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| ***Immaculate Conception Parish***  P O BOX 600 Tumut  Catholic Community  Collection amounts for January 2016 ~PARISH NEWS~  ~ PARISH NEWS ~  **~ GOSPEL REFLECTION ~** |

*Name calling is an age old device used to discredit enemies. Politicians are adept at finding labels with which to discredit their opponents. Sometimes the labels stick and often have the effect of destroying good people. In today’s gospel, Jesus is subjected to the worst of all imaginable taunts or labels: he is said to be possessed by Beelzebub, the prince of demons. The story belongs within a trajectory of growing hostility towards him from the authorities. Mark has presented Jesus as the Christ or Messiah, as God’s Son who is authorised to usher in God’s empire of reconciliation and peace. Jesus is the “stronger one” (1:7) who will destroy the powers of evil. He invites others to join him in his mission of healing, of proclaiming God’s reign and of driving out demons. Those on the edge of Palestinian society flock to him for healing. The religious authorities, on the other hand, find themselves challenged, even threatened, by Jesus’ growing popularity and his perceived challenge to their strict interpretation of aspects of the Mosaic Law. Such practices as dining with those considered to be “sinners” and permitting his hungry disciples to pluck grain on the Sabbath, for instance, are met with hostile responses from the religious authorities. For Jesus, always the faithful Jew, the Law was established for humans, not humans for the Law and he is not afraid to say so. Early in his ministry, opposition has built to a point that traditional enemies, the Pharisees and the Herodians, join forces to find a way of destroying him. The surprise is that members of Jesus’ biological family now get involved in the attempts to put a halt to his mission, even if their motives differ from those of the Jerusalem “scribes” who bring the charge of demon-possession. One factor to consider is that the family’s honour is at stake. Another factor is the family’s concern that Jesus and his disciples were failing to take care of themselves. The demands were such that “they could not even eat”.  Even if well-motivated, they want “to seize him” because they consider him to be “out of his mind”. Jesus’ biological family thus falls into the trap of taking responsibility for him instead of supporting him to pursue his dream. Mark often places a story within a story. In this instance, the story within is the challenge from the scribes and of Jesus’ powerful counter-challenge. The outer frame consists of the efforts of Jesus’ biological family to save their honour by saving him from a crazy lifestyle and by his redefining of his “family” as those “who do the will of God”. This complex story invites us to refrain from labelling those who threaten our status or authority.* An excerpt by Sr. Veronica Lawson



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**Saturday Vigil: 6.pm**

**Sunday: 10am**

**Talbingo Sunday: 8.am**

**‘THIS WEEKS MASS TIMES’**

**Tuesday: 6pm in Chapel**

**Wednesday: 10am (School Mass)**

**Thursday & Friday: 8am in Chapel**

**Saturday: 9am (every fortnight – Thursday: 11am BUPA Liturgy Saturday: 9.40am BLAKENEY LODGE Liturgy)**

**‘ROSARY’**

**Saturday at 8.45am Exposition at 8.30asm (1st Sat of month)**

**‘RECONCILIATION’**

**Saturday at 5.15pm**

**‘LITURGY MEETING’**

**Tuesday: 2.00pm in Chapel**

**‘PRAYER GROUP’**

**(Rosary & Divine Mercy)**

**Wednesday: 2.00pm in Chapel**

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**10th Sunday Ordinary Time Year B**

**June 10th 2018**

***Entrance Antiphon***

**The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near; they stumble and fall.**

***Gospel Acclamation***

**Alleluia, alleluia! The prince of this world will now be cast out, and when I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all to myself, says the Lord. Alleluia!**

***Responsorial Psalm***

**With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

***Gospel Acclamation***

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Alleluia, alleluia! Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be destroyed; the Saviour of the world will be our king. Alleluia!

