

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

In the gospel, Jesus reaches deep into the world beyond life and rescues a young girl from the jaws of death. Earlier, he was jostled by the crowd and felt healing power leave him in order to restore an afflicted woman. Repeating the words of last week's gospel: Who is this man? Is this someone with whom we want to become involved? On the other hand, can we afford not to get involved with him? This is a man who can lead us to life even in the midst of death. He is someone who is interested in the well-being of everyone, even those who may not be highly valued by society – women and children, the chronically ill, those who carry the seeds of death within them.

God's graciousness toward us should prompt us to be generous toward others. What we receive as life-enhancing gifts, we must share with those in need, those to whom life has not been kind. As we have been favoured by the healing touch of God, so we must extend that same loving touch to others. The love of Christ impels us to be openhanded as we approach those in need. Following Jesus' lead, we must not only give to them, we must also allow them to take from us. At times this will require that we share material resources; at other times it might mean that our energy will be drained in our service of them. In all of this, Jesus has set the example for us to follow.

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ST MARTIN DE PORRES

Catholic Parish

Avondale Heights

Today's Celebration is on pages:

Old Missal: 574 New: 646



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

1 July 2018

First Reading Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.

To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying.

Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2

*(R.) I will praise you, Lord,
 for you have rescued me.*

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me
 And have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
 O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,
 restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. (R.)
2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,
 give thanks to his holy name.
 His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through life.
 At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. (R.)
3. The Lord listened and had pity.
 The Lord came to my help.
 For me you have changed my mourning into dancing,
 O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Cor 8:7. 9. 13-15

Your abundance should supply their want.

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation 2 Tm 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away
 with death
 and brought us life through his gospel.
 Alleluia!**

Gospel Mk 5:21-43

Young girl, I say to you, arise.

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

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NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you and ask that you make yourself known to us by completing this form and leaving it in the collection basket.

First Name: _____

Surname: _____

Phone No. _____

Address: _____

PARISH SUPPORT PROGRAMME (Thanksgiving):

If you would like to join our programme please take a brochure from the foyer or call the Parish Office.

IN OUR PRAYERS

SICK

Christine Cortez; Leanne Cargeg; Anna Giunta; Milagros Abelgas; Francesca Catania (Malta); Antonio Castro; Reynaldo Salvador; Maximino Salvador Jnr; Tom Lonergan; Lucia Lozada (Colombia); Elaine Groves; Giuseppa Bonanno; Rowena Melegrito; Buck Dela Cruz; Calixta Malalang.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Ana Herb (Laos); Jane McLoughlin; Sofia Mure; Euredyce Dixon; Joseph Rapa; Pedro Castaneda (Philippines); Graeme Lancaster; Fr Stan Hill; Luca Huynh Dieu; Anton Nguyen Ba Phuong; Sebastiano Pandolfo (Italy); Charlie Borg (Queensland).

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES

Maria Pisana (1st); Louis Formosa; Anna Ragusa; Maria Pagliaro; Joseph Nguyen Van Nguyet; Joseph Tran Luan; Maria Dinh Thi Thap; Joseph Nguyen Nha; Anna, Grace & Salvatore Mazzurco; Carmelo Attana; Frank Giunta; Caterina Tran Van; Zoran Romich; Giovanni Martello; Paul & Sofia Perconte; Adriana Donato; Giuseppe Visalli; Pierangela Giansiracusa; Joseph Sammut; Charlie Sciberras; Maria & Giovanni Gulizia; Victor Apap; Victor Micallef; Remo Gentile; Joseph Giusti; Felix, Paul, Carl & Tony Galea; Dominic Cumbo; Francis, Bernarda, Joseph & Consiglia Grima; Emmanuel, Teresa, Menu & Tonina Sammut; Carmelo & Rita De Bono; Francesco & Mary Falzon; Maria Moore.

WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY	No Mass
Devotion to Divine Mercy	2:30pm
TUESDAY	9.15am
WEDNESDAY	9:15am
<i>followed by short Adoration & Benediction</i>	
THURSDAY	9:15am
FRIDAY	9:15am
Devotion to Divine Mercy (Vietnamese)	7:00pm

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY	
Vigil	6:00pm
SUNDAY	
English	8:00am, 9:30am
Italian	11:00am
Vietnamese	12:30pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 9:45am Saturday 5:30pm

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND

PARISH SUPPORT PROGRAMME:

Pledged: \$3004 Received: \$2918 Shortfall: \$86
Presbytery: \$1327 Loose: \$621

Special Collection this weekend for the Intentions of the Holy Father.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEKEND:

Baby Welcome: Meika Thao Wilkinson

This weekend children who had their First Reconciliation a few weeks ago will be presented with certificates. Please pray for them as they learn to make good choices.

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Flower pick up: M Scales
Flower Arranging: H Duong & L Nguyen
Sacristy: U Momont
Hospital Communion: Team 4: A Hickey, G Loft, L Lobo
T Proctor, V Piperno

READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Please Note, rosters for July commence next weekend:

Readers:

6 pm: M Mondo
8 am: A McDevitt
9.30 am: C Rizzi
Extraordinary Ministers:
6 pm: T Caputo, E Martin, R Hili, M Mifsud, JVassallo
8 am: K & M Marshall, J Vella
9.30 am: S Sammut, N Vetro, R Delac, G Condro,
D Conidi, J Batten, V Nguyen
Counters: M & M McKinnon

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Please contact Parish Office if you are able to assist with the following:

READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS FOR MASSES

Are needed, training will be provided for all.

COMMUNION TO THE HOUSEBOUND

Extraordinary Ministers are needed to take Communion to the housebound on a regular basis.

May our children flourish!

OUR COMMUNITY - WHAT'S NEWS!

BAPTISM OF OLDER CHILDREN:

If you would like Baptism for your child/ren please ring the Parish Office. Instruction over 4 lessons will commence shortly.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH:

Please contact the parish office on 9337 6016 to register your interest.

PARISH/SCHOOL CAR PARK:

Please note the exit gate at the far end of the car park will be closed each weekday and Saturdays for the safety of parishioners and school families.

2018/19 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS NOW AVAILABLE

Available in hard copy or digitally from the Parish Office. Receive over \$20,000 in valuable offers for \$70. Pays for itself in as little as 2 uses. Expires 1st June, 2019.

READING MATERIAL

Australian Catholics Winter 2018 Edition - Free.
Melbourne Catholic Magazine July Edition \$4

NOTICEBOARD/WIDER COMMUNITY

ASSISTANCE REQUIRED:

To drive a parishioner to and from work Monday-Friday for 6 months commencing Monday 9th July 2018 from East Keilor to West Heidelberg. Pick up at 1:15pm in East Keilor and at 10:15pm from West Heidelberg. Payment negotiable. Please contact 0435 956 226

CYRENE CENTRE:

Supporting families with addiction. Forum on 12th July with Dr Michael Carr-Greg. See noticeboard for details.

"THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL LUNCH"

Saturday 28th July in Symons Centre, next to St. Monica's Church, Moonee Ponds. Admission to Chinese Lunch \$20. Raffle to raise funds for Shalom Orphans in Nepal. Contact Adrian: 0403 512 936

MELBOURNE ARCHDIOCESE ANNIVERSARY MASS:

Are you celebrating 40, 50 or 60 – 70 years of marriage? You and your family are invited to join us for the Anniversary Mass on Sunday 29th July 2018. Registrations close Friday 13th July. Please phone 9287 5587 to register.

2018 MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND DATES

17th - 19th August, 9th - 11th November.

Sessions are from 7pm Friday to 5pm Sunday.

Accommodation and all meals provided.

Information/Bookings: Ph: Andre & Maria 0411 225 992

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au

Website: www.wwme.org.au



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ST. COLUMBA'S COLLEGE Enrolment Year 7 2020

Applications close **FRIDAY 17TH AUGUST**. Download application form at www.columba.vic.edu.au or email registrar@columba.vic.edu.au to request a prospectus.

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Phone: 1300 721 561 or 0406 760 680

Email: pilgimage@magiholidays.com.au

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PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LANDS OF JORDAN & ISRAEL:

Escorted by Fr Tony Kerin 1st – 15th May 2019

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