



**Reflection** by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we see the people of God offering the hospitality rather than receiving it, first Abraham and then Martha. What lessons of discipleship can be learned from these readings?

First and foremost we see how important openness is, for in each case those to whom the hospitality was offered were divine visitors in human form. We can never be sure under what guise God will come to us. It could be the person on the street who asks for directions, or the one who comes to our place of work to engage the service that we provide. It may be the friend who comes to dinner or the co-worker who acts in a way we did not expect. God comes into our lives in unexpected ways and we must have an open attitude of hospitality if we are to receive the blessings that might come with such visits.

We know that we cannot lay aside the responsibilities of our lives in order to sit with Mary at the feet of Jesus. However, we cannot allow ourselves to be held captive by these responsibilities, regardless of how legitimate they may be. And so we continue to struggle; to carry the burdens that are ours for the sake of the people that we serve; to serve the people in our care realising that we will probably not be able to accomplish all of our tasks or at least as well as we would like. It is in this way that the reign of God struggles to be born.



**Gospel Acclamation** See Lk 8:15

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.*  
*Alleluia!*

**Gospel** Lk 10:38-42

*Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.*

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

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**First Reading** Gn 18:1-10

*Lord, do not bypass your servant.*

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1**

*(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.*

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?

He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart; he who does not slander with his tongue. (R.)

2. He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)

3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. (R.)

**Second Reading** Col 1:24-28

*The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.*

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

### IN YOUR PRAYERS

#### SICK

Desmond Wijetunga  
**RECENTLY DECEASED**  
Phil Taranto

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Gus Vella, George Abilameh, Pascal & Lola Altard, Denise Beasley, Benedetto Lo Nigro

#### BAPTISMS, MARRIAGE,

#### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

For details regarding the celebration of these sacraments, please contact the Parish Office or speak directly to Fr Sebastian.

**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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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

#### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Wed 20 July St Apollinaris  
Thu 21 July St Lawrence of Brindisi  
Fri 22 July St Mary Magdalene  
Sat 23 July St Bridget

#### THANK YOU!

Bernadette & Tom Quinlan would like to thank all the lovely parishioners who came to Tom's aid when he fainted during the 10.30am Mass last Sunday. Your assistance and concern was much appreciated. Tom is doing much better now. *Thank You.*

#### ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD:

#### Archdiocese of Melbourne

On Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> July at St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne, three Deacons were ordained to the Priesthood for the Archdiocese of Melbourne:- **Rev Andrew Kwiatkowski, Rev Brian Muling, Rev Ignatius Tan** Please keep them in your prayers for their future priestly ministry.

### PARISH NEWS

#### INVITATION TO MEMORIAL MASS

Dear St Peter's Parishioners,  
There will be a Memorial Mass on **Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> July** commencing at **6.30pm**, to celebrate the 3<sup>rd</sup> Death Anniversary of the Soul of the late Sebastian Manickam, Fr Sebastian's dad. Following the Mass there will be a Dinner in the Parish Centre from approx. **7.15pm**. There is no cost for the Dinner but BYO alcohol. Please **RSVP by Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> July** to the Parish Office. There is also a clipboard in the narthex to add your name and contact details. Fr Sebastian would value your presence and all parishioners are very welcome to attend.

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) Enquiry Period

*Are you interested in becoming a Catholic* or do you know someone who is? The Enquiry Period continues. There will be a second **Enquiry Night on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July**, followed by a third and final Enquiry Night on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July** in St Peter's Parish Centre Meeting Room at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome. Please pass this on to those you think who might be interested. For further information, please contact Teresa Paradowski on 9337 3103. Please remember our Enquirers and the RCIA Team in your prayers.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> HOLY COMMUNION STUDENTS' COMMITMENT MASSES

This weekend at our 6.00pm Saturday and 10.30am Sunday Masses, we welcome the Year 4 Students of St Peter's Parish Primary School, who will join us to make their Commitment, prior to celebrating their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion in August. Please pray for them, their families and teachers.



## catholic mission

*Reach out. Give life.*

**Thank You!** Your support of this year's Appeal for the Propagation of the Faith enables Church workers in 1047 mission dioceses to offer Good News to their local communities. Thank you for contributing to the amount of \$1,884.20 which was raised by St Peter's community for Catholic Mission. Our partnership with local churches in over 160 countries is dependent upon the prayerful and financial support of many. Your support this year will enable Catholic Mission to provide nutrition programs in Ethiopia, along with scholarships for rural children and pastoral care and vocational training for women in Meki. **THANK YOU.**

**ST MONICA'S, MOONEE PONDS: Charismatic Prayer Meeting resumes**  
Following the successful Alpha program over 10 weeks, the prayer group recommences each Thursday at 7.30pm from 21 July, 2022. All are invited to attend and join in songs of praise and worship and a talk on the Life in the Spirit. Experience the gifts of the Holy Spirit, such as prayers for healing and group sharing.

**OUR LADY TA PINU SHRINE – Mass to Celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Saturday, 13 August from 2.00pm. Eucharistic celebration led by The Episcopal Vicar for Migrants and Refugees - Mgr Joselito Asis EV, Mgr Benedict Camilleri & other clergy members. Holy Mass, Benediction, Rosary, Procession. Our Lady Ta Pinu Shrine. 15 Flanigans Drive, Merrimu. All Welcome. For more information, please see flyers on the table in the narthex.

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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, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction)

#### RECONCILIATION

9.45am Saturday, 5.30pm Saturday  
(Please let the Priest know you would like to make your Confession)

#### ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### SCHOOL NEWS

#### YEAR 4 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

##### COMMITMENT MASSES

Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> July at 6.00pm

Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> July at 10.30am

*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.*