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| Ministry | Saturday Vigil 6pm | Sunday 10am | |
| Acolyte | Anne Huebner | Sue Bulger | |
| Reader | Kathy Shanahan | Pat Spannagle | |
| Commentator | Lana Turner | Howard Young | |
| Children’s Liturgy | ---------- | Herrin Henderson | |
| Musicians | Anna Quinn | Patricia & Monica | |
| Altar Servers | New servers | Xavier Henderson & Riley Hotham | |
| Church Care  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  LINEN Jo Little | Group 5: Sandra, Maria & Margaret Dean | | |
| NEXT WEEK Saturday & Sunday 16th & 17th June | | | |
| Ministry | Vigil 6pm | | 10am |
| Acolyte | Barry Madigan | | Dave Shedden |
| Reader | Liz Boxall | | Kirsty Beavan |
| Commentator | Patricia Wilks | | Cathy Purcell |
| Children’s Liturgy | ---------- | | Caitlin Larter |
| Musicians | Patricia & Monica | | Anna Quinn |
| Altar Servers | Gabbi & Maggi Dalisay | | Chloe Turnbull & Lily Webb |
| Church Care | -------------------------------------- | | |

Feast Day**Wishing all our wonderful dads a Happy In m FEAST DAYS 11th June: Saint Barnabas 13th June: Saint Anthony of Padua**

R O S T E R S

**The Welfare of the family is decisive for the future of the world and that of the Church.**

***(Pope Francis Amoris Laetitia – The Joy of Love)***

**~PARISH NEWS ~**

**CHURCH CARE** we are in urgent need of 2 or more volunteers to assist in the cleaning of the church, you will only be required every 8 weeks, if you can help please contact Anna at the presbytery. **FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT** Mark Hogan will present a brief update of Parish Finances after this weekends Masses, please take a flyer from the back of the church for full report details. **BAPTISMS** we are happy to welcome into our community this weekend **Cord Braxton Day** son of Shane and Crystal and **Emma Clare Margaret Morgan** daughter of David and Molly. We pray for all baptism families. **CATHOLIC VOICE** your June edition is ready for pick up. **WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK** all Acolytes and Special Ministers will be required to obtain a volunteer certificate. If you have one please bring it into the presbytery. **SPECIAL THANKS** this weekend to our faithful reader **Kathy Shanahan**

**We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:**

**RECENTLY DECEASED: Paul Meehan Kelly**

**MASS HAS BEEN REQUESTED FOR:**

Pat Malone, Joan Malone, Frank Delany, Ken & Brian Gee, Mazx Butler, Imelda, Bede & Francis McInerney, Cecilia Haddah, John Hourigan, Russell & Peter Ritchie, Kerry Letts, Filomena Comai, Eileen Creighton, Muriel Maidwell, Thomas Maidwell, Margaret Anne Reardon, Steph Scott, Peter Bush, Alan Guthrie, Jim McInerney, Kath Stuckey, Iris Stuckey, Minnie Murphy, Alfred & Bridget Claffey, John Marzol, Joan & Pat Cronmy, Sean Gordon, Maureen Ashleigh, Kade Adams, Tom Sturt, Winifred Whitacker, Edward,Mary & Clem Malone, Pat Malone, Hickson & O’Sullivan families, Colleen Anderson, Reg & Mary Madigan, Matt Downing, Wilkinson & Downing families, Frank Stanfield, Peter Heffernan, Tim & Amy Twomey, Barbara Fuller, Tom & Merle Arentz, Harriet & Ruben Arentz, Kevin & Nola Arentz, Dulcie & Arthur Piper, Marie & Ray Cowan, Kevin Cowan, Kevin Hawthorne, Natalie Baker, Ian Barbour, Fr. Peter Quirk, Con & Ennis Twomey, Mons.John Twomey, Sr. M. Brenda Twomey, Sr. M. Canice O’Sullivan, Sr. M. Celine McCormack, Bert & Teresa Butler, Anne Lawrance, Joan & Bob Liddell, Mary & William Claffey, Hassel & Joy McGrath, Noel Cook, Family members & relatives of Tran family, Frederick & Mabel McInerney, James Kelly, Tom & Dorothy French.

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