



HOLY EUCHARIST PARISH

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

16 & 17 JULY 2022

REDEMPTORIST COMMUNITY

Mission Leader

Fr Peter Danh CSsR

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Fr Vincent Long Pham CSsR

Assistant Parish Priest

Fr Vinsensius (Lovin) Lolo CSsR

Fr Oche Matutina CSsR

Fr Patrick Corbett CSsR

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Fr Joselito Asis

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Deacon George B.P. Meat

MASS TIMES

- ◆ **Tues-Fri:** 9:00am
- ◆ **Saturday:** 5:00pm
6.30pm Vietnamese
- ◆ **Sunday:** 9:00am, 10:30am,
6:00pm
12:00pm Vietnamese

Other Masses

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

SOCIAL OFFICE

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

FOODBANK open Fridays

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

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

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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TWO CELEBRATIONS

St Alphonsus Day

The first of August, St Alphonsus Day, is always special for Redemptorists, for Alphonsus is both our *Father in faith* and the *Founder* of our religious family. He died in 1732 but his influence is still felt today. There are 5,500 Redemptorists in 82 countries trying to follow his example of caring for the poor and most abandoned. The Redemptorists came to Australia in 1832 and very soon felt a call to make foundations in New Zealand, the Philippines, Singapore Malaysia, and Samoa.

The first of August also marks a special day for our Parish. On the feast of St Alphonsus, three young men will commit themselves to follow St Alphonsus in his mission to the poor and most abandoned. It will be their **Profession Day**.

Following Christ, the Redeemer of the world they will take a vow to live an apostolic life- lived in **chastity** and thus revealing God's kingdom on this earth, *for at the resurrection men and women do not marry* (Matthew 22:32); a vow of **poverty** so they can minister to our wounded world - the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor. And a vow of **obedience** imitating Christ who came not to do his own will but the will of his Father (John 6:38).

Please pray for **Xuechuan Lyu; Shaopei Zhang and Minh Do.**

You are invited

to attend

The Profession Mass

Holy Eucharist Church

Monday, 1st August

5.00 pm

Light refreshments to follow in the foyer.

DIAMOND JUBILEE



We invite you to another celebration. **Friday, the 29 of July** will be the **D i a - m o n d Jubilee**

of **Ordination** for Fr Patrick Corbett. Fr Patrick will celebrate the **9.00 am Mass** on that day.

In 1962, he was ordained in our monastery in Ballarat and, in the sixty (60!) years that followed, Patrick has worked in many fields. He completed his studies at Fordham University in New York and has worked in many parts of Asia Oceania.

Fr Patrick will reach his 88 birthday on the 19th July (Happy Birthday!) He is still active in our parish and for the last year has been Novice Master for our three novices who will become fellow Redemptorists on **Monday the 1st August.**

You are welcome to both celebrations.

THE LIVING WORD

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10

'Next year your wife Sarah will have a son'

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.' Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah.' 'Hurry,' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree. 'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps.14(15):2-5

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart;
he who does not slander with his tongue.

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord.

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever.

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second reading Colossians 1:24-28

A mystery hidden for generations has been revealed to God's saints

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to re-

veal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Cf. Luke 8:15

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 10:38-42

Martha works; Mary listens

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

The story of Martha and Mary has been interpreted fairly consistently over the centuries. Mary's silent contemplative pose at the feet of Jesus is generally affirmed while Martha's action-oriented focus is seen as a less desirable Christian stance. To be a 'Mary' is to 'choose the better part'. To be a 'Martha' is to be 'anxious and distracted about many things'.

In recent times, some interpreters have re-evaluated this reading of the Martha-Mary story. They have drawn attention to the many voices that inform the gospels and have suggested that this particular text reflects a struggle in some of the early Church communities over the role of women in leadership and ministry. One voice in the text comes from those who want to downplay the initiative of women like Martha and to affirm the silence of women like Mary. The same voice seems to pit the two women over against each other and to cast Jesus in the role of arbiter between them, approving Mary's choice over against Martha's. This voice has had the effect of creating a false dichotomy and of reducing the women to exemplars of active ministry on the one hand and of quiet contemplation on the other. In other words, the judgment of Luke's Jesus reflects the views of a certain group in Luke's house churches rather than the words of Jesus of Nazareth.

