The Living Word

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

14 February 2021

First Reading Lv 13:1-2. 44-46

As long as he is unclean, he must live alone, outside the camp.

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 31:1-2. 5. 11. R. v.7

- (R.) I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.
- Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted.
 O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. (R.)

- 2. By now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide. I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.' And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. (R.)
- Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just!
 O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 10:31-11:1

Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jew or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;

God has visited his people.
Alleluia!



Gospel Mk 1:40-45

The leprosy left him and he was cured.

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him. Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

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Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

We know that we will all have to face some kind of suffering, and so we try to prepare ourselves for it. Yet when it comes, as prepared as we try to be, it can overtake us with such fury that we fall back defenceless. We look to others for support and assistance, and if we are fortunate, we find it. However, in the most supportive communities. suffering tends alienate us from those who are healthy and secure. Suffering reminds us of our own finitude and the contingent nature of all of life. It threatens our sense of order.

Jesus deterred is not bv human suffering. He welcomes all who approach him: his healing touch reincorporates those who have been his ostracised: loving embrace reassociates those who have been alienated. In the reign of God, there are no outsiders. All belong to Jesus, and, therefore, all belong to each other. When the one afflicted is embraced by the community, the community is an authentic manifestation of the inclusive reign of God.

In suffering we witness human vulnerability and our desperate need of each other and of God. There, at the edge of life and on the fringes of the community, we may experience the tenderness and compassion of God. The loving touch of Christ that can heal our souls, if not our bodies. It is there authentically that most we may participate in the cross of Christ. Joined him we are anything but unproductive or worthless.

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Holy Trinity 34 Stevens St Queenscliff Our Lady Star of the Sea Holy Family 68 John Dory Drive 101 Hitchcock Ave

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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, the Wathaurong people. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully in the land.

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

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WEEKEND & WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

BARWON HEADS:

Saturday Vigil 6:00pm Sunday 9:30am, Mass for St Mary's Syro-Malabar Community (Malayalam

language)

OCEAN GROVE:

Sunday 9:00am

QUEENSCLIFF:

Sunday 11:00am

(weekday Masses are currently suspended)

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please contact Parish office

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please contact Parish office (Baptisms are currently suspended)

Please send in bulletin notices by Thursday

Anniversaries 14. February to 20. February:

Rita Coleman, Terry O'Shea, Mary Ross, Paul Shanahan, John Arthur, Lawrie Wheelan, Antonio de Gois, Max Dickeson, Peter Robb, Demetina Revilla, Pat Farrugia, John Blain and Ann Hoye.

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Peg Benham, Mary Blonk, Ellen Bourke, Ron & Helen Carter, Patricia Clarke, Annabel Clatworthy, Pat Cousin, Jack Davin, Ian Downing, Margaret Dyer, Isabel Fitzgerald, Nell Fraigneux, George Frances, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Kate Greenwood, Martin & Mary Grundy, Peter Harrington, Jeannette & Laurance Hodgkinson, Kerin Hoye, Robert Hurley, Stuart Jarrett, Gary Kingsbury, Jack Loughnan, Cas Lukauskas, Belinda Monterosso, Robyn Nagle, Christine Naulty, Beverley O'Meara, Maureen O'Neill, Helen Pearce, Mavourneen Ray, Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Bill & Betty Rushton, Kevin Shannon, Mac & Mary Sullivan, Cooper Thorley, Eraldo (Aldo) Trentini, Deanne Warren, Peter Williams.

COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

Please remember, in the state of Victoria, that fitted masks must be worn inside, on public transport and outside where you cannot physically distance.

For updated medical advice and news, please visit:

 $\frac{https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-}{2019-ncov-health-alert}$

For Diocese and Parish advice, please visit: https://www.cam.org.au/Guidance-for-Parishes-COVID-19

** NEWS & EVENTS **

There is currently no need to book for our regular weekend Masses, however, Church and hall capacities, check-in, contact tracing and all other COVID guidelines (including the wearing of masks indoors), apply and remain in place.

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

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.

ONLINE MASSES AND RESOURCES:

- http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand
- https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass

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ASH WEDNESDAY: 17th February, Mass Times

9:15am – Mass at Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Queenscliff 12:00pm – Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove 7:00pm – Mass at Holy Family, Barwon Heads

Sacramental Program 2021: classes for the students enrolled within the 2020 program will recommence on Tuesday 16. February at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church (68 John Dory Drive, Ocean Grove); 4:00pm for Reconciliation and 1. Eucharist classes and 5:00pm for Confirmation class. Classes for 2021 students will commence mid-For current information, please visit our website: www.holytrinitygueenscliff.org.au/sacraments/.

Lent 2021: the Faith Development Group is sourcing the booklet, 'Look to Jesus,' a new Lent and Easter resource for individuals and groups. Look to Jesus will nourish and nurture prayer each day during Lent and into the first week of Easter. We hope to run at least two discussion groups (one during the day and the other in the evening). The expected cost is between \$5.00 and \$6.00 each. For more information, please contact either: Sandra Gould 0418 537 941, or Kerin and Bill Fox on 0407 519 585 or 0427 362 667. The FDG would warmly welcome newcomers to the discussion groups.

Wold Day of Prayer, Friday 5- March 2021:

Our Lady Star of the Sea has been delegated as host to World Day of Prayer on Friday 5. March at 10:00am. The Theme is Vanuatu – Build on a Strong Foundation. All are most welcome to attend. Please contact Gerry Rainey 0417126995 if you can assist with the presentation.

Geelong St Patrick's Racing Club will hold its annual Cup meeting in Colac, due to the renovation of the Geelong track, on Saturday 13. March. Buses will depart Cnr Smythe and Gheringhap Sts, Geelong, at 10:45am and return after the last race. Free parking available at the course. Entry only \$10, no General Admittance on the day. All patrons must provide contact details to the Club and must purchase a seat due to Covid safe requirements. Lunch Boxes available from \$25 and Gourmet BBQ for \$45. Café available for snacks and light meals. Shade provided with marguees and umbrellas. This promises to be a good day for racing with the All Star Mile on the Infovision Screen and the bet365 Geelong St Pats Cup. Group numbers are unlimited. Book tickets now via https://country.racing.com/geelong-stpats or email geelongstpatsraceclub@bigpond.com or ring Catherine Moon on 0409 007 913.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 15th February - Weekday, Ordinary Time 6 Tuesday 16th February - Weekday, Ordinary Time 6

Wednesday 17th February - ASH WEDNESDAY (fast & abstinence)

Thursday 18th February – Thursday after Ash Wednesday Friday 19th February – Friday after Ash Wednesday Saturday 20th February - Saturday after Ash Wednesday Sunday 21st February - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Thought for the Week:

In everything, love simplicity.



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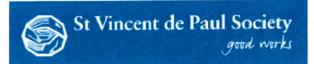
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