



HOLY EUCHARIST PARISH

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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

19 & 20 JUNE 2021

REDEMPTORIST COMMUNITY

Mission Leader

Fr Peter Danh CSsR

Parish Priest

Fr Vincent Long Pham CSsR

Assistant Parish Priest

Fr Vinsensius (Lovin) Lolo CSsR

Fr Oche Matutina CSsR

Fr Patrick Corbett CSsR

Parish Secretary

Mary-Lucy Atonio PH: 9366 1310

Parish School Principal

Michael Bonnici PH: 8312 0900

Filipino Chaplain

Fr Joselito Asis

South Sudanese Chaplain

Deacon George B.P.Meat

MASS TIMES

- ◆ **Tues-Fri:** 9:00am
- ◆ **Saturday:** 5:00pm in Winter
6:00pm Daylight saving time
- ◆ **Sunday:** 9:00am, 10:30am,
6:00pm
12:00pm Vietnamese

Other Masses

- 1st & 2nd Sun Sudanese Mass -
3.00pm
- 3rd Sun Samoan Mass - 2.00pm
- 4th Sun Filipino Mass - 3.00pm

SOCIAL OFFICE

Contact: Son Nguyen

Phone 9366 1310

Tuesday & Friday 10:00am-3:00pm.

RCIA: Please contact Br. Anthony Gatt on 0419 115 692 or call the Parish Office for more details.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Preca Centre, 29 Rosslare Parade,
St Albans – Ph: 9356 0734 between 7-
8pm or Br Tony on 0419 115 692

Email: precastalbans@tpg.com.au

www.precacommunity.org

Co-Ordinator: Br. Noel Debono

OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES

The restrictions in place are compulsory as issued under lawful direction of the Chief Health Officer of Victoria. As of 11:59pm, 10 June 2021:

- ⇒ **All people must carry a face covering when leaving home** unless they have a lawful reason not to
- ⇒ It is **mandatory to wear fitted face coverings in all indoor public spaces** unless you have a lawful reason not to do so, or are a child under 12 years of age
- ⇒ Please use the hand sanitizer provided and keep social distancing at all time.
- ⇒ Rite of Peace, please avoid shaking hands but instead say “Peace be with you” and offer a smile, wave, nod or bow.
- ⇒ Please observe social distancing at Holy Communion, which will only be given in the hand.
- ⇒ If you feel unwell, please do not attend the Mass you are registered for and advise the Parish Office, so as to allow someone else on the waiting list to attend.
- ⇒ Record keeping remains an important and critical tool for keeping all in the community safe.

Under no circumstances should anyone awaiting a COVID-19 test verification, including Clergy (even without presenting symptoms) attend a church or parish setting until a diagnosis is confirmed. Additionally, under no circumstances should anyone attend who is closely connected to people who are awaiting test results or who have tested positive. Thanks for your collaboration. God bless and protect us always

WEEKEND MASS BOOKING

Please note we continue to take bookings for Mass attendees until the increases to attend Mass. Please contact the Parish Office to let us know that you would like to attend.

Phone: 9366 1310

Office Hours: 9am - 3.30pm from Tuesday to Friday.

We kindly encourage you to check-in using the QR Codes provided around the Church to assist with any contact tracing. Thank you for your cooperation.

SCHOOL NEWS

ENROLMENTS 2022

Enrolments are now open for 2022. We have already had a number of enquiries at the office from new families who wish to enrol their child for Grade Prep in 2022. It is really important that our current parents register their child/ren at the office if they wish to enrol them Grade Prep in 2022. Unfortunately, due to the restrictions we have had to postpone interviewing our new enrolment applicants. Hopefully we will be able to conduct the interviews in the coming weeks.