A more women-friendly voice in the text presents Martha as the householder who welcomes or receives Jesus into her household church. This is possibly the voice of a circle of women disciples who preserved memories of

women like Martha and Mary in less divisive ways. For these women, Martha is a generous host who uses her resources for the sake of the community. She welcomes those who share faith in Jesus, among them her sister Mary. The designation 'sister' does not necessarily denote blood relationship. Mary may be one among many sisters and brothers in faith who gather to hear the teaching of Jesus. According to the narrator, Martha is 'pulled in every direction' (*periespato*) by many ministerial tasks (*peri pollen diakonian*), and most leaders can sympathise with her in this. There is no indication in this description that she is distracted. This is in contrast with the subsequent evaluation of the Lukan Jesus. Coming from the lips of Jesus, words like 'distracted' or 'anxious and troubled by many things' service a negative interpretation of Martha's leadership.

This story is problematic in many ways. It forms part of a broader Lukan canvas where women provide the model for leadership but are more often than not excluded from its exercise. This is in contrast with the ways that women are presented elsewhere in the gospels, especially in John.

By Sister Veronica Lawson rsm

IF I WERE TO RESIGN, I WOULD REMAIN IN ROME AS BISHOP EMERITUS

In an interview with Televisa Univision's streaming service ViX, Pope Francis discusses his health and the possibility of resigning, as well as the pandemic, the war in Ukraine, and the fight against abuse of minors.

"I have no intention of resigning, not for the moment."



Pope Francis gave that assurance in a wide-ranging interview granted to Mexican journalists Maria Antonieta Collins and Valentina Alazraki with Televisa Univision's ViX streaming service.

In an excerpt of the interview posted on Univision Noticias' YouTube channel, the Pope talks about his health and rumors circulating in recent weeks that he would renounce the Petrine ministry.

"At the moment, I don't feel that the Lord is asking me," said Pope Francis. "If I felt He was asking me, then yes."

He then called it a "coincidence" that he will go to the Italian city of L'Aquila, where Pope Celestine V is bur-

ied, during the next Consistory of Cardinals in late August.

Health situation

Regarding the condition of his knee, the Pope stressed that, although he feels "limited", he also thinks it "is improving." However, he added, the trip to the Democratic Republic of Congo "certainly" could not have been made. "I did not have the strength," he explained. "Now, 20 days later, progress has been made."

He then reiterated the "great example given by Benedict XVI" which he said will help him "make a decision" should it be necessary to resign.

Pope Francis also spoke of his "great appreciation" for the Pope Emeritus, saying he is "a man who is sustaining the Church with his goodness and his retreat" of prayer. And he shared that he feels joy every time he visits the Pope Emeritus at the Mater Ecclesiae Monastery.

Resignation conjectures

Responding to a question about the possibility of setting out rules regarding the figure of a Pope Emeritus, Pope Francis noted that "history itself will help to regulate better."

"The first experience went very well," he said, because Benedict XVI "is a holy and discreet man."

For the future, however, he added, "it would be better to define things or explain them better."

Talking about his own possible resignation, Pope Francis replied that he would not return to Argentina.

"I am the Bishop of Rome. In that case I would be the bishop emeritus of Rome," he said, adding that he could stay at St. John Lateran.

The Pope recalled that, ahead of the Conclave, he had already prepared his retirement as Archbishop Emeritus of Buenos Aires. He said it would have been important for him to "hear confessions and visit the sick." This would have been his "apostolate", his "work," he said. "To be at the service of the people where you can," he said, "this is what I was thinking about in Buenos Aires." He added that he would enjoy doing the same now if he were to ever resign the papacy.

Third World War fought piecemeal

In the interview, broadcast in its entirety by Televisa Univision, the Pope also addressed several other current issues.

He recalled the ongoing pandemic and the poignant moment of the *Statio Orbis* on 27 March 2020. Pope Francis then offered his thoughts on the war in Ukraine, stressing that he believes it is crucial to speak of "the country that is being attacked rather than the aggressors."

He confirmed his intention to meet with Russian Orthodox Patriarch Kirill in September at the interfaith event to be held in Kazakhstan.

Citing the drama of countries wracked by violence—such as Yemen and Syria—he reiterated that the world is living through a "Third World War fought piecemeal."

meal", saying that nuclear weapons "are immoral", including their possession and not just their use.

