

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

LUKE

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

26 JUNE 2022

FREE TO FOLLOW. In today's Gospel Jesus resolutely takes the road to Jerusalem. He knows that his passion and death await him. We also need determination to follow Jesus along the way of the cross. At times we will be tempted to look for excuses to turn back. May the Lord free us from such temptations that we may journey with him through suffering and death to the glory of the resurrection.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 46:2

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you are the image of the unseen God: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You are the first born of all creation: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the head of the body, the Church: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

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.

COLLECT

P. O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the

darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING 1 Kings 19:16, 19-21

A reading from the first book of the Kings
Elisha rose and followed Elijah and became his servant.

The Lord said to Elijah: 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.' Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11. R. cf. v. 5

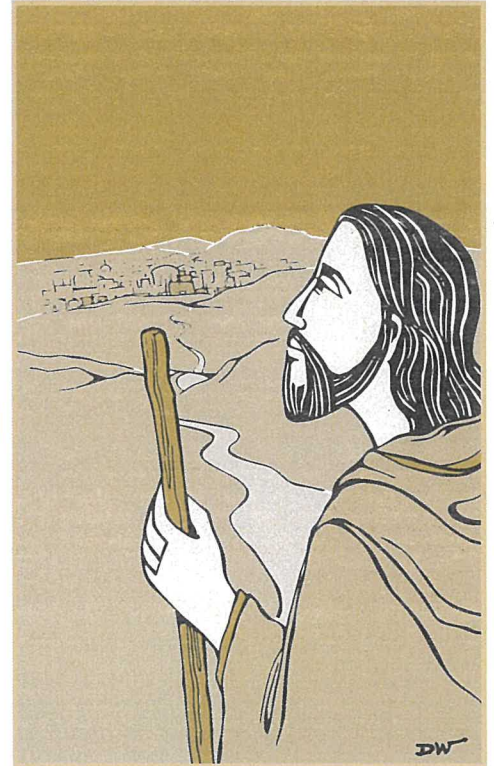
R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. / I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.' / O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; / it is you yourself who are my prize. R.

2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, / who even at night directs my heart. / I keep the Lord ever in my sight: / since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. R.

3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; / even my body shall rest in safety. / For you will not leave my soul among the dead, / nor let your beloved know decay. R.

4. You will show me the path of life, / the fullness of joy in your presence, / at your right hand happiness for ever. R.



SECOND READING Gal 5:1, 13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

My brothers, you were called to freedom.

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.

Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 1 Sam 3:9; Jn 6:68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 9:51-62

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus resolutely set his face towards Jerusalem.

I will follow you wherever you will go.

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. O God, who graciously accomplish the effects of your mysteries, grant, we pray, that the deeds by which we serve you may be worthy of these sacred gifts. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna

in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

 cf. Ps 102:1

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May this divine sacrifice we have offered and received fill us with life, O Lord, we pray, so that, bound to you in lasting charity, we may bear fruit that lasts for ever. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

THE CALL TO FOLLOW

When Paul wrote to the Christians of Galatia it was to his own converts, people he had evangelised and continued to guide in their journey of faith. As Gentile converts Paul had not required them to follow all the demands of the Jewish Law. Later, Jewish Christians arrived arguing that Paul was mistaken and this led to confusion and conflict among them.

Paul's response is to remind the Galatians that they are called to freedom and that Gentile Christians had no need to follow all the requirements of the Jewish Law in order to be Christians. However, the freedom to which Christians are called cannot be confused with self-indulgence since Christians are all called to be faithful to the demands of the higher law of love.

The beginning of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem is the appropriate time to clarify the nature of discipleship and its demands. The disciples must learn that Jesus' road is one of peace and that they should move on quietly when they meet opposition. To the man that says he will follow him Jesus reminds him of the lack of security that lies ahead of disciples. To those who ask leave to bury their dead and say farewell to their parents, Jesus replies that even the demands of family relationships and responsibilities take second place to the call to follow him as disciples.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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WELCOME TO ST. GREGORY'S—DONCASTER

Thirteen Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Parish Office:


Hours: **Mon—Fri 9.30am to 3.30pm**

Tel: **9412 8425**

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 Website: www.stgregs.org.au

Parish Priest: Fr. Charles Balnaves

Parish Secretary: Mon & Tue : Nadia Bolzonello

Wed-Fri: Vera Arief

Mon: Bernadine De Silva (bookkeeping)

MASS TIMES:

Saturday: 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am & 5.00pm

Wed & Fri: 9:00 am

MASS OPEN TO ALL; MASKS / DISTANCING BE CAUTIOUS & CARING / ALWAYS SANITISE;

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isa 66:10–14, Gal 6:14–18, Lk 10:1–12, 17–20

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 9.30am–11am

BAPTISMS: Please ring the Parish Office for future bookings

ST GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Principal: Michelle Verna

Tel: (03) 9848 4483

Email: principal@sgdoncaster.catholic.edu.au

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS:

Contact Margaret O'Donnell at DoncasterRE@cam.org.au

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP: has restarted!

