

The Living Word

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

9 August 2020

First Reading 1 Kgs 19:9.11-13

Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

*(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.*

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land. *(R.)*
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven. *(R.)*
3. The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps. *(R.)*

Second Reading Rom 9:1-5

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 19:38

Alleluia, alleluia!

I hope in the Lord,

I trust in his word.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 14:22-33

Command me to come to you over the water.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far



out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord,' he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

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Reflection by *Dianne Bergant CSA*

Although divine power is manifested in dramatic ways, it is also present in what is unassuming. Traces of God can be seen in the delicacy of a violet, in a cool summer breeze, in the blush of innocence, in the fiery eyes of justice. Every one of us lives in the midst of God, breathes the breath of God's life, and is constantly touched by the exquisite artistry of God's creativity. Life itself is a mountain experience of God.

As wonderful as life may be, it can also be very frightening at times. There are misunderstandings and rancor, jealousy and vindictiveness, greed and a hunger for power. Our personal lives can come unraveled and we can feel that we are genuinely "at sea." Every human being is tossed about by the exigencies of life. It is at times like these that we need faith in Jesus. Even though we do not recognize him, he is there in the midst of our chaos. Having the power of God, he is the definitive champion of all chaos, and so he is able to allay our fears and calm the sea.

A true experience of God, whether it be within the ordinariness of life or one of life's tribulations, is both transformative and effusive. It is a reality that cannot be contained; it must be proclaimed. Disciples must be ready to do what they can in order that the good news of God's revelation be made known to others.

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WEEKEND & WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

**** ALL PUBLIC MASSES SUSPENDED FOR THE TIME BEING ****

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please contact Parish office

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please contact Parish office

Please send in bulletin notices by Thursday



Recently Deceased: Mary Gaynor (friend of Fr Darien and Monica Meagher) and Vera Pollard (friend of Sandra and Malcolm Gould).

Anniversaries 9- August to 15- August:

Patricia O'Sullivan, Beverley Greelish, Kevin Mahoney, Ann Benham, Michael Kennedy and Leslie Lomas.

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Arnie Bench, Peg Benham, Ron & Helen Carter, Jack Davin, Ian Downing, Margaret Dyer, Isobel Fitzgerald, Nell Faigneux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Kate Greenwood, Martin & Mary Grundy, Willow Hanan, Bob Higgins, Jeannette & Laurance Hodgkinson, Kerin Hoyer, Stuart Jarrett, Gary Kingsbury, Jack Loughnan, Belinda Monterosso, Robyn Nagle, Christine Nolty, Helen Pearce, Mavourneen Ray, Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Pat Robinson, Bill & Betty Rushton, Mac & Mary Sullivan, Cooper Thorley, Hugh Tighe, Eraldo (Aldo) Trentini, Deanne Warren, Peter & Maris Williams.

COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

Please remember that face coverings or masks must be worn when out in public. This applies throughout the whole of Victoria.

For updated medical advice and news, please visit:

<https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert>

For Diocese and Parish advice, please visit:

<https://www.cam.org.au/Guidance-for-Parishes-COVID-19>

** NEWS & EVENTS **

Due to the current COVID-19 Health Crisis and extended restrictions throughout Victoria, our public Masses and Liturgies are suspended.

If you require Pastoral care & support, please phone our Parish office. Mobile number for emergencies is on the recorded message.

PARISH STREAMING SUNDAY MASS ONLINE (via YouTube):

- Website link: www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/mass-times/live-streamed-masses-videos/
- This is a FREE service.

RADIO BROADCASTS of SUNDAY MASS:

- Sunday 7:00am on Light FM 89.9
- Sunday 10:00am on The Pulse 94.7 FM

TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS:

- Channel 10 / 10HD: *Mass for You at Home*, every Sunday at 6:00am.
- C31 (Channel 44 on digital TVs): *St Patrick's Cathedral Mass*, every Sunday at 11:00am.
- Foxtel Aurora channel 173: *Mass*, every Sunday at 6:00am.

SUNDAY & DAILY MASS STREAMED ONLINE:

- <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>
- <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>
- www.youtube.com/archmelb
- www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass

Congratulations to Keith and Jenny Constable who are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary this week.

Dear Parishioners, I would like to share the news that recently I received a letter from Archbishop Peter appointing me as Parish Priest here. Please keep me in your prayers, as I assure you that you are in mine. – Fr Darien

Men Alive – 2020 Catholic Men’s Gathering: The Virtual ACBC Australian Catholic Men’s Conference for 2020 will be available from **Saturday 15th of August**. Registrations are now open. It is all FREE. For the registration link and further information, please visit: bit.ly/cm2020event



This weekend we have the annual special collection for CatholicCare. Please donate and support if you are able.

- **Cheques:** address to CatholicCare and forward CatholicCare, PO Box 196, East Melbourne VIC 8002. Please write Supporter Number 64320 on back of the cheque.
- **Online:** www.ccam.org.au/campaign/donate/34/sunday-appeal (Supporter Number 64320)
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Account Name: CatholicCare.
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Reference: Supporter Number 64320. Please ensure you use the reference number when processing the transaction.
- You are welcome to send your donation, marked CatholicCare, to the Parish office.

If you have any questions, please call CatholicCare on 9287 5517 or email fundraising@ccam.org.au.

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LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 10th August – St Lawrence (Feast)

Tuesday 11th August – St Clare (Memorial)

Wednesday 12th August – Weekday, Ordinary Time 19

Thursday 13th August – Weekday, Ordinary Time 19

Friday 14th August – St Maximilian Mary Kolbe (Memorial)

Saturday 15th August – The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (Solemnity)

Sunday 16th August – 20th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

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Thought for the Week:



There is nothing
stronger in
the world than
gentleness.

— Han Suyin



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