

LITURGY OF THE WORD
Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14

A reading from the second book of Maccabees

The king of the world will receive us into life eternal at the resurrection.

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.' With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.'

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering. When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

The Word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 16:1, 5-6, 8, 15. R. v.15

(R.) Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

1. Lord, hear a cause that is just, pay heed to my cry. Turn your ear to my prayer: no deceit is on my lips.

2. I keep my feet firmly in your paths; there was no faltering in my steps. I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God. Turn your ear to me; hear my words.

3. Guard me as the apple of your eye. Hide me in the shadow of your wings. As for me, in my justice I shall see your face and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory

(R.) Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Second Reading 2 Thes 2:16 - 3:5

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say. Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

The Word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Rv 1:5, 6

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 20:27-38

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

He is not a God of the dead but of the living.

Some Sadducees - those who say that there is no resurrection - approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?' Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of

the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'

The Gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Billy Elliott and the Resurrection

Billy Elliott was a boy brought up in a strife-torn mining town in the north of England. He discovered a passion for dancing. At an interview at the Royal Ballet School which was going badly, he was asked: 'What do you feel when you're dancing?' 'I've got fire in my body.' And he got the scholarship because the panel realised that when Billy danced, he became 'fully alive': bodymindspirit fully integrated. When Billy danced, everything that Billy was, was dancing. That is what our Resurrection is all about. Our whole personality will be dancing with the radiance of Divine Fire coursing through our bodymindspirit. The Sadducees' small-minded sarcasm could not grasp that we will be bodies transfigured, translucent to divine light and energy. We could take a moment to pray that, by the grace of God, our bodies will dance, enflamed by Divine Love.

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THIRTY SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR C

MASSES THIS WEEK:

Monday 7th -Sunday 13th November

Monday: Mass 8am *Please note time change

Tuesday: Adoration 8am, Mass 9am

Wednesday: Mass 9am

Thursday: Mass 9am

Friday: Mass 9am

Saturday: Reconciliation 9.30am,

Vigil 6pm

Sunday: Mass 9am



ST BERNARD'S PARISH
has a new Parish Priest who commences here on 10th January, 2023.

He is **Fr Loi Viovicente**
who is presently Parish Priest of North Belconnen in Canberra.

WEEK-END MASSES THIS WEEKEND 5TH-6TH November
will be celebrated by Fr Rex Curry

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The Year of Walking Together

The Risen Lord walked together with the disciples on the road to Emmaus, drawing them from anxiety to hope, from confusion to joy.

Jesus, centre of our common Emmaus walk, with You alone to guide us, make Your home in our hearts; as we pour "new wine into fresh wineskins" (Mk 2:22)

Like Mary, imbued by the Holy Spirit, may we give birth to a renewed faith and united pastoral action in this Archdiocese in the years ahead.

St Mary of the Cross, our Great Australian Intercessor, pray for us.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. All Saints of God, who name and sanctify our parishes, pray for us. *Amen*

GATHERING- "Dying to know"

What you need to know if someone dies or planning ahead yourself.

Monday Nov 7th 9.15am
registration for 9.30am –12 noon in Church Meeting Room.

Cost=FREE

BYO Shared Morning Tea.

Facilitated by Teresa Hamer
ex funeral director.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL BY TUESDAY NOV 1st TO

Marie Weatherall
0405 028 057

2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Will be celebrated on the 10th November @ 6pm.

It is an opportunity to come together as a family of God to pray for each other as we receive this Sacrament of forgiveness and healing.

Please put the date and time in your calendar

PASTORAL CARE VISITATION AND HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Thank you to the four people who have offered to help.

We still need
someone to visit a lady in
The Glen once a month.

Phone Marie Weatherall
0405 028 057

All resources and help
provided.

CLERGY RETREAT

Fr Eden and I will be on Retreat from Sunday
13th November (after Sunday Masses) until 18th November. The
diocesan clergy retreat will be held at Galong Monastery.

Please keep us and all the diocesan clergy in your prayers during
those days. *Fr Tom*



Finding new life!

Petrea King, well known author, counsellor and teacher was stricken by Leukaemia at age 32. Petrea was, over a period of time, able to confront and come to accept the prospect of death. Yet the unexpected happened.

She survived and then she had to figure out how to live. Part of this quest led her to write her first book:

'Your Life Matters – the power of living now' [2004]. Her book focused on the following themes 'how to live well today; that our existence is precious; to take opportunities as they arise to awaken our own loving potential while establishing peace in our daily life'. In the book she reflects: 'my health continues to improve and for the first time in my life I felt that I was truly living the life I came here to live ... **my focus is always on how to live today well.**' [Pages 21-23]. To this day Petrea helps many who are ill or traumatised to find new life.



The God of the Living.

Today's Readings and Gospel [Luke: 20:27-38] speak strongly about 'new life', 'resurrection' and 'God of the living'. The Sadducees – 'those who say there is no resurrection' – were religious conservatives who preserved the old concept of a colourless survival of souls in an uncertain 'Sheol'. The teaching of the resurrection of the dead formulated much later than Moses seemed to them unintelligent and lacking in perception. In this spirit the Sadducees put to Jesus a fantastic problem...taking the law that a man must marry his brother's childless widow, while pouring ridicule on the doctrine they reject.

Jesus does not argue with them instead **Jesus makes an act of faith in God the Living One!** He is not the God of a short human life, but of a covenant, and cannot be limited by corruptible existence. He is not the God of the dead in a state of 'suspended judgement' **but to those who put their trust & hope in him he is the God of Life. Jesus himself died as a witness to this hope in a Living God.** [Adapted from: Glenstal Bible Missal – Gerard MacGinity OSB, 1984, page1378]

In the words of Cardinal Newman: 'May he support us all the day long, till the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then in his mercy, may he give us – a safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at last.'

Marie Weatherall

Remembering the Sick:

Sr Marie McAlister, 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, 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, those in hospital and nursing homes.

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: Travis Basevi, Judith Dewick, Flavia Clyburn, Nita Gorzalka, Michael Dove, Wayne Sing, Linda Russell, Ruby Swinton, Anna Backo, Lois White, Vincent Corbin, Pero Simic, Michael McNamara

Pope Francis Monthly Prayer Intentions November

For children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

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ROSTERS

5/6 NOVEMBER
Church Cleaning
M deSmet/J Maher
(3-7)

6.00PM MASS
Welcomer:
B Oerder
Commentator
D Robinson
Reader J Mackay
Eucharistic Ministers
Y Oerder,
C Brownlie
Computer Screen
M O'Neill

9.00 AM MASS:
Welcomer
J McClelland
Commentator .
L Page
Reader: D Herring
Eucharistic Ministers
L Stevens,
S Beashel
Computer Screen
T Priest

MORNING TEA:
L Rodwell &
J Barroman

12/13 NOVEMBER
Church Cleaning
B Coffey/M Paine
(14-18)

6.00PM MASS
Welcomer:
P Jobs
Commentator
P O'Kelly
Reader P Nolan
Eucharistic Ministers
M Bridges, J Wain
Computer Screen
K Conway

9.00 AM MASS:
Welcomer L Foran
Commentator
A Skinner
Reader: A Brown
Eucharistic Ministers
L & N Page
Computer Screen
D May