The Living Word

First Sunday of Lent, Year C

6 March 2022

First Reading Dt 26:4-10

The confession of faith of the elect.

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the pannier from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 90:1-2. 10-15. R. v.15

- (R.) Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.
- 1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' (R.)
- 2. Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. (R.)
- 3. They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. (R.)

4. His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name.

When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.' I will save him in distress and give him glory. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 10:8-13

The confession of faith of the believers in Christ.

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone,

but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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Gospel Lk 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness where he was tempted.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'



Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you,

and again:

They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

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Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Lent is a time when we are reminded that there is nothing we can do to win our salvation. It is a pure gift from God. Like Jesus in the wilderness, we are to allow God's plan to unfold in and through us. Lent is a time for us to enter actively into the mysteries of the death and resurrection of Jesus, and there to marvel at what God has done for us.

The temptations of Jesus are the same temptations that we face when we are inclined to think that somehow we are in control. While the goals of the temptations may be admirable - feed the hungry, bring the world under the control of good, trust in God's power to protect us - we often choose to accomplish them in ways that are less than admirable. We try to perform the extraordinary so that what we do reflects favourably on us. We use brute force in order to achieve control. We put God to the test rather than live peacefully with God's plan as it unfolds within and around us. We seek to become the super-hero, the superminister, the super-Christian on our own. In his responses to the tempter. we see Jesus constantly deferring to the power of God: It is not by bread alone . . . worship only God . . . do not put God to the test. In a real sense, these temptations are a reminder that the fundamental temptation is to deny our human limitations and refuse to let God be God for us.

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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

First Sunday of Lent Year C

Anniversaries 6 March to 12 March:

Pat Downing, Georgina Crowe, William Mouchemore, Bill Rushton, Petronella Weterings, Ian Neville, Banda Hallal, John King and Johanna 'Janni' Strzelcyck.

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Wally Beckwith, Peg Benham, Mary Blonk, Anne Carpenter, 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 Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Kerin Hoye, Robert Hurley, Jennifer Jones, Gary Kingsbury, John Kirkman, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Lomas, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Cecilia Piec, Ros Quinlan, Peter Rafter, Mavourneen Ray, Margaret Renwick (Snr), Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Sean Richards, Betty Rushton, Emerson Russel (baby), Estelle Simpson, Mac & Mary Sullivan, Pam Sullivan, Kevin Teasdale, 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 8. March at 10:00am:

Ken Caffyn & John Calnin.

PROJECT COMPASSION 2022

Resources for Project Compassion are now available at each Church.

** 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
- 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

Sincere thanks to all of you who participated in and contributed so much to World Day of Prayer 2022. Special thanks to the team at Queenscliff/Point Lonsdale for hosting this ecumenical event.

Implementing Laudato Si': are you interested in how to care for 'our common home' and an online forum: Implementing Laudato Si'? If yes, there is an opportunity on Tuesday 8 March, 7.30-9.30pm. Free event. Register via Trybooking at www.trybooking.com/BVHTM.

TAR Corner for Catholic Social Justice: Helda Camara was a bishop, late last century, when the Military Junta ruled Brazil, his famous quote: "When I give to the poor, they call me a saint; when I ask why are they poor (or refugees, or homeless, or lonely old people), they call me a communist (or leftie, enemy of the state, or dreamer!)."

Pope Francis: "The Catholic Church must be a home for all." – Parishioner, Bill Fox (*italic notes by Bill*).

TAR Group: Pope Francis *Fratelli Tutti 11;* "Ancient conflicts thought long buried are breaking out anew, while instances of myopic, extremist, resentful and aggressive nationalism are on the rise. In some countries, a concept of popular and national unity influenced by various ideologies is creating new forms of selfishness and a loss of the social sense under the guise of defending national interests... Goodness, together with love, justice and solidarity, are not achieved once and for all... as if we could disregard the fact that many of our brothers and sisters still endure situations that cry out for our attention."

Taizé Pray Peace at Santa Casa: the community is invited to come together for prayer and worship as we enter into Holy Week. Saturday 9th April at 2:30pm, followed by a cuppa at 3:30pm at Santa Casa (33 Flinders Street, Queenscliff). If you wish to attend, contact Sr Lizzie rsm on 0418 194 261 or email santacasa@ismapng.org.au.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 7th March – Monday of the 1st week of Lent Tuesday 8th March – Tuesday of the 1st week of Lent 9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 9th March – Wednesday of the 1st week of Lent 9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Thursday 10th March – Thursday of the 1st week of Lent 9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Friday 11th March – Friday of the 1st week of Lent 9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 12th March – Saturday of the 1st week of Lent Sunday 13th March – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Thought for the Week:

Each friend represents a world in us, a world possibly not born until they arrive.

- Anaïs Nín.



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