



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH
& PRIMARY SCHOOL

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52 Yarra Street
HEIDELBERG



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands, the Wurundjeri-Balluk clan of the Woi wurrung people in the Kulin Nation.

Central to the mission of St John's Parish is an unequivocal commitment to fostering the dignity and integrity of children and young people and providing them with a safe and supportive environment in which to flourish.

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Tues to Sat: 9:15am & Sat Vigil
6pm, Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am &
5pm

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Sat 9:45-10:30am & 5:30-6pm

WEDDINGS: By appointment

FIRST RECONCILIATION,

FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION:

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*30TH APRIL / 1ST MAY 2022,
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C*

PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we the parishioners of St John's are grateful for all we have received from the men, women and children of our past. Help us to cherish and maintain our parish heritage. Most of all, enable us to be people who welcome the stranger, the needy, the sick and the lonely. Like St John, our patron saint, may we be people who love others, as your Son Jesus, asked us to do. We make this prayer, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THREE TIMES: "DO YOU LOVE ME?"

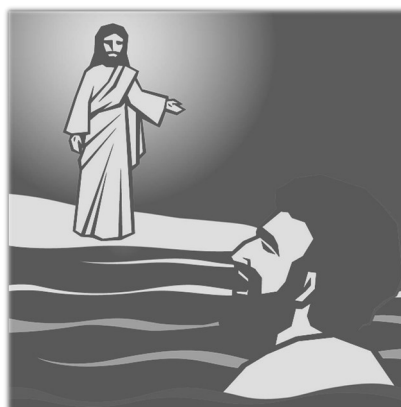
Today's Gospel describes an appearance of the risen Lord to seven of the male disciples by the Lake of Galilee.

Led by Peter, they have reverted to their old trade of fishing. This might seem to be something of a falling-away from their high calling. But in the gospel tradition, fishing for fish (that is, ordinary fishing) is a symbol of the mission of the Church. Encounter with the risen Lord will finally transform them from fishers of fish into fishers of people.

When "the disciple whom Jesus loved" (traditionally associated with St John) recognises Jesus on the shore, Peter shows the ardour of his love by jumping into the sea and swimming to Jesus, who, in a delightfully human touch, has prepared breakfast for the group, kindling a charcoal fire.

As Good Shepherd, Jesus has laid down his life for the sheep entrusted to him by the Father (John 10:11.14-16). Now that shepherding role is going to fall to Simon Peter. But first his readiness for it must be probed and tested. Only if Peter loves Jesus "more than these others" will he be suitable to take up the pastoral role which Jesus has exercised to the point of death. The triple interrogation concerning love both gently recalls and lovingly repairs the triple failure when, alongside an earlier charcoal fire, fear led Peter to deny Jesus three times. In fact, as Jesus goes on to say, Peter will end his term as chief pastor by laying down his life in imitation of his Lord.

Fr Brendan Byrne sj



30 April / 1 May	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Domenica Ashworth	Michelle LeMaster	Elizabeth Williamson	Mary Kotefski
7/8 May	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Domenica Ashworth	John McGrath	Margaret Andrews	Mary Kotefski
MORNING TEA : 1st MAY - Rosa & Maureen				

MORNING TEA: in the parish hall this Sunday 1st May, following the 10.30a.m. mass. You are invited to join fellow parishioners for a cuppa and a chat.

GEMS 50+: Our next gathering is on Tuesday May 3rd in the St Francis Xavier Meeting Room 10.00a.m. to 12.00. for some fun and morning tea. New members always welcome and transport is available. Elizabeth 0447195553.

PARISH MASS COUNT: During the next four weekend of May we will be having our annual Mass count. This is normally carried out during the offertory. Thank you.

PROJECT COMPASSION: THANK YOU for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2022 Lenten appeal. Please return your Project Compassion boxes and envelopes. You can place them in the collection bag or return them to the sacristy or the parish house.

NEW !!! ST JOHN'S SOCIAL CLUB: everyone welcome. Join us for cards, board games, chess or for a chat, coffee/tea. Every fortnightly, starting Tuesday, 26th April 2022 , 7 pm - 8.30 pm (St Francis Xavier Room).

A CHANCE TO SAY THANKS: Mass of Thanksgiving for Health and Aged Care Workers. As we emerge from COVID and reflect on the experiences of the past two years, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli invites the community to come together in gratitude to all those who have cared for us during this time on Sunday 1st May at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral.

