



# St Patrick's Parish Gosford

The Communities of St Patrick's East Gosford,  
St Francis of Assisi Somersby & Holy Trinity Spencer  
Neighbourhoods of Grace, entrusted to the care of the Salvatorians.



## TO TRUST IS TO PLACE YOUR CONFIDENCE ONLY IN GOD

**TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND DO NOT LEAN ON YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING. (PROVERBS 3:5)**

To trust in the Lord means more than believing in who he is and what he says; the word here for trust can also mean "to have confidence in." Having confidence in something means having an assurance that leads to action. Trust in the Lord is a faith that lets us boldly serve. This confidence should infuse our whole being.

All of our knowledge, wisdom, and will should be saturated in the action-producing assurance of the Lord.

When we lean on our own understanding, we trust our own knowledge and discernment to support us through life. As Jeremiah 17:9 tells us, the problem with this is that "the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?" Our own sinful nature can't be counted on.

But new hearts are given by Christ through the Holy Spirit. We cultivate God-trusting hearts by meditation on Scripture, time in prayer, and companionship with other believers. As these things tune our hearts to the Spirit living in us, we will rely less on ourselves and more on Christ, serving him in good times and bad, in sickness and in health, in the battle with sin and in the peace of his rest.

## LUKE 10:1-9 Your peace will rest upon him.



## PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

National Theme for Discernment #4 – How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Humble, Healing and Merciful? This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a deep and faith-filled trust in God and a need for lament and healing within the Church, acknowledging the sexual abuse crisis as a turning point for the Church in Australia. Find out more: [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

## CAN YOU HELP?

Plenary Council Discernment & Writing Group Chairs and Members

As we move into the Listening and Discernment stage of our preparation for the Plenary Council 2020, the Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council is seeking people who are willing to be leaders and partners in the process of discernment. Opportunities are available to apply to be the Chair, or to be a member, of one of six Discernment & Writing Groups. For more information, visit the Office for Employment Relations website [www.employmentrelations.catholic.org.au](http://www.employmentrelations.catholic.org.au) or contact Ms Olivia Lee on (02) 9919 7822 or [olivia.lee@catholic.org.au](mailto:olivia.lee@catholic.org.au). Applications close on 22 July 2019.

[St Patrick's on Facebook](#)



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get the very latest on news and events.



## FR FRANCIS JORDAN SDS

"prayer has another special effect: it has a salvific effect on individuals. The more you pray for the Society and it's undertakings, the more it will also help you!"



## POPE FRANCIS' JULY 2019 INTENTION

The Integrity of Justice

That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

**A warm welcome to our parishioners and visitors who are celebrating the Eucharist with us this weekend at St Patrick's Parish.**

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## ST PATRICK'S PARISH GOSFORD

### PASTORAL CARE

**Fr Grzegorz [Greg] Skulski SDS**  
Parish Administrator

Email: [greg@sds.org.au](mailto:greg@sds.org.au)

### SALVATORIANI

**Society of the Divine Saviour**

<http://www.sds.org.au>

### PARISH OFFICE

**Secretary:** Colleen Kirk  
Mon – Thurs: 8:30am – 4:30pm  
Friday (fortnightly): 8:30am – 1:00pm

**Children's Liturgy & Sacramental Programme Coordinator:**

Margaret Eadie 4325 7817

**Catechists' Coordinator:**

Alain Corne

Email: [saintpatscdd@acs.net.au](mailto:saintpatscdd@acs.net.au)

Wed: 9:00am – 1:00pm  
Thurs: 9:30am – 1:30pm

**Youth Ministry:** Matthew French

Ph: 0411 792 587

**Media Coordinator:** Tom Croll

Friday: 9:00am – 2:00pm  
Email: [tcroll@photom.com.au](mailto:tcroll@photom.com.au)