Wednesdays at 9.45 am in the church meeting room.

Contact Terry Morton 0402 307 384.

CORNERSTONE YOUTH GROUP:

First Friday of the month from 7pm–9pm

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: (has restarted)

Hopefully monthly on a Friday from 7pm—9.30pm

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE: Third Monday of the month at 7.30pm in Church meeting room

ST GREGORY'S TENNIS CLUB: Membership enquiries:
Gianna Alessio (President) 0438 410 506

Please pray for:

Those who are **sick** at this time including Chee Choong Seng, Chee Mee Lian, Chianna Sacco, Roy Dos Santos, Judith Morton, Lilia Go, Theresa Yong, Maria Stone, Eliseo Pardillo, Siat Lin, Vincent Aloj, Margaret Dobran, Andrew Wilson, Fr Matthew Abraham CSsR, Wang Wei Qiao, Paul Materazzo, Ian Angus, Eliasari, Dennis Clarke, Veronica, Maria, Veronica, Luz, Carolina, Andrea, Marisa Rodolfo, Angel Gustavo, Margaret Hansen, Fati, Patricia McLeod, Angelique Giacomini, Maureen Tresise

And Those who died recently, Bernadette Sheridan, Liberato Sammassimo **for the repose of the souls of** John Dinneen, and all those whose anniversaries occur at about this time.

Seventy!

It has been marvelous the way you have been recognizing my seventieth birthday, an honour I don't in any way deserve but most certainly deeply appreciate. As I type this I know that following on from the singing last Sunday at Mass and the F-2 children singing at St Charles' School and the morning tea at St Greg's I have at least three more birthday celebrations (St Kevin's School, my family, and the joint parishes party). Thank you.

A comment was made a few days ago that seventy is the mid-point of my life. The comment was made idly, wishing me many more years to come. Taken literally I have no idea whether I want to live to be one hundred and forty but the sentiment expressed spoke deeply to me.

With all my failings, I find that at the age of seventy years I have more enthusiasm than ever before in my life for Jesus Christ and for spreading his Good News. I get tired more easily than at fifty, I don't have all the answers, I forget some things: but I know am called by the Holy Spirit to pour myself into journeying with you in the parishes of St Greg's and St Kevin's. Called to walk together into a future of communities that are both more welcoming and just and merciful and at the same time are more missionary / evangelizing.

I was trying to explain this to Tiziana, Lay Ecclesial Leader at St Kevin's' at our regular Thursday meeting. She commented that it will require a change of culture, and I agree. A change of culture that takes our strengths as a community that gathers in faith and seeks a just and merciful world and at the same time broadens our horizons so that we find ways to reach out and invite others to come and talk about the important things in life; gently inviting others to hear about and meet Jesus; journeying with them to reflect and discern and know the Holy Spirit guiding and challenging and loving each of us.

Thank you for the blessing, energy and enlightenment you give me in the simple act of helping me celebrate my birthday. God Bless, Fr Charles.



Bishop Tony



FR CHARLES HAS KINDLY INVITED
BISHOP TONY IRELAND TO CELEBRATE MASS
WITH THE ST GREGORY THE GREAT COMMUNITY
ON SUNDAY 31 JULY 2022 AT 10.30AM
TO BE FOLLOWED BY MORNING TEA IN THE HALL

EVERYONE IS INVITED
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE

St Gregory's is committed to growing a Child Safety Culture with Love

THIS WEEK

Sat 6.00pm
 Sun 8.30am
 Sun 10.30am
 5.00pm

LECTOR

Ashton Ng, Ashley Ng
 Philip Dunlop, Greg James
 Brian Tyedin, Jenny Tyedin
 Nita Pereira, Viviana Pereira

MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

Robert & Dianne McHugh
 Katica Puhaj, Brian Setter
 Maggie Yong, Lucy Giardino
 Seleana Ng, Margaret O'Donnell

Gerard O'Donnell, Michael Ong (Ctrs)

CARE OF THE CHURCH

Joseph Wu, Agnes Chee

MORNING TEA: Jenny & Brian Tyedin

FLOWERS: Geraldina Donato & Mary Piccoli

NEXT WEEK 02/03 JULY

Sat 6.00pm
 Sun 8.30am
 Sun 10.30am
 5.00pm

LECTORS

Margaret & Gerard O'Donnell
 Ray & Kay Lewis
 Paola Villanueva, Luisa Yambao
 Jerard Sardana, Mary Tonti-Filippini

MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

Margaret O'Donnell & Iris O'Farrell
 Margaret Wallace, Joan Dinneen
 Fred & Agnes Fulia
 Nita Pereira, Viviana Pereira

Seleana Ong, Nita Pereira (Ctrs)

CARE OF THE CHURCH

Leth Go

MORNING TEA: Lina & Don Pavone

FLOWERS: Irene Dharmawan

FACE COVERINGS / DISTANCING: please err on the side of caution and wear a mask inside/in crowds.

