

Saint Luke the Evangelist Catholic Parish Blackburn South

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WEEKLY BULLETIN: SUNDAY 7 JULY 2019
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

THE YEAR OF SAINT LUKE – BEING THE GOOD NEWS BY PROMOTING GOD'S HOSPITALITY

This week's readings: Is 66:10-14; Gal 6:14-18; Gospel Luke 10:1-2, 17-20

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY GREG SUNTER: The first thing that is striking about this gospel passage is the fact that there are 72 disciples whom Jesus sends out on mission. We can have an image of Jesus strolling around Galilee with just a small group of followers but this passage makes it clear that a significant number of people were engaged in his ministry. And the gospel writer has not just made an error in naming 72 rather than the Twelve because just one chapter earlier the Twelve were sent out. This sending out to mission is a significant element of the gospel of Luke. The first sending of the Twelve represents the mission to the Jews – the twelve tribes of Israel are frequently used symbolically to represent all of the Jewish people. The sending of the 72 then represents the mission beyond the Jewish people to all nations and all people.

Another theme that is significant in the gospel of Luke is the message of hospitality. Jesus teaches on it frequently and tries to convey a message that the hospitality of God is available to all. In the sending of both the Twelve and the 72, Jesus tells them to take nothing with them for the journey. He is telling them to rely on the hospitality of strangers. If they are welcomed and shown hospitality then they are to bless the household and carry out their ministry. The ability to show hospitality to the messengers of God is a sign that the household will welcome the message of God. However, wherever they do not receive hospitality they are to leave the town, shaking the dust from their feet, as their ministry will not be welcomed by people who are not ready to hear it. It is an excellent message about not wasting your efforts in unproductive ways – not hitting your head against a brick wall! **Gospel Focus – Blessing and Curse:** The 72 who are sent out are given very clear instructions about how to respond when their message is welcomed and when it is rejected, but in both cases they are to tell the town, 'The kingdom of God is very near.' In the case of a welcoming town, these words serve as a blessing, but for an unwelcoming town the same words are a threat or curse. For those who welcome the kingdom it will be a blessing but for others it will be a curse: changing boundaries and redistributing power; bringing down the mighty and lifting up the lowly.

Living the Gospel – Discipleship: Today's gospel passage immediately follows the passage used last week that spelt out the difficulties of discipleship. Having explained how hard it is to be a disciple, Jesus sends his followers out to 'have a go' at being a disciple. When they come back successful he tells them not to be boastful or proud at their achievements but rather to be happy that their 'names are written in heaven'. In other words, anything they accomplished was because they were 'known' by God and that God was working through them. Disciples make themselves 'known' to God and God works through them to accomplish great things!

Have you thought? – The harvest: This gospel is often used to make a point about the need for vocations to priestly and religious life. Jesus makes the comment that 'the harvest is rich but the labourers are few'. This image of labourers in the harvest is often applied to the work of priests and other religious vocations. However apt the image may be, when we read it in the context of the whole passage we can see that this sending out of the 72 was a general challenge to live out the call to discipleship – to go out into the world and bring about the kingdom.

Raise your voices ...

Entrance Antiphon: Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Response to the Psalm: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Eucharistic Acclamation: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Communion Antiphon: Come to me, all who labour and are burdened, and I will refresh you, says the Lord.

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Catholic Parish
Blackburn South**

Being the Good News ...

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Whitehorse Deanery
Eastern Region
Archdiocese of Melbourne

Rev Father Gerard Johnson
Parish Priest

Sonya O'Farrell
**Part-time Parish Secretary
Wednesdays, Thursdays &
Fridays**

10.00am - 2.00pm

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SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil - 6:00pm
Sunday - 8:30am & 10:30am

WEEKDAY MASS & ROSARY:

Tues. @ 11.00am &

Thurs. @ 9:00am

Rosary prayed after Weekday Mass
times as listed above. All welcome.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30am & 5.30pm

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

In recess this week.

WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS

By appointment and
six months (6) notice, please.
*(This helps with the planning of both
celebrations and Parents usually know
nine months in advance when their
baby is to be born).*

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**Prayer to Saint Luke
the Evangelist**

Lord God, who chose Saint Luke to
reveal by his preaching and writings
the mystery of your love for the poor,
grant that those who already glory in
your name may persevere as one
heart and one soul and that all nations
may merit to see your salvation.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your
Son, who lives and reigns with you in
the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever. Amen!

*Patron Saint of artists, physicians,
surgeons, students and butchers.*

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER all who are sick, especially Mary Goodwin, Keith Yelland, Vicki Bowes, Bernardine O'Meara and Nadia Tarquino and those Parishioners unable to be among us this weekend. For those who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time, may they rest in peace.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK: Ordinary Time. **Tuesday:** St Augustine Zhao Rong, priest, and companions, martyrs; **Thursday:** St Benedict, abbot; **Friday:** The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus; **Saturday:** St Henry; BVM. **Sunday Masses:** Sunday Preface, Eucharistic Prayer III. Eucharistic Acclamation No. III.

PLEASE MAKE WELCOME Fr Zaher Mhanna for Saturday evening Mass this weekend and Fr Jim Staunton P.E. for Sunday morning Masses.

A VOCATION VIEW: "The harvest is rich but the workers are few; therefore ask the harvest-master to send workers to his harvest." Pray for vocations. Depend on God's providence. (Luke 10:1-9)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: "He said to them, 'The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few...'" (Luke 10:2) As Catholics we are all called to serve. However, many of us are unsure of what our charisms or gifts from the Holy Spirit are to help build God's Church. Through prayer we are able to discern how God is calling us. The next time your pastor or fellow parishioner asks you to join a committee, ask God first, if that is what He wants you to do with your gifts.

THE 6PM CHOIR will serve again on Saturdays 13th and 27th July.

NEWSLETTER NOTICES: Please send to the following e-mail address by **Wednesday 5pm** - blackburnsouth@cam.org.au

ST VINCENT DE PAUL 2019 WINTER APPEAL: The Local Conference of St Vincent de Paul thanks each and every Parishioner who supported their Winter Appeal held in our Parish. The Appeal raised \$1851.50 that will go towards a 'hand up' to many members of our local community who call on the local Conference for help, especially this time of the year.

PARISHIONERS will be happy to know that Mr Ed Weekes, who has been Deputy Principal of our Parish Primary School for nearly three years (*next month*) and more recently our Acting Principal, has accepted an appointment to be the next Principal at Sacred Heart Parish Primary School Kew. Our thanks to him for his dedicated contribution towards best practice and resilience here as our Acting Principal for the most part of the 2019 School year and we wish him all the very best for the challenges that await him in Kew as Principal when he begins there in Term 4 this year.

MEMORIAL WALL PLAQUES ON OUR PARISH MEMORIAL WALL, PARISH MEMORIAL GARDEN: Any Parishioner and/or Parish Family wanting to remember a Loved One(s) in this way is invited to make contact with Sonya in our Parish Office **asap**. An order is about to be placed for plaques already requested so they are ready for installation before November this year, the month we traditionally remember those who have died.

THE PRINCIPAL OF EMMAUS COLLEGE MR TONY HIRST invites YOU and your FAMILY to an Information Evening on Monday 22nd July @ 7.00pm and our Open Morning on Friday 2nd August from 9.00am - 1030am @ Vermont South Campus; 503 Springvale Road Vermont South. Please see Church noticeboard for more details.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

PARISH MINISTRY ROSTER

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

SATURDAY	6:00 PM	Lorraine Kermond
SUNDAY	8:30 AM	Godfrey Thong
	10:30 AM	Natalie Kilroe-Smith

13 AND 14 JULY 2019

Olive Hammill
Engelina Nyhuis
Elizabeth Dixon

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

SATURDAY	6:00 PM	Shirley Prabha
SUNDAY	8:30 AM	Melina Barcellona
	10:30 AM	Genevieve Hemsley