### VOLUNTEER ROLES

**Office Admin:**

Denise Jay  
Judith Myers  
Maria Andrzejewska

Friday: 9:00am – 3:30pm

**AV Presentation:**

Bob Smith  
Peter McLean  
Greg McBride

**Bursar:**

Darren Fitzgibbon

**Caretakers:**

Ron Begg  
John Malicki

**Gardeners:**

Trevor Byrne  
Joyce Byrne  
Victor Camilleri

**Seniors' Ministry:**

Barbara McCarthy  
Ph: 4322 0250

**School Principals**

St Patrick's Primary: Mrs Cheryl Walsh 4325 1159

St Joseph's College: Mr Tony McCudden 4324 4022

St Edwards College: Mr Mark Bonnici 4321 6400

St Peter's College: Mr Tim Hilderbrandt 43512344

**Christian Brothers' Community**

Frederick Street, East Gosford

Br Peter Hester cfc [Community Leader]

Br Rod Shoebridge cfc

### MONDAY 24, LECTIO DIVINA

In the Jordan Room after 9:00am Mass

Lectio Divina method.

Reading: Read a passage within the bible.

Prayer: Have a loving conversation with God about text.

Meditate: Think deeply upon a spiritual meaning of text.

Contemplation. Resting in Gods presence.

Action: Go and do likewise.

## CHURCH OPEN DAILY 8:30AM – 4:30PM.

### STANDARD WEEKDAY MASSES

**Gosford:**

Monday: 9:00am Wednesday: 11:30am Friday: 12 noon  
Tuesday: 9:00am Thursday: 9:00am Saturday: 9:00am

### WEEKEND MASSES

**Gosford:**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm Sunday: 7:30am Children's Liturgy:  
9:00am During 9:00am Mass  
6:00pm Each Sunday of School Term.

Somersby, 30 Lutana Road: Saturday Vigil: 6:30pm

Spencer, Wiseman's Ferry Rd: 1st Sunday Monthly: 4:00pm

### OTHER MASSES

Filipino Mass 2nd Korean Mass Monthly:  
Sunday Monthly: [Enq: Peter 0409-  
12 noon 508-123] 6:00pm

### ADORATION IN OUR CHURCH

Before the Blessed Sacrament

Mon: 8:30am – 9:00am Wed: 11:00am – 11:30am Fri: 12:30pm – 3:00pm  
Tues: 8:30am – 9:00am Thur: 8:30am – 9:00am Sat: 8:00am

### RECONCILIATION – 1ST RITE

**Gosford:**

**Mon-Thur:** during Adoration - see above.

**1st Friday of Month:** Prior to Mass 11:30am

**Other Fridays:** After Mass 12:30pm

**Saturday:** 8:30am and 4:30pm.

**Sunday:** 7:00am and 5:30pm

**St Francis of Assisi 30 Lutana Road, Somersby:**

**Saturday after Vigil:** 7:30pm

### CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

After weekday Masses to 3:00pm and to 1:00pm Fridays.

### ROSARIES

**Weekday**

Monday, Tuesday Thursday: 8:05am  
Wednesday: 10:35am  
Friday: 11:35am

**Saturdays Monthly**

8:05am: 1st – For Priests & Religious.  
8:05am 3rd Saturday – For Mothers & Abortion.  
8:05am 4th Saturday – For Persecuted Christians and their Persecutors.

### OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

Last Wednesday of each Month at 12 noon

### ADORATION AT BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

Located on Chapel Lane at the Admin Centre

Monday to Thursday: 8:30am – 3:30pm

Friday: 9:00am – 3:30pm

### GROUP MEETINGS

**Bible Study Lectio Divina / Christian Unity / Christian DVD:**

Mondays at 9:30am twice monthly,

Wednesday at 10:00am in the Jordan Room.

**Bible Study Monday:** 7:00 pm in the Jordan Room

**RCIA: in Admin Centre:** 7:30pm Tuesdays.

Contact the Parish Office to register interest.

