



they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me.

The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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'LISTEN TO ME'

Returning to the Gospel of Mark this week, we have an edited version of a dispute raised by the Pharisees and some of the scribes from Jerusalem about some of Jesus' disciples eating loaves with unwashed hands. Particularly in light of our recent pandemic experiences, we may have some sympathy with them. Yet as the narrative unfolds, we are given further background, that this is but one of the observations of their tradition. The prescriptions about washing do not stem for the Torah, the Law, but are local interpretations by specific groups.

Importantly we can join the extended crowd to hear Jesus say, 'Listen to me.' The same words are used by the prophets to call the people of Israel to listen to the word of God. Here it is a call to pay attention to Jesus' words that 'nothing that goes into a person from outside can defile.' It is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions can grow.

Today let us pick up on Jesus' call to 'listen to me' as we read and pray with the scriptures. Let us also hear Pope Francis reminding us, 'The believer does not turn to the Holy Scriptures to support his or her own philosophical and moral view, but because he or she hopes for an encounter; the believer knows that those words were written in the Holy Spirit, and that therefore in that same Spirit they must be welcomed and understood, so that the encounter can occur.'

(Pope Francis audience, 27 Jan. 2021)

Dr Rosemary Canavan

FIRST READING

Deut 4:1-2, 6-8

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

You may add nothing to the word which I speak to you – keep the commands of the Lord.

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

■ The word of the Lord.

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. **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

James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

A reading from the letter of St James.

Be doers of the word.

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

James 1:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth,
that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

You forget the commandments of God to hold on to human tradition.

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and



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MASS TIMES

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Weekday Masses: Kilmore, Tuesday—Saturday Mass at 9 am (Except: Wednesday at 9am in Wallan)
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ROSTERS:

	<u>31 Aug/1 Sep</u>	<u>7/8 Sep</u>
<u>BROADFORD 5pm (Sat):</u>	31 Aug	7 Sep
Reader	Amy Leahy	Brian O'Dwyer
Eucharist Minister	Brian O'Dwyer	Cath O'Dwyer
<u>KILMORE 6.30pm (Sat):</u>	31 Aug	7 Sep
Reader	Rianne Emmanuel	ACK Boarders
Eucharist Minister	Clare Clancy	Marg Fleischmann
PowerPoint	Boyd Family	Pauline Duff
<u>KILMORE 7.45am (Sun):</u>	1 Sep	8 Sep
Reader	John O'Callaghan	Justine Sapiano
Eucharist Minister	Lance Phillips	Margaret Chatfield
PowerPoint	Justine Sapiano	Carroll Family
<u>WALLAN 9am (Sun):</u>	1 Sep	8 Sep
Reader	TBA	Evelyn Robertson
Eucharist Minister	Chris Banon	Annette Moore
PowerPoint	Tracey Brincat	Gabrielle Pannuzzo
<u>KILMORE 10.30am (Sun):</u>	1 Sep	8 Sep
Reader	TBA	Rose Mendis
Eucharist Minister	Christine Dodd	Kath Pirie
PowerPoint	Ian Pirie	Kathy Curry
<u>FLOWERS:</u>	Helen Clancy	Jeannette Jain
<u>HOME EUCHARIST:</u>	Arthur Donovan	Helen Clancy
		Pauline Duff
<u>CLEANERS KILMORE:</u>	TBA	Lynne Beaumont
		Carry Eid

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Sick List:

Gerard McCaughey, Sonia Savolokin, Shae Newey, Steven Campbell, Danny Prelac, Jim Ahearn, Robert Duncan, Pina D'agostino, Eva Aschberger, Ian & Sandy Domeyer, Richard Lloyd, Theo Aitchison, Lee Stewart, Tessa Borg, Kelly Borg, Peter Hanvin, Ronnie Johnson, Beth Murphy, Dot McIlroy, Susan Foster, Rita Devlin, Rosa Dahm, Guadalupe Agreda, Patrick Hogan & all the sick of the parish.

