

LITURGY OF THE WORD
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary
Time Year C

First Reading 1 Kgs 19:16, 19-21

A reading from the first book of the Kings

Elisha rose and followed Elijah and became his servant.

The Lord said to Elijah: ‘Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.’ Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. ‘Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you’ he said. Elijah answered, ‘Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?’ Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11. R. cf. v.5

(R.) You are my inheritance, O Lord.

1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: ‘You are my God.’ O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;

it is you yourself who are my prize.

2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay.

4. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever.

(R.) You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Second Reading Gal 5:1, 13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

My brothers, you were called to freedom.

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a

single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community. Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

The Word of the Lord

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Gospel Acclamation

1 Sm 3:9; Jn 6:68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 9:51-62

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus resolutely set his face towards Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you will go.

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, ‘Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?’ But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village. As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, ‘I will follow you wherever you go.’ Jesus answered, ‘Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.’ Another to whom he said, ‘Follow me,’ replied, ‘Let me go and bury my father first.’ But he answered, ‘Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.’ Another said, ‘I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.’

The Gospel of the Lord

R. to you Lord Jesus Christ

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The Rebuking of Murderous Apostles

Jews and Samaritans were of a different ethnic mix and were religious adversaries – a volatile mix. It was not surprising that Samaritans refused Jesus entry to their villages ‘because he was making for Jerusalem’, the Jewish centre of worship. What is surprising is that after several years with Jesus, James and John had not absorbed his teaching and practice of non-violence in dealing with enemies. They wanted to annihilate those they considered to be heretics. We are told that Jesus immediately ‘turned and rebuked them’. How many times must the Risen Lord have ‘turned and rebuked’ Christians for their murderous dealing with religious adversaries over the centuries? How often, in our own time, is He rebuking those seeking to wipe out those of ‘heretical’ views, either outside or within their own religious tradition? How must He be weeping at the genocidal carnage being wreaked on his own disciples, and those of other faiths, in the religious terror of the Middle East? We might pause for a moment to seek forgiveness for the times we have wished a personal or larger-scale enemy to be done away with – lest the rebuke of the Prince of Peace ring in *our* self-righteous ears.

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SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday 27th: St Cyril of Alexandria

Tuesday 28th: St Irenaeus

Wednesday 29th: Saints Peter & Paul

Thursday 30th: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

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For the celebration
of the Word and the
Eucharist

UPCOMING
EVENTS

Choir Practice
Monday @ 1pm

Wrap With Love
Wednesday 29th June
@ 1pm
Meeting Room

Croatian Mass
Saturday 2nd July
11am. All are welcome

Cuppa with Mary
MacKillop will be at
the home of Mary
Haigh Tuesday 5th
July @ 10am.
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Craft Group - 10am
Thursdays

“Enjoy the Good
News” Wednesday
after 9 am Mass

Adoration Tuesday @
4.30pm

COFFEE CLUB
Thursdays after
Mass
Venue: Corrigans
Cove

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR C

PARISH MASSES THIS WEEK 27th June - 3rd July

Tuesday: Adoration 4.30pm
Mass 5.30pm
Wednesday: Mass 9.00am
Thursday Mass 9.00am
Friday: Mass 9.00am
Saturday: 1st Saturday Mass 9.00am
Reconciliation 9.30am
Vigil Mass 5.00pm
Sunday: Mass 9.00am

(PLEASE NOTE: No 5.00 pm Mass)



We wish everyone who celebrated a birthday in June, a very Happy
Birthday.
May your year ahead be filled with God's many blessings

CONFIRMATION 2022

CONGRATULATIONS



To all the young people who received
the Sacrament this weekend - we pray that the full blessings of the
Holy Spirit fill your lives and those of your families.

May the life of the ever present God give you joy and peace

**Pope Francis
Monthly Prayer
Intentions
JULY**

Elderly

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

FOR YOUR DIARY:

The second Rite of Reconciliation will be celebrated on 7th July @ 7pm at the Church.

Please take time to come and celebrate this Sacrament of God's mercy and forgiveness

TO OUR FR EDEN

Congratulations Eden on your Ordination to the Priesthood.

The Parish of St Bernard's has been truly blessed to have your presence during your pastoral placement and during your diaconate.

We pray that the joy, love, prayerfulness and deep sense of reverence and enthusiasm for life remain with you during your life as a priest.

Be assured of the prayers of this part of the Church and that, during your priestly ministry in Moruya till the end of the year, our support and fraternal love will be with you in your journey.

May the rich blessings of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and always.

From all the Parishioners of St Bernard's.

FINANCES

Again, many thanks for your ongoing financial support of the Parish and the Priests of the Parish and Archdiocese. Thanks also to Mr Bernie Basevi for his time in bringing the Parish up to speed on the finances to date. We do encourage the use of direct debiting, but all donations, in whatever manner, are much appreciated.