Weekday Mass times in the coming week: Tue/Thurs: 9:15 am St Kevin's Lower Templestowe; Wed/, Fri: 9:00 am St Greg's Doncaster.

Masses with congregations: No check-in, no vaccination checks. Still we should hand sanitise and we are encouraged to wear masks if we feel the situation demands it. Parish staff & volunteers within the Parish setting and its outreach are still required to be up to date with their vaccination.

Facebook: Live-streaming: Normally 9:15 am from St Kevin's Tu/Th; Sunday morning 10:00 St Kevin's or 10:30 St Gregory's (alternating). Mass with children participating will generally not be live streamed.

Lost Parishioners?: Our May Mass count suggests that only 50% of people have chosen to come back and gather in person. Who have you not seen return? How can you help them? Maybe they need help?

Transport to Mass: I am aware of at least one parishioner who would like to come to Mass but has not transport. Perhaps there are more. Are you willing to assist someone local get to Mass? Please Contact the office.

St Gregory the Great Catholic Primary School - Open Days In 2022

Tue 8th Nov from 9am—1pm. Register at www.sgdoncaster.catholic.edu.au/ events If you would like to have a School Tour prior to this date please contact the School Office on 98484483.

Parish Facilities: The Tennis Club Room and Courts and the Hall and the Parish Room are becoming available. Room bookings can be made: st.gregoryhall3108@gmail.com and Jess will get back to you. Tennis club use for tennis playing: contact Gianna on 0438 410 506.

2022 VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Each year at about this time we ask you, the parishioners of St Gregory the Great Parish, to donate to the St Vincent de Paul Winter appeal. Inspired by the joy of the Gospels and our Catholic social teachings this is something you can do that will really make a difference to people in need.

As we enter this winter, emerging from but still in the shadow of coronavirus, your commitment to help people who are experiencing disadvantage, poverty and homelessness is very much needed and appreciated. If you are able to contribute to the Vinnies Winter Appeal, you may do so in one of the following ways:-

donate online by visiting vinnies.org.au - Donors can allocate donations to St Gregory the Great, Doncaster, by putting the conference name in the comments field. The direct link to our Conference specific fundraising page is: <https://my.fundraiseforvinniesvic.org.au/vinnies-winter-appeal-2022/doncaster-conference>

- Receipts will be automatically emailed out to donors.
- donate over the phone using a credit card by calling 13 18 12 - Donors can allocate donations to St Gregory the Great, Doncaster, by giving the name of the conference over the phone.
- Make a cash donation using one of the Vinnies envelopes or placing cash in the Vinnies Winter Appeal Donation Box at the back of the church.
- Donate to "Assist a student"- leaflet available in the foyer or buy a ticket in the raffle- funds going to "Assist a student" program

This year the appeal will take place on the weekend of June, 25th & 26th

PIETY STALL


Our little stall sells a wide selection of suitable Christian gifts and cards for the significant sacraments and liturgical times of year. The stall carries a range of Christian items such as gifts for Baptisms, Confirmations and First Holy Eucharist; devotional items; greeting cards and prayer cards.

Electrical items accepted by Vinnies Stores.

Do you have any electrical items that are still in good working conditions and you have no need of anymore?? You can donate them to Vinnies, but not at St Gregs. Take them directly to a Vinnies Store. Nearby are Mont Albert Store (03) 9898 0720 or Vinnies Heidelberg West (03) 9458 3428



Welcome to the families of **Archie Benton** who will be baptised at St Gregory's Church this Sunday



YOUTH NIGHT

Join us 7pm till 9pm

@ The Parish room at St Gregory the Great

Welcome Year 6 - 9



Every 1st Friday of each month

Inviting Youths in grade 6 to year 9 to join us for our Cornerstone youth group meeting on the first Friday of July (1st July) from 7-9pm. The month of July is dedicated to The Precious Blood of Jesus which we will have a discussion on and be playing games.

The Cornerstone Youth Group is not only a good place to stay connected with friends, but to grow your faith towards God. Come journey together with us



Wishing Our Dear Father Charles a wonderful and blessed 70th Birthday!