REMEMBERING THOSE WE HAVE LOST: On Sunday 22nd May at 11am St Patrick's Cathedral, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate a memorial mass for all those who have died during the COVID pandemic and could not be mourned properly due to pandemic restrictions. You are invited to submit the name(s) of those you would like remembered during this Mass by visiting the Holy Souls Chapel at St Patrick's Cathedral or submitting the names online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZKP7QF>

The names will be placed in a basket at the base of the altar, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21-22 May.

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY: Next Sunday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. During this coming week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week.



THIRD ANNUAL BIGGEST MORNING TEA AT ST JOHN'S—MAY 31ST

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is one of Australia's most well known fundraising events and plays a vital role in raising money towards Cancer Council's work in research, education, prevention and support. As an independent, not-for-profit organisation, the Cancer Council play a leading role in reducing the impact of all cancers on all people. Here at St John's we are hosting a **BIGGEST MORNING TEA** in St John's Hall on Tuesday May 31st at 10.30a.m. Entrance \$5 (on the day). Enjoy a delicious morning tea, raffle, games, door and lucky seat prizes. At this stage we are looking for donations of goods towards door and raffle prizes. If you could help out in this way please leave items in the basket in the church foyer. Examples of items include sweets, chocolate, wine, champagne, tea, gourmet biscuits, pantry sauces, jam, pasta, movie tickets, department store gift voucher, or an idea of your own. Thank you in anticipation.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT? – 153 FISH

When the disciples drag ashore their miraculous haul of fish, the gospel writer tells us that there were 153 fish! This seems an odd number and an odd fact to specifically mention. Mathematically, 153 is a number with several interesting attributes, and historically, it has been suggested that the ancients believed that there were 153 species of fish or 153 nations in the world. Like nearly every number used in the Bible, its meaning is symbolic, not literal. It is intended to convey that the catch of fish was huge and is indicative of the vast numbers of people who will be caught up in the disciples' new ministry.

HISTORICAL CONTEXT – FEED MY SHEEP

When Jesus asks Peter, 'Do you love me?' and Peter repeatedly assures Jesus that he does, Jesus instructs Peter to 'Feed my sheep'. This image of feeding sheep is used to describe the caring leadership Peter is to take over the other disciples and the other followers of Jesus. The image of a shepherd has carried through the years and finds expression in the stylised shepherd's crook (crosier) that is carried as a symbol of office by bishops. The people of the church are often referred to as the bishop's flock – further carrying on the image of a shepherd and his sheep

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Xavier Kelly.

THE SICK: Aileen Powell, Patricia Wong, Michael Kemp, Judy Catlow, Gertruda Krzysik.

Please submit any items for the newsletter, including sick, recently deceased and anniversaries, by Thursday morning latest. Thank you.

ENTRANCE : ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
O burning sun with golden beam,
and silver moon with softer gleam!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

COMMUNION: COME TO THE WATER

Refrain:

Come to the water! You who are thirsty!
Though you have nothing, I bid you come!
And be filled with the goodness I have to offer!
Come! Listen! Live.

Why spend your money on what cannot fill
The emptiness deep in your heart?
Listen to My word and you will enjoy
Goodness and peace in your heart!

Just as the heavens are high above earth;
My ways and thoughts beyond you!
Call me your Father and know I am near!
I will be Father to you!

Just as the rain falls to water the earth;
Just as a seed becomes bread
My word upon you can never return
Until My longing is filled!

RECESSIONAL: CHRIST IS ALIVE! WITH JOY WE SING

Christ is alive, with joy we sing;
We celebrate our risen Lord,
Praising the glory of his name.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God and to you,
my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
(And, striking their breast, they say:)
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
(Then they continue:)
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints, and you,
my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to
people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of
God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

NICENE CREED

Ref..

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

Ref..

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

Ref..

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
*(At the words that follow, up to and including and
became man, all bow.)*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.

Amen

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

FIRST READING Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32. 40-41

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 29:2. 4-6. 11-13

Response: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

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./

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./

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 Revelation 5:11-14

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 21:1-19

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night. It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land. As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead. After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. 'I tell you most solemnly, when you were young you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and somebody else will put a belt round you and take you where you would rather not go.' In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.'