25/26 JUNE

Church Cleaning
B Coffey/M Paine
(27 June-1 July)

5.00PM MASS

Welcomer:
Confirmation
Commentator
Confirmation
Reader Confirmation
Eucharistic Ministers
Confirmation
Computer Screen
Confirmation

9.00 AM MASS:

Welcomer Volunteer
Commentator
B Basevi
Reader: A Brown.
Eucharistic Ministers
A Skinner
A Scicluna
Computer Screen
T Priest

5.00PM MASS:

Welcomer Volunteer
Commentator
To be advised
Reader:

To be advised

Eucharistic Ministers M Devine
Computer Screen
J OSullivan

MORNING TEA:

M Vidovic & Zdenka

2/3 JULY

Church Cleaning
R & K Ison (4-8)

5.00PM MASS

Welcomer: D Robinson
Commentator:

J Quigley
Reader :J Mackay
Eucharistic Ministers :

M Weatherall

Computer Screen:

K Conway

9.00 AM MASS:

Welcomer M deSmet
Commentator : L

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Reader: B Basevi

Eucharistic Ministers :

L Rodwell, L Stevens

Computer Screen :

T Priest

MORNING TEA:

M & C Lowe

PPC Meeting 9 June 2022

- RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a parish outreach service. All of us as parishioners are encouraged to reach out and invite anyone who wants to know and learn more about our Catholic faith.
- Sr Marie has recently written to the parish thanking everyone for the warm send-off and gift. She says, "Although I have said goodbye be assured you will not be forgotten. Batehaven will always take a special place in my heart."
- **Save the Date:** Sunday 26 June after 5pm Mass – Parish BBQ will be held to celebrate Fr Eden's ordination.
Please remember to engage with any PPC member on any parish matter important to you.

Remembering the Sick:

Peter O'Neill, Barry O'Neill, Beverley Biglia, Fr John Walter, Mara Pranjic, Lola, Fr Kevin Murphy, Allan Rogers, Pam Wilson, Antony and Andrew, Rita Condon, Ben Copland, Femia and Mark, Roberto Alivio, Vince Burns, John Dillon, James Lee, Trish Hamilton, Daniel Coffey, Jim Banks, Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, Diane Lanzon, Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Dawn Robinson, Allan Odum, Luke Ward, Andrew Morton, Ken Evendon, Judy Betts, Janet Thornberry, Anica Bautovic, Angela Mylott, Jeanette Clarke, and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital

**St Vincent de Paul
Winter Appeal**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL THANKS YOU for your generous donation of **\$ 1,648-00** to our Winter Appeal. We continue to collect blankets/ doonas & adult/children's beanies, socks, gloves and scarfs from June - August. **Please Leave donations in foyer collection**

Death Anniversaries: are listed in the Memorial Book at the front of the Church and names can be added to it if dates are provided.

We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community: Lois White, Vincent Corbin, Pero Simic, Michael McNamara, Steven Smith, Anton Miloloza, Petronila Aballe, Rosemary Cahill

VOCATION.... A CALLING TO...

As a young adult in the 60s and 70s I was aware that the word 'vocation' referred to a 'higher calling'. We spoke of those who had a calling or vocation to the priesthood, religious life, married and single life. We often spoke of the vocation of teaching, medicine, nursing and the like. We knew that the calling to the service of teaching or healing went beyond working for pay. Sr. Clare Condon sgs states while speaking recently to new University Graduands: *"Don't be fixated on ordering and arranging your life as if it only belongs to you ... be outgoing and serve, teach and engage in those places that might have the greatest need. The rewards will be way beyond your expectations...bring the message of a mysterious God, with all of its potential, to those afraid of life and who struggle with its limitations"* [June 2022].

Free to Follow

Today's Gospel according to Luke is confrontational and non compromising. 'Would be' disciples approach Jesus, feeling they are called to be a follower of him, but he challenges their calling: *"No one who puts their hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God"*. We are either looking toward the kingdom or we are not. We are either responding to the call of life or we are not. ***He asks us to look at the direction of our life, the mission and values we claim to hold and how we are living and embodying those values.***

To be a follower of Jesus the Gospel plainly tells us **we must embrace the people and situations that are right in front of us and/or the future that is coming to us.** 'Jesus recognises and holds before us the tension in which we live. On one hand we say to him: *'I will follow you wherever you go'* on the other hand we say to him: *'but first let me go and ...'* you probably know what that is like. I know I do. [From 'Interrupting Silence' June 2022] I wonder when you have felt this tension, of being pulled in two different directions in your life ... the way of Jesus and some other way.

As Michael Rogness points out: "the verses in the Gospel jar us into asking: ***'How are our lives different as followers of Jesus than what they might have been otherwise?'*** I remember a bumper sticker stating *"If you were on trial for being a Christian would there be enough evidence to convict you?"* Our Christian vocation and call to discipleship means living in ways we might not otherwise live. Let us take time today to look at the quality of our commitment as followers of Jesus especially to those we are called to love and serve.

Marie Weatherall

PRIEST VISIT *If you would like me to visit your home and say hello, please leave your name and phone number at the presbytery. I would be happy to just drop in and visit with you.* *Fr Tom*



PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

If you would like to join the Parish e-platform giving for both the Priest and the Church, the details are as follows:

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