

The Living Word

Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year C

15 May 2022

First Reading Acts 14:21-27

They assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them.

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:8-13. R. cf. v.1

*(R.) I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God.*

or

(R.) Alleluia.

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)

2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their
blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God,
to make known to men your mighty deeds
and the glorious splendour of your
reign. (R.)

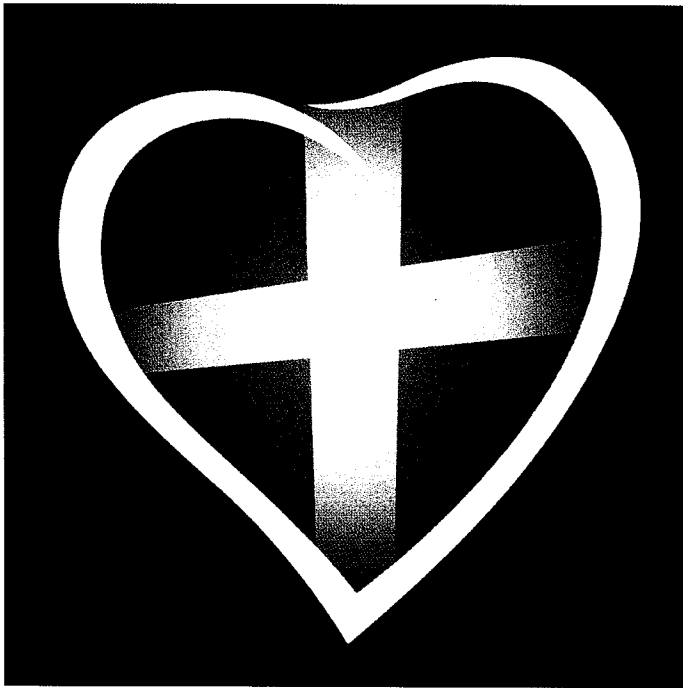
3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom;
your rule lasts from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading Rv 21:1-5

He will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth;
the first heaven and the first earth had
disappeared now, and there was no longer
any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new
Jerusalem, coming down from God out of
heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed
for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice
call from the throne, 'You see this city?
Here God lives among men. He will make
his home among them; they shall be his
people, and he will be their God; his name
is God-with-them. He will wipe away all
tears from their eyes; there will be no more
death, and no more mourning or sadness.
The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke:
'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'



Gospel Acclamation Jn 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

*I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!*

Gospel Jn 13:31-35

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

‘Now has the Son of Man been glorified,
and in him God has been glorified.
If God has been glorified in him,
God will in turn glorify him in himself,
and will glorify him very soon.
My little children,
I shall not be with you much longer.
I give you a new commandment:
love one another;
just as I have loved you,
you also must love one another.
By this love you have for one another,
everyone will know that you are my
disciples.’

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

‘Love one another as I have loved you.’
You may think that Our Lord’s extravagant extreme of love in voluntarily undergoing death for us, is something no human being could ever measure up to.

But actually, something like this happens whenever a mother or father sits by the bedside of a child suffering the terrible pain of a chronic illness or traumatic accident and, perhaps, even facing the prospect of death. Such a parent will invariably say ‘I would rather suffer and die than see my child suffer and die.’ It is the same with a person seeing their much loved life partner in a similar situation.

Each of us, usually to a lesser degree and in less fraught circumstances, has the opportunity to absorb, to some extent, the sufferings of others. We are thus given the possibility of fulfilling the command: ‘Love one another as I have loved you.’

The effect of this sort of loving will be realised at the end of history, not in a garden of Paradise, but as in a wonderful City where all tears will be wiped from our eyes.

We could pause for a moment on our way to that future City, resolving to be alert to opportunities to fulfil our Lord’s command: ‘Love one another as I have loved you.’

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Holy Family 101 Hitchcock Av Barwon Heads	Our Lady Star of the Sea 68 John Dory Drive Ocean Grove	Holy Trinity 34 Stevens St Queenscliff
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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.

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev Fr Darien J Sticklen
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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

Fifth Sunday of Easter Year C

Anniversaries 15- May to 21- May:

Arthur Richards, Emidia Buhagiar, Frank Hayden, Bill Holland, Joan O'Dowd, Alberta Sargeant, Johanna Jansen, Helen Dunn, Anne Larkins, Fr Kevin Casey, Kevin Shannon, Dorothy Freeman-Smith and Kevin Milleranni.

