# The Living Word

# Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

# 15 January 2023

# First Reading Is 49:3, 5-6

I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel,

in whom I shall be glorified';
I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord,
my God was my strength.
And now the Lord has spoken,
he who formed me in the womb to be his
servant,

to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him:

'It is not enough for you to be my servant.

to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel;
I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

# **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R. vv.8. 9.

- (R.) Here I am, Lord;
  I come to do your will.
- I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
   He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. (R.)
- You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
   but an open ear.
   You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
   Instead, here am I. (R.)

- In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will.
   My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. (R.)
- Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.
   My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord.

# Second Reading 1 Cor 1:1-3

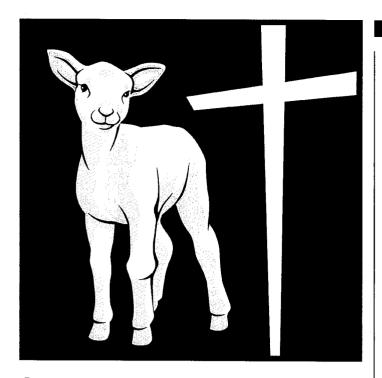
The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

# Gospel Acclamation Jn 1:14. 12

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us.

He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God.
Alleluia!



# Gospel Jn 1:29-34

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Seeing Jesus coming towards him. John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes. I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

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# Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Ours is an historical religion. It not only unfolds within the iovs and disappointments of time and place. but it is rooted in actual events that took place in the lives of real people. The Christ to whom we commit ourselves is not a mythic character, a figment of communal religious imagination. He is someone who was born into history, at a specific period of time, in a particular place. He was known by real people like John the Baptist: he submitted himself to historical rituals like baptism. He had followers who testified to the truth of both his existence and his life. Jesus was a man of history.

Like Paul, we too have been called to be apostles. We received this call when we were baptised. The beginning of the year, with its custom of making new resolutions, is a wonderful time to remember to what we have committed ourselves. At times it seems that our own apostleship is no less daunting than was Paul's. However, it is no less immediate either. Whether the period of history is the first half of the first century, as was the time of Jesus, or the second half, as was the time of Paul, or the twenty-first century, as is our time, salvation unfolds within the events of time. Furthermore. followers of Jesus always return to the events of his life in order to discover the meaning of the events in their lives. These past events are reinterpreted in the ongoing present. Discipleship is never otherworldly.

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Queenscliff

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 Parish Secretary: Mrs Daniella Sutera

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#### **PARISH OFFICE & PRESBYTERY**

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

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#### **PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS**

St. Aloysius, Queenscliff Principal: Ms. Miriam Leahy, Tel: 5258 1736 Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove Principal: Ms. Kerryn Sells, Tel: 5255 4308

#### **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

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Recently Deceased: Yvonne Caruana, Most Reverend George Pell, D.D.

Anniversaries 15<sup>th</sup> January to 21<sup>st</sup> January: Graham Crouch, Antonio de Gois, Sally Cronk, Victor Viteri, Alice Feeney, Patricia (Pat) Robinson, John Meehan, Terri Garland, Bunty Chaplin and Brien Newton.

Please pray for those who are Sick: Elly Anwyl, Peg Benham, Naomi Bianco, Mary Blonk, Ron & Helen Carter, Sam Caruana, Connie D'Amico, Benedict Darby, Jack Davin, Ian Downing, Robert Drummond & Patti Semler, Margaret Dyer, Isabel Fitzgerald, Gloria & Ron Forbes, Nell Fraigneux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Peter Harrington, Jeannette Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Kerin Hoye, Robert Hurley, Melissa Keogh, Gary Kingsbury, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Leahy, Margaret Lomas, Toni Lukauskas, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Cecilia Piec, Mavourneen Ray, Margaret Renwick (Snr), Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Sean Richards, Betty Rushton, Pauline Shannon, Mac & Mary Sullivan, Pam Sullivan, Kevin Teasdale, Aldo Trentini, Deanne Warren, Susan Weston, Michelle Williams, 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: 22nd January at 9:00am:

(C) Frank Rice (L) Liz Fraser (SM) Janine Fitzpatrick, Carmel Rice (W) Judy Considine, Margaret Donovan.

