

# The Living Word

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**

**17 July 2022**

## **First Reading Gn 18:1-10**

*Lord, do not bypass your servant.*

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

## **Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1**

*(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.*

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?  
He who walks without fault;  
he who acts with justice  
and speaks the truth from his heart;  
he who does not slander with his tongue. (R.)
2. He who does no wrong to his brother,  
who casts no slur on his neighbour,  
who holds the godless in disdain,  
but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)
3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;  
who takes no interest on a loan  
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.  
Such a man will stand firm for ever. (R.)

## **Second Reading Col 1:24-28**

*The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.*

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.



### **Gospel Acclamation See Lk 8:15**

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

***Happy are they who have kept the  
word with a generous heart  
and yield a harvest through  
perseverance.***

***Alleluia!***

### **Gospel Lk 10:38-42**

*Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.*

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

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### **Reflection by Fr Michael Tate**

Jesus turned the customs and taboos of his society upside down. In this Gospel, against all the rules of segregation, Jesus is alone with women who are *not* his relatives, completely at ease with their hospitality. It is personal relationships, not gender determined relationships, which are important to him.

Further, here is Mary assuming the posture of a student at the feet of a Rabbi (teacher) listening to his teaching. We remember that Jesus had chosen his male disciples in order to teach *them*. Mary chooses *Him* to teach *her*! Maybe it was a counter-cultural step too far for Martha. Is that what she is really 'anxious and troubled' about?

Jesus was willing to upset the social conventions and religious taboos of his day in respect of women. What would be a good contemporary response of the Catholic Church?

The word 'cardinal' means hinge – 'hinge of the door' – an essential part of the structure of the Church which is our home, in which we listen to the words of Jesus Christ. Could the College of Cardinals be supplemented to include women alongside the ordained male prelates? Outstanding women, religious or lay, could head some Vatican departments and take part in the election of the Pope.

That would be a strongly symbolic step with repercussions throughout the Church.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the Church to show a greater willingness to sit, like Mary, at the feet of Jesus so that we may hear his words: 'You have chosen the better portion.'

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

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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

**Please send in bulletin notices by 1pm on Thursdays**

## 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

### Anniversaries 17<sup>th</sup> July to 23<sup>rd</sup> July:

Shirley Tisdale, Elizabeth Lee, Kath McAllester, Teresa Holland, Nell Downie, Sheila Guthrie, Kevin Warren, Bill Laurie, Zelvie Harvey, Shirley Collins, Jim Harrington, Victoria Higgins, Fred Sheppard and Peg Hutchinson.

### Please pray for those who are Sick:

Elly Anwyl, Peg Benham, Naomi Bianco, Mary Blonk, Ron & Helen Carter, Sam and Yvonne Caruana, Sue & Gerry Casey, 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 Hoyer, Robert Hurley, Melissa Keogh, Gary Kingsbury, John Kirkman, Hilda Koertjes, 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: 24<sup>th</sup> July at 9:00am:

(C) Luci Quinn (L) Frank Rice (SM) Sandra Duggan, Carmel Rice  
(W) Kaye Nelson, Diane Gent.

### COUNTERS: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 10:00am:

John Calnin and Greg Carey.

### **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:** Fr Darien will be on annual leave from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July for 2 weeks. Rev Fr Geoff Baron will be residing in our parish and celebrating Masses, baptisms and other sacraments while Fr Darien is away. Our grateful thanks to Fr Geoff for his kind help.



**Soup night at Barwon Heads:** parishioners of Holy Family are hosting a Soup Night on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** after Vigil Mass. All welcome.

**TAR Catholic Social Justice Corner (weekly update):** Pope Francis: *Laudato Si* p 214: All Christian communities have an important role to play in ecological education. It is my hope that our seminaries and houses of formation will provide an education in responsible simplicity of life, in grateful contemplation of God's world, and in concern for the needs of the poor and the protection of the environment. Because the stakes are so high..."

**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@inet.net.au](mailto:shirleyhurley@inet.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.

**Catholic Theological College – Semester 2 Study Options:** Explore your questions in theology and ministry at CTC in Semester 2 with our introductory and advanced units, for audit or credit study. **Online and in-person options available.** To enrol or for further information, email Registrar via [registrar@ctc.edu.au](mailto:registrar@ctc.edu.au).

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#### LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Weekday, Ordinary Time 16**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Weekday, Ordinary Time 16**  
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July – St Apollinaris (Memorial)**  
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July – St Lawrence of Brindisi (Memorial)**  
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – St Mary Magdalene (Feast)**  
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – St Bridget (Memorial)**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July – 17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**

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*Thought for the Week:*

Every tomorrow has two handles.  
We can take hold of it with the  
handle of anxiety or  
the handle of faith.

- Henry Ward Beecher.

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