

## 13th Week of Ordinary Time II

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*The Holy Scriptures  
are our letters  
from home*



### 29<sup>th</sup> June to 5<sup>th</sup> July 2020

## Newsletter, Prayers & Reflections

### ► COVID-19 Pandemic:

**Till 12<sup>th</sup> July, under strict conditions, there can be Masses and Services in Churches for 20 persons.**

SEE BELOW for details for Masses and how to be one of a group of 20 for a Mass.

Website <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass> has Mass online; TV Mass 11am Sun. C31(44).

Information about COVID-19 is found at: [www.cam.org.au/coronavirus](http://www.cam.org.au/coronavirus)

NOTE: The Sunday Obligation of the Faithful will not apply until further notice.

● **Groups for Masses:** In accordance with COVID-19 instructions, names and contact numbers of all who attend Masses are to be recorded and appropriate sanitation and social distancing are to be practiced. **Forms are available in front of the HALL**, to record your **FIRST name** for one of a group of 35 for Masses. Please put your name down as early as possible so as not to miss out !!

### ● CELEBRATIONS 29<sup>th</sup> June – 5<sup>th</sup> July 2020 for **assigned Groups of 20 only !!**

Monday	9.00am	Mass Solemnity of <b>Sts Peter and Paul</b>
Tuesday	9.00am	Mass Optional Memorial <b>First Martyrs of Rome</b>
Wednesday		No Mass
Thursday	9.30am	Mass with <b>Fr John Paul Mount</b> , New Administrator Dromana.
Friday		No Mass

**Saturday** 6.00pm Mass of the **14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**, yr A,

**Sunday** 11.00am Mass of the **14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**, yr A.

● **Keep in Touch:** See our website: <http://perpetualhelp.org.au>

● **Support Your Parish:** There will be baskets for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> collections at each Mass during June.

### Mass Times etc. in Dromana from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020:

Weekend: **Saturday: 6pm, Sunday: 11am**

**Tuesday:** 5pm – 5.30pm Reconciliation, 5pm – 6pm Adoration, **6pm Mass**

**Thursday:** **9.30am Mass**

## FAMILY PRAYER at HOME – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ord. Time Yr A

**Leader:** Anyone who welcomes us welcomes Jesus. **All:** And welcomes the Father who sent us Jesus.

**Leader:** 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, one God, for ever and ever. **All:** Amen.

➤ **FIRST READING:** *2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 4:8-11, 14-16*  
*That is the holy man of God, let him remain there.*

➤ **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**R For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.**

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;  
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.  
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,  
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens.

**R**

Happy the people who acclaim such a king,  
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,  
who find their joy every day in your name,  
who make your justice the source of their bliss.

**R**

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength;  
it is by your favour that our might is exalted:  
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;  
our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel.

**R**

➤ **SECOND READING:** *Romans 6:3-4, 8-11*  
*Having been buried with him through baptism, we shall walk in new life.*

➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!** You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people.  
Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvelous light.  
**Alleluia!**

➤ **GOSPEL:** *Matthew 10:37-42*

*Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me.*

► Think about the readings. You can use Lectio Divina on p3 for reflection on the Gospel.

**Leader:** Receive, Lord, my entire freedom. Accept the whole of my memory, my intellect and my will. Whatever I have or possess, it was you who gave it to me; I restore it to you in full, and I surrender it completely to the guidance of your will. Give me only love of you together with your grace, and I am rich enough and ask for nothing more. Through Christ our Lord. **All:** Amen.