COUNTERS: Tuesday 17th January at 10:00am:

John Calnin and Greg Carey.

#### **SAFEGUARDING UPDATE**

If you are a volunteer in our parish, have you:

- 1. A current Working With Children Check?
- 2. Signed a Parish Code of Conduct?
- 3. Done the Safeguarding Essentials 30-minute online training?
- 4. A National Police Check (for counters and collectors only)?

To make it easier, instead of online training, a group training session is being planned for early February next year. To register your interest, please contact Jennie Ryan via email: <a href="mailto:Queenscliff.Safeguarding@cam.org.au">Queenscliff.Safeguarding@cam.org.au</a>

#### WATCH THIS SPACE FOR MORE UPDATES!

www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/safeguarding/parish-child-safe/

We appreciate your understanding and support as we work together to comply with our legal requirements. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

#### \*\* NEWS & EVENTS \*\*

If you need 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.

**Silent prayer and reflection** continues at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove, on a fortnightly basis (Tuesdays) from 10-10:30am. Next session will be on **Tuesday 17**<sup>th</sup> **January**.

**Holy Family Church, Barwon Heads,** is open on Thursdays from 10-11am for private prayer and a cuppa. All welcome.

**Trinity Aid for Refugees** will be recommencing grocery collections in January 2023, starting with Barwon Heads then rotating monthly across our Parish. Thank you to our generous supporters this year. If you would like to support the Refuge Families in Geelong, you could donate online to Wesley Church Welcome Place (BSB 633 000, Account 160 305 066). Or contact Shirley 0409 424 243 or email <a href="mailto:shirley@iinet.net.au">shirleyhurley@iinet.net.au</a>.

Together we pray for the children receiving the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

#### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2023 for school-aged children:

Enrolments are now open.

**Enrolment & information session:** Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 4pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Ocean Grove.

Classes to commence: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February at 4pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Ocean Grove.

Please visit our website for the enrolment form and all details. www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/sacraments/sacramental-program-2/.

Catholic Outlook – The Vatican's most influential female is coming to Australia: Sr Nathalie Becquart, the Vatican's most influential female, is coming to Australia for a whirlwind tour in February 2023 and will be holding public forums and lectures in Sydney and Melbourne. For all information, please visit: <a href="https://catholicoutlook.org/the-vaticans-most-influential-female-is-coming-to-australia/">https://catholicoutlook.org/the-vaticans-most-influential-female-is-coming-to-australia/</a>.

Assumption College Annual Get-together: The annual event will be held at the Sorrento Hotel on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 12:00pm. Those travelling from Queenscliff should board the 11:00am ferry. For information and RSVP, contact Fred LeDeux on 0437 096 715 or banzool@bigpond.com.

# **Prayers**

### Praying with the Pope in January

#### Educators

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

#### LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January - Weekday, Ordinary Time 2

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January – St Anthony (Memorial)

No morning Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
10:00am Silent Prayer & Reflection at
Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
12:30pm Rosary for Mrs Yvonne Caruana at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff
1:00pm Requiem Mass for Mrs Yvonne Caruana
at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 2 9:15am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 2 9:15am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January – St Fabian and St Sebastian (Memorial) 9:15am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday  $21^{st}$  January – St Agnes (Memorial) Sunday  $22^{nd}$  January –  $3^{rd}$  Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thought for the Week:

Since love grows within you, so beauty grows. For love is the beauty of the soul.

~ Saint Augustine.



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Estia Health Leopold is a Residential Aged Care home and has availability for respite and permanent vacancies and with 50% of their respite fees for December and January. Call Gabrielle on 0416 336 841 if you would like to have a look at our wonderful home and find out more details on respite care. 52 Ash Road, Leopold. Ph: 5250 2156.

