

First Reading

Genesis 18:20-32 (JB)

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No,' he replied, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will be only forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 137:1-3, 6-8 (JB)

R. Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. R.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. R.

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of affliction
you give me life and frustrate my foes. R.

You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. R.

Second Reading

Colossians 2:12-14 (JB)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins. He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**Gospel Acclamation**

Romans 8:15 (JB)

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 11:1-13 (JB)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:
"Father, may your name be held holy,
your kingdom come;
give us each day our daily bread,
and forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us.
And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it to him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.
'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. what father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Blackwood Catholic Community

Parish Newsletter

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C

28th July 2019

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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

St Paul of the Crosscnr of Simla & Coromandel Pde
Blackwood**Our Lady of the Way**4-6 Laffers Rd
Glenalta

Introduction: From Abraham's example and Jesus' teaching, we learn much about prayer in today's readings. Truly persevering prayer implies more than mere persistence on our part; it should combine peaceful expectation with humble acceptance of God's will. If we are too busy to pray, we are busier than God wants us to be.

Entrance Antiphon:

God is in his holy place,
God who unites those who dwell in his house;
he himself gives might and strength to his people.

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord hear our prayer

Memorial Acclamation:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Communion Antiphon:

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.

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, Carmel Balnaves, Teresa and Tony Lavers, Bob McEvoy, Chris Baggoley, Jack Higham, Frank Tomas, 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,

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: William and Mary Anderson

Adult Faith Group July 30 7.30-9pm in the Cottage. We will discuss some of what Greg Sheridan, foreign editor of the Advertiser and radio and television presenter, has to say in his book *God is Good For You: A defence of Christianity in Troubled Times*. In particular, we will focus on the last chapter of this book. You can collect a copy of what we will discuss in the foyer of the church if you wish to read it before the meeting. If you want a ride to the meeting please let me know. Pauline Webster 0412 230 653

Sunday 4th August. Morning Tea at St. Paul of the Cross after 8am Mass. All welcome

Sunday 4th August. Morning Tea in the Cottage at Our Lady of the Way after 10am Mass, All welcome

Sunday 11 August. 5pm Monastery. Fr. Patrice has sent an invitation to all our young people to join them for their Sunday evening Youth Mass.

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. As usual, please contact Peter and June Donovan 8270 1770 to indicate your wish to attend. A donation of \$5 to cover costs would be appreciated.

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.

Stewardship Reflection

"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."
LUKE 11:9

Jesus assures us that if we ask, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that our culture often confuses what we really need with what we simply want. Many people *need* very little. However, we usually *want* so much more. A good steward only asks God for what he needs.

Next Roster for period 7th September to 24th November is due to be done shortly. If you are going to be unavailable during any part of this period, please let the Parish Office know by Friday 2nd August.

Vinnies Winter Appeal. To date the amount received is \$2230.95. Vinnies are very grateful for the generosity of the Blackwood Parishioners and these funds will be distributed to those most in need.



Notes from the Choir

After the Blessing and Dismissal at Mass, our usual practice is to sing a Recessional Hymn. This is optional and the hymn may be replaced by choral or instrumental music or by a suitable psalm or by silence at certain times of the liturgical year, Lent for example. At 8.00am Mass on August 4th the choir will lead the assembly in singing the Recessional Hymn "From Penola's Plains". Set to a well-known tune, this lovely hymn celebrates and looks forward to the Feast of St. Mary McKillop on 8th August. Trevor Fuller

The City Fred's Van located at Hawthorn has a vacancy within their "support team" whose work behind the scenes enables the evening teams to operate. The preparation and incoming stock requires managing and organising. They are seeking a "Kitchen Coordinator" to oversee and be involved in the management of the kitchen. The role would suit someone who has availability during the day, and flexibility within their week. For more information contact Teresa Branch on 0419 857 966

If a Priest is required call 8278 6619

Seasons of Growth Bereavement Course.

The Blackwood Parish has arranged for a bereavement program to be run for four (4) Wednesday afternoons in The Cottage at 2 Laffers Road, Glenalta. The program explores effects of change, grief and loss and will be held on **7th, 14th, 21st and 28th August from 1.00pm to 3.30pm** (includes light afternoon tea).

Pam Priadok, the main facilitator, will be running this course at no cost and includes a workbook that is used over the 4 weeks.

If you are interested in attending please register your interest to Charlie by Monday 29th July 2019 by phone on 0438 769 945 or email pastoralblackwood@gmail.com

Calling all Model Makers. Do you make model trains, planes, boats, tanks, cars, etc. A number of us are thinking of starting a Parish Model Makers Group. This will be a chance for fellowship, model making, sharing of ideas and skills and "eating" (of course). Please let Fr. Tony know if you would like to be involved.

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 28/07/19			Next Week 04/08/2019		
	6pm	8am	10am	6pm	8am	10am
MC	Johann	Philip Doyle	Tony Egan		Cathie Luke	Leo Fogarty
Reader	Matthew Shannon	Gary Stafford	Bryce Allanson	TEE PING KOH	Colleen Brown	Pauline Webster
Extraordinary Ministers	Laurence Borda Louise Sortino Tee Ping Koh	Annemarie Honner Simon Honner Terry Tierney	Tee Ping Koh Carmel Malcolm Kevin Gogler	Tee Ping Koh Ellie Rowe Pam Buckerfield	Helen O'Loughlin Tee Ping Koh Tracey Tessitore	Bryce Allanson Julie Langman Laurence Borda
Offertory	Youth	Pisters Family	Ward Family		Luke Family	Mullins Family
Altar Server		Hope Chilstone	Jack and Noah Borda		Peter Shepherd	Jack and Noah Borda
Music	Loreen Tomas	Trevor Fuller and Arthur Finch	Georgian Singers	Loreen Tomas	Choir	Kathryn and Sarah Kuerschner
Hospitality	Brenda Parkinson	Tracey Tessitore	Charlie Borda	Brenda Parkinson	Anne Harman	Jytte Smailes
Flowers		Veronica Siebert	Jenny Dunstan		Nati Hulks	Jenny Dunstan
LOWC			Tracey Tessitore			Barbara Colla