

First Reading

Wisdom 18:6-9 (JB)
A reading from the book of Wisdom

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; you made us glorious by calling us to you.

The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22 (JB)

R. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. R.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. R.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. R.

Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 (JB)
A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended. It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore. All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them.

It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead, and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 24:42, 44 (JB)

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready:
You know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 12:32-48 (JB)
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom. 'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.' Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for every-one?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

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

Next week: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10; Hebrews 12:1-4 Luke 12:49-53

Blackwood Catholic Community

Parish Newsletter

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C

11th August 2019



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Baptisms
By appointment

Weddings
By appointment

Mass Times

St. Paul of the Cross (SPC)
Tuesday 9.30am
Wednesday 9.30am
Friday 11am
Sunday 8am

Our Lady of the Way (OLW)
Wednesday 7pm
Thursday 9.30am
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 10am

Confessions - SPC
Friday 10.30am-10.55am

Confessions - OLW
Saturday 5.30pm -5.50pm

Holy Hour OLW
Wednesday 7.30pm-8.30pm

Rosary for Peace OLW
Monday 10am

St Paul of the Cross
cnr of Simla & Coromandel Pde
Blackwood

Our Lady of the Way
4-6 Laffers Rd
Glenalta

Introduction: The early Christians applied this teaching of Jesus to their expectation of his second coming. More generally speaking, today's gospel parables should encourage us to be morally vigilant at all times and ever ready to encounter, in the midst of daily life, the 'God of surprises'. Paul has similar advice for us. 'Keep alert, stand firm in your faith'

Entrance Antiphon:

Look to your covenant, O Lord,
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.
Arise, O God, and defend your cause,
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord hear our prayer

Memorial Acclamation:

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Communion Antiphon:

The bread that I will give, says the Lord,
is my flesh for the life of the world.

PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land. O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying. Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.

*Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us*

Please Pray for friends, some named previously, some wishing to remain anonymous

Sick: Tee Ping Koh, Jacob Van Eyk., Teresa and Tony Lavers, Jack Higham, Frank Tomas, Bob McEvoy, Chris Baggoley Jennifer Brown, Patricia Pinkerton, Josie Piccolo, Colleen Lowe, Brian Marks, Dieter Marwede, Gary Reeves, Siew Eng Ling (Tee Ping's mother) Gary Stafford, Colleen Brown, Brenda Parkinson

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: William and Mary Anderson, Gwen Wigg

Sunday 11th August. 5pm Monastery.

Fr. Patrice invites all our young people to join them for their Sunday evening Youth Mass.

This weekend 10th/11th August. Leaving Collection all Masses for the Appeal for Vocations.

Tuesday 13th August. Card and Board Games in the Cottage 10am-12 noon. Experienced and novices welcomed.

Thursday 15th August Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times—Wednesday 7.00pm followed by Holy Hour, Thursday 9.30am at OLW.

Saturday 17th August. Model Makers 10-12noon A meeting will be held in the Cottage for all who are interested. Fr. Tony

Sunday 18th August Morning Tea in the Cottage after 10am Mass. All welcome.

Friday 23 August Community Breakfast 7.30-9am. The featured parishioner is Therese Kemelfield who will be speaking about her journey from Bougainville to Blackwood and points in between. It will be particularly topical because Bougainville is to have a referendum in October to learn whether or not the people wish to be independent of Papua New Guinea. Contact Peter and June 8270 1770 if your wish to attend. A donation of \$5 to cover costs would be appreciated.

Sunday 25th August. 105th World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Multicultural Mass at 2.30pm in St. Francis Xavier Cathedral.

Stewardship Reflection

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." LUKE 12:34

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasures in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more time in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world

Celebrations to follow in Judith Redden Hall, St. Aloysius College 53 Wakefield Street.

Parish Walking Group.

We enjoyed crisp but clear weather for Clem's walk in Shepherds Hill Reserve last month. Our next walk will be looking for orchids in Belair National Park on **Tuesday 27th August at 9am.** Please meet in the car park at the old Belair Golf Club. Coffee will be same as last month at the Vines at the Belair Triangle at about 10.30am. Newcomers welcome. Bob and Dale 0412 310 947

Rome Pilgrimage 27th August to 3rd September 2020.