**menALIVE:**

7:30pm commencing with Mass  
1st Tuesday of Month

**Cancer Prayers:**

9:00am 4th Tuesday Monthly  
in Jordan Room

**Grief & Loss, Prayer & Support:**

1st Thursday Monthly 2pm in Jordan Room

**Craft Group - Friday each week of School Term**

## SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE SHOP

After 9:00am Mass in the Jordan Room.

All proceeds to Charities



## IN YOUR PARISH OF ST PATRICK'S THIS WEEK

Sunday July 7	7:30am 9:00am 4:00pm 6:00pm	Mass. Mass including RCIC Sacraments. Mass at Spencer Youth Mass and Youth Group meeting after 6:00pm Mass.
Monday July 8	9:00am 9:30am 7:00pm	Mass Lectio Divina after 9:00 am Mass, in the Jordan Room. Bible Study Meeting in the Jordan Room.
Tuesday July 9	8:30am 9:00am	Adoration. Mass
Wednesday July 10	11:00am 11:30am	Adoration. Mass.
Thursday July 11	8:30am 9:00am	Adoration. Mass.
Friday July 12	9:30am 12:00am 12:30pm	Craft Group in Jordan Room. Mass Adoration in St Patrick's from 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm.
Saturday July 13	10:15am 5:00pm 6:30pm	Choir Practice in Church. Mass Mass at Somersby

## PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

### SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES, JULY 27

#### NEXT MOVIE NIGHT - 27<sup>th</sup> July.

Movie:- **The Ultimate Gift** (M)

Jason Stevens lives a life of wealth and privilege. When his grandfather 'Red Stevens', dies, Jason expects to receive a hefty inheritance. Instead, however, Jason must set out on a journey of self-discovery to earn the true gift his grandfather meant for him to have. Along the way, Jason befriends a dying girl and her mother and Jason learns what is really important in life. In the end Jason receives the true gifts his Grandfather wanted him to have and cherish for himself.



(PS Bring your tissues and a friends shoulder)

- ♥ COME AND JOIN US IN THE JORDAN ROOM LAST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH. STARTING AT 7.00PM
- ♥ SHARE A SATURDAY NIGHT RELAXING WITH FRIENDS FROM OUR OWN COMMUNITY
- ♥ ENJOY A POT LUCK DINNER AND A MOVIE AFTER; WE ARE USUALLY FINISHED BY 10.00PM.
- ♥ WE MAKE IT EASY TO MEET NEW FRIENDS.

Pot Luck Dinner:- Simply bring something to the quantity of what you would normally prepare for yourself, to share with all, for either the Main Meal, the Desert, or towards Tea, Coffee, Hot chocolate after dinner while we watch the movie with biscuits or nibbles.

#### THE ULTIMATE GIFT - Not the Wealth Jason was expecting.

While at the Movie Enjoy a Pot Luck Dinner.

Simply bring something of the quantity you would normally prepare for yourself, to share with all, for either the Main Meal, the Desert, or towards tea, coffee, hot chocolate after dinner while we watch the movie with biscuits or nibbles.

### YOUTH BAND

The Youth Band is welcoming new members, so if you are musically inclined, why not join the band. If you are interested, make contact with one of the existing band members or Fr Greg.

### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Wishing the students, teachers and staff a great winter holiday break, and we look forward to seeing everyone again in Term 3!

Our next Family Mass will be Sunday, August 25

## GENERAL NEWS

### BLESSING OF OUR STATUE OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP:

Thanks to the generosity of one of our parishioners, we now have a statue of Australia's first saint, founder of the Josephite Order, and the sisters who established both St Joseph's Catholic College & St Patrick's Primary Schools, East Gosford.

As Fr Greg will be away on St Mary's feast day, August 8, he will be blessing our statue before 9:00am Mass this weekend and entrusting the care and protection of our parish to St Mary through her intercession.

