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WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH .



Dear Friends, Jesus' disciples would have had the words of prophets like Malachi in today's first reading inscribed onto their hearts. Malachi, speaking centuries before the birth of Jesus, describes the day of God's judgement when "all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble" and, for God's people, "there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays.

"Jesus' disciples, like many faithful Jews of the time, would have eagerly anticipated when God would save his people, as he did in Egypt in the Exodus. This time, however, God would free them from suffering once and for all and lead them into an eternal promised land. This apocalyptic action would sweep aside the world as they knew it.

So, when in today's gospel reading Jesus prophesies the cataclysmic destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem, it seems to open the possibility that God's judgement will come within the disciples' own lifetimes. They would have looked at the chaos and destruction in the world around them as a sign that the end times were coming soon and they would have wanted to know what God would have them do to prepare.

However, Jesus' description of the signs of the coming apocalypse, such as wars, earthquakes, famines and plagues, sounds like business as usual on planet Earth. What would have seemed like a world-ending event to his disciples, such as the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple that occurs within a generation of Jesus' warnings, is just one of the countless trials they will have to endure.

While we should not expect the end of the world in our lifetimes, the signs prophesied by Jesus are constant reminders the things of this world are passing away.

Although it is unlikely that we will live to see the climactic events prophesied by the Scriptures, the end of our own time in this world will indeed come. As always, Jesus' warnings about the passing away of this world are reminders of our own passing and to prepare ourselves for the eternal life that will follow the death that awaits us all.

As we see in St Paul's writings to the Thessalonians in today's second reading, preparing for the life to come means faithfully performing the daily labours and service that God has given us to do. This message of faithful endurance is what Jesus wants his disciples to take away from his prophecies about the end times. As Jesus highlights in the gospel, it is not through noticing signs of the end of the world that they will find salvation, but by persevering in faith and love through trials.

While we await the coming of Jesus, let us also persevere in faith and love, whatever trials come our way, always counting on the grace of God to be with us, especially when we need it most.

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Our Sick: Pat Thornton, Catherine Marr



Anniversaries In November: Haigh Smethurst, Anthony Allan, Frank Flemming, Ben Tannerhill, Lucy Dwyer, Carolina Gagel, Joe Vogels, Corry Vogels, Margaret Dundon, Ted Stokes, Jack Hunt, Trudy Arnold, Paul Brick, Pat Delaney, Matthew Hunt, Jeffrey Tregear



Recent Deaths: Ken Berry, Kathryn Hay

Advent Reflection Book — Heart of the Disciple. \$5.00. See Katrina Currell

We pray for all who are suffering and bereaved.

At this time of sorrow, incomprehension, and tragedy, we stand together.

In this crisis, we pray for God's mercy and healing for the sick and for health and strength for all who care for them. Amen.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday 13th Nov 2022

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading

Mal 3:19-20

A reading from the prophet Malachi

The sun of righteousness will shine on you.

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:5-9. R. see v.9

(R.) The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp
with the sound of music.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
acclaim the King, the Lord. **(R.)**
2. Let the sea and all within it, thunder;
the world, and all its peoples.
Let the rivers clap their hands
and the hills ring out their joy
at the presence of the Lord. **(R.)**
3. For the Lord comes,
he comes to rule the earth.
He will rule the world with justice
and the peoples with fairness. **(R.)**