VIRTUAL TOUR OF HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL

Unfortunately, due to the new restrictions we are unable to have small group tours for families to see our amazing school. However, in the meantime, we invite you to take a brief tour of our school by visiting our school website or by clicking on the following link; [https:// www. hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/#home-video](https://www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/#home-video) We hope that this presentation will provide you with some insight into this vibrant school. If you would like further information, please call our school office on 8312 0900 or please email principal@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au

THE LIVING WORD

First reading Job 38:1,8-11

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gives Job his answer

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said: Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

Responsorial Psalm Ps. 106(107):23-26,28-32

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Some sailed to the sea in ships
to trade on the mighty waters.
These men have seen the Lord's deeds,
the wonders he does in the deep.

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

For he spoke; he summoned the gale,
tossing the waves of the sea
up to heaven and back into the deep;
their souls melted away in their distress.

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Then they cried to the Lord in their need
and he rescued them from their distress.
He stilled the storm to a whisper:
all the waves of the sea were hushed.

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

They rejoiced because of the calm
and he led them to the haven they desired.
Let them thank the Lord for his love,
for the wonders he does for men.

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Second reading 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

We do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them.

From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 4:35-41

'Even the wind and the sea obey him'

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

Today's gospel story looks back to the parables in the first part of the chapter and to the crowds that heard them. The story also looks forward as it marks the beginning of the second major section of Mark's gospel (4:35-8:21), a section that seems to be structured around a number of crossings of the lake or Sea of Galilee. Jesus' decision to move with his disciples out of familiar territory is deliberate: "Let us go across to the other side." The crossing itself is difficult, as is the challenge that confronts them on the other side of the lake. From the disciples' perspective, the seeming indifference of the sleeping Jesus is even more disturbing than the storm that threatens their safe crossing: "Do you not care that we are perishing?" Jesus demonstrates that he does indeed care. From his perspective, the problem is with the fear in their hearts, a fear that is grounded in their lack of faith: "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?"

In the context of this Markan story, Jesus is like the sower in the parable (4:27-28) who goes to sleep and trusts that the seed will sprout and grow and bear fruit-which it does. Within a first-century Jewish context, Jesus' ability to "rebuke" the storm is a sign of divine power. In the Psalms, for instance, the God of Israel is the one who stills the roaring of the seas (Psalm 65:5) and controls the creatures that inhabit the waters (Psalm 89:9). Today's first reading has insisted that God commands the sea and all of its moods. In the Book of Job, God the Birthing Mother presents Job with a series of rhetorical questions, reminding him and us that, while the sea may be threatening, it is God's new born infant, wrapped in God's swaddling clothes of darkness and cloud (Job 38).

We read Mark's little story against the backdrop of the Hebrew Scriptures. We might also read it in light of contemporary science and find within it a call to consider how our species respects or fails to respect and to nurture the fruit of God's womb, the cosmos. The story of the storm at sea is most certainly not an invitation to be complacent about the extreme weather events on our planet, trusting in God that all will be well. While such terrifying events can derive from the movement of tectonic plates over which we have no control, they can also derive from or be exacerbated by excessive carbon and methane emissions. We pollute the atmosphere and make the seas to rise at our peril. Trust in God may involve relinquishing vested interests and engaging the processes that are designed to reverse the effects of the human-induced climate crisis. As nations begin to embrace more ambitious climate action, we have some reason to hope. Our hope is grounded in God who moves us to action.

By Veronica Lawson RSM

LIVE THE LIFE THAT GOD HAS GIVEN YOU TO THE FULLEST

One of the earliest prayers I recall was this: "God, I want to do BIG things for you!" I was between five and six years old at the time, and prayer was a spontaneous, even impulsive, act often motivated by powerful, zealous emotions or thoughts. I didn't know the implications of such a prayer, or that the attachment to "greatness"—whatever that entailed—would, or could, require monumental sacrifice and suffering on my part.

Because most of us are waiting for something bigger and better to happen to us in the future, or we dwell upon the regrets over what we wish we had fulfilled in the past, we neglect to notice the subtle underpinnings of the Holy Spirit's movements in the only time and place we have been given—now.

