Please remember these people in our prayers

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: George Reedy; Michelangelo Galioto; Mario Gattelari; Mel Ryan; Ralph Orlando; Elizabetta Garreffa; Kathryn Tolley; Kathy Gorman; Monica Allen; Rosa (Violi) Demasi

Sick:

Sam Giampaolo; Therese Cummins; Rosa Santos; Kristin Sparto; Debbie Nolen; Jack Hayes; Basilio Alcodia; Gai Trainer; Serena Jenkins; Jeremy Dickson; Carmela Garreffa

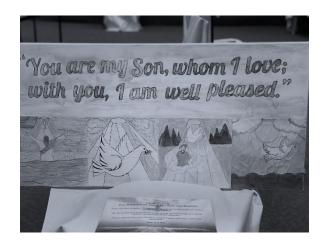
School News

Due to COVID-19 restrictions and teachers using the last week of Term 1 for remote planning, our students were unable to present their Easter Artwork to the school community. We had planned to place these artworks on easels around the school showing the timeline of when Jesus was born through to his ascension into heaven. Finally, be it belated, we were able to present each of these canvases to the rest of the school. Classes used a range of media to interpret one part of Jesus' life. These ranged from sand, salt dough, olive branches, paint and paper.

Just a reminder that if you are interested in your child starting prep next year, enrolments are now open. Please call the office (50 263 483) for more information.

We will see all our families again when we return from term 2 holidays on July 13th







The Parish Collections

We have had people enquire about how they can contribute to the normal collections.

<u>The First Collection</u> - This looks after the clergy and the running of the Presbytery, this collection is normally taken up during Mass, 1st collection.

<u>The Second Collection</u>- this is for the running of the parish, most people either use plan giving envelopes or direct debit, this collection is normally taken up during Mass, 2nd collection.

Parishioners wishing to contribute to the Presbytery/Parish finances during the COVID19 restrictions may by bank deposit to the Parish account

Westpac: BSB: 033250 Account number: 870747

Message from Bishop Paul:

Hello everyone, as you are probably aware, the Victorian Government has wound back the easing of restrictions that was to come into effect from 22nd June.

As far as churches and chapels are concerned, the present restrictions will continue to apply, at least until July 12. Private worship or gatherings for religious ceremonies will continue to be limited to 20 people plus those required to conduct the ceremony. The only exception continues to be for funerals, for which the limit is 50 people plus those required to conduct the funeral. God bless you all - Bishop Paul

ROBINVALE MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday $30^{th \ June}$ @ 6:00pm

Wednesday 1st July @ 6:00pm

Thursday 2nd June @ 9:30am

MANANGATANG MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sunday 28th June @ 11:00am

Reader ~ B. Barry

Prayers of the Faithful ~ M. Carroll

Offertory ~ D. Pook

Reflections on the Gospel

WELCOMING CHRIST

The attractive themes of 'welcome' and 'hospitality' running through today's readings sit a bit uncomfortably alongside the opening words of the Gospel, where Jesus starkly rules out 'preferring' family members to loyalty to himself.

The warning reflects the situation of the early church, where the experience, or at least the threat, of persecution was very real, and where some members of a family may have been Christian and some not.

In contemporary societies that are either majority Christian or tolerantly post-Christian, we may not face this challenge so sharply. If, however, we are comfortable in our world, largely sharing its values and aspirations, then some aspect of Christ's message is not getting through to us.

At this point, the theme of 'welcome' in the second part of today's Gospel comes into play. In Matthew's Gospel Jesus is from the start 'Emmanuel – God with us' (1:23). This sense of divine presence stands behind the statement: 'Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me; and those who welcome me, welcome the One who sent me'.

The stranger, then, who stands before us comes as an emissary and representative of Christ and, further, of the Father, who sent Christ to be the divine presence in our world. In dealing with this person, we are in some sense dealing with our God.

As never before, save perhaps immediately after World War II, are so many people being displaced through war, tyranny or economic misery. In the light of this mass movement, Christ's words about discipleship and welcome hold fresh challenge.

St Mary's Parish / St. Patrick's Manangatang News:

Arrangements can be made with Father Anthony on 50 263 068 for groups of 20 to use our church for prayers groups, saying the rosary etc.

A Parish Newsletter is published each week.

It can be emailed out to you if you forward your email address to: mary.knight20@outlook.com

A Newsletter delivery can be organised by calling 0438 6279 20.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

2 Kings 4: 8-11, 14-16

A reading from the second book of the Kings.

That is the holy man of God, let him remain there.

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.' One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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.

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

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.

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

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.

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

Rom 6: 3-4, 8-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

Having been buried with him through baptism, we shall walk in a new life.

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life. But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him anymore. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

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 marvellous light. Alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL ~ Mt 10: 37-42 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me.

Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me. 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.'

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

ST MARY'S PARISH, ROBINVALE



INCORPORATING ST. PATRICK'S MANANGATANG

Sunday 28th June 2020 ~ 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



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Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment

ROBINVALE WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday 6:00pm Wednesday 6:00pm Thursday 9:30am

No more than 20 people practising social distances in the church at one time.



Vision & Mission Statement:

At St. Mary's Parishes of Robinvale & St. Patrick's Manangatang, we, as brothers and sisters in Christ, accept as our mission: to know our faith; to live by truth, and love to serve the needs of others to teach by example and thereby strengthen and inspire the Parish family. It is here – in our places of worship – that the faithful gather to worship God, give honour to Mary, and are sent to spread God's word wherever they go!

We are 'Child-Safe and Child-friendly:'

At St. Mary's Catholic Church Robinvale and St. Patrick's Manangatang, we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parishes. Our commitment is drawn from and inherent in the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and the sanctity of each human person at the heart of the gospel.

Our parishes 'Safeguarding Officer' is Mr. Arthur Cassidy. Arthur is responsible for handling any queries; complaints and concerns which may arise. He is contactable at the Robinvale police Station. Our parish communities sincerely thank Arthur in his commitment and service in this fundamentally important area of ensuring the safety and wellbeing of children and young adults.