# The Living Word

## **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**

26 June 2022

# First Reading 1 Kgs 19:16. 19-21

Elisha rose and followed Elijah and became his servant.

The Lord said to Elijah: 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.'

Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

# **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 15:1-2. 5. 7-11. R. cf. v.5

(R.) You are my inheritance, O Lord.

- Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
   I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.'
   O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
  - it is you yourself who are my prize. (R.)
- I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
   who even at night directs my heart.
   I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
   since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)
- 3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety.

- For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
- nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)
- 4. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. (R.)

# Second Reading Gal 1:13-18

My brothers, you were called to freedom.

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.

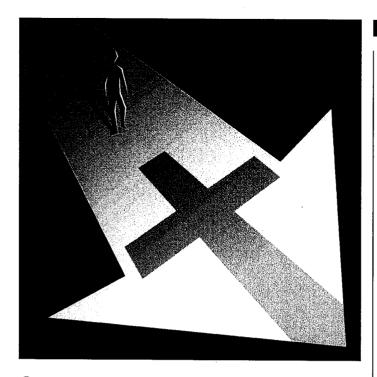
Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

# Gospel Acclamation 1 Sm 3:9; Jn 6:68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!



#### Gospel Lk 9:51-62

Jesus resolutely set his face towards Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you will go.

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

# **Reflection** by Fr Michael Tate

Jews and Samaritans were of a different ethnic mix and were religious adversaries – a volatile mix. It was not surprising that Samaritans refused Jesus entry to their villages 'because he was making for Jerusalem', the Jewish centre of worship.

What is surprising is that after several years with Jesus, James and John had not absorbed his teaching and practice of non-violence in dealing with enemies. They wanted to annihilate those they considered to be heretics. We are told that Jesus immediately 'turned and rebuked them'.

How many times must the Risen Lord have 'turned and rebuked' Christians for their murderous dealing religious adversaries over the centuries? How often, in our own time, is He rebuking those seeking to wipe out those of 'heretical' views, either outside or within their own religious tradition? How must He be weeping at the genocidal carnage being wreaked on his own disciples, and those of other faiths, in the religious terror of the Middle East?

We might pause for a moment to seek forgiveness for the times we have wished a personal or larger-scale enemy to be done away with – lest the rebuke of the Prince of Peace ring in our self-righteous ears.

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Rev Fr Darien J Sticklen Parish Secretary: Mrs Daniella Sutera

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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:

QUEENSCLIFF:

Sunday 9:00am 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 1pm on Thursdays

# 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Recently Deceased: Mary Gilltrap (sister of Remo Bianco).

#### Anniversaries 26. June to 2. July:

Frank Walsh, John Coon, Tom Kenny, Jack Egan, Peter Fitzpatrick, Maureen Clarke, Pat Heddrick amd Gavin Carrucan.

#### Please pray for those who are Sick:

Elly Anwyl, Peg Benham, Naomi Bianco, Mary Blonk, Ron & Helen Carter, Sam & 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, Peter Harrington, Jeannette Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Kerin Hoye, Robert Hurley, Gary Kingsbury, John Kirkman, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Lomas, Toni Lukauskas, 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), 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!

COMMENTATOR (C), LECTOR (L), SPECIAL MINISTER (SM), WELCOMERS (W), PROJECTIONIST (P)

#### OCEAN GROVE: 3" July at 9:00am:

(C) Catherine Hayes (L) Brenda Bissinella (SM) Maree Clancy, Nick Ansell (W) Bev O'Meara, Nan Calnin.

#### COUNTERS: Tuesday 28 June at 10:15am:

John Calnin and Judy Compton.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SAFEGUARDING – VOLUNTEERS, WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS AND CODE OF CONDUCT:

National regulations have been in place for some time regarding volunteers in any community organisation. How this applies in our Parish is that all volunteers must hold a current Working With Children Check (WWCC) and have signed a Melb Archdiocese Code of Conduct. This includes all members of ministry, flower arrangers, singers/musicians, etc. A volunteer WWCC is free with applications completed online or at select Post Offices. Your WWCC must be registered at the Parish Office. If you have any enquiries or need assistance with your WWCC, please contact the Parish Office 5258 1673 or via email. The Parish must also keep a record of all volunteers within the parish. If your details are not up to date, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

We appreciate your understanding and support as we work together to comply with our legal requirements.

#### \*\* 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.

\*\* Parish Office Update: Daniella will be on annual leave from Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June and returning on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July. The office operating hours will be limited during this time. \*\*

#### Upcoming annual appeal and special collection:

• Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne – Peter's Pence – to be held this weekend, 25° and 26° June.

Please give generously, as you always do.

Stewardship Envelopes: Envelopes are now available at the back of the Church. The Finance Committee would like to thank you and those using Bank transfer and Credit card payments for their continued support of the Parish. Over the past two years, income from Stewardship contributions has fallen by nearly 25%. If more parishioners can now see their way clear to join or increase their current contributions to the Stewardship Program, it would be most appreciated. Please contact Daniella at the Parish office on 5258 1673 or by email (queensclift@cam.org.au).

**Ladies Social Group:** lunch at the Beach Terrace Cafe (1/85 The Terrace, Ocean Grove) on **Wednesday July 6, at 12:00pm**. To RSVP, phone or text Sandra 0423 047 862.

**Holy Trinity Memorial Wall Committee:** with the completion of the Holy Trinity Parish Columbarium, it is now appropriate to establish the "Holy Trinity Memorial Wall Committee". It is envisaged that a Committee of 4-5 would take responsibility for matters including:

- Administering the "take up", allocation and paperwork attached to the requests for a niche in the wall.
- Liaising with the Parish Finance Committee on financial matters pertaining to the Columbarium.
- Overseeing the ongoing maintenance and appearance of the Columbarium.
- Recommending to the Parish Pastoral Council the need for any change or alteration to the Terms and Conditions for use of the Columbarium.

If interested in being part of this Parish Ministry, please notify the Parish Office of your interest.

**TAR Catholic Social Justice Corner (weekly update):** Pope Francis: *Laudato Si p 54:* "The alliance between the economy and technology ends up sidelining anything unrelated to its immediate interests. The most one can expect is superficial rhetoric, sporadic acts of philanthropy and perfunctory expressions of concern for the environment, whereas any genuine attempt by groups within society to introduce change is viewed as a nuisance based on romantic illusions or an obstacle to be circumvented".

**Trinity Aid for Refugees** is recommencing grocery collections on a rotating system across our Parish. Our Refugee friends in Geelong continue to need much support. In July, the Collection Tub will be located at Holy Trinity Queenscliff (it will move to Ocean Grove in August, Barwon Heads in September). For a list of suggested items check the Parish Website, click Ministries & Groups/TAR and scroll to the end or email shirleyhurley@iinet.net.au.

The Homestead Nursing Home Special Ministry: this ministry is expected to recommence in July and we are in need of extra volunteers. Volunteers are invited to be on a roster to assist each week in taking Holy Communion to our Catholic residents in the nursing home. Having four more volunteers, will mean, that two people working together, need only take one turn each month. If you are interesting in being part of this ministry and for further information, and with grateful appreciation, please contact Judy Considine on 0417 347 553.

#### LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 27. June – St Cyril of Alexandria (Memorial)

Tuesday 28: June – St Irenaeus (Memorial) 9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 29<sup>a</sup> June – Sts Peter and Paul (Solemnity) 9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Thursday 30 June – Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Friday 1 · July – Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 2- July – Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 Sunday 3- July – 14- SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME



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