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*The Holy Scriptures  
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from home*



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**Office Hours: Monday & Friday 10am – 4.30pm**

**29<sup>th</sup> Feb. & 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent, Yr A**



**CELEBRATIONS: 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

Monday	9.00am	Mass of Monday of the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of Lent
Tuesday	4.30pm	Lectio Divina on last Sunday's Gospel
	5.00pm	Mass of Tuesday of the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of Lent
Wednesday	9.00am	Mass of Wednesday of the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of Lent
Thursday		No Mass
Friday	4.30pm	Scripture Rosary, Autumn Ember Day 
	5.00pm	Mass of Friday of the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of Lent with Anointing
	After Mass	Stations of the Cross 
Saturday	9.15am	Reconciliation
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	Mass of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, yr A
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	Mass of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, yr A
	<b>10.00am</b>	Mass of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, yr A



● **Pope's Lenten Message:** Quote: *"In this favourable season, then, may we allow ourselves to be led like Israel into the desert (cf. Hos 2:14), so that we can at last hear our Spouse's voice and allow it to resound ever more deeply wit, the more we will experience the mercy he freely gives us. May we not let this time of grace pass in vain, in the foolish illusion that we can control the times and means of our conversion to him."* Copies of the full text are in the church foyer. ● Lent is a penitential season for the whole Church of prayer, self-denial and helping others. So join in prayer together with the **Stations of the Cross** on Fridays and as part of our self-denial and helping others, contribute to **Project Compassion** using the boxes provided.

● **Interest in a Social:** The Parish Pastoral Council is proposing a social gathering if there is enough interest. The proposal is for a BYO Finger Food Lunch on a Sunday in the Presbytery. If you would be interested in such a social event, then put your name on the list in the church foyer.

**Lectors: 29<sup>th</sup> Feb / 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020**

6.00pm .... P.Donnelly    8.00am .... J.Amore    10.00am ... A.Black

**7<sup>th</sup> March / 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

6.00pm .... P.Wallace    8.00am .... R.Bellomia    10.00am ... I.Ellwood

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

**29<sup>th</sup> Feb / 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020**

6.00pm ... M.Young    8.00am .... A.Wells    10.00am .... D.Foster

**7<sup>th</sup> March / 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

6.00pm ... B.Eames    8.00am .... M.Coyle    10.00am .... B.Ellwood

**God's Housekeepers this Week:** 5<sup>th</sup> March .... Group B 12<sup>th</sup> March .... Group C

**Counting Teams:**

**March:** David & Dely and Ian & Barbara Ellwood

**Last week's Offerings:**

First (Support of the Priests) \$788.00. Second (Support of the Parish/Hall) \$1027.50



➤ **PENITENTIAL RITE:**

⌘ Lord Jesus, you provide us with all we need.

Lord, have mercy. All: *Lord, have mercy.*

⌘ Christ Jesus, you protect us when we fall.

Christ, have mercy. All: *Christ, have mercy.*

⌘ Lord Jesus, you alone are worthy of all worship.

Lord, have mercy. All: *Lord, have mercy.*



➤ **FIRST READING: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7**

*Creation of our first parents, and sin.*

➤ **RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 50:3-6,12-14,17**

***℟ Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.***

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin.

***℟***

My offences truly I know them; my sin is always before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned;  
what is evil in your sight I have done.

***℟***

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your holy spirit.

***℟***

Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervour sustain me.  
O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise.

***℟***

➤ **SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-19**

*Where sin increased, there grace abounded all the more.*

➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!***

***No one lives on bread alone,***

***but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.***

***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!***

➤ **GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11**



***Please pray for those who are sick especially:***

**John Coughlin, Mike Henry, Denise Vidoni, Mark Burns, Jenny Brewer, Hank Morris, and all those who need our prayers. May they receive the Lord's comfort and strength.**

(Because we respect your privacy – For people to be named on the list of the prayers for the sick: their names must first be submitted on an AUTHORIZATION FORM available in the church foyer or from the Parish Office.).

**Please pray for Denise Marmion, who died recently, and for Jessie Testa, Joan Cuff, Francesco and Natalina Panucci, Aldo Di Stefano and Vella Angelico whose anniversaries occur about this time, and for all who have died. May they rest in peace.**

## PARISH PRAYER

Father, pour out your Spirit upon the people of this Parish so that, inspired by your Word, nourished at your table and graced by your empowering love, our lives may be devoted to the service of our brothers and sisters and the building of your Kingdom. May our Parish Community truly be, for this place and time, the Body of Christ your Son, through whom we make this prayer. **AMEN.**

### Responses during the Mass

Fr Joe: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

❖ Penitential Rite: see p2

❖ Homily then **Creed:**

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

**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.**

**For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, 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 look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

❖ At the end of the preparation of the gifts:

Fr Joe: Pray my brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

(ALL STAND) **now:**

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

Fr Joe: The mystery of faith.

**When we eat this Bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.**

Comm. Antiphon: (Used **only** when there is **NO** Communion Hymn)

**The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of bread.**

❖ Dismissal

Fr Joe: Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

### **Readings for next Sunday:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, Yr A**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: **Genesis 12: 1-4**

Resp. Psalm: **Ps 32: 4-5. 18-20. 22**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 1: 8-10**

Gospel: **Matthew 17: 1-9**

**WORD of God – are we Listening better ?**

➔ **Use these notes** to pray through Lectio Divina on the text of this Sunday's Gospel:

**Lectio:** We begin the readings for the Lenten Season. They are chosen to accompany our journey of renewal through Lent until we renew our commitment to our faith at Easter. So we start with the temptations of the Lord to remind us of the continuing temptations we face as followers of Jesus.

Read: **Matthew 4: 1-11**

**Meditatio:** Have there been times when I have been more vulnerable to temptation; e.g. through stress or weariness? Stones into bread – do I sometimes ask for things that are not possible? How important is the word of God for me? Do I do things that are too risky? Do I take due care of my health and my life? Do I let money, possessions or power rule my life? How do I deal with temptations?

**Oratio:** Pray for faith and wisdom to recognise temptations and the dangers in them. Pray for extra resolve to be true to Jesus and not to be caught out in times of stress etc. Pray for the proper use of money and power. Pray that Lent will be a time of critical reflection and renewal of our lives.

**Contemplatio** – Dwell in stillness, simply aware of the boundless expanse of mercy that surrounds you.

**After your prayer** – Give to Project Compassion; put its box in a prominent place in your home.

✍ Fr Joe

## **Coming Events in 2020**

**2020 – Plenary Council Year**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Pastoral Council after 5pm Mass
- 11<sup>th</sup> March – Fr Joe away on Priests' Prayer Day
- 12<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Sunday

● **Buy a Ticket** in our Combined Catholic Churches Raffle 2020. This is a Major Fundraiser for the Parish. There are **14 Prizes including 3 Cars**. Tickets are \$2 each and can be purchased in the church foyer or from the Parish Office. Buy a ticket; support our Parish. ✍ Fr Joe