### FR GREG WILL BE AWAY ON LEAVE IN POLAND FROM 8TH JULY

Fr Greg has organised for Priests to fill in while he is away. From July 17, Fr Matthew Buczma from Poland will be in residence until Fr Greg returns mid-August.

This coming week we thank Frs John Hill, Brian Rowland and Elisius Shin for their assistance.

### RECONCILIATION EDUCATION EVENING: WEDNESDAY JULY 24

OUR RECONCILIATION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME ENROLMENTS closed last Wednesday, July 3. The compulsory Parents' Education Evening takes place on Wednesday, July 24 [after the holidays] at 7.30pm and parents are once more reminded that non-attendance will mean a cancellation of the enrolment application.

We look forward to seeing all parents present.

## KIDS CORNER

### PINT SIZED PADDIES

#### NEXT EVENT NEXT FRIDAY JULY 26.

In the School Hall 7:00 pm on 2nd and 4th Friday of each Month.

Parents of Primary School Children contact Melissa Monaghan and book your youngsters in for a few hours of fun in spiritual environment.

Enquiries to Melissa 0434 251 481

## ST PATRICK'S PARISH YOUTH GROUP

### YOUTH GROUP MEETING

Tonight, July 7 after 6:00 pm Mass in the Jordan Room. Pizza, food, games, memes and more. Exploring the Catholic faith through talks, small groups, prayer and bible study, all as part of a stable community of young people. Good Music. Quality Banter.

A great opportunity to meet other young Catholic guys and girls in high school. **Stay after Mass tonight!**

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## CENTRAL COAST CHORALE AT ST PATRICK'S



THE CENTRAL COAST CHORALE  
CHRISTOPHER BOWEN OAM  
Presents  
**Camille & Co.**  
*a Carnival of Song*  
Featuring  
The beauty and richness of the music of  
Camille Saint-Saëns  
2:30PM SUNDAY 21ST JULY 2019  
St Patrick's Catholic Church, York St  
East Gosford  
\$30 general \$25 concession  
\$15 student, children 12yrs and under free  
Book via [www.centralcoastchorale.org](http://www.centralcoastchorale.org)  
Ph 43079355 or buy at the door  
etpos now available

Camille Saint-Saëns 1835–1921, was a French composer, organist, conductor and pianist of the Romantic era. He was a musical prodigy and made his concert debut at the age of ten.

He wrote such beautiful music and we are so lucky to be able to entertain you with some of his compositions.

Joining us is clarinetist, Diane Gardiner. We will also be performing a few songs by other composers.

Come and enjoy the calming music that will be performed in a wonderful acoustic venue. 2:30 pm Sunday 21st July 2019.

## YEAR OF TRUST CANDLES

On sale from next Sunday Masses in the foyer, only \$20. To help celebrate St Patrick's Year of Trust, a unique candle and prayer have been produced for you to have in your home to put in a special place where it may remind you to pray for the building of trust in your lives. All profits from the sale of these candles will be directed to assisting our youth in attending the Australian Catholic Youth Conference in Perth at the end of the year.

## WE THANK ROS VAN LIEROP

Our retiring bookkeeper for her complete dedication to the role over the last twelve months. Ros stepped into this voluntary role with complete conviction, and we are so grateful for the time and expertise she gave us. The role of the bookkeeper is now being outsourced to Darren Fitzgibbon who has much experience working with parishes in the diocese.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF CHILDREN

We would like to thank John Donnelly who has over the last number of weeks, been taking 9 children through the RCIC programme which would culminate in their baptism and in most cases, confirmation.

Last Friday during St Patrick's School's Sacred Heart Mass, 5 of the children were baptised and confirmed, and we congratulate Holly, Poppy, Freddie & Robbie Furley, and Daniel Fittler.

Today at our 9am Mass, we welcome and congratulate Axel, Shailey & James Koschel who will be baptised, and Axel & Shailey confirmed.

