

First Reading**Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15**

A reading from the book of Exodus

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am,' he answered. 'Come no nearer,' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God. And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm**Ps 102:1-4, 6-8, 11****R. The Lord is kind and merciful.**

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **R.**

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **R.**

The Lord does deeds of justice,
gives judgement for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses
and his deeds to Israel's sons. **R.**

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him. **R.**

Second Reading**1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert. These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer. All this happened to them as a warning, and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation**Matthew 4:17**

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
Repent, says the Lord;
the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel reading inside the newsletter

Next week: 4th Sunday of Lent

Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Gospel (will be from Yr A) John 9:1-41

Blackwood Catholic Community

Parish Newsletter
Third Sunday of Lent Yr C
24th March 2019

**St Paul of the Cross**

cnr of Simla & Coromandel Pde
Blackwood

Our Lady of the Way

4-6 Laffers Rd
Glenalta

Introduction: Jesus is the saviour of the world. In today's Gospel he offers the water of life to a Samaritan woman who, in turn, becomes the first missionary of Jesus. She hurries to tell the people of her town about him. We, who have received the life of God in Baptism, are also called to be missionaries by inviting others to come and see Jesus.

Entrance Antiphon:

My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.

Prayers of the Faithful:

Grant this, almighty God

Memorial Acclamation:

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess
your Resurrection until you come again

Communion Antiphon:

The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my
God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.

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*

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Baptisms

By appointment

Weddings

By appointment

Mass Times

St. Paul of the Cross (SPC)
Sacristan: Maria Marwede

Tuesday 9.30am
Wednesday 9.30am
Friday 11am
Sunday 8am

Our Lady of the Way (OLW)
Sacristan: Barbara Baggoley

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

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

Sick: Tee Ping Koh, Robyn Fogarty, Jacob Van Eyk Carmel Balnaves, Teresa and Tony Lavers, Bob McEvoy, Chris Baggoley, Jack Higham, Pat Hampton (USA), Frank Tomas, Ivanka Cosic, Jennifer Brown, Patricia Pinkerton, Josie Piccolo,

Recently Deceased: Barney Mungoven, Colleen Bellett

Gospel

John 4:5-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus came to the Samaritan town called Sychar, near the land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well is there and Jesus, tired by the journey, sat straight down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, 'What? You are a Jew and you ask me, a Samaritan, for a drink?' - Jews, in fact, do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus replied:

'If you only knew what God is offering and who it is that is saying to you:

Give me a drink, you would have been the one to ask, and he would have given you living water.'

'You have no bucket, sir,' she answered 'and the well is deep: how could you get this living water? Are you a greater man than our father Jacob who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his sons and his cattle?' Jesus replied:

'Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again; but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside him, welling up to eternal life.'

'Sir,' said the woman 'give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water.' 'Go and call your husband' said Jesus to her 'and come back here.' The woman answered, 'I have no husband.' He said to her. 'You are right to say, "I have no husband"; for although you have had five, the one you have now is not your husband. You spoke the truth there.' 'I see you are a prophet, sir' said the woman. 'Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said:

'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.

You worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know; for salvation comes from the Jews. But the hour will come - in fact it is here already - when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth:

that is the kind of worshipper the Father wants. God is spirit, and those who worship

Stewardship Reflection

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'" (LUKE 13:7)

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.

must worship in spirit and truth.'

The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah - that is, Christ - is coming; and when he comes he will tell us everything.' 'I who am speaking to you,' said Jesus 'I am he.'

At this point his disciples returned, and were surprised to find him speaking to a woman, though none of them asked, 'What do you want from her?' or, 'Why are you talking to her?' The woman put down her water jar and hurried back to the town to tell the people, 'Come and see a man who has told me everything I ever did; I wonder if he is the Christ?' This brought people out of the town and they started walking towards him.

Meanwhile, the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, do have something to eat'; but he said, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples asked one another, 'Has someone been bringing him food?' But Jesus said:

'My food is to do the will of the one who sent me, and to complete his work.

Have you not got a saying: Four months and then the harvest? Well, I tell you:

Look around you, look at the fields; already they are white, ready for harvest! Already the reaper is being paid his wages, already he is bringing in the grain for eternal life, and thus sower and reaper rejoice together.

For here the proverb holds good: one sows, another reaps; I sent you to reap a harvest you had not worked for. Others worked for it; and you have come into the rewards of their trouble.'

Many Samaritans of that town had believed in him on the strength of the woman's testimony when she said, 'He told me all I have ever done', so, when the Samaritans came up to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed for two days, and when he spoke to them many more came to believe; and they said to the woman, 'Now we no longer believe because of what you told us; we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Parish Walking Group. Our next walk is **Tuesday 26 March** from Bake Bakery in Coromandel Valley for a walk along Sturt River Linear Park to Magarey Orchard and return to the Bakery for coffee. Please meet at Bakery car park at 9am.

Bob and Dale 0412 310 947

Interfaith Service of Prayer for Peace St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, Sunday March 24 at 4pm.

A time for lament, solidarity and shared prayer for those affected by the Christchurch tragedy. We take this time to recommit ourselves to interfaith harmony and extend the invitation to all across the Archdiocese to attend the prayer service.

Wednesday 3rd April 10am COFFEE MORNING AT JOAN'S PANTRY, Hawthorndene. Community Outreach invites you to join other parishioners to share coffee and social time in a bushland environment. Bring a friend if you wish.



Peter is thrilled to now have clean water on tap at boarding school. Long walks to unsafe water sources were tiring for Peter, who is living with a disability. With more free time and fewer illnesses caused by dirty water, Peter can fulfil his hope of focusing on his studies, providing him with a brighter future.

Project Compassion boxes and envelopes are available in the church porch.

Vinnies Knitting Group is always looking to recruit additional helpers. If you are interested in helping please contact Maria Marwede or Mary Cogman.

See insert for Additional Notices

If a Priest is required call 8278 6619

	This Week 24/03/2019			Next Week 31/03/2019		
	6pm	8am	10am	6pm	8am	10am
MC	Tony Conlon and Johann	Simon Honner	Tony Egan	Bart Voskulen	Cathie Luke	Tony Ward
Reader	Greg and Matthew Shannon	John Lemm	Cyril Brown	Leo Fogarty	Carol Pisters	Corrie Froschio
Special Minister	Laurence Borda Maryann Lau Sally Niemann	Maria Marwede Terry Tierney Tracey Tessitore	Bryce Allanson Clem Colla Corrie Froschio	Jan Fogarty Louise Sortino Susan Anderson	Annemarie Honner Helen O'Loughlin Vicki Davey	Mary Cogman Michael Cogman Mario Froschio
Offertory		Luke Family	Ward Family		Pisters Family	Kuerschner Family
Altar Server		Peter Shepherd	Jack and Noah Borda		Hope Chilstone	Jack and Noah Borda
Music	Youth	Trevor Fuller and Arthur Finch	Georgian Singers	Loreen Tomas	Choir	Kathryn and Sarah Kuerschner
Hospitality	Brenda Parkinson	Veronica Siebert	Hayde Family	Brenda Parkinson	Ann Harman	Barbara Colla
Flowers		Maria Marwede	Barbara Baggoley		Maria Marwede	Barbara Baggoley
LOWC			Louise Sortino			Pauline Webster