

# The Living Word

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

**7 August 2022**

## **First Reading Wis 18:6-9**

*Just as you struck our enemies, you made us glorious by calling us to you.*

That night had been foretold to our ancestors,  
so that,  
once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their  
trust in,  
they would joyfully take courage.  
This was the expectation of your people,  
the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their  
enemies;  
for by the same act with which you took vengeance  
on our foes  
you made us glorious by calling us to you.  
The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice  
in secret  
and this divine pact they struck with one accord:  
that the saints would share the same blessings and  
dangers alike;  
and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of  
the fathers.

## **Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 32:1. 12. 18-20. 22. R. v.12**

**(R.) Happy the people the Lord has  
chosen to be his own.**

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;  
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.  
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,  
the people he has chosen as his own. (R.)
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

## **Second Reading Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 (or shorter form Heb 11:1-2, 8-12)**

*We will look for the city designed and built by God.*

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for,  
or prove the existence of the realities that at present  
remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were  
commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for  
a country that was the inheritance given to him and his  
descendants, and that he set out without knowing where  
he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the  
Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country,  
with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the  
same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked  
forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past  
the age, was made able to conceive, because she  
believed that he who had made the promise would  
be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from  
one man, and one who was already as good as dead  
himself, more descendants than could be counted, as  
many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on  
the seashore.

All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things  
that had been promised, but they saw them in the far  
distance and welcomed them, recognising that they  
were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who  
use such terms about themselves make it quite plain  
that they are in search of their real homeland. They can  
hardly have meant the country they came from, since  
they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact  
they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly  
homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called  
their God, since he has founded the city for them.

It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test,  
offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son  
even though the promises had been made to him and  
he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will  
be carried on. He was confident that God had the power  
even to raise the dead, and so, figuratively speaking, he  
was given back Isaac from the dead.

## **Gospel Acclamation Mt 24:42. 44**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Be watchful and ready:**

**You know not when the Son of Man is coming.**

**Alleluia!**

## **Gospel Lk 12:32-48**

**(or shorter form Lk 12:35-40)**

*See that you are prepared.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid,  
little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the  
kingdom.'



'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Jesus lived in a remote part of the Roman Empire where the majority eked out an existence. One of the few ways in which redistribution of wealth could occur was by voluntarily giving to the poor. So Jesus instructs his followers: 'Sell your possessions and give generously to those in need.'

We live in a very different society: 'The Commonwealth of Australia.' 'Commonwealth' indicates that the wealth of this nation, its people and resources, are meant to be directed to the common good.

So, we respond to Our Lord's command in ways very different to what was possible in his day.

We have a compulsory taxation system which forces us to give up some of our possessions, some of our wealth to the common-wealth. Taxation and social justice policies help fulfil Our Lord's command to create a society more humane than anything remotely possible under the Roman Empire. And that would please Our Lord. Why?

In part because those in need are helped. But, perhaps in greater part, because it makes us larger hearted people. We have to arrive at the moment of death with a heart so capacious that it can include the billions of people we hope inhabit heavenly existence.

We might pause for a moment to pray for our hearts to be expanded by our contribution to the common-wealth of all peoples throughout the world.

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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.

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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

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

**Recently Deceased:** Ros Quinlan.

### Anniversaries 7- August to 13- August:

Tom Rossiter, Margaret Hall, Andrew Farrugia, June Baxter Thompson, Arthur Priest, Allan Jenner, Trish O'Sullivan, Bev Greelish, Rita Gatt, Kevin Mahoney and Ann Benham.

### Please pray for those who are Sick:

Elly Anwyl, Peg Benham, Naomi Bianco, Mary Blonk, Ron & Helen Carter, Sam and Yvonne Caruana, Connie D'Amico, 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, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Leahy, Margaret Lomas, Toni Lukauskas, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Cecilia Picc, Ros Quinlan, Mavourneen Ray, Margaret Renwick (Snr), Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Sean Richards, Betty Rushton, Mac & Mary Sullivan, Pam Sullivan, Kevin Teasdale, 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: 14- August at 9:00am:

(C) Peter Dickinson (L) Geraldine Rainey (SM) Maree Clancy, Monica Meagher (W) Remo & Naomi Bianco.

### COUNTERS: Tuesday 9- August at 10:00am:

Des Harris and David Millie.

### **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 Ministry Volunteer Forms:** these expression of interest or comment forms were made available last weekend. The forms may be returned to the Parish Office (via drop off or email) or handed to a collector at Mass, this weekend or next week. Forms are available at your Mass Centre if you have not received one.

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



**Hospitality at Ocean Grove Church:** parishioners are invited to a cuppa and hospitality after morning Mass this Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> August, at Ocean Grove. All welcome.

**St Vincent de Paul Society meeting** will be held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August after 9:15am Mass at Ocean Grove.

A new **Ministry Roster for Ocean Grove** is scheduled to issue soon. It would be helpful if Ministry Volunteers would inform Monica on email: [meaghermonica@gmail.com](mailto:meaghermonica@gmail.com) as to any Sundays you will not be available during roster cycle September – November inclusive. Thank you.

*Together we pray for the students of Our Lady Star of the Sea and St Aloysius schools receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist in the coming weeks. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.*

**Our Lady Star of the Sea Primary School 40 years celebration:** parishioners are welcome to a guided tour through the school on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September between 9:30-11:00am.

**Trinity Aid for Refugees:** The grocery collections box will be located at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove for all of August. Our Refugee friends in Geelong continue to need much support. Thank you to all who contributed to the Collections at Holy Trinity Queenscliff. 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](mailto:shirleyhurley@iinet.net.au).

**National Vocations Awareness Week - 7 August:** Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

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### LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August – St MARY OF THE CROSS (Solemnity)**

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August – St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Memorial)**  
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> August – St Lawrence (Feast)**  
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August – St Clare (Memorial)**  
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August – St Jane Frances de Chantal (Memorial)**  
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August – Weekday, Ordinary Time 19**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August – 20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**

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*Thought for the Week:*

Everyone smiles  
in the same language  
~ Unknown Author.

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*good works*

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