Living in the present moment is a timeless spiritual topic, one that has nearly become a common cliché in Catholic parlance. Yet few of us strive, and even fewer of us live, in what we could call the here and now. Though mindfulness techniques have become popular in our culture, they fall short on how to adequately embrace the quiet stirrings of God in and around us.

Waiting To Live Is Not Living Fully

"... We tell ourselves, we don't really have a life, but later we will 'live life to the full.'... We may spend our whole lives waiting to live. Thus, we risk not fully accepting the reality of our present lives. Yet, what guarantee is there that we won't be disappointed when the long-awaited time arrives? Meanwhile, we don't put our hearts sufficiently into today, and so miss graces we should be receiving." Fr. Jacques Philippe

Here is an example of how we might miss the opportunities given to us right now—when we are holding out for what's next. We find ourselves bored with the dull, mundane drivel of daily life. (I know I do—prepare meals, wash dishes, wipe noses and bottoms, clean laundry, repeat.) It seems that we are stuck in a spiritual limbo, in which nothing seems to be happening now—at least, nothing exciting.

Fr. Philippe is encouraging us to recognize God in the ordinary, even drab, moments of whatever season we find ourselves in. For me, it is knee deep in messes, scattered toys, moderating fights between siblings, and the endless piles of laundry. For you, it may be sending your kids off to college or seminary, preparing for retirement, or caring for a loved one who is aging.

Do Only What You Are Capable in This Moment

"There is only one thing we must all do, and that is employ well the time and powers at our disposal. Only thus shall we realize our destiny, and that is the whole purpose of life... When, quietly and without undue strain and with just that effort of which we are capable at the time, we put all our strength into what we are doing, then we may be said to live fully." Dom Augustin Guillerand, O. Cart.

I read a book during my early college years called Fully Human, Fully Alive by Fr. John Powell. It's enlivening to awaken your senses and your soul to the truth that this moment is a gift. I never really cherished the gift of time, especially the present moment, until our daughter Sarah was born 8 years ago with a rare craniofacial condition that has no known cure.

Living fully alive means we learn to live well what we are given now. The efforts with which we choose to do the next task in front of us, and do it with our full capability, leads to the next moment, and the next. Fr. Guillerand tells us here that this is ultimately what leads us to our destiny.

Ask God To Use You for Small or Great Things

"Deign to fulfill your high purposes in me whatever they be—work in and through me. I am born to serve you, to be yours, to be your instrument. Let me be your blind instrument. I ask not to see. I ask not to know. I ask simply to be used." St. John Henry Newman

The prayer of my girlhood to do great things for God was rooted in a naïve exuberance, a joy not yet jaded by betrayal or pain or prolonged suffering and loneliness. The seed to do something magnificent remains in my soul, yet I have gained a peculiar wisdom in the sense that God's highest purposes tend to carry on well past one's life on earth.

Doing great things means leaving a legacy. This is what it means to bear fruit for God's kingdom. Along the way, life will be riddled with the miniscule, the minutiae. We will be irritated by grueling and unfulfilling tasks. But these, when done with love, compound virtue upon virtue over time. That is what constitutes greatness for each of us and a life lived fully.

By Jeannie Ewing

SCHOOL IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE

- Sun 20th June -World Refugee Day
- Tues 22nd June -Healthy Tuckshop Day
- Thurs 24th June -Nativity of St John the Baptist
- Fri 25th June -End of Term 2 – Students finish at 2pm
- Mon 28th June -School Holidays
- Tues 29th June -Feast of St Peter and St Paul

JULY

- Mon 12th July - Assessment Portfolios go home
- Thurs 15th July - Parent/Teacher Interviews – Student finish at 12pm

FOODBANK open Fridays 10.30am until 2.00pm. More details call Charlie 03 9366 1310.

St Vincent de Paul: Call Centre is now open. Please contact 1800 305 330. Thank you.

