



PARISH BULLETIN 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 22 JANUARY 2023



"Created by God, Loved by Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit ... We come together inspired by our patrons, St Mary the Virgin and St Joseph, her husband, to worship, study and serve."

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Please assist the team by having items in by Wednesday pm.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

POPES INTENTION For Educators

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

We pray for our parish community; may 2023 bring us many graces and blessings. **We pray** for those killed in the aeroplane crash in Tibet and their families who are grieving their loss.

We pray for our deceased loved ones and our deceased parishioners.



We pray for our sick and infirm family, friends and parishioners; may the light of God's presence bring them healing and comfort:

Merilyn Knight, Tom Kennedy, Jim Parkes, Patricia Guthrie, Christine Cowell, Peter Hopkins, John Elliott, Betty Cowell, Jen Farrell, Joyce Cotterill, Heather Whitby, Larry Bedingfield, Margo Birmingham

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



"The world offers you comfort, but you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness."

Pope Benedict XVI

PARISH CALENDAR

Tue: St Francis De Sales

Wed: The conversion of St Paul No weekday Mass

Thu: Australia Day

Fri: St Angela Merici

Sat: LW & HC Delegate 6pm

Sun: LW & HC Bombala 9am



Recently Deceased Pope Benedict XVI, Cardinal George Pell,

January Anniversaries

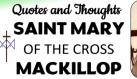
Gwen Adcock, Tony Clear Elaine Clear. Madge Crotty Pauline Crouch, Tony Elliott Jono Kidman, Shirley Ladmore Sr Janet Mead, Molly Mustard Kitty Peisley, Anthony Roberts Ralph Sims, Geoff Smith Gary Thompson, Joan Twigg Ruth Walker, Marty Williams



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

Thank you God for Australia





Look upon your crosses as stepping stones to an eternal life of happiness. 28.2.1890 Value your crosses as the most precious presents from a good and loving God. 26.2.1890 We can do nothing without God. 11.11.1880

Let us remember we have been called by God and God has a right to our perfect service. 12.3.1899

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Prayer of the Faithful Response: (R) Lord, hear our prayer



LEADER: Let us confidently turn to Jesus, our light and our help as we pray for our needs and the needs of the Church and the world.

READER: For the Church: that the Holy Spirit will revitalise the Church in its mission of witnessing to Jesus as the light of the world. We pray to the Lord. *(R)*

For world leaders and legislators: may they be inspired by the example of Jesus in their service of others. We pray to the Lord. *(R)*

For people plunged into depression or despair through tragic happenings: may the light of Christ be their strength. We pray to the Lord. *(R)*

For families: may they be united in love, in the light of the Lord. We pray to the Lord. (*R*)

For those who are sick or unwell, especially Merilyn Knight and Tom Kennedy: may they find healing of body and spirit and for all who care for them, that they may be supported. We pray to the Lord. (R)

For our deceased loved ones: may God give them new life in Jesus and for all who mourn, may they find comfort in the certainty of the resurrection. We pray to the Lord. **(***R***)**

For Our Lady's intercession for all our needs and especially for the people of Ukraine. We pray **Hail Mary**...

LEADER: Jesus, Light of the world, in whose name we make this prayer, shine light on our path and put hope in our hearts. **AMEN**

First Reading Is 8:23-9:3

Responsorial Psalm: (R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

1. The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; Before whom shall I shrink? **(R.)**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. (*R.*)
I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! (*R.*)

Second Reading 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:23 Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 4:12-17

There is one 2023 Josephite Calendar still available, should you like this copy please ask Anna.

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1. Sing A New Song Dan Schutte

Refrain: Sing A New Song Unto The Lord; Let Your Song Be Sung From Mountains High. Sing A New Song Unto The Lord, Singing Alleluia.

1.Yahweh's People Dance For Joy. O Come Before The Lord, And Play For Him On Glad Tambourines, And Let Your Trumpet Sound. *R*

2.Rise, O Children, From Your Sleep; Your Saviour Now Has Come. He Has Turned Your Sorrow To Joy And Filled Your Soul With Song. *R*

2. Galilee Song Fr Frank Andersen MSC

1. Deep within my heart, I feel voices whispering to me. Words that I can't understand; meanings I must clearly hear! Calling me to follow close, lest I leave myself behind! Calling me to walk into evening shadows one more time! *R*

Refrain: So I leave my boats behind! Leave them on familiar shores! Set my heart upon the deep! Follow you again, my Lord!

2. In my memories, I know how you send familiar rains, Falling gently on my days, dancing patterns on my pain! And I need to learn once more in the fortress of my mind, To believe in falling rain as I travel deserts dry! R

May the blessing of God go before you. May her grace and peace abound. May her spirit live with you. May her love wrap you round. May her blessing remain with you always. May you walk on holy ground. (From Celebrating Women)



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Two sets of two brothers were running successful family businesses. But once Jesus passed by and called them, the Gospel says, at once they left their boats and followed him. I think because, hearing his voice, they realised that Jesus was the true vocalist of God.

Irish author and mystic, John O'Donohue, once wrote, 'Something in us senses and knows how perfectly the contours of the soul fit the divine embrace.' * Maybe Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John sensed that, in this Jesus, there was a Soul whose contours perfectly fitted the divine embrace. They were prepared to risk everything for the chance to have their souls contoured along the same lines.

The call: 'Follow me ...', was not to an isolated individual promising to save his soul, but to two brothers and then another two brothers. Immediately, a community was being formed and its task was to bring others into that Jesus following community. We could pause for a moment to hear the brothers beckoning us to follow the call of that voice sounded by Our Lord Jesus Christ. *John O'Donohue, Divine Beauty: The Invisible Embrace, Bantam Press, 246. mtate@bigpond.com