6 AND 7 JULY 2019

13 AND 14 JULY 2019

Mia Perang
Rosemary Donaldson
Marg Yore

WELCOMER'S ROSTER

SATURDAY	6:00 PM	Sonya O'Farrell
SUNDAY	8:30 AM	Joe Brogno
	10:30 AM	John LoGiusto

6 AND 7 JULY 2019

13 AND 14 JULY 2019

Terry Wells
Marie Pekish
Pamela & Michael

SLIDE OPERATORS

SATURDAY	6:00 PM	Tony Lobo
SUNDAY	8:30 AM	Megan & Darren McLean
	10:30 AM	Manny Gonzalez

6 AND 7 JULY 2019

13 AND 14 JULY 2019

Choir
Liliana Poropat
Manny Gonzalez

CHURCH FLOWERS

6 JULY 2019
Engelina & John Nyhuis
13 JULY 2019
Val Wells & Marie Parker

CHURCH CLEANING

13 JULY 2019
Team 3 (Joanne's Team)
Joanne Nolan, Mellisa O'Mara,
Tina Tempany & Jesse Barrett

MAINTENANCE

13 JULY 2019
Team 5
Manuel Gonzalez &
Mike Lockwood

AN INVITATION TO ALL MEN AND WOMEN OF THE PARISH: On **Wednesday 17th July**, Maroondah Catenians is having a **ladies night** with a very important and topical presentation from Father Kevin Dillon. The subject of the talk is ***Lifeboat Geelong***. Of which the chief purpose is to bring to people harmed by church-related sexual abuse a sense of respect, understanding and compassion, along with efforts to address important issues in a practical way such as finding employment and suitable accommodation. Over the past three years, using freely-offered generous donations from over 250 contributors, Lifeboat Geelong has distributed around \$150,000 to support 60 established victims in Geelong, Melbourne, regional Victoria and interstate. Please see Church notice-board for more details.

HEART OF LIFE: REFRAMING RETIREMENT - Does our sense of vocation, or calling, end with RETIREMENT? We invite you to join us as we reflect on this important stage of life. The Day will be held at Heart of Life in Box Hill and facilitated by a qualified Clinical Psychologist/Spiritual Director on Saturday, 13 July 2019 from 10 am - 4pm. Cost \$60. Enquiries and bookings can be made by reply email to holsc@bigpond.com or phone 03 9890 1101 or www.heartoflife.melbourne.

RETREAT IN EVERYDAY LIFE (*Lis Teggelove, Michele McCourt, Kathleen Spokes, Paul Beirne*) **5 x Mondays, 5 August to 2 September 2019 at 1.15pm-2.15pm**, Donation invited. Please see contact details and more information on our Church notice-board.

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM – AIRS 7 JULY 2019: This week on the Journey, our Gospel reading is Luke 9:51-62. We are so lucky to have some amazing contributors to the Journey Catholic Radio Program with some names and voices that you have come to love over the years. This week we are blessed with Mother Hilda from the Abbey and Bruce Downes, the Catholic Guy. Go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au and to ensure that you never miss a show it can be sent to you each week as a podcast via email.

SAFETY STATEMENT: We are committed to a safe and nurturing culture for all children and vulnerable adults in our Church. Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish Blackburn South holds the care, safety, wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults as central and fundamental responsibilities of the Church. This commitment is drawn from and inherent to the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and the sanctity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel. <http://pol.org.au/blackburnsouth/Policies.aspx>