REDEMPTORIST YOUTH MINISTRY, MELBOURNE

All Youths are welcome to make the most of this great opportunity available here at our Parish for Youth help and counseling.

Please call/email to make appointment.

Tammy Nguyen

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AN INVITATION TO SHARE THE JOURNEY

The discernment of a vocation is a wonderful journey. God desires that you will be happy in your choices. In this sense, Redemptorists would love to meet you, hear your views, and be inspired by your passion to give yourselves in service of others. If you wish to talk with someone about your thoughts of vocation, please contact with one of the Redemptorist priests or write to: vocations@cssr.org.au

READERS/COMMENTATOR/ COORDINATOR/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Tues 9:00 AM, 22-06-21

Reader : Xuan Duong
Eucharistic Min. Monica Lomen

Wed 9:00 AM, 23-06-21

Reader: Carmen Camilleri
Eucharistic Min. Elizabeth Delacruz

Thur 9:00 AM, 24-06-21

Reader Shirley Krizmanic
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Fri 9:00 AM, 25-06-21

Reader Helen Maddela
Eucharistic Min. Catherine Bartolo

Sat 5.00PM, 26-06-21

Lit. Coordinator: Reno Attard
Charlie Pace
Commentator: Miriam Vella
Readers: Violeta Montoro
Wendy Forbes-Perera
Eucharistic Min. Anthony Naidu
Reno Attard

Sun 9.00 AM, 27-06-21

Lit. Coordinator: Monica Lomen
Commentator Shirley Krizmanic
Readers: Helen Madella
Mini Eddy
Eucharistic Min. Shirley Krizmanic
Monica Lomen

Sun 10:30AM, 27-06-21

Lit. Coordinator: Ed Cablao
Commentator Cristina Pedroso
Readers Susan Hallorina
Jinky Monteros
Eucharistic Min. Saa Tufuga
Cristina Pedroso

Sun 6.00PM, 27-06-21

Lit. Coordinator Lani Laririt
Commentator HEP Youth
Reader HEP Youth
HEP Youth
Eucharistic Min. Lani Laririt
Larnie Mendoza
Xuan Duong

CHOIR GROUPS

Saturday 26 June 2021

* **5pm** – Osana Choir

Sunday 27 June 2021

- * **9am** - Charlie Schembri
- * **10.30am** - Fernandez Family Choir
- * **6pm** - HE Parish Youth

CLEANING ROSTER

Week Beginning 23rd June 2021,
Group 5: Xuan Dung Huynh,
Ngocan Truong, Delia Ryan, Margaret Bajada, Tran Kim Hao & Hong Thuy Tran.

LET US PRAY FOR

The Sick

Toni Antonowicz, Linda Ratbone, Anna, Maria Kim, Yulette Tanner, Jessie Spiteri, Stella Sandle, Frank, Doris Carabott.

Recently Deceased

Joseph Dang Van Binh, Fr Anton Wickremasingher, Mrs Barbara Chapman, Asuncion Madella.

Anniversaries

Emille-Soma-Tony, Andrew Rana-singhe, Pierre Judde, Maria Vu Thi Yeu Thuong, Peter Disco, Frank Kreuger, Richard Curmi, Iro & Jessie Vella, Anthony Gatt, Nazareno Spiteri, Antonio Mifsud, Philip Gauci, George & Angela Bugeja, Wayne Camilleri, Bartolo family, Brincat & Galea family, Vincent Duong Kham Su, Mary Camilleri & Family, Joseph, Frank & John Xerri, Charlie Xerri, Lewis Spiteri, Raymond Abela and All Souls.

SAFETY FOR ALL

Holy Eucharist Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Holy Eucharist parish respectfully acknowledges the Wurundjer people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we reside and worship.

VOCATION VIEW

“At times we can feel that we are being swamped by various troubles. Like the apostle Paul, we are overwhelmed, not by our troubles, but by the love of God made visible in Jesus Christ.”

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