



Gospel Lk 14:1, 7-14

All who exalt themselves shall be humbled and all who humble themselves shall be exalted.

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The goodness of God is seen in the extravagant generosity with which God gives gifts. This is described in the psalm in the boundlessness and universal scope of God's generosity. Like the rain that falls on the entire landscape, the blessings of God are showered on all. These blessings are true gifts. They have not been earned, nor can they be repaid. God's openness is also seen in the reading from the Letter to the Hebrews and in the gospel. All are invited to approach the heavenly city; the heavenly banquet will be open to the poor and to those who have no way of repaying.

Only the humble can receive the gifts of God. Only those who can admit their neediness are open enough to realise that God's blessings are gifts freely given, not compensation for a job well done. Without a humble spirit we are unable to receive gifts as gifts. This is either because we are too proud or we do not know how to receive with the open hearts of children, who never think that they must return in kind. This is the kind of humility recommended by Sirach. This is the kind of humility possessed by the disadvantaged pictured in the gospel.

As we have received from the bounty of God, so we are called to give to others. Only those who have received with a humble spirit can give with the generosity of God, for they know that they do not deserve God's goodness and they do not require anything in return.

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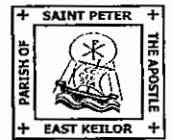
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First Reading Sir 3:17-20, 28-29

Humble yourself and you will find favour with the Lord.

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business,
and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.

The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly,
and then you will find favour with the Lord;
for great though the power of the Lord is,
he accepts the homage of the humble.
There is no cure for the proud man's malady,
since an evil growth has taken root in him.
The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables,
an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 67:4-7. 10-11. R. v.11

(R.) God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,
they shall exult and dance for joy.
O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;
rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. *(R.)*
2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,
such is God in his holy place.
God gives the lonely a home to live in;
he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. *(R.)*

3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain:
when your people were starved you gave them new life.
It was there that your people found a home,
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. *(R.)*

Second Reading Heb 12:18-19, 22-24

You have to come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God.

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 11:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Take my yoke upon you;
learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly
in heart.*

Alleluia!

ALPHA IS COMING

The ALPHA Program is coming to our Parish soon. Stay Tuned!

IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK

Maria Profeta

RECENTLY DECEASED

Giuseppina Celata

ANNIVERSARIES

Vincenzo Carbone, Bruno Chiera, Clare Darmanin, Salvatore Modica, Antonio Di Stefano, Felice Consolo, Filippo Mirenda, Serafina Ravida

BAPTISM AT ST PETER'S

Saturday 10 September – 4.00pm

Chiara Madaffari

Please pray for this child and her family.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) ENQUIRY PERIOD CONTINUES

There will be a final Enquiry Night on Tuesday, 30th August at St Peter's Parish Centre at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome. Please pass this information on to those you think who might be interested. For further information, please contact Teresa Paradowski 9337 3103.

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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FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Mon 29 Aug	The Passion of St John the Baptist
Saturday 3 Sep	St Gregory the Great

FUNERAL FOR GIUSEPPINA CELATA

The family of our recently deceased parishioner, Pina Celata, wish to advise that Rosary Vigil will be held at St Peter's Church on Monday, 29th August at 7.00pm. Funeral Mass will be on Tuesday, 30 August commencing at 11.00am.

PARISH NEWS

KEYS TO LEADING PARISH MISSIONARY RENEWAL On Saturday 13 August, parishioners Peter Boudville, Adrian Commadeur and Frank O'Loughlin, along with Fr Sebastian, attended the 'Keys to Missionary Renewal' Day, organised by the Proclaim Office of the Archdiocese of Melbourne. At Masses this weekend, they will share their experiences with us.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION

On Saturday, 27th August and Sunday, 28th August, the Grade 4 children of St Peter's Parish Primary School will celebrate their 1st Holy Communion. Congratulations to the children and thanks to their teachers and families for preparing them. Please pray for our children during this important time.

FATHER'S DAY APPEAL- COLLECTION FOR RETIRED AND SICK PRIESTS 'Caring for those who cared'- 3/4 SEPTEMBER

Next weekend the annual Father's Day collection will be taken up for the support of the Priests' Retirement Foundation. Envelopes will be available. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible. Please support generously.

MASS – 1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

A reminder that Mass will be celebrated at St Peter's next Friday, 2nd September commencing at 7.00pm, followed by Benediction for devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD We would like to resume Children's Liturgy of the Word at St Peter's but need some dedicated volunteers to join as Leaders for this important Ministry. CLOW offers young children the opportunity to listen and respond to the Sunday Gospel that is more appropriate to their level of understanding. This takes place in the narthex at the 10.30am Sunday Mass, on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month (except during school holidays). Training will be provided. If you are interested in joining this Ministry, please speak with Fr Sebastian or contact the Parish Office.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS

CONFERENCE: Social Justice Sunday – 28 August '22 This year's Social Justice Statement, *Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse*, invites us to engage with a complex and confronting social reality. It explores the roots of violence and abuse, honours the voices of victims, offers a social and theological exploration of the reality of violence, especially against women and children, and invites us to develop relationships in all parts of our lives 'marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control.' We welcome this urgent call from our Church to deepen our faith through full and frank discussion and dialogue, advocacy and action. If the content of the Statement raises issues or concerns for you, please refer to the Getting Help page in the Statement for a list of support channels, or speak to a trusted friend, your GP, your parish priest or parish pastoral worker. Access the Statement <https://bit.ly/SJS22-23>. More information: ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace, www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or Tel (02) 62019845. Facebook | www.facebook.com/socialjusticeACBC Twitter | @JusticeCatholic Instagram | @JusticeCatholic

CATHOLICARE APPEAL 'THANK YOU'

Thank you for your support of the CatholicCare appeal, which was held on 14 August. We raised **\$1,847.35**. Because of the generosity of our parish community, CatholicCare Victoria can continue to ensure that vulnerable individuals and families in our community have the opportunity to live life to the full. Thank you for helping those in need! For more information about CatholicCare Victoria, please visit: www.catholiccarevic.org.au

ARE YOU IN NEED OF A HAIRDRESSER?

St Peter's Parishioner, Maria Usai is a fully qualified hairdresser who specialises in female and male cuts, blow waves etc. Maria is available to come to you in the comfort of your home, or at her home, whichever suits you best. Reasonable pricing. Please call Maria on 0409417399 to make an appointment.

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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)

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ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

1st Holy Communion Celebrations

Saturday 27 August at 11am

Sunday 28 August at 12noon

Pupil Free Day

Monday, 29th August

School Advisory Council Meeting

Thursday, 1st September at 7.00pm

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.