

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH
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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time C

10th July 2022

Entrance Antiphon

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

First Reading [Dt 30:10-14](#)

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

1. This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me. **(R.)**
2. As for me in my poverty and pain

let your help, O God, lift me up.
I will praise God's name with a song;
I will glorify him with thanksgiving. **(R.)**

3. The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needy
and does not spurn his servants in their
chains. **(R.)**
4. For God will bring help to Zion
and rebuild the cities of Judah.
The sons of his servants shall inherit it;
those who love his name shall dwell there. **(R.)**

Second Reading [Col 1:15-20](#)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

All things were created through him and for him.

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God
and the first-born of all creation,
for in him were created
all things in heaven and on earth:
everything visible and everything invisible,
Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers –
all things were created through him and for him.
Before anything was created, he existed,
and he holds all things in unity.
Now the Church is his body,
he is its head.
As he is the Beginning,
he was first to be born from the dead,
so that he should be first in every way;
because God wanted all perfection
to be found in him

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and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace
by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia!

Gospel [Lk 10:25-37](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Who is my neighbour?

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

Communion Antiphon

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Gospel Reflection *by Greg Sunter*

Today's gospel is such a familiar one and such an enduring image that the title for the hero has passed into everyday use to describe a stranger who does a good turn for another. Many countries even have what is known as a 'Good Samaritan Law' that protects those who may hurt another person when they act in good faith to provide aid.

The parable is told in response to the question, 'And who is my neighbour?' Anyone hearing Jesus tell the story would have recognised the familiar story structure – things happening in three with the most important element occurring on the third repetition. As three people came upon the injured man on the road, the audience would have known that the hero of the story would be the third one along. But, as Jesus often did with his parables, the pattern is suddenly disrupted. Rather than the hero being an upright, faithful Jewish person, it is none other than a Samaritan who is the one who shows mercy. Samaritans and Jews had a deep-seated mistrust and suspicion towards one another that went back generations. So strong was the ill-feeling between the two peoples that when Jesus finishes his story and asks the lawyer which man proved himself a neighbour, the lawyer cannot even say 'the Samaritan' – he says 'the one who took pity'. The story concludes with the instruction, 'Go and do the same yourself'. The commandment is to act with compassion towards others – even those you may not like. The priority of compassion over the Law is a major theme of the gospel of Luke. It is often described as the gospel of compassion. The Samaritan acts with compassion, rather than out of 'patterned' behaviours and attitudes. Jesus challenges the lawyer – and us – to 'Go and do the same'.

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Parish Administrator: Fr Anthony Nagothu (03) 5026 3068

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Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

Sick: Cora Jardine, Judi Floyd, Laura Burns,
Joan Bathgate and Marj Hynam 🙏

May our healing God touch the lives of our sick
bringing them comfort & peace.

Sunday 17th July – Mass

Ouyen: 11:00 am

Reader: Gerald Leach

Prayers of the Faithful: Carmel Vallance

Offertory Procession: Bosco Family

Projectionist: Marie Shaddock

Collections

Ouyen: \$

Planned Giving: \$

Church Cleaning:

July: The Grace Family

Presbytery Cleaning:

July: Faye Nihill

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Father will be
available after the Friday Mass for
Reconciliation, after the 11:00am Masses, or at
any other time by appointment.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Every Thursday from 2:00 – 6:00pm with the
Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00pm and Rosary at
4:00pm; all welcome.

Prayer For Australia: Eternal Father, I offer you
the Precious Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
offered at all the Masses throughout the world
for the Holy atonement, and to protect Australia
from the sin of abortion, euthanasia, and from
every evil. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

Summary of the New Covid Provisions:

- ~ QR Codes are no longer required to sign in
- ~ Face masks are no longer required to be worn
- ~ Kindness and Common Sense strictly enforced

Pope's Prayer Intention for July: *For the Elderly*

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and
memory of a people; may their experience and
wisdom help young people to look towards the
future with hope and responsibility.

Mass Timetable

Wk 1	Patche	Mass	11:30am	1 st Friday
	Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 2	Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 3	Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 4	U'Bool	Mass	9:00am	Sunday
	Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 5	Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday

More opportunities for Mass: each Friday at
10:00 am

Side door entrance: we are asking anyone with
any mobility issues, and those who use gofers, to
enter via the side (north facing) door. This has a
much wider opening on level ground and is ideal for
dropping off/picking up or parking gofers. For those
with gofers we would ask you to **please use the
gravel to drive** on, rather than the pavers which are
too narrow and have a dangerous lip. If you are
aware of any other potential hazards please notify:
Faye, Cheryl or Marie.

Ordinations to the Priesthood: Deacons Matt
Restall and Bill Lowry will be ordained priests
for the Diocese of Ballarat on Friday, July 22,
2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at
7.00pm. The Mass will be livestreamed at
<https://youtu.be/gnpY6nMKz3M> Please keep both
Bill and Matt in your prayers as they draw closer
to their ordination.

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No Adoration on 7th July

Please pray for these children and their families as they prepare for their first Reconciliation: Chloe Brady, Matilda Brady, Nigel Hamilton, Liam Hamilton, Keely O'Shannessy, George Scott and Ann Bosco.

Please Pray for the success of the Plenary Council continuing this week:

Please pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and grace for the Members, for ourselves and the Church as a whole, that we may have the courage to follow where God is leading us. I ask you to pray specifically that all members of the Council will put aside any personal agendas and be truly open to what God is asking of us as 'the Church in Australia'.

Save the date: Parish Meeting Sunday 24th July after Mass, followed by a shared lunch, to discuss all aspects of the parish.

Some different information on the Plenary: The Plenary will be live-streamed every day from 8:30 through to lunch-time. There will also be lots of other groups who will be doing daily pod casts – Geraldine Doogue from the ABC and many others. We/ the members, need to be there at 8:00am to clear security and get to our places before the cameras roll at 8:30. There will be a lot of media there, mainstream as well as church media, and security will be high with all our church leaders in one place at the same time for a week. I would take whatever you read in the mainstream media with a grain of salt, they really have no idea about the Church and love sensationalism. Voting is done in Latin and for those who have a consultative vote and it is done electronically (that is everyone apart from the Bishops who have a deliberative vote). Our choices will be: placet, placet juxta modum or non placet – translated this is: assent, qualified assent and dissent. The bishops do not vote electronically but with pen and paper – just like in the Vatican. For a Motion to be passed a majority of two thirds is required of both the Consultative and Deliberative votes. Deliberative votes, that is those of the Bishops, are taken in a later session, after the consultative vote (or the rest of us/laity) has been passed. This is so that they can really consider what the laity are saying and have time to pray and discern before casting their votes.

Just a little note about the bulletin: This weeks bulletin(3rd July) and next weeks is being done in June – so please bear with me. Next weeks (10th July) bulletin will have the readings and the roster for the following week but other than that I won't get a chance to add to it let alone print it, so it will be very basic with a lot of what is already on today's. Please keep the prayers going – they really do make a difference!

Finance Committee & Leadership Team Meeting: Friday 15th July after the 10:00am

Mass



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A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

ACN has launched its "Helping form the Priests of Tomorrow " global campaign. For 75 years, the benefactors of *Aid to the Church in Need* have generously supported the formation of seminarians. In fact, some of these men now serve as priests in Australia today! At the current time, ACN is supporting some 15,000 seminarians on the path to the priesthood. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/refugees.

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