The Living Word

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

13 February 2022

First Reading Jer 17:5-8

A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man,

who relies on things of flesh,
whose heart turns from the Lord.
He is like dry scrub in the wastelands:
if good comes, he has no eyes for it,
he settles in the parched places of the
wilderness,

a salt land, uninhabited.

'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord,

with the Lord for his hope.

He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green;

it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 1:1-4. R. Ps 39:5

(R.) Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man
who follows not the counsel of the
wicked;
nor lingers in the way of sinners
nor sits in the company of scorners,
but whose delight is the law of the Lord
and who ponders his law day and
night. (R.)

- 2. He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. (R.)
- 3. Not so are the wicked, not so!
 For they like winnowed chaff
 shall be driven away by the wind.
 For the Lord guards the way of the just
 but the way of the wicked leads to
 doom. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20

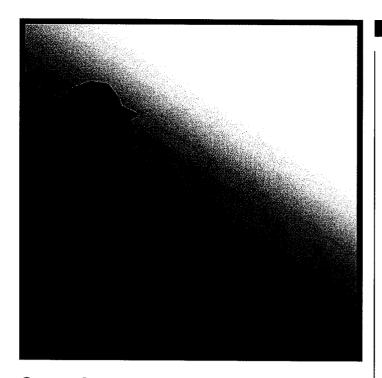
If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!



Gospel Lk 6:17. 20-26

Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

'How happy are you who are poor: yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh. 'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Paul teaches us that, united to Christ through faith and in baptism, we are united in his death and resurrection. With Christ we die to sin; with him we rise to a new life. We cannot wait to see proof of our transformation before we change our actions. The proof is in the lives we live in faith. To deny that we have died and been raised is to deny the resurrection of Christ. Paul insists that they cannot be separated. The challenge is to live in and out of this faith.

Both Jeremiah and Jesus introduce us to such a way of living. It is a way of paradox, a way that moves us beyond the self-centred standards of the world. The poor, the hungry, those who weep, and those who are persecuted are really the ones who are blessed. The victims of our social and economic systems, those who have been ravaged by war or have been made vulnerable by life itself are the ones who, if they place their trust in God. will be blessed in the end. They may appear to be the outcasts of this world. but, if they are filled with faith, they will inherit heaven. The wealth of this world and its pleasures are not the blessings that we might think they are. They can blind us to the real values of life and prevent us from dying to the world and living resurrected lives in Christ.

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WEEKEND 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 MASS TIMES

Please see below: Liturgy in our Parish this week

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

is available prior to each weekend Mass and also before or after weekday Masses if needed

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please visit our website or contact Parish office

Please send in bulletin notices by Thursday

6^{th} Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Anniversaries 13. February to 19. February:

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

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Wally Beckwith, Peg Benham, Mary Blonk, Ron & Helen Carter, Sam Caruana, Carmel Conte, Connie D'Amico, Wellington D'Cruz, Jack Davin, Ian Downing, Robert Drummond & Patti Semler, Margaret Dyer, Isabel Fitzgerald, Nell Fraigneux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Jo Green, Peter Harrington, Jeannette & Laurance Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Kerin Hoye, Robert Hurley, Jennifer Jones, Gary Kingsbury, John Kirkman, Hilda Koerntjes, Evelyn Leahy, Margaret Leahy, Margaret Lomas, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Cecilia Piec, Ros Quinlan, Peter Rafter, Mavourneen Ray, Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Sean Richards, Betty Rushton, Emerson Russel (baby), Mac & Mary Sullivan, Cooper Thorley, Eraldo (Aldo) Trentini, Deanne Warren, Susan Weston, Peter Williams and Shirley Woodruff.

ROSTERS

If you are unable to meet your commitment on your day, please arrange a substitute. Thank you!

COUNTERS: Tuesday 15° February at 10:00am:

Fay Neville and Sam Sammut.

Sincere thanks to everyone for your messages, prayers, care and concern during my recent experience of testing positive for covid and subsequent isolation.

It's good to be 'on the mend', although energy levels are still a bit up and down, which medical advice suggests is not unusual.

Thanks again for being a wonderful parish community.
- Fr Darien.

** NEWS & EVENTS **

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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Chaplaincy Appeal 2022: this weekend is the Chaplaincy Appeal. Donations from our parish community will help the Chaplaincy programs to support the most vulnerable people in our community. Your support and generosity will ensure that Catholic Chaplains can continue to be messengers for God's mercy, love and compassion. Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and financial support to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to individuals and families in Victoria facing loneliness, illness, pain, grief and death. You can donate using the envelopes available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

Thank you for supporting Chaplaincy Appeal 2022.

CATHOLIC PRISON MINISTRY invites you... as we celebrate the work of chaplains during February and prepare for the opening of a new prison in the Barwon region, later in 2022, the Catholic Prison Ministry team is looking for people to join us in the prisons for a few hours a week or fortnight. If you

- Can relate well to people,
- Can model respectful relating with another person,
- Are able to listen without judging,
- Have a good sense of humour,
- Love and live your faith in God.
- prayer, at their Mass or Prayer time in the Chapel,

Then we would love to hear from you about joining our team. Please contact Sister Mary O'Shannassy via email (cpmvic@ccam.org.au or phone 9287 5577 to express your interest. Training will be provided NILS Tel 5229 8829 or email enquiries.nils@vinniesnils.org.au. to all before going into any prison.

Saint Ignatius College, Geelong warmly welcomes parishioners to the community events that their college is hosting this Term:

- International Women's Day with Moira Kelly Wednesday March 9th, 2022. Further information and tickets via Trybooking link: https://www.trybooking.com/BVOUJ
- Saint Ignatius College Golf Day at Curlewis Golf Club -Sunday March 27th, 2022. Further information and tickets via Trybooking link: https://www.trybooking.com/BXCMW

Please find promotional flyers for further information on our website or in the Church narthex.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 14th February – Sts Cyril and Methodius (Memorial)

Tuesday 15th February – Weekday, Ordinary Time 6 9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 16th February - Weekday, Ordinary Time 6 9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Thursday 17th February - Weekday, Ordinary Time 6 9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Friday 18th February – Weekday, Ordinary Time 6 9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 19th February – Weekday, Ordinary Time 6 Sunday 20th February – 7th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Thought for the Week:

Joy is a flower that blooms when you do.

- Author Unknown.



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