**Leader:** Lord we witness to you in all we do, so let us pray as Jesus taught us: **All:** Our Father ...

**Leader:** May we live as true followers of Jesus.

**All:** In the name of the Father, ✚ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**(Ecumenical prayer from the National Council of Churches. We have been invited to pray this prayer at 7pm each day.)**

Gracious God, We give thanks anew for your providence and presence. We prayerfully seek your grace, amidst COVID-19 here and overseas. We pray for those in need of healing. We pray for your peace with those who are anxious or grieving. We pray you will continue to strengthen and sustain all those who are serving in response. We pray for your Holy Spirit's discernment amidst the many choices and decisions facing our national, community and medical leaders. We pray we each might see quickly what more we can do to help those who are vulnerable. This prayer for our nation in the family of nations, with all that is on our hearts, we gather now and pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



**St Joseph, Protector of the Church, pray for us.**

● **StVdeP Winter Appeal:** This Appeal is more vital than ever with many StVdeP shops closed. Our Conference has 100 needy families on their books. Please be generous in supporting their Winter Appeal. You can donate: ① at [vinnies.org.au](http://vinnies.org.au) ② ☎ 131812 (for records – mention Dromana Parish) or ③ in the church: use the collection basket or the **Poor box** in the foyer.



*Thank you in Anticipation* – Alan Trigg, Conference President.

- **Fr Joe Retires** on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June**. Some books he has used are for the taking in the church foyer.
- **Recipe Book:** Fr Joe has put together a 'Dromana Parish Cookbook', copies \$5 ea. Thanks to the Chefs!
- **Return Raffle Tickets** for the combined churches raffle **ASAP or no later than 1<sup>st</sup> August**. Ticket butts can be returned to the Parish office or the drop-off box beside the presbytery door. *Thanks.* ✍ Fr Joe

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**Readings of next Sunday:**  
**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr A**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Reading **Zechariah 9: 9-10**  
 Resp. Psalm: **Ps 144: 1-2. 8-11. 13-14**  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **Romans 8: 9. 11-13**  
 Gospel: **Matthew 11: 25-30**

**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 concludes Jesus' instructions to the twelve preparing them to be his witnesses. He has just told them to not be afraid even though their tasks are very challenging. The challenge will also be for their families because they must make a choice for Jesus and family ties will have to change. Also, they must know there will be rewards for their choice for Jesus and that their witnessing can be in the simplest actions. The twelve are not yet sent out (i.e. to be his Apostles) but Jesus goes on to sort out the role of John the Baptist's witness.

Read: **Matthew 10: 37 - 42**

*Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. 'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me. 'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward. 'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'*

■ (Mt 10:37-42)

**Meditatio:** How do I balance family responsibilities with my choice to follow Jesus and to be his witness? Have I definitely made a choice to be a follower of Jesus i.e. to make him essential to my life? Am I carrying my cross i.e. taking up the challenges of following Jesus? Do I limit how much I do as a follower of Jesus? Am I aware that, as a Christian, I represent Jesus to others? Am I wary of being 'a

prophet? Have I experienced God's blessings for witnessing to Jesus? Do I do the little things as well as the bigger things in being Jesus' witness i.e. helping and caring in the simple ordinary ways?

**Oratio:** Pray for a renewal in missionary focus in our Church and in our Parish. Pray for families that they may not exclude the practice of their faith in the choices that they make. Pray for a readiness to carry our crosses i.e. make every effort to follow Jesus. Pray that our lives may witness to Jesus in a clear and confident way. Pray that good deeds will not be omitted because they are considered insignificant.

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

**After your prayer** – Give good example in all you do.

✍ Fr Joe

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

Carl Rooney (Fr Joe's nephew), John Jose, 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 from the Parish Office.)

**+ Please pray for** Bernice Robertson and Margaret Cochrane who died recently, and for those whose anniversary occurs about this time, and for all who have died. May they rest in peace.

● **More Prayers etc. for 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday:**

Connect to <https://litedliturgybrisbane.weebly.com/>

► **e-mails:** Please send the Parish an e-mail to [dromana@cam.org.au](mailto:dromana@cam.org.au) so you can keep in touch during these changing times for Dromana Parish.