For a number of years the Sydney Diocese has arranged a pilgrimage to the Vatican and Rome, this year led by Fr. Paul Smithers of the Rosebery Parish. This is a 7 day guided tour with two local English speaking guides and accommodation is at Domus Australia. Bob McEvoy and Dale Cook and two other Adelaide friends are joining this tour and invite your participation. A minimum of 20 bookings is required. Brochures are available in the church porch or call Bob 0412 310 947

Saturday 31 August. Vinnies Annual Badge Day in Blackwood. Vinnies would welcome assistance from anyone for an hour's stint to assist with collecting. Please contact Eleonora 0435 441 471 if you are able to help.

Vinnies Bottle and Can collection for the month of August raised \$55.50. The next collection will be on Saturday 7th September. For pick up contact John Simpson on 8278 8058

Peoples Choice Credit Union Lottery. Please return all books, money, unsold tickets, or

If a Priest is required call 8278 6619

Child Safe Environments Briefing for Volunteers. Anyone who is due to do their Volunteer Briefing training session, there is an opportunity to do so on **Wednesday 14th August** at St. Catherine's School, Stirling at 6pm to 7.30pm. Please book for this session by emailing childprotection@adelaide.catholic.org.au or phone 8210 8159

Special Thanks-Maria Marwede

A big thank you to Maria Marwede for the many years of services she has given in the role of Sacristan at St. Paul of the Cross Church. Her faithful, committed and generous service is much appreciated and has been a blessing for us all. Maria will now continue to make a contribution to the Parish but in a reduced capacity as a member of the SPC team rostered to assist with Sacristan duties on a monthly basis. At present the team has five members. Please consider volunteering for this work. You may be needed more than you think. Thank you Maria, from your fellow parishioners for a job well done. Trish Fuller

ARCHDIOCESE OF ADELAIDE PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Jesus you are the Good Shepherd who is always mindful of your Church. Watch over those who are baptised in your name and grant peace and harmony to all families. We ask you to choose from the families of our parishes many priests, deacons, sisters and brothers who will gladly spend their lives making you known and loved. Amen

Child Protection Unit.

The Archdiocesan Child Protection Unit is running a consultation project for children and young people. The aim of the consultation is to give children and young people a chance to share their ideas about what makes them feel safe and welcomed in a church setting. The first step of the project is providing children with activity booklets they can fill in and return to the box located in the church foyer. Further information about the project, as well as the activity booklets, can be found by the box. Please encourage your children to take part in this activity so their views can inform the work of the Archdiocesan Child Protection Unit.

	This Week 11/08/19			Next Week 18/08/2019		
	6pm	8am	10am	6pm	8am	10am
MC		Simon Honner	Tony Ward		Peter Donovan	Cyril Brown
Reader	Leo Fogarty		Peter Van Leeuwin	ELLIE ROWE	Carol Pisters	Leonie Borda
Extraordinary Ministers	Tee Ping Koh Claire Jennings Paula Wegener	Cathie Luke Helen O'Loughlin Peter Shepherd	Tee Ping Koh	Brian Fogarty Tee Ping Koh Leo Fogarty	Tee Ping Koh Claire Jennings Vicki Davey	Clem Colla Geoff sugars Joanne Tan
Offertory			Kuerschner Family		P Grilli and J Duchatenier	Children Sacrament Program
Altar Server		John and Larry Doyle	Jack and Noah Borda			Jack and Noah Borda
Music	Loreen Tomas	Trevor Fuller and Arthur Finch	Georgian Singers	Loreen Tomas	Jill Tierney and Trish Roosa	Folk Group
Hospitality		Trish Fuller	Barbara Colla		Tracey Tessitore	Hayde Family
Flowers		Jill Tierney and Jan Dunkley	Annette Harrison		Jill Tierney and Jan Dunkley	Annette Harrison
LOWC			Pauline Webster			Joanne Tan