Anniversaries:

Frank Zoch, Duncan Rae, Daniel Clancy, Brenda Kelly, Fr. Brian Quillinan, Barry Thomas Garlick, Agnes Annie Scully, Charles Stute, Julie Bickford, Angela Borg, James M^cDonald, Margaret Murray and the anniversaries of all which occur at this time as well as all people who are in need of our prayers.

Sun 1st Sep: Pray for the intentions of Margaret Fleischmann.

Mon 2nd Sep: **9am Communion Service, no Mass.**

Tue 3rd Sep: Pray for the intentions of Nicholas.

Wed 4th Sep: Pray for the good health of Pina D'agostino.

Thu 5th Sep: Pray for the intentions of Agnes & Prem.

Fri 6th Sep: Pray for the intentions of Patrick Hutchinson.



New volunteers needed for the Kilmore Choir

If you are interested to join the Kilmore Choir as a singer or a musician, please speak to Sr. Anne. Or you can email or call the parish office. Thank you

FATHERS DAY - thank you dad

Our modern lives are busy. This in itself is not a bad thing, but are we busy with profound purpose drawing us ever-onward, or are we “busy being busy?”

A large part of the work I do is helping people gain deep clarity around their life’s purpose, and build meaningful connections with people who can-and-will help them move toward that purpose.

We call this process “finding our WHY”

Once clear, and following strong guidance, clients become adept at articulating their vision for their purpose-driven career in a warm and compelling way. This gains tremendous support from those with whom they connect.

MY WHY

A large part of my own “why” is to build a better world (in my own extremely small way) through helping our amazing young people to self-determine and enjoy far greater agency in their lives.

If you’re an older person, spend a moment to imagine where you might be today if you gained deep, practical clarity during your youth, coupled with the ability to move others to help you in your journey. Some clients I have mentored (I have been doing this since 1983) have reached the pinnacle of their career journeys, making an incredible difference in the world.

So dear reader, if you’ve read this far, and because Fathers Day is in a few days ... and because today is my dad’s birthday, I want to acknowledge the impact my dad (and mum of course) continues to have on my life. His calm counsel and wisdom helped me navigate so many of life’s obstacles. His willingness to guide (and frank refusal to tell) me has proven time and again what a gift he was.

If you haven’t thanked your dad for his loving guidance (in whatever form that may be) please consider doing so before it’s too late. He had profound impact on the “why” you are living today.

Happy birthday dad.

By Steve Ansell (Rotarian)

Look not for me
(for dad—11/03/2011)

Look not for me in the chaos of a city street
Or in the mania of owning things

I am not there

Look not for me in the relentless pursuit of acclaim
Nor with those who would protest yet not protect

I am not there

Look not for me among the great minds of our time
Nor in bluster and judgement of my fellows

I am not there

Look for me at your shoulder when work needs doing
And in the quiet counsel of a lifelong mate
And as your stern advocate when others revile

Look for me in the humble offer and the lessened fear
And at the door always open for you and yours
And in the strength to not complain

Look for me in shared bright times fairly covered in friends
And in the chill of the night for all tarried too long
And with all who hold goodness as code

Look for me in your heart and smile, for we were friends
Your formed the very soul and steel and best of me

I am there

By Steve Ansell (Rotarian)

Please Note: The 11th edition of our Parish Magazine “The Shamrock”, is available for collection—a gold coin donation would be appreciated.



Annual Spring Native Plant Expo:



Native plant displays and sales,
Wallan Multi-purpose Community
Centre. Saturday 7th September 9:00-3:00. Free entry.
Australian Plants Society, Mitchell Group Inc.
(Please contact Norbert Ryan on 0428 180 651
if you have any enquiries)

This weekend we will have a Special Collection for the Archbishop’s Appeal. This will be the final weekend to give in your envelopes, including those for the Father’s Day Appeal.
Thank you



God took the strength of a mountain, the patience of eternity, and combined them to create the thing we call dad.

Happy Father’s Day to all fathers, grandfathers and special carers.