This would not have been possible without John's time and expertise, and we thank him sincerely. We also thank the children's parents for pursuing the initiation into the Church for their children.

## SENIOR MINISTRY OUTING ON BRISBANE WATER

LET'S TRY AGAIN FOR ANOTHER SENIORS' OUTING ON THE WATER ... BUT THIS TIME, EVERYONE'S INVITED! Sadly the rain made the last maritime adventure impossible so Seniors' Ministry leader Barbara, has booked an even bigger and better event this time: WEDNESDAY JULY 31, DEPARTING AT 9 am [arrive at 8.45am] join the Seniors' Group for an ALL DAY CRUISE across the Brisbane Waters and up the Hawkesbury River, returning at about 4 pm. All this, and morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea for only \$37 [normally \$78!]. If you would like to sail that day, please call Barbara on 0422 909 558 – it promises to be a great day!

## ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER THIS SUNDAY - 7 JULY

The Bishops Commission has produced a video for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday which may be found via YouTube or [here for a download of the mp4](#) so it can be viewed offline. Please visit the [NATSICC website](#) for further information and other resources.

Camille

## FINANCIAL YEAR 2018/19 TAX RECEIPTS

For givers to Charitable Works and Project Compassion which yield 100% tax deductibility, your receipts are also available.

## A PRACTICAL WAY FOR YOU TO HELP

This weekend all givers via the envelope system will find their 2019/20 set available at the foyer for collection. Please take your envelopes home, as this saves the Parish the cost of mailing them to you.

This week we also have available at all pews, a card which may be completed and either popped on the plate if you are comfortable with that. Or you can scan and email it to [patsgos@acs.net.au](mailto:patsgos@acs.net.au), or drop it in at the office. We can then set the ball rolling to include you as a registered financial supporter of the Parish, and we hope as many people as possible will respond to this call.

## DIVINE RETREAT CENTRE

[Divine Retreat Centre](#) is the spiritual arm of the Vincentian Missionaries. The Diocese of Broken Bay invited the Vincentian Missionaries to establish the Divine Retreat Centre in April 2013 in Somersby, NSW. Every month, for the last six years, we have been conducting spiritual retreats and outreach ministries around Australia. This Retreat Centre is a Catholic entity run by Vincentian Priests.

Our website is : [www.divineretreatcentre.org.au](http://www.divineretreatcentre.org.au)



**DIVINE RETREAT CENTRE**  
(Diocese of Broken Bay)

Program and Events  
**JULY 2019**

**FAMILY RETREAT, 6th-7th July**  
(Live-in, Accommodation and food provided)  
Starts Saturday 9:30am & ends Sunday 4:30pm  
For more information & bookings  
please contact: 04 6848 6782 or email: [drcretreatreg@gmail.com](mailto:drcretreatreg@gmail.com)

**YOUTH RETREAT, 13th-14th July**  
for Young Adults ages 18+  
(Live-in, Accommodation and food provided)  
Starts Saturday 9:30am & ends Sunday 4:30pm  
For more information & bookings  
please contact: 04 6848 6782 or email: [drcretreatreg@gmail.com](mailto:drcretreatreg@gmail.com)

**DIVINE MERCY, 1ST FRIDAY, 5th July**  
• SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION • DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET • HEALING MASS

**ONE DAY RETREAT, LAST SUNDAY, 28th July**  
• PRAISE AND WORSHIP • PREACHING THE WORD • EUCHARISTIC ADORATION  
• WAY OF THE CROSS • DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET • HOLY MASS

INCLUDING

<b>KID'S MINISTRY</b> FOR CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN 5 YEARS - 8 YEARS	<b>CHILDREN'S MINISTRY</b> FOR CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN 9 YEARS - 12 YEARS	<b>TEENAGER'S MINISTRY</b> FOR TEENAGERS AGED BETWEEN 13 YEARS - 17 YEARS
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## THIS SUNDAY FOR BREAKFAST

Treat yourself to breakfast with your parish family in the Jordan room. Good food and good company what more could you ask. Bacon and eggs, tea, coffee, hot chocolate and some cakes. After 7:30am Mass, before 9:00am Mass or after 9:00am Mass you choose the time to suit you. All proceeds go to help fund projects in our parish.