Parish Groups & Contacts

by ... Promoting God's Hospitality

**Lectors, Welcomers Collectors
Extraordinary Ministers of the
Eucharist, & Rosters**

Margaret Gearon - 0409 807 135

Children's Liturgy Group

Nina Grieve - 9877 4023

Jess Kilroe-Smith - 0452 613 863

Stewardship Counters

Dale Dixon - 0433 885 087

Steve Kilroe-Smith - 0404 864 232

**Pastoral Council &
Child Safety Officer**

Darren McLean - 0417 774 504

History

Margaret Gearon - 0409 807 135

Whitehorse Deanery

Finance Committee

Steve Brennan

Parish Accountant

Hall Hire

Parish Office - 9877 2292

Care Group & Gardens

Judy Noy - 9894 1506

Church Sacristan

Greg Grant 0401 644 474

Church Linen

Toni Plevier

Church Cleaning & Flowers

Megan McLean 0419 347 693

Parish Garden Maintenance

TBA

Holy Communion

to the housebound

Emmaus College

Education Board Parish Reps

Maureen Mac Mahon &
Bernard O'Malley

Parish & School Choirs

Maria Pinto, Lina Mafi
0411 136 043

Marg Yore & Kat Bergin
9877 4023

Parish and School

Fete Committee

T.B.A. - 9877 4023

Parish School Advisory Board

Ed Weekes - 9877 4023

Parish School

Parents' Association

Ed Weekes - 9877 4023

St Vincent de Paul Conference

For Assistance: 1800 305 330
(Monday to Friday 10am-3pm)

Parish Contact: Margaret Gearon

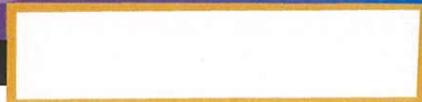
RECRUITMENT NOTICE:

*These Parish Groups welcome
new members who choose to
participate in the life of the
Parish in these ways - would you
like to make contact with one or
more of them?*

Jesus sends out his followers



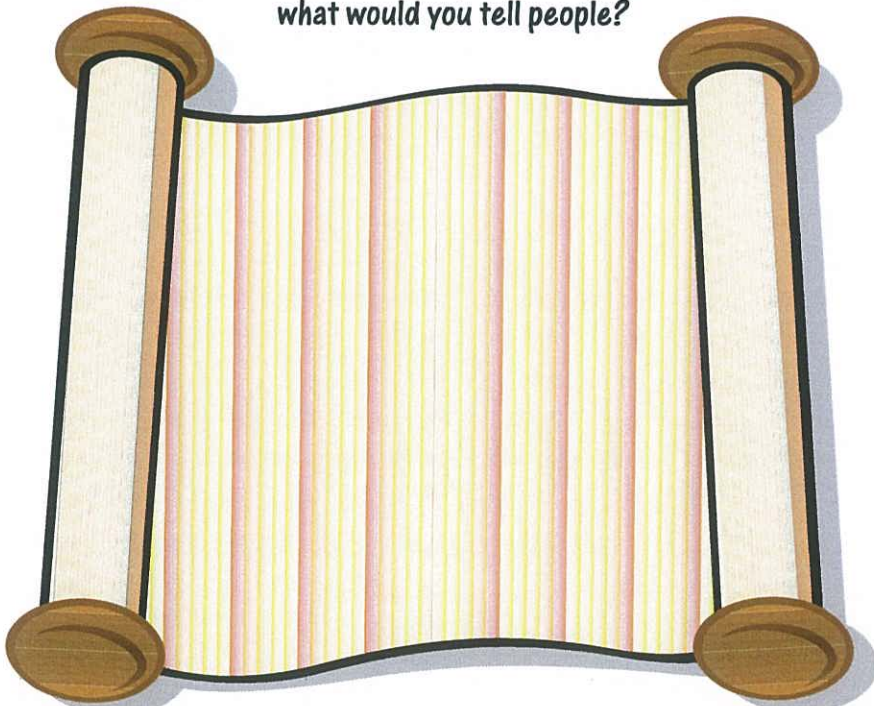
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C



Jesus sent his disciples out two by two. Who would you have taken as your partner to go on such a journey? Draw yourself and that person spreading the good news to the people below.



If Jesus sent you out to proclaim his good news, what would you tell people?



Unscramble the tiles below to find out what Jesus told his disciples to say when they entered people's homes.

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