



Gospel Acclamation See Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 11:25-30

I am gentle and humble of heart.

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The readings for today engage us in a reflection on the nature of the Trinity, as well as the ways that we are enriched by each of the divine Persons. The gospel acknowledges the sovereignty of God. This is followed immediately by mention of the handing over of all things to Jesus, making him a kind of vice-regent of God. Paul speaks of the Spirit, clearly a divine reality, but different from Jesus and the one called God. According to Paul, this Spirit is the Spirit of Jesus and the Spirit of God, implying that somehow both Jesus and God claim the Spirit. It is this Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead, and it is this same Spirit who dwells in Christians.

The grace of this Triune God touches our lives in some ways that are tangible and other ways that demand faith. The most tangible manifestation of God is Jesus himself. God has been revealed to us through this Jesus. While Jesus was a tangible person, our accepting of him as the manifestation of God requires faith, and this faith is no easier today than it was at the time of Jesus himself.

The overriding disposition of these readings is humility. Jesus, the human manifestation of the divine, is meek and humble, and the true disciple is called to be humble. A second disposition is placed before us – grateful praise. In the psalm we praise and bless God; we extol God's holy name. In Jesus we have known the tender touch of God, and we are grateful.

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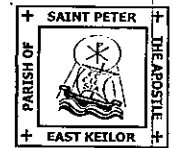
PARISH OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE

KEILOR EAST

9 July 2023

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

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First Reading Zec 9:9-10

See how humbly your king comes to you!

The Lord says this:

'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion!
 Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!
 See now, your king comes to you; he is victorious, he is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations.
 His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14. R. v.1

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

or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. (R.)
2. 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.)

3. 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. (R.)
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 8:9.11-13

If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK

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

RECENTLY DECEASED

Americo Faramella(1 month)

ANNIVERSARIES

Vince Circosta, Aniela Swiatek, Paschal Attard, John Galea, Eileen & Michael Tomlin, Joseph & Carmen Galea, Santo & Angela Sciacchitano, Santina Valastro, Angelo Puglia, Paul Sparks

BAPTISMS AT ST PETER'S PARISH

Saturday, 8th July 2023

Ava Chalabi

Sunday, 16th July 2023

Julian Ryan Micallef

Please pray for these children and their families.

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

Tue 11 July	St Benedict
Thu 13 July	St Henry
Fri 14 July	St Camillus de Lellis
Sat 15 July	St Bonaventure

SAINTS PETER & PAUL FEAST DAY 'THANK YOU'

Thank you to all who joined in last weekend's Feast Day celebrations after Mass. A special thanks to all who brought along a plate of food to share and those who helped in any way.

PARISH NEWS

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or do you know someone who is? Are you a person in search of the meaning of life? Are you a Christian wishing to find out more about the Catholic Church? Are you a Catholic looking for an adult appreciation of your faith? The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)* is the normal process by which the Catholic Church welcomes new members, and we will walk with you on your journey of discovery. This journey of discovery begins with a time of discernment and *Enquiry*, continues through a period of *Catechumenate*, reaches its highpoint at the celebration of *Easter*, and concludes with a period of further deepening of and living the Christian faith. There will be a series of *Enquiry Nights* for those interested in learning more about becoming a Catholic. They will take place on **Tuesdays 11th, 18th & 25th July at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre Meeting Room**. For further info, please contact Mrs Teresa Paradowski, on 9337 3103.

CATHOLIC MISSION: PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH APPEAL: *Hearts on Fire - Feet on the Move*

With Timor-Leste's fragile infrastructure, reliance on local health practices, and limited access to medical care, many health conditions only worsen, and sadly can result in death. Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Venilale, Timor-Leste, where your gift can help continue a life-saving program to help address this reality. We hope you will take next week's opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need.

We will have a Special Collection for this Appeal. Please come prepared. Envelopes will be available.

HEART OF LIFE CENTRE FOR SPIRITUAL & PASTORAL FORMATION has several seminars and reflection days planned in the second half of the year. Please contact them direct if you are interested in attending. **Heart of Life Seminars – Semester 2. Please join us!** What better way to rejuvenate your spirituality, learn something new and meet a great bunch of people – join Heart of Life seminars in-person or online from the comfort of your own community on a Monday or Wednesday morning for the next two terms. From 17 July 2023 - 9 November 2023. Days and times vary according to the Seminars chosen. For descriptions of all of the Seminars go to: <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/seminars-and-reflection-events/seminars/>

Are You Retired or Seeking A Deeply Rewarding Ministry to Others? We invite you to join Heart of Life's Taster Session 2 on **Saturday 5 August 2023, 9.30-11am, via Zoom**, where we'll share with you information on our formation programs to become a spiritual director, pastoral supervisor, spiritual leader and contemplative listener to others. Our programs develop a compassionate, listening heart. The session will include a facilitated reflection session led by formation team members at Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Bookings via <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/event/s/taster-session/>? Or email info@heartoflife.melbourne for more details.

Retreat in Everyday Life – Moments of Grace – over five weeks, beginning Monday, 31 July and concluding 28 August (at Heart of Life, Malvern, or via Zoom) Flexible timing. The Retreat in Everyday Life involves a commitment to daily prayer and weekly spiritual accompaniment for an hour per week over five weeks with this year's theme 'Moments of Grace'. This is an ideal opportunity for a Parish or spiritual community to *retreat together, as well as for individuals who would like to experience an opportunity to recognise God's presence in their everyday lives in a more intentional way.* <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/retreat-in-everyday-life-moments-of-grace/> or info@heartoflife.melbourne and we will be in touch to have a conversation. *Cost: Donation*

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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

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Commences Monday 10th July

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.