

Entrance Antiphon:

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

Communion Antiphon: There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Pope Francis' Prayer to St Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father

and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Thank you: for your donations towards the Altar candles. May God reward you abundantly for your generosity. As Christ promised **'give, and you shall receive'** (Luke 6:38). Bless you all. Fr Joshy.

GOULBURN:

Planned giving- Goulburn

We currently order 125 sets @over \$12 each. If you decide to set up eft transfer or direct debit please contact Sharon to assist you with a reference number and account details. Thank you to many ringing enquiring about different options of p/ment.

MARY MAGDALENE DINNER Friday 16 – July (6:30pm) “Archdiocesan Women’s Taskforce Dinner” The dinner will be held at the Southern Cross Club Woden to celebrate women’s ministry. Scholar and teacher, Sr Margaret Beirne RSC will give a talk on St Mary Magdalene. Three course meal \$65. All welcome. Bookings essential (Cathy Conroy enq). We encourage you to gather with friends and book a table for this dinner with other parishes in our Archdiocese, in this celebration of women in our church.

Entering the Church for Mass:

Government Requirements: OPTIONS ARE:

- ❖ You are required to scan QR NSW Services **check in code before entry to the church.**
- ❖ You can add others under ‘dependents’
- ❖ If you don’t have a mobile phone, **please book through the Parish office**, between 9-12.30. You can book for the month. If you do not attend that Mass please ring and leave a message, so your name can be removed from that Mass record sheet.

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WEEKEND MASSES AS OF 12/13 JUNE

Saturday - (5pm- June-Aug) (OLOF 5pm (Taralga)

Sunday - 7am (OLOF), 10 am (OLOF),
9am (Crookwell)

Binda – 10.30am (1st Sunday) Marulan – 8am (2nd Sunday)

Tarago –8am (3rd Sunday) Tuena- (5th Sunday)

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 9.30am -10am OLOF/ 4.30pm OLOF

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday – 5pm, Wed & Thurs – 8am (OLOF),

Friday -12pm (Cathedral), Sat – 9am (OLOF)

Masses: Govt.- Covid restrictions.

Seating: 1 person per 1.5sq metres rule!

Mass Offerings: Please send to office, or central collection boxes. Masses are allocated on the Monday of each week

Reminders for all Parishes:

CROOKWELL OFFICE HOURS: Thursday’s Sharon leaves Goulburn by 11am to be at Crookwell Crookwell office is open 11.30-3.30pm Thursdays.

CONFIRMATION: Commencing Thurs. 5 Aug. Details/dates will be emailed out next week.

CENSUS FORMS: *Sorry to keep asking*, have you returned your form? The information we require you to respond to on the form is vital for the future of your parish. Future sacraments, ministries within the Parish- so many groups and rosters. Where we need to assist and offer training, home visits; Many have moved, phone details changed to mob.etc. Goulburn x 125; Taralga x 15, Crookwell x31

Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal (19&20June): At each of the Masses next weekend, a member of the Goulburn Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society will speak about the work of SVDP Welfare. There will be a retiring collection after each Mass to enable us to help those in need. Please come prepared if you are able to help.



Once a priest asked his congregation “Can everyone hear me at the back? Then a voice from the back: ‘Yes father, but I wouldn’t mind changing my seat with someone who can’t.’

Recently Deceased: Lelia Dunne, Sr Rita Corbett rsj, Jacqui Corby, Aref Younes, Sr Hintz rsj, Irene Bobrowski, Paulina Dachsel, Peter Sopniewski,

Anniversaries: Bill Elliott, Robert Elliott, Sr Elizabeth Denson rsj, Ray Hargraves,

Prayer List: Shirley Roberts, Richard Cudaj, Jill Miners, , Dorothy Huntley, Fr Laurie Blake, Carmel Bush, Pat O’Keefe, Kevin McCormack, Betty Burgess, Mena Dutailis. Jan Bovd.

The Living Word

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

13 June 2021

First Reading Ez 17:22-24

I have made the small tree great.

The Lord says this:

'From the top of the cedar,
from the highest branch I will take a
shoot
and plant it myself on a very high
mountain.
I will plant it on the high mountain of
Israel.
It will sprout branches and bear fruit,
and become a noble cedar.
Every kind of bird will live beneath it,
every winged creature rest in the shade
of its branches.
And every tree of the field will learn that
I, the Lord, am the one
who stunts tall trees and makes the low
ones grow,
who withers green trees and makes the
withered green.
I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. see v.2

(R.) Lord it is good to give thanks to you.

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord
to make music to your name, O Most
High,
to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the
night. (R.)
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R.)
3. Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of our God,
still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is just.
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Cor 5:6-10

*Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are
intent on pleasing the Lord.*

We are always full of confidence when we
remember that to live in the body means
to be exiled from the Lord, going as we
do by faith and not by sight - we are full of
confidence, I say, and actually want to be
exiled from the body and make our home
with the Lord. Whether we are living in the
body or exiled from it, we are intent on
pleasing him. For all the truth about us will
be brought out in the law court of Christ,
and each of us will get what he deserves for
the things he did in the body, good or bad.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The seed is the word of God, Christ is the
sower;*

all who come to him will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 4:26-34

*The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into
the biggest shrub of all.*

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the
kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed
on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps,
when he is awake, the seed is sprouting
and growing; how, he does not know. Of
its own accord the land produces first the
shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the
ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no
time; he starts to reap because the harvest
has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom
of God is like? What parable can we find for
it? It is like a mustard seed which at the
time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest
of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown
it grows into the biggest shrub of them all
and puts out big branches so that the birds
of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke
the word to them, so far as they were
capable of understanding it. He would not
speak to them except in parables, but he
explained everything to his disciples when
they were alone.



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

A peasant in Galilee would hope for a
return of 7:1 when sowing seed for a
crop. So when Jesus pictures the
Kingdom of God as a wonderful
harvest (returning 100:1 as he put it
in another parable), his peasant
listeners would envisage a future
without hunger, without servitude to
rapacious landlords and money-
lenders. A true liberation (such as
Mary sang of in the Magnificat)!

Naturally, they and we want to know
when this new way of life, this
fulfilling of the Kingdom of God, will
come about. Our Lord replies: 'Be
patient. Your job is to sow the seed.
Something will happen out of all
proportion to your part in the
process, just like the disproportion of
the mustard seed to a mustard bush'
(which he exaggerates into a tree
sheltering birds).

God's creative power worked in the
depths of stony ground of the tomb
to raise up the Gospel Seed who is
Jesus Christ. From that, a community
has grown which, at its best, leads to
a fair and just distribution of the
world's resources, as Pope Francis
insists is a major test of authenticity
of our claim to be Christian.

We could take a moment to pray for
the courage to sow the seed of the
Gospel whenever an opportunity
presents itself, and the patience to
await the germinating power of the
Resurrection to create the Tree of
Life such that all peoples 'can
shelter in its shade'.

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