

The Living Word

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

18 June 2023

First Reading Ex 19:2-6

A reading from the book of Exodus

You will be a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp.

Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."' "

Responsorial Psalm

PPs 99:2-3. 5. R. v.3

**(R.) We are his people:
the sheep of his flock.**

1. Cry with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. (R.)
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to him,
we are his people, the sheep of his
flock (R.)
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,
eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 5:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

We have been reconciled to God through the death of his Son; we are saved by his life.

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

Gospel Acclamation Mk 1:15

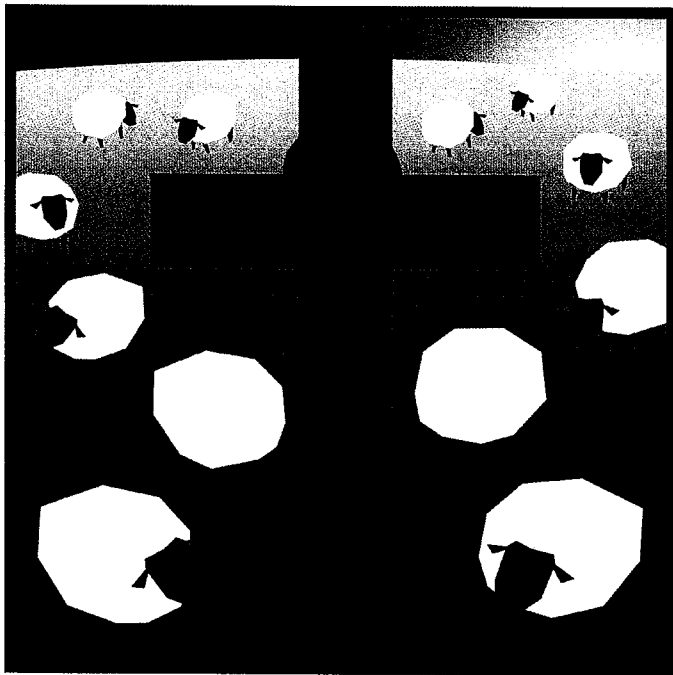
Alleluia, alleluia!
The kingdom of God is near;
repent and believe the Good News!
Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 9:36 – 10:8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask



the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'

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Reflection

by Greg Sunter

The portrait of Jesus that is painted by the gospel of Matthew is as the one who has come to fulfil the Jewish tradition. This is sometimes incorrectly interpreted as being anti-Jewish but that is not the case at all. The community for whom Matthew was writing were Jewish Christians and they saw the pathway taught by Jesus as the best way to live out the Jewish tradition. It is in this context that today's gospel passage must be considered. The way the commissioning of the Twelve begins is very significant: 'When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd.' This is the gospel writer describing the people of Israel as a whole – harassed and dejected and without a shepherd. For the Matthew community, Jesus was that shepherd the Jews needed. But Jesus also knew that one person alone could not bring about the change within Judaism that was required. He chose the Twelve and named them as apostles (those who are sent) to continue the work that he had begun.

The gospel writer describes Jesus as giving the apostles 'authority' over unclean spirits. For the Matthew community, authority was a defining question. They had recently been expelled from the Jewish synagogues and the authority of Jesus had been called into doubt. Yet, for this community, real authority lay with Jesus and those whom he sent out to do his work. Throughout this gospel, Jesus is described as exhibiting 'authority' so as to reaffirm to the original community that they were right in choosing to follow the way of Jesus and not bend to the authority of the Jewish leaders who were oppressing them.

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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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For all other parish ministries, including RCIA, Sacramental Program, Men Alive, Faith Development & Spirituality Group, St Vincent de Paul local Conference, Trinity Aid for Refugees, etc., please visit:

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Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
Principal: Ms. Kerry Sells, Tel: 5255 4308

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

BARWON HEADS: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
Sunday 9:30am, Mass for St Sebastian
Mission, 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 before or after weekday Masses if needed.

