



Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 18:9-14

The publican returned to his home justified; the pharisee did not.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else, "Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted."

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

It is very easy for religious people to fall into a kind of self-righteousness. Their very enthusiasm and generosity can plant the seeds of religious arrogance. They know what commitment demands of them; they experience relative success in their endeavors to be faithful; they distance themselves from what they think might threaten their resolve; and then they pass judgment on those who do not share their values or experience their success. This kind of arrogance is often imperceptible, because there is enough truth in every step along the way that it is difficult to recognise when one is veering off the track.

Jesus extols the humility of the one who admits being a sinner, and can accept the implications of that admission. This is the kind of prayer that is described in the reading from Sirach and the psalm response. It is those who can admit that they are needy who turn to God in that need. It is those who trust that God will be their strength in the face of their weaknesses who are strengthened.

Paul's own prayer demonstrates the attitudes that should be ours as we pray. Like the Pharisee, he acknowledges his success. He has competed well; he has finished the course; he has kept the faith. However, unlike the Pharisee, he acknowledges that God is the source of any good he has been able to accomplish. The Lord stood by him and gave him strength. If there is any glory, it belongs to God. Paul's confident prayer springs from a humble heart.

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

23 October 2022

First Reading Sir 35:12-14, 16-18

The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:2-3. 17-19. 23. R. v.7

(R.) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. *(R.)*
2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. *(R.)*

3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. *(R.)*

Second Reading 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18

All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK

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

RECENTLY DECEASED

ANNIVERSARIES

Joseph Khanh Pham, Anthony Doan Dao, Anna Hoang Hong, Simon Doan Hieu, Anna Nguyen Lieu, Santo Bonnici, Angela Lamari, Jacintha Menezes, Massouda & Boutros Nehme & Souls of the Nehme family, Giuseppe & Vincenza Serruto, Nick Carni, Stephen Griffiths, Jenny Griffiths

BAPTISM AT ST PETER'S

Saturday 22nd October 2022

Fabian Bergonzo

Please pray for this child and his family.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or would you like to know more about the Catholic faith?

For further information, please contact Teresa Paradowski 9337 3103.

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FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Friday 28 Oct Sts Simon & Jude

2023 COLUMBAN CALENDARS Are now available for purchase before Mass - \$10 each. Great Christmas gift idea! Please ask Ken, Cathy, Adele or Helena to get your copy.

PARISH NEWS

WELCOME BACK FR SEBASTIAN

We warmly welcome back Fr Sebastian after his homeland visit to be with his mum.

ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS DAY MASSES

All Saints – Tuesday 1st November

Mass at 9.15am

The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) – Wednesday

2nd November

Mass at 8.00am

Mass at 9.15am (with the School in attendance)

Mass at 7.00pm

On this day there will be a board at the side of the Altar where you can pin a flower with the name of your loved ones attached.

NOVEMBER MASSES

Envelopes for November Masses are available in the narthex.

PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Tuesday 1st November due to Cup Day Public Holiday.

WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES

We will change from 9.15am Morning Mass on Wednesdays, to 7.00pm Mass followed by Benediction with devotion to two hearts, from Wednesday, 9th November.

MONTH OF OCTOBER – ROSARY

We pray the Rosary from Tuesday to Saturdays mornings from 8.55am, prior to the 9.15am Mass. The smaller Our Lady of Fatima Statue is available to take and pray the Rosary at home with your family, friends and neighbours. Please fill in your details on the clipboard in the narthex.

ALPHA AT ST PETER'S PARISH

We are running the Alpha Program here at St Peter's on Thursdays from 7.00pm-9.15pm until 1st December. Venue: St Peter's Parish Centre (enter via Bellarine Avenue). Everyone is welcome to share a meal and a discussion each week. For further enquiries, please contact Sam Montalto (0425-800-085) or Paul Whiting (0488-455-008).

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL – WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 22/23 OCTOBER "Bring Hope to Neela and her family".

This week Catholic Mission offers us the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to help prevent malnutrition, especially in babies and young children, and help disadvantaged families provide food for their loved ones. The Deberety Goat Rearing Centre is a dream of the local Church and community in Emdibir. When established, the Centre aims to provide nutritious goats milk for families in need, like Neela's, so that babies like Ajani can be healthy and strong. Please give generously today to help kickstart this life-giving program Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world. **We will have a special collection at all Masses this weekend.**

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY PASSES BY WAY OF THE FAMILY - Public conversation by Mary Eberstadt You are invited to attend a public conversation hosted by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli, featuring internationally renowned speaker and author Mary Eberstadt discussing the topic: The future of humanity passes by way of the family. The conversation will be held on Tuesday 25 October, 12.30-2pm at the Catholic Leadership Centre in East Melbourne. Tickets are free; however, bookings are essential with a light lunch provided. Tickets can be booked via: www.trybooking.com/CDKKN or 9926 561.

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION – ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL As we celebrate our 175th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's – **Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, commencing at 1pm.** This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the **Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App**, an initiative of the *Mary Glowrey Museum*.

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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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Administration: Belinda McPherson, Carmel Perry, Sherrill Johnson

ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

Monday 31st October

MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Tuesday 1st November

YEAR 3 1ST RECONCILIATION

Thursday 3 November at 5.30pm & 7.30pm

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.