





PARISH BULLETIN: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, 28 July 2024

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PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Response:(R) Lord, hear our prayer LEADER: Dear friends, united in the one hope, the one peace and the one faith, let us pray together for all who are hungry in body, mind and spirit.

READER: For Pope Francis, Archbishop Prowse, Fr Mark and all ministers of word and sacrament, that their love of the gospel will lead many to the banquet of Divine Wisdom. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the whole human family, that the Paris Olympics will be a powerful symbol of universal friendship and shared humanity in these fractured times. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

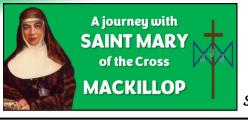
For faithful believers taking part in Sunday Eucharist around the world today, that they will take delight in belonging to a global family of grace, prayer and peace. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For the many human beings struggling to survive from day to day on the barest rations of food and water, that the world community will do everything in its power to supply them with the necessities of life. We pray to the Lord. (R)

For the sick of the parish and for all who have asked for our prayers. For the recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries we recall at this time. May they rejoice in the fullness of life promised to them as faithful followers of Jesus. We pray to the Lord. **(R)**

For Our Lady's intercession for all our needs and especially for the people in war torn places. We pray **Hail Mary**...

LEADER: God of unfailing bounty, day by day you bless us with love and mercy. Open our hearts in generous love for friend and stranger alike. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **AMEN**



PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPES INTENTION JULY

For the pastoral care of the sick



We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

We pray for those who never go hungry, that they will know their good fortune and give generous support to relief agencies feeding the starving and hungry.

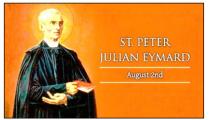
We pray for ourselves, that this week's remembrance of Jesus' friends, Martha, Mary and Lazarus, and the church's great founders, Ignatius, Alphonsus and Dominic, will inspire us to follow Jesus ever more closely.

We pray for rural dioceses & parishes, their spirits bold, that they may discover inventive ways to build bridges of faith, keeping the Gospel's message alive with every step.



We pray for our sick family members, friends and fellow parishioners. May the soothing presence of God's light grant them healing and solace.

Joyce Reed, Tom Nunan, Jean O'Malveney, Terry Perkins, Kath Farrell, Chris Cuttle, Harry & Mary Anne Dillon, Val Perkins, Barbara Brownlie, Jim Parkes, Jen Farrell, Heather Whitby, Marlene Kennedy, Kim Peisley, John & Anna Vincent, John Elliott, Betty Cowell, Patricia Guthrie, Tom Kennedy, Larry Bedingfield, Ashton & Danielle Hurley, Peter Hopkins



PARISH CALENDAR

MON Saints Martha, Mary & Lazarus

- TUE Saint Peter Chrysologus WED Mass Bombala 9.30am Saint Ignatius
- THUSaint Alphonsus LiguoriFRISaint Peter Julian Eymard
- Saint Eusebius of Vercelli SAT LW&HC Delegate 5pm
- Mass Bombala 5pm Saint Dominic



Recently Deceased Eileen Keane (Sr Teresa's sister in Ireland)

July Anniversaries

Beatrice Abrahams Kevin Bedingfield, Shirley Bedingfield **Brian Callaughan** Vincent Clear, Stanley Collins John Cusack, Claude Elliott Jack Eppelstun, Kevin Ingram, Lou Joseph, Gwen Kimber, Val Lasker, Meryl Lock, Fr Barney Lynch Jean Manning, Beryl Morgan Sr Bridget O'Halloran Bryan O'Hehir, Martin Page Judy Periera, Janie Roberts Graham Rumph. Bert Smith Peter Stewart, Jean Talbot Jim Walker, Emily Williams

"We have loved them in Life: Let us not forget them in death."

SAINT PETER JULIAN EYMARD

Have confidence in prayer. It is the unfailing power which God has given us. By means of it you will obtain the salvation of the dear souls whom God has given you and all your loved ones." Ask and you shall receive," Our Lord said. Be vourself with the aood Lord.

May God bless you all. With all the love in my hearts I pray that God may do this. (25.7.1899) We can never be sure that all that looks good is really so. (1875) God is stronger than the world which opposes God's teachings. (28.6.1874) Pray with great and humble faith. (2.6.1890) Sudden death of Mother Bernard whilst Mary was visiting the Sisters in NZ, 1898.

READINGS

FIRST READING: BOOK OF KINGS

They will eat and have some left over.

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: THE HAND OF THE LORD FEEDS US; HE ANSWERS ALL OUR NEEDS.

1. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. (R)

2. The eyes of all creatures look to you, and you give them their food in due time. You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live. (R)

3. The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. (R)

SECOND READING: ST PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

GOSPEL OF JOHN:

He distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted.

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee - or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover. Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So, they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

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1. Come to the Water Frank Andersen

Refrain: Come to the water! You who are thirsty! Though you have nothing, I bid you come! And be filled with the goodness I have to offer! Come! Listen! Live.

1. Why spend your money on what cannot fill The emptiness deep in your heart? Listen to My word and you will enjoy Goodness and peace in your heart! *R*

2. Just as the heavens are high above earth; My ways and thoughts beyond you! Call me your Father and know I am near! I will be Father to you! *R*

2. Seek Ye First *Karen Lafferty* 1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God , And His righteousness; And all these things shall be added unto you. Hallelu, Hallelujah!

2. Ask, and it shall be given unto you; Seek, and you shall find. Knock, and it shall be opened unto you. Hallelu, Hallelujah!

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The disciples fell into the verbal trap which Jesus set. They believed that market forces should dictate how the hunger of the crowd could be satisfied. It was a young lad who put the disciples to shame, simply handing over five barley loaves and two fish to Jesus.

It was because of his generosity that Divine generosity was able to feed the crowd. Divine desire to satisfy the hungers of humanity for the various necessities of life (food, shelter, companionship, education, medicines) require human generosity. Otherwise, Divine Compassion cannot be effective in the world. Voluntary renunciation of property and sharing of wealth still occurs in the little oases of monasteries and convents, echoes of the radical redistribution of wealth recorded in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 4:32-35). St Luke makes it clear that this was essentially linked to the Apostles' testifying to the Resurrection 'with great power'. Francis of Assisi and now Francis of Buenos Aires remind us that the Church itself needs to engage in the redistribution of its wealth to enable the hungers of humanity to be satisfied. This will give authenticity to its preaching of the Gospel and enable its evangelising to be undertaken 'with great power'. We could take a moment to pray that we become more like the little boy in the Gospel, more like Francis of Assisi, more like Francis of Buenos Aires, voluntarily sharing our wealth to satisfy the hungers of humanity.

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