**St Patrick's Parish  
Fundraising  
Breakfasts are  
coming back!**

Join us in the Jordan room on the first Sunday of the month after the 7:30am and 9am Masses

**Bacon/sausage and egg sandwich \$5  
Coffee \$4 Tea \$3  
Hot Choc \$4**




## YOUTH RETREAT 13TH - 14TH JULY 2019.

### LET JESUS BE YOUR GUIDE

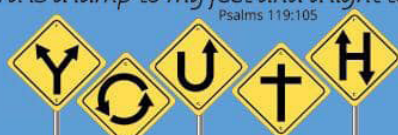
With Fr Roni George VC and Fr Joby George VC.

Are you uncertain of your future direction? Join with fellow youth of the Catholic Faith. See details below.



ARE YOU TRAVELLING TO UNCERTAINTY?  
**LET JESUS BE YOUR GUIDE!**


*"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."*  
Psalms 119:105



**YOUTH RETREAT  
13th-14th JULY 2019  
SAT(9:30 am) to SUN (4:30pm)**

with Fr Roni George VC & Fr Joby George VC

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## YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE

### MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Mass	Intention
Sat 5/7	9:00a Gosford 5:00p Gosford 6:00p Somersby	+ 5th Anniversary Maria Dabska + Remembrance Youkhana David + Remembrance Grace & Lorenza Bajada
Sun 7/7	7:30a Gosford 9:00a Gosford 6:00p Gosford	Recently Dec'd Ian McGuinness Parish Intentions Remembrance Mr & Mrs Nicolas Toma
Mon 8/7	9:00a Gosford	+ Recently Dec'd Carmel Martin
Tues 9/7	9:00a Gosford	Recently Dec'd Mary Emma Middleton
Wed 10/7	11:30a Gosford	Recently Dec'd John Panozzo
Thr 11/7	9:00a Gosford	+ Remembrance Holy Souls
Fri 12/7	12:p Gosford	+ Anniversary Paolo Luci
Sat 13/7	9:00a Gosford 5:00p Gosford	+ Remembrance Keevers, Knight & Merchant Families + Remembrance Oscar Steffan

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY:

Bob Smith, Charlie Sammut, Rachael Lees, Brian Graham, Arlene Peters, Kath Ryan, John Burg, Peter & Lena O'Donovan, Tina Learwood, Allan Francis, Brian Loo, Bev Meehan, Michael Graham, Glenn Mills, Frank McGuinness,

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Angela Cunningham, Simon Low, Christopher Graham, Frances Cannon, John Riley, Margaret Gunnison, Sonia Cummings, Anna-Marie Rowan, Melita Waters, Judy Wennerbom, Helen Bligh, Scott McKinnon.

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

John Panozzo, Mary Emma Middleton, Ian McGuinness, Jean Pickup, Sean Devine, Kristie Camilleri Scibbla, Kerry Dwyer, Kathleen Canavan, Carmel Martin, Jean Melehan.

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Paolo Luci, Maria Dabska, Barbara Hemphill, Majorie Craves, Magdalen McNamara, Irena & Jan Thomporowski.

### REMEMBRANCES:

Youkhana David, Grace & Lorenza Bajada, Mr & Mrs Nicolas Toma, Keevers, Knight & Merchant Families, Aniela Hofsteter, Peter & John Banach, Neta Saunders, Bernice Terry, Franz HakVoort, Ronald Freeman, June Farr, Edward & Stephen Blow, Michael Kokegei.