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Visit our website for all information or contact Parish office
www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/sacraments/

COLUMBARIUM

Please visit www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/about-us/parish-columbarium/

Please send in bulletin notices by 1pm on Thursdays

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Recently Deceased: Riemi Roder and Kerin Hoye.

Anniversaries 18th June to 24th June: Marnie Rossiter, Claire Prowse, Brendan Keilar, Michael Bamford, Jean Barber, Shirley Carrigg, Mary Gilltrap, Mavis Richards, Netty van Elst, Denise Johnston and Leo Scarff.

Please pray for those who are Sick: Elly Anwyl, Peg Benham, Naomi Bianco, Mary Blonk, Peter Bourke, Ron & Helen Carter, Sam Caruana, Brian Cotter, Connie D'Amico, Jack Davin, Pat Dickeson, Ian Downing, Robert Drummond & Patti Semler, Gloria Forbes, Nell Fraigneux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Margaret Gladstone, Martin & Mary Grundy, Peter Harrington, Jeannette Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Robert Hurley, Melissa Keogh, Gary Kingsbury, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Lomas, Toni Lukauskas, George Marshall, Belinda Monterosso, Annette Mullany, Christine Naulty, Frank Nelson, Helen Pearce, Cecilia Picc, Mavourneen Ray, Margaret Renwick (Snr), Geraldine Richards, Sean Richards, Betty Rushton, Jeannett Stevens, 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: 25th June at 9:00am:

(C) Liz Frazer (L) Maureen Earls (SM) Jenny Cole, Dan O'Meara
(W) Catherine Hayes, Margaret Donovan.

QUEENSCLIFF: 25th June at 11:00am:

(C) Adrian Scott (L) Diana Scott (SM) Terry Philp (W) David Millie.

COUNTERS: Tuesday 20th June at 10:00am:

Judy Compton and Fay Neville.

SAFEGUARDING – IMPORTANT UPDATE – 6TH JUNE 2023

The "Safeguarding Essentials" group training is scheduled. We strongly encourage volunteers who have not completed the online course to attend. The training session is mandatory for all volunteers who give their time in any capacity. We look forward to seeing you there!

Date: Saturday 8th July **Time:** 1pm to 2:30pm

Location: Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Ocean Grove

Presenter: Rosemary Teed, Safeguarding Office for Western Region of Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

RSVP BY FRIDAY 30TH JUNE to Jennie Ryan at

Queenscliff.Safeguarding@cam.org.au or call the parish office.

Thank you to everyone that has reviewed and confirmed their "Volunteer Contact Information" document. To date, emails have been sent to members of the Pastoral Council Faith Development & Finance Committees and Counters. I would appreciate it if you could check your inbox for an email from Queenscliff Safeguarding, review the document and confirm the details or provide up to date information where necessary. We are still in the process of contacting all volunteers so don't worry if you haven't been contacted as yet.

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.

Soupa Saturday at Holy Family, Barwon Heads – 24th June: following 6:00pm Vigil Mass. All welcome.

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

Santa Casa, Queenscliff, is looking for another part time casual cook: school friendly hours (9am-3pm) and great working conditions! If you are interested, please contact Sr Lizzie Finnerty RSM on 0418 194 261 or email santacasa@ismapng.com.au.

WINTER REFLECTION SESSIONS

The Faith Development and Spirituality Group (FDG) is hosting three winter reflection sessions focussing on The Uluru Statement from the Heart.

The dates are Sundays: 25th June, 2nd July and 9th July from 2:30-4pm.

Location: Purple Hub at Our Lady Star of the Sea Primary School, Ocean Grove.

If you are interested in attending one or more sessions, please advise Rhonda Boyd, Sandra Gould or Kerin Fox by either phone or email:

Rhonda: 0428 933 673 | rboyd1@vtown.com.au

Sandra: 0418 537 941 | Sandra@salmandra.com

Kerin: 0407 519 585 | foxeskb@gmail.com

You are still very welcome to all or any of the sessions.