Second Reading

2 Thes 3:7-12

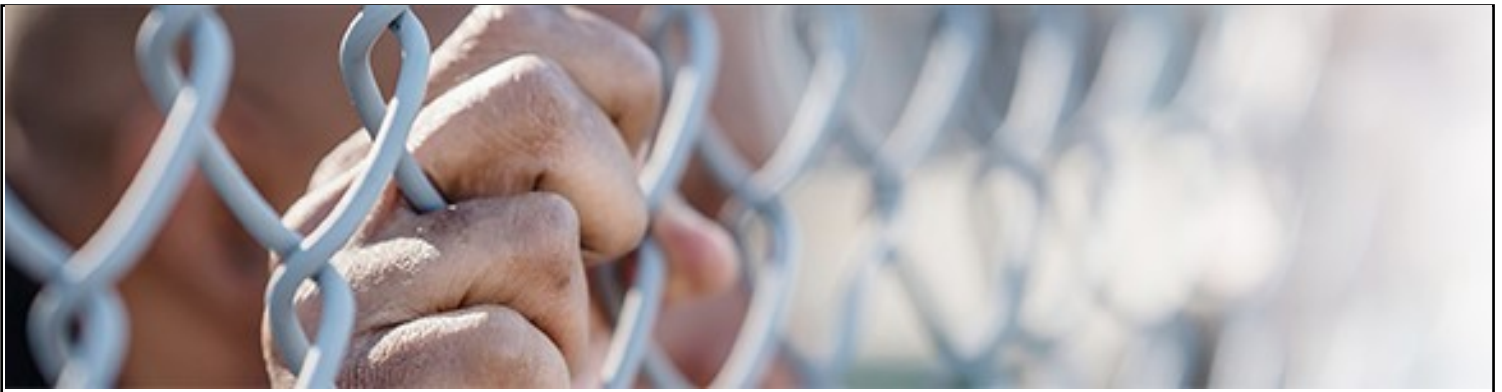
A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

Do not give anyone food who refuses to work.

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.

We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**



Gospel Acclamation

Lk 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 21:5-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Your endurance will win you your life.

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'

'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

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Novel coronavirus (COVID-19): Checking-in is no longer required. Face masks are no longer required in most indoor settings, but they are still recommended. Carry a mask when leaving home. They are strongly recommended if you have any COVID-19 symptoms and are with people who

Jesus gives people the power to love everyone, even enemies, says Pope Francis

Thousands of people from all over the world who live and work in Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and other Persian Gulf countries came by bus or car to the huge stadium in Awali for the Mass, Saturday 5 November.

Roll up your sleeves; make a difference overseas. Do you require professional renewal, or are you seeking a retirement challenge? Communities abroad are asking for qualified and experienced Australians able to mentor their people in education, health, administration, trades, agriculture and more. Imagine yourself re-engaging your vocational passion in Africa, Asia or the Pacific. Since 1961 Palms Australia has been recruiting Australians able to offer mentoring that will allow overseas counterparts opportunities otherwise unattainable. Sharing your skills will strengthen the capacity of workers overseas to serve their communities for generations to come, long after you return home. Communities in American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Zambia are seeking to fill a variety of roles. Enquire about those roles via www.palms.org.au or by calling 02 9560 533 or 0422 472 567.

St Vincent de Paul Flood Appeal: The St Vincent de Paul Society has established a Victorian Flood Appeal. Contributions can be made by: Calling 13 18 12; Visiting <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022> You can also make a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase; via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

Praying with Pope Francis

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at www.thepopevideo.org.

Pope Francis – There are still millions of boys and girls who suffer and live in conditions very similar to slavery.

They aren't numbers: they are human beings with names, with a face of their own, with an identity that God has given them.

Too often, we forget our responsibility and we close our eyes to the exploitation of these children who don't have a right to play, to study, to dream. They don't even enjoy the warmth of a family.

Each marginalized child, abandoned by his or her family, without schooling, without healthcare, is a cry! A cry that rises up to God and shames the system that we adults have built.

An abandoned child is our fault.

We can no longer allow them to feel alone and abandoned —they are entitled to an education and to feel the love of a family so they know that God does not forget them.

Let us pray for children who are suffering, especially for those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war. May they be guaranteed access to education and may they have the opportunity to experience family affection.

Timboon 2022	13th November 9:00 a.m. Assembly W&C	20th November 9:00am Mass	27th November 9:00am Assembly W&C
Welcome	K Currell	L Tregea	N McKinnon
Leaders	A Vogels T O'Connor		R Hoffmann, K Currell
Statue	D Moloney M Moloney	G Townsend	P Haugh
Reader	R Couch	L McInerney	J McInerney
POF	J McInerney	C Marr	A Vogels
E.M.H.C.	E Roberts		
Bulletin	M Moloney P Nicholson	M Moloney P Nicholson	M Moloney P Nicholson
Slides	A McMeel	A McMeel	A McMeel
Cleaners			
Simpson	Assembly W&C 9am	Closed	Assembly W&C 9am