*Matthew 5:4*  
Blessed are those who  
mourn, for they will  
be comforted.

## FIRST READING

### IS 66:10-14

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

**I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.**

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her!

That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass.

To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

### PS 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. V.1

**(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.**

Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise.

Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!

**(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy**

'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!'

Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men.

**(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy**

He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod.

Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might.

**(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy**

Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what he did for my soul.

Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me.

**(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy**

## SECOND READING

### GAL 6:14-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

The marks I carry on my body are

those of Jesus Christ.

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

### COL 3:15. 16

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you.

Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

### LK 10:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

**Your peace will rest upon him.**

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you."

## COMMENTARY

by Mary Coloe PBVM

The reign of god is very near you.

### GALATIANS 6:14-18; LUKE 10:1-12, 17-20

The passage from Galatians bring Paul's letter to a conclusion. This is the only letter of Paul that does not begin with a greeting of thanksgiving; in fact, the entire tone of this letter has been one of frustration and anger. This is a community that began to follow Paul's teaching with joy and

enthusiasm. They accepted that salvation now came through Jesus and was being offered to Gentiles as well as Jews, and that Gentiles joined the community through baptism. But then, doubt set in. Some Jews came who disagreed with Paul's teaching and insisted that salvation only came through first accepting circumcision, in other words, a person first had to accept Jewish teaching before they could be a follower of Jesus. Paul strenuously objected to this false message. The entire letter has been one argument following another that faith in Jesus brought freedom from following the Jewish Law. Paul had written, 'You were running well; who prevented you from obeying the truth?' The willingness of the Galatians to abandon Paul's teaching has been a real suffering for Paul; it has been his cross.

As a teacher of theology, I sometimes find people so wanting security, that they accept horrid images of God as some type of policemen. Their security then comes by meticulously following rules and regulation. Their faith has become one of fear rather than joy and gratitude. Following rules can be easier than living attentive to the one command to love God and neighbour. Living mindfully of this command and its implications in all areas of life calls for a real discipline of thoughtfulness or mindfulness. Such adult, responsible faith is what Paul requires of the Galatians.

The Gospel of last Sunday is the turning point in Luke's narrative. In 9:51, Jesus begins his journey to Jerusalem, and as Jesus begins his journey, we see also the disciples being sent on their journeys. In this way Luke is teaching that the journey of Jesus is continued and mirrored in the later journeys of the Christian churches. While the Gospel passage reads as a mission within the lifetime of Jesus, the passage reflects also the missionary situation of disciples at the time of Luke's Gospel, fifty years after Jesus' death. The advice is clear and very practical. Travel lightly, accept hospitality where it is offered, and be gracious in eating what you are given. Disciples are to trust that they will find the resources for their mission.

Jesus also adds a warning that disciples will not always be well received. By the time of the Gospel, Christians had begun to experience persecution from Rome and some have been martyred for their faith. Mention of Sodom recalls the incident in Genesis when God's messengers were refused hospitality and this possibility lies before the disciples, as it will also come to Jesus when he visits Jerusalem. The pattern of Jesus'

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ministry, which includes rejection, will be the pattern also for the ministry of the disciples.

News of the disciples' success is given a cosmic significance in the image of Satan falling from heaven. As the power of God's reign spreads, the power of Satan's reign decreases until finally heaven itself can be home for disciples. This is what is meant by the image of the disciples having their names registered on the roll of heaven – much as we have our names registered on electoral rolls showing where we live.

As disciples of Jesus today, may we bring a message of peace to the homes we enter, and take heart that even in the face of rejection, God's reign is near.

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## READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

### SUNDAY, JULY 14

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

1st – Deut 30:10–14  
2nd – Col 1:15–20  
Gospel – Luke 10:25–37

### MONDAY JULY 15

St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor.

### TUESDAY JULY 16

Our Lady of Mt Carmel.

### SATURDAY JULY 20

St Apollinaries, bishop, martyr



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