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Peg Benham, Mary Blonk, Ron & Helen Carter, Sam and Yvonne Caruana, Carmel Conte, Connie D'Amico, Wellington D'Cruz, Benedict Darby, 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 Hoyer, Robert Hurley, Gary Kingsbury, John Kirkman, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Lomas, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Cecilia Piec, Ros Quinlan, Mavourneen Ray, Margaret Renwick (Snr), Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Sean Richards, Betty Rushton, Emerson Russel (baby), John 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 17- May at 10:00am:

Mike and Barbara Hardy.

Membership of Parish Pastoral Council: Nominations are called for the next term of the PPC, commencing on July 1, 2022. Parishioners may nominate themselves, or another parishioner. If someone is nominated by another, that person will be contacted prior to proceeding with the process. Nominations are to be made by contacting Fr. Darien c/- Parish Office. – *With thanks, Tony Frizza, Chairperson, Holy Trinity Parish Pastoral Council.*

**** 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.

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Upcoming annual appeals and special collections:

- Catholic Mission: Propagation of the Faith
 - o next weekend, 21- and 22- May

Please give generously, as you always do.

We are required to undertake a count of numbers and other statistics of people attending Mass each weekend throughout May. Thanks in advance to our welcomers and volunteers who will assist in this process.

Santa Casa Retreat Day: "Treasuring our later years: a spirituality of ageing" on **Wednesday 29- June from 10am to 2:45pm**, includes morning tea and lunch. Cost \$25. Facilitator: Sr Nicole Rorau RSM. Limited to 16 people, so book early! To register, email Sr Lizzie Finnerty RSM: santacasa@ismapng.org.au.

Please send in bulletin notices by Thursday

TAR Catholic Social Justice Corner (weekly update): Pope Francis Prayer: "Lord Jesus, born in the shadows of bombs falling on Kyiv, have mercy on us. Lord Jesus, who died in a mother's arms in a bunker in Kharkiv, have mercy on us! Lord Jesus, a 20 year old sent to the frontlines, have mercy on us... Forgive us, if we continue like Cain to pick up the stones of our fields to kill Abel. Stop us, O Lord, stop us! And when you have held back the hand of Cain, care also for him. He is our brother. O Lord put a halt to the violence."

Faith Development Group, "Call of the Gospel": interest has been expressed by some attendees of the recent Lenten reflection groups (in attending similar reflections), should they become available. You may be interested in attending group reflection sessions to be offered during the weeks leading up to the Sundays in June, of Pentecost, Trinity, The Body of Christ, and Sacred Heart (commencing the week of 30th May). Both weekday mornings and an evening hope to be offered. If interested, please contact a Faith Development Group representative:

- Sandra Gould | 0418 537 941 | sandra@salmandra.com
- Rhonda Boyd | 0428 933 673 | rboyd1@vtown.com.au
- Kerin Fox | 0407 519 585 | foxeskb@gmail.com

Exciting News from St Aloysius – 120th Anniversary: our biggest milestone will be the celebration of our 120th Anniversary as a school in June. We have a big day of celebrations planned for **Friday 24th June** to mark this very special occasion; including a student dress up day in period (1902) costume, a display of archive material and a morning tea for past and present students and families. If you know anyone who attended St Aloysius over the past 120 years, or you would like to be involved in the Steering Committee, please contact Mrs Narelle Arthur on narellea@yahoo.com.au.

Nazareth Parish: Grovedale, Torquay and Anglesea is currently looking for a Parish Finance Officer for the Nazareth Parish encompassing Grovedale, Torquay and Anglesea. The position is 2 days per week. The position is located at St Therese Catholic Church, Torquay. For all details, please visit Latest News on our parish website.

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LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 16th May – Monday of the 5th week of Easter

Tuesday 17th May – Tuesday of the 5th week of Easter
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 18th May – St John Paul I (Memorial)
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Thursday 19th May – Thursday of the 5th week of Easter
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
with OLSOS Year 6 students attending

Friday 20th May – St Bernardine of Siena (Memorial)
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 21st May – St Christopher Magallanes (Memorial)

Sunday 22nd May – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Together we pray for:
students of Our Lady Star of the Sea,
St Aloysius and Sacramental Program
receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation,
and the Sacramental Program students
receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist
this week. Please keep the children and
their families in your prayers.

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