Abortion and politics

Pope Francis reaffirmed his condemnation of abortion, saying it is completely unjust to eliminate a human life.

He said his stance can be affirmed "on the basis of scientific data" which are non-negotiable.

Regarding the issue in the United States, after the Supreme Court's decision to overturn the ruling in *Roe v. Wade* on the so-called 'right' to abortion, the Pope noted the polarization present in the country, reiterating that pastors must always take care of the pastoral dimension and avoid creating political problems.

The interviewer asked the Pope how a priest should act in the case of a Catholic politician who supports abortion.

"I leave it to his conscience," said Pope Francis. "He should speak with his bishop, with his pastor about this inconsistency."

Cuba

The Pope then turned to Cuba, expressing his love for the Cuban people and the country's bishops.

He confided that he had a friendly relationship with former President Raúl Castro, expressing satisfaction with the re-establishment of diplomatic relations between Cuba and the United States at the time of the Obama presidency.

Moving forward

Pope Francis also spoke about his expectations for the upcoming Apostolic Journey to Canada under the banner of forgiveness for past evils.

He dwelt on the crimes of femicide, new forms of slavery, and in particular the scourge of pedophilia in the Church.

The Pope recalled the impact the scandals have had in the United States, citing in particular the Pennsylvania Report.

"The lid has come off the pot," he acknowledged. "Today, the Church has become increasingly aware" about sexual abuse, calling it a monstrous crime.

The Church, he strongly reiterated, greatly desires "to move forward" and to no longer be "complicit" in these crimes.

READERS/COMMENTATOR/ COORDINATOR/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Tues 9:00 AM, 19-07-22

Reader Xuan Duong
Eucharistic Min. Monica Lomen

Wed 9:00 AM, 20-07-22

Reader Carmen Camilleri
Eucharistic Min. Carmen Camilleri

Thur 9:00 AM, 21-07-22

Readers HE School
Eucharistic Min. HE School

Fri: 9:00 AM, 22-07-22

Reader: Helen Maddela
Eucharistic Min. Catherine Bartolo

Sat 5.00 PM, 23-07-22

Lit. Coordinator: Charlie Pace
Commentator: Miriam Vella
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Violeta Montoro
Eucharistic Min. Anthony Naidu
Alaistair Surrao
Reno Attard

Sun 9.00 AM, 17-07-22

Lit. Coordinator Monica Lomen
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Readers: Helen Maddela
Mini Eddy
Eucharistic Min: Wilma Marmur
Helen Maddela
Monica Lomen

Sun 10:30AM, 24-07-22

Lit. Coordinator: Saua Tufuga
Commentator: Rita Martin
Reader: Ed Cablao
Susan Hallorina
Eucharistic Min. Cristina Pedroso
Rita Martin
Saua Tufuga

Sun 6.00PM, 24-07-22

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

CHOIR GROUPS

Saturday 23rd July 2022

* 5pm – St. Francis Choir

Sunday 24th July 2022

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

CLEANING ROSTER

Week starting 20th July 2022
Group 9 - Cita & Frank Carreon,
Joe Camilleri, Paul Scerri.

LET US PRAY FOR

The Sick

Manel Pandithakoralege, Dominica C., Wasana Fernando, Nelia Robas, Adan Wiczek, Marko Dorinko, Arnord Fernandez, Ash Dominic Marguerite, Rachel Piskon, Toni Antonowicz, Linda Ratbone, Anna, Maria Kim, Yulette Tanner, Jessie Spiteri, Stella Sandle, Frank, Doris Carabott.

Recently Passed

Domenico Gianfala, Nick Schembri, Mary Azzopardi.

Anniversaries

Daminh Nguyen Van Dao, Jan & Jovan Vala, Ana Lang, Christopher Sasadeusz, Cleophas Braganza, Richard Curmi, Iro & Jessie Vella, Angela Chircop, Peter Disco, Wayne Camilleri, Bartolo family, Brincat & Galea family, Maria Vu Thi Yeu Thuong, Vincent Duong Kham Su, Michael Alphonsus Schiller, Peter Do Van Tri, Inne Maria Le Thi Bien, Mollie Rise (Marie), 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 Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we reside and worship.

VOCATION VIEW

How enjoyable to sit and talk with a friend. How vocational to sit and talk with your friend Jesus. Take time just to BE WITH Jesus.

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