**Thanks & Farewell:** It has been my privilege and my honour to serve you, the Parishioners of Dromana Parish. It has been a time of transition for me and for our Parish. We built on the heritage of the Pauline Fathers and transitioned to the traditions of the Archdiocese of Melbourne as an archdiocesan parish. We are amid difficult times living under the restrictions of the Pandemic. Our State is recovering from drought & bushfires, and our Nation, and many families, are under financial stress. May these make us stronger in faith and ready for whatever is to come.

✍ Farewell, Yours in Christ. Fr Joe

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from 1st July**

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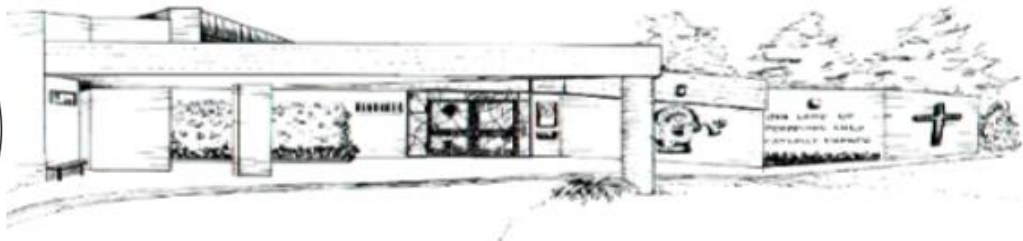
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# Prayer Service of Thanksgiving and Blessing

**Come as you are.** Sung

**Reading:** 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 3:5-9a

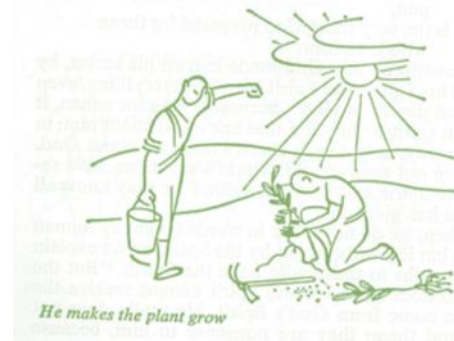
A reading from the 1<sup>st</sup> Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

You must not act as worldly men:

After all, who is Apollos? And who is Paul? We are simply God's servants, by whom you were led to believe. Each one of us does the work the Lord gave him to do: I planted the seed, Apollos watered the plant, but it was God who made things grow. The one who plants and the one who waters really do not matter. It is God who matters, because he makes the plant grow. There is no difference between the man who plants and the man who waters; God will reward each one according to the work he has done. For we are partners working together for God.

The Word of the Lord.

Reflection



Let us pray together:

## Prayer of Self-offering

Receive, Lord, my entire freedom.

Accept the whole of my memory, my intellect and my will.

Whatever I have or possess, it was you who gave it to me;

I restore it to you in full, and I surrender it completely

to the guidance of your will.

Give me only love of you together with your grace,

and I am rich enough and ask for nothing more. Amen.



# Thanksgiving

We share some prayers of Thanksgiving.

And let us pray together:



## We Give Thanks

Our Father in Heaven, we give thanks for the pleasure of gathering together for this occasion. We give thanks for this food prepared by loving hands. We give thanks for life, the freedom to enjoy it all, and all other blessings. As we partake of this food, we pray for health and strength to carry on and try to live as You would have us. This we ask in the name of Christ, Our Heavenly Father.

■ Harry Jewell

## Sharing together

### Blessing Prayer

Loving God, bless all those gathered here today as we come together in friendship and fellowship. Thank you for the blessings of our individual and collective God-given gifts. Place in our hearts the desire to make a difference to our families, to our community, to our country, and to the many cultures and peoples worldwide. Give us balance in times of distraction and uncertainty. Help us move towards our goals with determination and always with an abundant sense of humor. Thank you for our faith in a world where many know fear; for friends in a world where many know only loneliness. Please bless those who have worked to make today the special occasion that it is. For all of this we give you thanks.

■ Izola White, adapted

## Blessing

**I will never Forget you.** Sung