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Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The Claretian Missionaries of the Philippine Province, which also includes our missions in Australia, Vietnam and Myanmar, is in dire need of a dignified place for our retired and gravely ill confreres. In this connection, we appeal to your generosity as we will do a special collection this Sunday, August 14, 2022, in all the masses of the parish. Any amount that you can offer is very much appreciated and will be used for the construction of our retirement home in Quezon City, Philippines.

Devotedly yours, Rev. Fr. Elias L. Ayuban, Jr., CMF Provincial Superior

Next weekend is the **Catholic Care Sunday appeal**. As our parish's social service agency, Catholic care Victoria delivers 60 programs and services including counselling and mental health services, specialized support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seekers help, pastoral care in hospitals and prisons support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations from our parish community help Catholic care Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full. Please donate to Catholic Care Victoria Sunday Appeal next week end.

Bungalow for rent West Sunshine \$265 per week - 0417 012 731.

Details of available career positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

WE PRAY FOR: For Healing: Charlie Bonello, Simon & Clinton Walsh, Pat Reynolds,

Recently Deceased: Jimmy Vella, Tarcisio Cutajar, Concheta Pellegrinelli, Flora De Guzman, Vince Cassar, Caterina D'Allesi, Guiseppe Cimino, Vu Van Hoa, **Our Dear**

Departed: Iginio Zanni, Natu Portelli, Liberata, Carmelo, Mikelina,

Cikku, Carmena, Guzeppi, Mathew & Gloria Montebello, Tereza,

Guzeppi & Carmenu Mifsud, Nina, Carmenu & Salvu Portelli,

Sam & Vicky Cassar, Grace Avellino, Joe Caruana, Emy Saffarese,

Joan & Carmelo Micallef, Patricia Snaize, Snaize, Cleur &

Dougherty families, and all Souls.



Church Diary (Week beginning 14th Aug 2022)

Saturday 13th/14th Aug Baptism:

Saturday Mass 8.00am English Mass
9.00am Vietnamese Mass followed by Rosary till 10.15am

6.00pm Vigil Mass + Anthony & Jane DeManuel

Sunday Masses (Confession half an hour before all Masses on Sunday)

8.00 am English Mass +

9.30am English Mass + Joan & Carmelo Micallef, + Mary Dalli, + Jiusitte Cimimo, + Edwin Valente Galan, + Luzza M Giulia, Romano Francesco

11.30am Vietnamese Mass

1.00pm Spanish Mass

6.00pm Youth Mass

Monday 15th Aug

8.00am English Mass + Mary Dalli

9.15am St Paul's School Mass

11.00am Lady of Knots

7.00pm Choir Practice

7.00pm Vietnamese Mass

Tuesday 16th Aug

8.00am English Mass +

9.00am Vietnamese Mass

10.00am Italian Prayer Group

5.30pm Anni Mass

6.45pm Benediction, Novena, Adoration

Wednesday 17th Aug

8.00am English Mass +

9.00am Vietnamese Mass

7.30pm Vietnamese legion of Mary

Thursday 18th Aug

8.00am English Mass +

9.00am Vietnamese Mass

9.30am Legion of Mary (English)

2.00pm Benlynne

7.30pm Spanish Prayer Group

Friday 19th Aug

8.00am English Mass +

9.00am Vietnamese Mass

3.00pm Divine Mercy

Saturday 20th/21st Aug Baptism: Jacob Francis Co & Deandre Pagarigan

Saturday Mass 8.00am English Mass + Freddy Brockdorff
9.00am Vietnamese Mass followed by Rosary till 10.15am

6.00pm Vigil Mass

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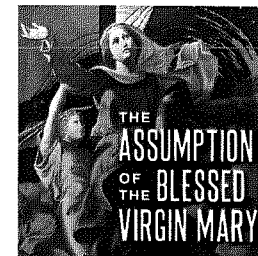
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6.00pm Youth Mass



Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 12:49-53

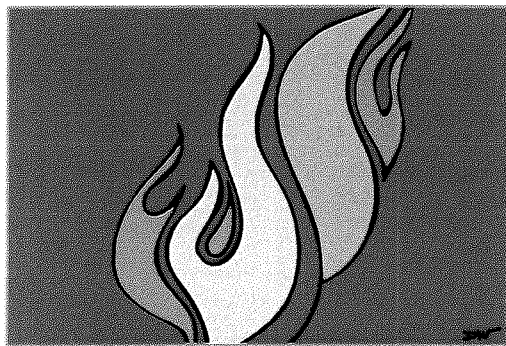
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

I have come not to give peace, but discord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.



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Breaking Open the Word



THE SAVING WORD

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

14 AUGUST 2022

WE ARE NOT ALONE

Jeremiah could have been excused for thinking that he had been taken out of the frying pan and cast into the fire! No sooner had he been released from prison and placed under the watchful eyes of the royal guard, than he found himself up to his neck in mud in a water cistern! Little wonder he poured out his heart to God 'the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision' (Jeremiah 20:8). The lot of those who speak the word of God is often one which meets with misunderstanding, rejection and isolation. Speaking the truth is no guarantee of being accepted. Jesus was aware that his mission of preaching the good news to the poor, bringing freedom to captives, and proclaiming the Lord's year of favour (Luke 4:18-19) would bring about division and rejection. As the early Church knew all too well, even family members could be divided based on their response to Jesus' message.

The letter to the Hebrews continues its reflection on the life of faith by noting that despite opposition and difficulties we are not alone. Just as the people of Israel in the desert were accompanied by a cloud that guided them, we are now surrounded by a cloud of witnesses – people of faith that stretch back through the ages to Abraham and Sarah. Above all, Jesus' presence, his example of endurance and his courage in facing the cross, can help us to keep running steadily in the life of faith.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

You are to be a man of strife for the whole world.

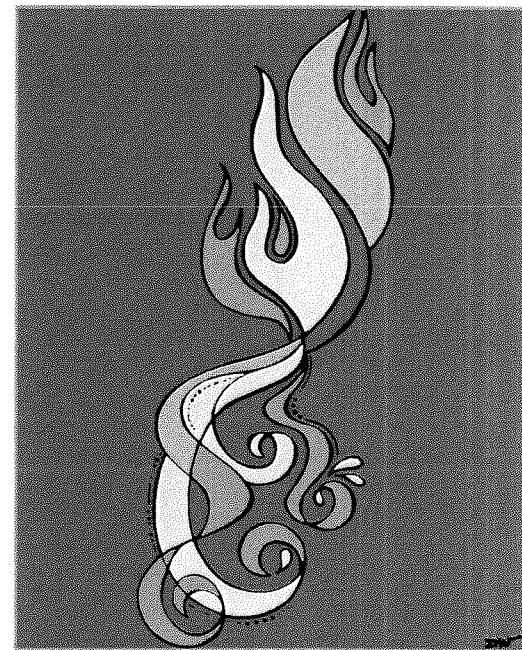
The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king, 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 39:2-4, 18. R. v. 14
R. Lord, come to my aid!

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord / and he stooped down to me; / he heard my cry. R.
2. He drew me from the deadly pit, / from the miry clay. / He set my feet upon a rock / and made my footsteps firm. R.
3. He put a new song into my mouth, / praise of our God. / Many shall see and fear / and shall trust in the Lord. R.
4. As for me, wretched and poor, / the Lord thinks of me. / You are my rescuer, my help, / O God. do not delay. R.



SECOND READING

Heb 12:1-4

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Let us bear patiently the struggle placed upon us.

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

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