

Readings—13th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

A reading from the first book of Kings 1Kg 19:16-21

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 yolk 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

Responsorial Psalm cf.Ps 15

R. You are my inheritance O Lord

Reader: Preserve me, God, take refuge in me. I say to the Lord: 'you are my God.'
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; It is you who yourself who are my prize.

R You are my inheritance O Lord

Reader: 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.

R You are my inheritance O Lord

Reader: 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.

R You are my inheritance O Lord

Reader: You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness forever.

R You are my inheritance O Lord

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians

Gal 5: 1, 13-18

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yolk 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.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Sam 3:9; Jn. 6:68

Alleluia alleluia

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

Alleluia

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 9: 51-62

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 and 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 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.

Next week's Readings

14th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading Is 66:10-14

Second Reading Gal 6:14-18

Gospel Lk 10: 1-12, 17-20

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Thirteen Sunday Ordinary Time Yr C

Dear Parishioners,

Jesus, often, said that His mission was to go to Jerusalem and die on the cross. Unfortunately, during Jesus' lifetime, no one, not even His disciples understood him properly. They always thought that to be with Jesus was to share in His power and dominion.



In today's gospel, Jesus rebuked John and James, two of his disciples who wished to act in contrary to the mission of Jesus. Jesus, by his action, made it clear that he has come not to destroy people but to save them. His mission was to give life and not to take it away. His purpose was not to be a curse, but a blessing for the people- to heal, cleanse and redeem them. That is why, St. Paul said, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Jesus Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places" (Eph. 1: 3).

Jesus Christ, our Lord and Master, is a blessing. He came not to curse us, but to bless us; He came not to hurt us, but to heal us; He came not to condemn us, but to forgive and redeem us.

Those who wish to follow Jesus should also accept the cost of the discipleship. Christian discipleship is a decision to walk in His ways steadily and firmly and be ready to pay the cost. As disciples of Jesus we are called to be a blessing.

Fr.Baby

PARISH LITURGIES

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley Next Weekend

Saturday: Vigil 6:00pm Fr Baby & Dcn Paul
Sunday: 7:30am **No Mass**
9:00am Fr Tomy & Dcn Paul
Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday
(except school holidays)
6:00pm Fr Baby

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday: Vigil 5:00pm Fr Tomy
Sunday: 8:00am Fr Baby

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday 7:45am
Tuesday 7:45am
Wednesday 7:45am St Thomas the Apostle
Thursday 7:45am
(Ordinarite of Our Lady of the Southern Cross)
Friday 9:15am
(Except 1st Friday of Month)

First Friday of Month Anointing of Sick

11:00am

Saturday 7:45am

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Wednesday 9:00am St Thomas the Apostle

First Wednesday of Month Anointing of Sick

9:00am

Thursday 9:00am

EXPOSITION BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Mary's Church Toukley

Each Saturday – After Morning Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's Toukley

Saturday 8:15am—9:00am

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Sunday Before 8:00am Mass

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

St Mary's Toukley

7:25am Monday to Wednesday & Saturday
8:45am Friday



We welcome all of our parishioners and visitors who have joined us for the celebration of Holy Eucharist this weekend.

You are all most welcome here in our Parish Family.

Please feel free to make yourself known to us and we look forward to speaking with you.

Genesis to Jesus A Course on Salvation History

This course on salvation history will be presented at St Mary MacKillop Parish Warnervale, commencing on Monday 22nd July 2019 and continuing weekly until 7th October.

This 12 session course will be presented twice each week from 10am to 11am and again in the evenings at 7pm to 8pm.

It lays out the structure of the Bible viewed from a Catholic perspective. Each session will consist of a 30min video presentation based on a book by Dr Scott Hahn, followed by a 30 min. period for discussion on the topics raised in the video.

Registration is not necessary. Casual attendance is always possible, however it is preferable to attend all 12 sessions in sequence. You may attend either morning or evening sessions as the same material is presented at both sessions.

For further information please contact Terry Pate via SMS on 408 917 316 and he will return your call.

Social Justice: Domestic Violence

Pope Francis, in speaking on Domestic Violence against women, said *"it cannot be treated as 'normal,' maintaining a culture of machismo blind to the leading role that women play in our communities...It is not right for us to look the other way and let the dignity of so many women, especially young women, be trampled upon."*

Apostolic Journey of His Holiness Pope Francis to Chile & Peru (15-22 Jan 2018), Meeting with the population, 19 January 2018
Source: AIHW 2018

Domestic Violence is a matter we all need to be aware of and to recognise within families, and within our communities.

One woman a week is killed by a current or former partner.

One in six women and one in sixteen men have experienced physical and/or sexual violence by a current or previous partner.

One in four women and one in six men have experienced emotional abuse by a current or previous partner.

In 2016/2017, 72,000 women, 34,000 children and 9,000 men sought homeless services due to domestic violence.

Source: AIHW 2018

And so, to help people to be well informed and develop their skills, the Toukley /Warnervale Social Justice Committee is planning to facilitate skilled workers to provide informative discussion and workshops around this issue.



Catholic Social Justice

Called to *Serve*

cent De Paul, Catholic Women's League.

Please prayerfully discern how God is calling you to serve, God's people, in this Neighbourhood of Grace. Information on various ministries will be provided in the coming weeks.

