

The Living Word

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

8 November 2020

First Reading Wis 6:12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for it.

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her,
she makes herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no
trouble;
you will find her sitting at your gates.
Even to think about her is understanding
fully grown;
be on the alert for her and anxiety will
quickly leave you.
She herself walks about looking for those
who are worthy of her
and graciously shows herself to them as
they go,
in every thought of theirs coming to meet
them.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 62:2-8. R. v.2

*(R.) My soul is thirsting for you,
O Lord my God.*

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. *(R.)*
2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary.
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. *(R.)*
3. So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. *(R.)*

4. On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. *(R.)*

Second Reading 1 Thes 4:13-18

Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.

We want you to be quite certain, brothers,
about those who have died, to make sure
that you do not grieve about them, like the
other people who have no hope. We believe
that Jesus died and rose again, and that it
will be the same for those who have died in
Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can
tell you this from the Lord's own teaching,
that any of us who are left alive until the
Lord's coming will not have any advantage
over those who have died. At the trumpet
of God, the voice of the archangel will call
out the command and the Lord himself will
come down from heaven; those who have
died in Christ will be the first to rise, and
then those of us who are still alive will be
taken up in the clouds, together with them,
to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay
with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts
as these you should comfort one another.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 24:42. 44

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

***you know not when the Son of Man
is coming.***

Alleluia!



Gospel Mt 25:1-13

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five of them were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The early Christians thought that all their questions about death had been answered with the resurrection of Jesus. Therefore, when loyal Christians began to die, not only did their old questions come back, but also they were plagued with new and difficult ones. Was it possible that those loyal Christians had not been loyal after all? Or worse, were the promises made by Jesus empty promises? No! Paul assures us. It is all true. Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again, and all the faithful will be joined with him. *How* it will happen, we do not know. *When* it will happen, we do not know. *That* it will happen, we are sure.

The wisdom that we have culled from life becomes the treasury from which we draw the prudence and insight needed to negotiate life's paradoxes. It throws light on our strengths and on our weaknesses; it enables us to discern what is important and what is not; it directs us to bring extra oil in our lamps. Life and the wisdom that we have acquired through it, have taught us that we can indeed trust the promises of God. They have been fulfilled in the past, and wisdom assures us that they will be fulfilled in the future. It is wisdom that cautions us to be vigilant, to be ready to adjust our plans. It is wisdom that prepares us for the night watches of life. It is wisdom that instructs us to be ready at all times.

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WEEKEND & WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

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THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please contact Parish office

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please contact Parish office

Please send in bulletin notices by Thursday



Anniversaries 8- November to 14- November:

Dalys Allison, Patrick Shine, Eris Hess, Ken Stout, Anthony Bissinella, Brian Hoare, Beverley Gozzo, Bren Anthony, Eileen Kearney, Molly and Harold Pretlove.

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Peg Benham, Mary Blonk, Ellen Bourke, Ron & Helen Carter, Patricia Clarke, Pat Cousin, Jack Davin, Alfred Dickinson, Ian Downing, Margaret Dyer, Isabel Fitzgerald, Nell Fraigneux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Kate Greenwood, Martin & Mary Grundy, Willow Hanan, Peter Harrington, Jeannette & Laurance Hodgkinson, Kerin Hoye, Robert Hurley, Stuart Jarrett, Gary Kingsbury, Jack Loughnan, Belinda Monterosso, Robyn Nagle, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Mavourneen Ray, Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Pat Robinson, Bill & Betty Rushton, Kevin Shannon, Mac & Mary Sullivan, Cooper Thorley, 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 ****

Current restrictions allow limited numbers for Mass and liturgies. All other guidelines remain in place; including wearing masks, sanitising hands, contact tracing and so on. It is very challenging as we try to balance the physical safety of you all with your spiritual needs.

Weekend Masses, celebrating public Masses:

- **Saturday Vigil Mass, 6pm at Holy Family, Barwon Heads:** to book for this Mass, please contact Sue Casey on 0418 290 703.
- **Sunday Mass, 9am at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove:** to book for this Mass, please contact Nan Calnin on 5255 1241.
- **Sunday Mass, 11am at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff:** to book for this Mass, please contact Tony & Trish Frizza on 5258 3906.

If attendance numbers require us to gather outdoors, you will appreciate that Masses could be cancelled in the case of extreme weather.

If you require Pastoral care & support, or if you are aware of others who may need assistance, please phone our Parish office. Mobile number for emergencies is on the recorded message.

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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 & RESOURCES:

- <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>
- <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>
- www.youtube.com/archmelb
- <https://www.lourdes-france.org/en/tv-lourdes/> (provided by Peter Dickinson)

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November Mass Book: if you would like to add your loved ones to our virtual Mass book, please contact the Parish office.

Annual Collection for Catholic Deaf, Sunday 8- November: If you are able to donate, you are welcome to drop off your donation to the Parish office or make a bank electronic transfer. The Parish bank details are below. As always, we thank you for your kind generosity.

BSB: 083-347 **Account Number:** 530 502 075
Account Name: Queenscliff Holy Trinity Parish Church Account
Reference: Catholic Deaf

ADVENT and CHRISTMAS Daily Reflections (and study group):



Dear fellow parishioners, we have been able to secure a number of booklets, prepared by the Wollongong Diocese, for personal or group use during the Advent season. If you are interested in a small group discussion (may be in the evening or during the day depending on demand); or would like a booklet for personal reflection please Sandra Gould on 5256 2978 or sandra@salmandra.com. Please leave a message to indicate your preferences, your name(s) and a contact phone number. Books are \$5.50 each. – Sandra Gould.

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LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 9th November – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast)

Tuesday 10th November – St Leo the Great (Memorial)

Wednesday 11th November – St Martin of Tours (Memorial)

Thursday 12th November – St Josaphat (Memorial)

Friday 13th November – Weekday, Ordinary Time 32

Saturday 14th November – Weekday, Ordinary Time 32

Sunday 15th November – 33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

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Thought for the Week:

No act of kindness, no matter how small,
is ever wasted.

- Aesop

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