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from home*

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Office Hours: Monday & Friday 10am – 4.30pm

15th & 16th February 2020

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr A

CELEBRATIONS: 17th – 23rd February 2020

Monday 9.00am

Mass of Monday Ord. Time week 6, yr II

Tuesday { 4.30pm

Lectio Divina on last Sunday's Gospel

{ 5.00pm

Mass of Tuesday Ord. Time week 6, yr II

Wednesday 9.00am

Mass of Wednesday Ord. Time week 6, yr II

Thursday

No Mass

Friday { 4.30pm

Scripture Rosary

{ 5.00pm

Mass of Friday Ord. Time week 6, Yr II

Saturday 9.15am

Reconciliation

Saturday 6.00pm Mass of 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, yr A

Sunday 8.00am Mass of 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, yr A

10.00am Mass of 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, yr A

● **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.

● **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*

● **Sacramental Preparation** Children wishing to celebrate sacraments after Baptism need to contact Fr Joe as soon as possible. 1st Reconciliation in yrs 3 & 5 will be celebrated before Easter and preparations will begin soon. Individual arrangements will be made for those wishing to celebrate 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Lectors:

15th Feb / 16th Feb 2020

6.00pm B.Eames 8.00am R.Bellomia 10.00am ... D.Jones

22nd Feb / 23rd Feb 2020

6.00pm P.Magri 8.00am N.Bosquet 10.00am ... D.Thirard

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

15th Feb / 16th Feb 2020

6.00pm ... T.Jenkins 8.00am B.Wells 10.00am M.Beyer

22nd Feb / 23rd Feb 2020

6.00pm ... K.Steele 8.00am M.Coyle 10.00am B.Ellwood

God's Housekeepers this Week: 20th Feb Group E 27th Feb Group A

Counting Teams:

February: Michael Beyer and Barry Bramwell

Last week's Offerings:

First (Support of the Priests) **\$803.00** Second (Support of the Parish/Hall) **\$1081.00**





➤ **PENITENTIAL RITE:**

- ⌘ Lord Jesus, you are almighty and all-seeing.
Lord, have mercy. All: *Lord, have mercy.*
- ⌘ Christ Jesus, you are the Lord of Glory
Christ, have mercy. All: *Christ, have mercy.*
- ⌘ Lord Jesus, you are the completion of the Law and the prophets
Lord, have mercy. All: *Lord, have mercy.*

➤ **FIRST READING: *Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20***

He never commanded anyone to be godless.

➤ **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 181: 1,2,4,5,17,18,33,34

R Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

**They are happy whose life is blameless, who follow God's law !
They are happy those who do his will, seeking him with all their hearts.**

R

**You laid down your precepts to be obeyed with care.
May my footsteps be firm to obey your statutes.**

R

**Bless your servant and I shall live and obey your word.
Open my eyes that I may consider the wonders of your law.**

R

**Teach me the demands of your statutes and I will keep them to the end.
Train me to observe your law, to keep it with my heart.**

R

➤ **SECOND READING: *1st Corinthians 2:6-10***

God in his wisdom predestined our glory before the ages began.

➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, Alleluia.

***Blessed are you Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
You have revealed to the little ones
the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia!***

➤ **GOSPEL: *Matthew 5:17-37***

Much was said to your ancestors; but I am speaking to you.



Please pray for those who are sick especially:

Mike Henry, Denise Vidoni, Maurice Sikorski, Denise Marmion, 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 Lord be with You.

All: **And with your spirit.**

❖ Penitential Rite: see p2

All: **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.**

❖ Homily then **Creed:**

All: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, he 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 shall 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**

❖ 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 the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Comm. Antiphon: (Used only when there is **NO** Communion Hymn)
God loved the world so much, he gave his only Son, that all who believe in him might not perish, but might have eternal life.

❖ Dismissal

Fr Joe: Go in peace.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Readings for next Sunday:

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

1st Reading: **Leviticus 19: 1-2. 17-18**

Resp. Psalm: **Ps 102: 1-4. 8. 10. 12-13**

2nd Reading: **1st Corinthians 3: 16-23**

Gospel: **Matthew 5: 38 - 48**

WORD of God – are we Listening better ?

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

Lectio: Our text continues the first teaching of Jesus in Matthew's Gospel – *the Sermon on the Mount*. Jesus began with the Beatitudes as the pattern for his disciples then the 2 proverbs, describing a disciples' mission as salt of the earth and light of the world. Now Jesus teaches his disciples that they are called to go further than the minimums set by the Law.

Read: Matthew 5: 17 - 37

Or shorter form: Mt 5:20-22, 27-28, 33-34, 37

Meditatio: Do I live my faith just to fulfil my obligations or do I go further than that? Do I see how the laws are the base on which I then build my life as a Christian? When I repent, after doing wrong, do I go further, in a timely way, to repair the damage I have done to myself and to others? Have hurts led to resentments and a deadness within me? Do I tolerate some things that are false or evil? What am I obsessed by? Do these obsessions help me be a better Christian or do they need to be cut out? Am I clear and truthful in all I say?

Oratio: Pray for a faith that is strong and not lukewarm. Pray for healing for all who have been hurt in any way. Pray for those who harbour ill-will to others. Pray for faithfulness in marriage. Pray for judges and all working in our legal system. Pray truth will eliminate the need to swear.

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

After your prayer – Find ways to go a bit further in caring for others.

✍ Fr Joe

Coming Events in 2020

2020 – Plenary Council Year

- 18th February – Finance Committee Meeting
- By 21st February – Sacraments enrolments
- 25th Feb – 4.30pm Ceremony – Burning of the Palms, 5pm Mass followed by Pancake Supper
- 26th February – Ash Wed, 9am & 7pm Masses
- 12th April – Easter Sunday

►► Cleaner for Presbytery: a paid job is offered for a parishioner to clean the presbytery – see Fr Joe.



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