Upcoming Parish Events

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

In order to help us prepare well to celebrate our Parish Feast Day, on the 7th July, a nine day **Novena, to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, will commence on Thursday 27th June**, following morning Mass at St Mary's church Toukley, including Sunday 30th, after the 9am Mass.



Parish Feast Day

Will be celebrated Next Sunday 7th July. To ensure that this is a great Parish Celebration, **all parishioners are invited to attend the 9am Mass at St Mary's. Please note— there will be no 7.30am Mass on this day.**

There will be morning tea after Mass. Please bring a plate to celebrate together after Mass.



Next Sunday 7 July we also celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. Bishop Columba MacBeth-Green, who is the Chair of the Bishops' Commission for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, has said that this is a significant celebration in our

Church's calendar. He went on to say, that whilst providing us with an opportunity to acknowledge our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander brothers and sisters, this celebration also signifies that we are united as one in God's love and care.

As a community we must strengthen the observance of the Lord's Day especially in the worship of God at Sunday Mass.

Peter's Pence Appeal

Peter's Pence is an annual appeal taken up all over the world around the time of the feast day of St Peter and St Paul (29 June). This year the Peter's Pence Appeal will be held next Sunday, 7 July 2019.

The Vatican website states "The concrete participation, including economic, in the needs of the universal ecclesial community has taken different forms throughout history. These collections and donations by the individual faithful, or entire local churches, raise the awareness that all the baptized are called to materially sustain the work of evangelization and at the same time to help the poor in whatever way is possible."

Sacrament of Confirmation Enrolment and Parent Information

Parents wishing to enrol their children to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, on 21st September this year, are required to attend an enrolment and parent information session either at St Brendan's Lake Munmorah, on Wednesday 31 July 2019, at 3:30pm or, at St Mary's Toukley on Thursday 1st August at either 3:30pm, or 7:00pm. Please contact the parish Office for more details.

Spirituality in The Pub - "Reflections on my Spiritual Journey"

The next SIP is on 2nd August, at the Grange Hotel, Wyoming from 7.30 to 9pm. Bistro meals are available from 5.30pm.

These inspirational talks are held on the 1st Tuesday of the month, March to October and 2nd Tuesday in November.

Golden Jubilee — St Mary's Church Toukley

Our parish will celebrate the Golden Jubilee of St Mary's Church on Saturday 7th December, with Mass commencing at 11am. Following Mass it is proposed to have a luncheon in the Parish hall.

Please keep this date free and mark it in your diaries.

Bulletin Notices

Notices to be placed in our parish bulletin, are required in writing and be submitted to the parish office, no later than 4pm each Wednesday. This is to allow time for the bulletin to be prepared and printed. Thank you

In your charity, please pray for those who have died and those who are sick.

Recently Deceased

Fred Wilesmith, Frank Kacsala, Fr Ian Abbott, Fr Jack Soulsby, James Wood, Danny Goonan,

Anniversaries

Carol Brown, Robert Foley, Michael Moses, Charlie Cini, Keith Madden, Leonard Smith, James Saunders, John Barry Haslam, Scott Kay

Remembrances

Leona Oudin, Oswald Oudin, Geitz Clair, Marcel Clair, Margaret Oudin, Vineberg Family, Richard Harter, Frederick Stephen, Pat Rule, Jack Muller, Valmai Joseph, Judy Duddy, Keith Fahey, Joseph Pham, Teresa Tran, Bernie Phelan, Moore and Langley families, Stark Family, Bernie Unterrheiner, Brown & Muller families, and the Holy Souls

Please Pray for the Sick

John Daniel, Luc Bouquet, Margaret Downing, John Daniel, Wayne O'Neil, Angela Pearce, Daisy Realo, Donatus Morrison, Doug Fitte, John and Helen Loader, Carmel Cianter, Maria Loisa Etello, Kevin and Therese Harvey, Margo Walton, Len O'Shea, Patricia Rule, Rayne Mateo, Jeff Henshaw, Lea Slucher, Ray Slucher, Michael Wiggin, Vanessa Miller, Alexis Hagen, Anne Whitelaw, Francis Lim, Brenda Durley, Koby Bourke, Tony Hodges, Eleanor Matthews, Wendy Lott, Fred Butterfield, Lina Phillips, Betty Carroll, Mary Mahony, Rayne Mateo, Arnold Fletcher, Leanne Knight, Stephen Knight, Adrienne Gibson, Arne Jensen, Heather Niblett, Kathleen Strong, Evan Shepherd, Rosa M Santos, Betty Tattersal.

Ministry to the Sick

If you are taking Holy Communion to anyone, would you please update the details on the sheets in the Sacristy.

Our parish records are currently being updated to comply with Diocesan Policies on Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults.

Thank You

Deacon Paul Co-ordinator—Ministry to the Sick

Thank you

Congratulations to all the Children on their First Communion Day and, a big thank you to the Parish Sacramental Team and the parents, who prepared their children for this wonderful celebration of First Eucharist.

We are inviting businesses to advertise, in our parish bulletin, at a nominal cost, to assist in the cost of printing.

If you know of a business who might like to advertise in our Bulletin, please don't hesitate to contact the parish office.



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