Come join us as we reflect and walk together.

News from the TAR group: This coming week is Refugee Week, with the theme of Finding Freedom. Freedom should be a way of life for everyone, not just the lucky ones. Please consider our refugee community this week, and reach out to the organisations aiding refugees. Queenscliff Rural Aid for Refugees (www.queenscliffra.org) has a great website with ideas on ways to help. There will be more information in the coming weeks on appeals to our politicians for a fairer visa process, for those left out of the Permanent Residency Process. **Trinity Aid for Refugees (TAR):** anyone wanting to give support could email shirleyhurley@inet.net.au or donate directly to Wesley Church Welcome Place: BSB 633 000, Account 160 305 066.

NOTES FROM THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

1. In the next step of the "Take the Way of the Gospel" lay people and clergy have been invited to a 3-stage Diocesan-wide consultation. The first stage of consultation, "Leading for Mission" considered the questions: How might we express the missionary vision of our Archdiocese? What support do Parishes need to bring about this desired future? The report from this first round of consultation mirrors very closely our own discussions at Holy Trinity Parish. The challenge of taking up "missionary discipleship"; need for hospitality; connecting with the "disengaged"; linking with schools; engaging young people; communities having a "clear vision"; formation and training for lay leadership; clergy support; adopting new technologies. A few copies of this consultation report are available at each Church and it is also available on the Parish website.
2. The membership of the PPC as from July 1, 2023 will be:
Fr. Darien, President
Primary School Principals: Kerry Sells, Miriam Leahy
Barwon Heads: Kerry Sidaway, Susan Weston (Vacancy exists for one more member)
Ocean Grove: Josephine Barnes, Liz Frazer, Bernard Attard, Maureen Earls
Queenscliff/Point Lonsdale: Adrian Redfern, Michael Scott, John Hanan
3. Parishioners are reminded of the information and resources that are available on the Holy Trinity Parish website: www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au. It is worthy of frequent checking as new information is being constantly added.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 19th June – St Romuald (Memorial)

Tuesday 20th June – Weekday, Ordinary Time 11

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

11:00am Requiem Funeral Mass of Mrs Riemi Roder
at Holy Family, Barwon Heads

Wednesday 21st June – St Aloysius Gonzaga (Memorial)

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

with St Aloysius staff & students attending

11:00am Requiem Funeral Mass of Mr Kerin Hoye
at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Thursday 22nd June – Sts John Fisher and Thomas Moore (Memorial)

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove
with OLSOS Year 2 students attending

Friday 23rd June – St Paulinus of Nola (Memorial)

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 24th June – The NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST (Solemnity)

Sunday 25th June – 12th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Friends of Faith and Light Geelong: A Christian community for people with disabilities (especially intellectual disability), their carers, families and friends. You are welcome to come to our next monthly meeting on **Saturday 24th June**. We have a Sharing news time, Gospel reflection with songs and prayers, and a Fiesta afternoon tea. Theme: Pentecost. Gathering is from 2:00pm to 4:30pm. Hall open 1:30 for preparation. Our Venue is St Mary's parish, Pioneer Room, Level 1 (by lift) @ 150 Yarra Street. Enter by Little Myers Street. RSVP by Thursday 22nd June. If you would like to know more, please contact the Joint Coordinators Tricia O'Keeffe on 0414 672 267 or Kevin Mark: Kevin@stmarysgeelong.com.au. Faith and Light Is a worldwide organisation, began in Lourdes, in 1971. www.faithandlight.org



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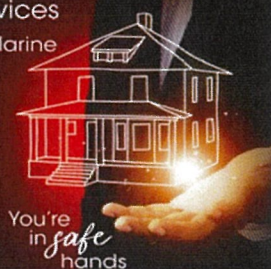
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