



Gospel Acclamation Jn 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

*I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!*

Gospel Jn 13:31-35

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified,
and in him God has been glorified.
If God has been glorified in him,
God will in turn glorify him in himself,
and will glorify him very soon.
My little children,
I shall not be with you much longer.
I give you a new commandment:
love one another;
just as I have loved you,
you also must love one another.
By this love you have for one another,
everyone will know that you are my
disciples.'

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Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Everything is new! There is a new law of love, a new heaven and earth that is established in the church, a new depth of communion there, and a new glory of God that shines forth from its members.

The new commandment that Jesus announces is more than tolerance or mutual respect. It requires self-sacrificing love. Perhaps the greatest obstacle to this love is the diversity discussed last Sunday. It is hard enough to love those who are like us; how can we possibly love those who are different? And how can we love those who do not love us? It is no wonder that the commandment is called new. It calls for something completely different.

The new commandment is the law of the new heaven and the new earth that are established in the new Jerusalem. Standards are entirely different there. The greater ones serve; the meek possess the earth; happy are the poor; woe to those who laugh. This is clearly a city that comes down from heaven, not one made by human hands. It is a city that embraces all who come to it. God dwells in the midst of this city, in the heart of this people. God dwells with them and they dwell with God.

Through this new love, this new heaven and new earth, this new depth of communion, the glory of God is manifested in a new way. The eschatological future is anticipated in the present. The age of fulfilment has dawned.

Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year C

15 May 2022

First Reading Acts 14:21-27

They assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them.

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:8-13. R. cf. v.1

*(R.) I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God.*

or

(R.) Alleluia.

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)

2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their
blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God,
to make known to men your mighty deeds
and the glorious splendour of your
reign. (R.)

3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom;
your rule lasts from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading Rv 21:1-5

He will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth;
the first heaven and the first earth had
disappeared now, and there was no longer
any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new
Jerusalem, coming down from God out of
heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed
for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice
call from the throne, 'You see this city?
Here God lives among men. He will make
his home among them; they shall be his
people, and he will be their God; his name
is God-with-them. He will wipe away all
tears from their eyes; there will be no more
death, and no more mourning or sadness.
The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke:
'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK

Lina Di Stefano, Ellen Burnside, Carmela Ozzimo

RECENTLY DECEASED

ANNIVERSARIES

Mary Couacaud, Phyllis Perri, Remo Gentile, Italo Gentile, Giuseppe Contatore, Fulvio Contatore, Augustin Jurisic, Ivan Marusic, Ruza Marusic, Krizan Marusic

BAPTISMS AT ST PETER'S

12noon – Sunday 15th May 2022

Adeline Galea
Zoe Ruggieri
Austin Kassis

Please pray for these children and their families.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) Please call the Parish Office or 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:-
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

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CARITAS AUSTRALIA - PROJECT COMPASSION

For those who requested them, receipts will be available next week.

MONTH OF MAY – MONTH OF ROSARY Month Dedicated to Blessed Virgin Mary

The Rosary is recited on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday mornings at 9.00am & Wednesdays at 6.45pm (from Wednesday, 25th May at 9.00am), throughout the month of May.

ANNUAL MASS COUNT

Continues this weekend. Collectors at weekend masses are asked to compile the figures and complete the clipboard.

PARISH NEWS

MASS TO COMMEMORATE THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC Sunday 22 May, 11am · St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne In recognition of the significant impact of COVID in our families and communities, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate a memorial Mass for all those who have died during the COVID pandemic and could not be mourned properly due to pandemic restrictions. Parishes and individuals are invited to submit the name(s) of those you would like remembered during the Mass by visiting the Holy Souls Chapel (inside St Patrick's Cathedral) during May or online <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZKP7QF>. The names will be placed in a basket at the base of the altar at St Patrick's Cathedral, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21–22 May.

MASS TIMES

Please note that from Wednesday, 25th May, the weekday Wednesday Mass will be celebrated at 9.15am(not 7.00pm), until further notice.

MINISTERS' ROSTER

Please advise the Parish Office of any 'away' dates between 1st July 2022 and 30th November 2022, by Thursday 26th May.

LAUDATO SI' WEEK – 16-24 MAY, 2022

Laudato Si' Week (16-24 May) is a celebration of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'* and a call to action for Catholics around the world to care for our common home. You can participate through prayer, action and reflection with new resources created by the ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace. Go to www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

ALPHA IS HERE: St Monica's Symons Centre, Moonee Ponds

Thursdays, until 7 July 2022. 7.00pm–9.15 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Adrian Commadeur (0403 512 936) or email via mooneeponds@cam.org.au
All Welcome.

Congratulations

Francis & Pushpa Pidtala

on the occasion of their
'25th Wedding Anniversary'
15/05/22

MAY GOD BLESS YOU BOTH

CATHOLIC MISSION: PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH APPEAL 2022 – 21/22 MAY

Bring Hope to Neela and her family

Many families in Emdibir are subsistence farmers, and distressingly, many are unable to put enough food on the table each day. Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Church and community in Emdibir, Ethiopia, where your gift can help build a life-changing program from the ground up to help address this urgent need. We hope you will take this opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need. Bring Hope to Neela and her family Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/Ethiopia

We will have a Special Collection at all Masses next weekend. Envelopes will be available. Please come prepared.

HEART OF LIFE CENTRE FOR SPIRITUAL & PASTORAL FORMATION

'Tending Our Winter Heart: Live-in Weekend Retreat', Friday 10 June, 4pm – Sun 12 June, 4pm. We invite you to a contemplative retreat where you will have the opportunity to spend some personal, quality time with yourself in the quiet and beautiful surrounds of The Holy Name Retreat & Spirituality Centre in Cheltenham VIC. Time is offered for personal space and reflection, within a supportive environment, as well as spiritual direction if you wish. Limited rooms for couples are available. Led by Heart of Life supervisors and spiritual directors, Carole Carmody rsm and Marlene McGrath. Cost \$300 including accommodation and catering. Enquiries to Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, email secretary@heartoflife.melbourne, or tel (03) 9890 1101 or book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne

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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

Saturday 14 May Class Mass

We welcome the Year 3ZT students, teacher and families to the 6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass this weekend.

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.