal – St Vincent de Paul Society - Good Works (vinnies.org.au) or by calling – Qld – (07) 3010 1000 or NSW – (02) 9568 0262.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA – UKRAINE EMERGENCY APPEAL

The People of Ukraine are living through a crisis that will impact the country for years to come. Caritas Australia has launched an appeal to support Caritas Ukraine and other partners in the region. The appeal will support the provision of clean water, hygiene and food kits to vulnerable families, as well as safe collection centres for families on the move, emergency accommodation and support for distressed children and families. <https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/ukraine/> or contact 1800 024 413.

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Gracious God, we pray for the people of Ukraine suffering from war.

May they be held in your loving care and protection and given the strength to endure their suffering and hardship.
Transform the hearts and minds of those who perpetuate the violence and oppression.

Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward peace;

may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference.

We ask all this through the intercession of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and in the name of your Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen

CARITAS AUSTRALIA: PROJECT COMPASSION 2022 "For All Future Generations" Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes.

2nd Sunday of Lent

As a person with a disability living in remote India, Biru faced the prospect of a life of poverty and discrimination. With your support, he participated in entrepreneurship training and gained the skills to become financially independent. Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future.

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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

RECONCILIATION

9.45am Saturday; 5.30pm Saturday

ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday 13-20 March – Catholic Education Week – Theme: Working Together in Mission

Monday 14th March – Public Holiday

Friday 18 March – National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence

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.