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*The Holy Scriptures  
 are our letters  
 from home*



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

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



**CELEBRATIONS: 9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

Monday	9.00am	Mass of Monday of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of Lent
Tuesday	4.30pm	Lectio Divina on last Sunday's Gospel
	5.00pm	Mass of Tuesday of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of Lent
Wednesday	Fr Joe at Priests' Lenten Prayer Day	
Thursday	No Mass	
Friday	4.30pm	Scripture Rosary 
	5.00pm	Mass of Friday of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of Lent
	After Mass	Stations of the Cross 
Saturday	9.15am	Reconciliation
<u>Saturday</u>	6.00pm	Mass of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent, yr A
<u>Sunday</u>	8.00am	Mass of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent, yr A
	10.00am	Mass of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent, yr A



Plenary Council 2020  
 Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

- **More CHOIR Members:** The 'ministry of singers' is a great blessing for our Parish. We thank our Choir and Shelia Wells for all they are doing to enhance our Liturgies. Please consider joining the Choir! You can learn on the job. Please consider this shared ministry! Shelia and the choir members welcome all new members!
- **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*
- **Interest in a Social:** The Parish Pastoral Council's proposal is for a BYO Finger Food Lunch on a Sunday in the Presbytery has gained significant interest. If you would be interested in such a social event, then put your name on the list in the church foyer. The Pastoral Council will decide at its next meeting on a date.

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

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

**14<sup>th</sup> March / 15<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

6.00pm .... G.Newbegin    8.00am .... M.Coyle    10.00am ...M.Beyer

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

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

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

**14<sup>th</sup> March / 15<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

6.00pm ... G.Steele    8.00am .... B.Wells    10.00am ....J.Tibbs

**God's Housekeepers this Week:** 12<sup>th</sup> March .... Group C 19<sup>th</sup> March .... Group D

**Counting Teams:**

March: David & Dely and Ian & Barbara Ellwood

**Last week's Offerings:**

First (Support of the Priests) \$882.00 Second (Support of the Parish/Hall) \$1092.00



➤ **PENITENTIAL RITE:**

- ⌘ Lord Jesus, you are the Son of God.  
Lord, have mercy. All: **Lord, have mercy.**
- ⌘ Christ Jesus, you are the fulfillment of prophecy.  
Christ, have mercy. All: **Christ, have mercy.**
- ⌘ Lord Jesus, you are the voice of truth.  
Lord, have mercy. All: **Lord, have mercy.**

➤ **FIRST READING: *Genesis 12:1-4***  
*The call of Abraham, the father of God's people.*

➤ **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**℟ Lord, let your mercy be on us,  
as we place our trust in you.**

**The word of the Lord is faithful  
and all his works to be trusted.  
The Lord loves justice and right  
and fills the earth with his love.**

**℟**

**The Lord looks on those who revere him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine.**

**℟**

**Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you.**

**℟**

➤ **SECOND READING: *2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 1:8-10***  
*God has saved us, and called us to be holy.*

➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

***Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!***

**From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:  
this is my beloved Son, hear him.**

***Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!***

➤ **GOSPEL: *Matthew 17:1-9***  
*His face shone like the sun.*

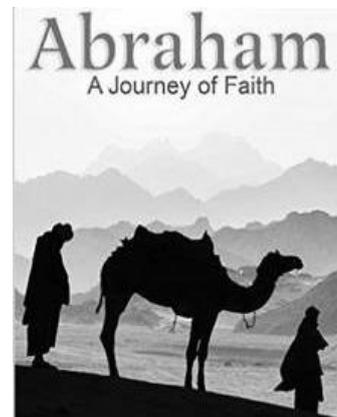
***Please pray for those who are sick especially:***

**Nat Drago, Raelene Watt, 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 those who died recently, and for those whose anniversary occurs about this  
time, and for all who have died. May they rest in peace.**

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## 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 grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 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.

**Save us, Saviour of our world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.**

Comm. Antiphon: (Used **only** when there is **NO** Communion Hymn)  
**This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: listen to him.**

❖ Dismissal

Fr Joe: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

### Readings for next Sunday:

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent, Yr A

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: **Exodus 17: 3-7**

Resp. Psalm: **Ps 94: 1-2. 6-9**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **Romans 5: 1-2. 5-8**

Gospel: **John 4: 5-42**

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

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

**Lectio:** Readings in Lent are chosen to lead us on a journey to renew our commitment to our faith at Easter. So, our Gospel text is 13 chapters on from last Sunday's text. Last Sunday the devil was probing Jesus with his temptations, beginning with: "*If you are the Son of God*". The disciples and those with Jesus were being led through Jesus' words, actions and miracles (13 chapters) to believe in him as the Son of God. Peter, James and John had been with Jesus from the start of his ministry and would be there at his death. The transfiguration reveals to them the truth that Jesus is the Son of God.

Read: **Matthew 17: 1 - 9**

**Meditatio:** How am I going on my journey of Lent? Who is Jesus for me? Who are the key people who have been with me in my life? What glimpses of God's glory have I seen? [Tents, for the Jews, were associated with the presence of God among them. Creation was God's tent over them (like a cloud), the Ark was kept in a Tent and then in the Temple, they celebrated the 'Feast of Tents' (Tabernacles).] Where is God present in my life, my tents?

**Oratio:** Pray that we will recognize Jesus' presence with us; he is God's Son. Pray for a renewal of faith through Lent. Pray that God will spread his tent over us and bless us.

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

**After your prayer** – Make the responses at Mass not just routine but rather, expressions of your faith in Jesus' presence among us.

✉ Fr Joe

## Coming Events in 2020

### 2020 – Plenary Council Year

- 11<sup>th</sup> March – Fr Joe away on Priests' Prayer Day
- 17<sup>th</sup> March – St Pat's Day, Green Cuppa after 5pm Mass
- 31<sup>st</sup> March – Pastoral Council after 5pm Mass
- 12<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Sunday





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