

The Living Word

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

7 July 2024

First Reading Ez 2:2-5

The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a prophet in their midst.

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you up to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 122. R. v.2

***(R.) Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,
pleading for his mercy.***

1. To you have I lifted up my eyes,
you who dwell in the heavens:
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves
on the hand of their lords. (R.)
2. Like the eyes of a servant
on the hand of his mistress,
so our eyes are on the Lord our God
till he shows us his mercy. (R.)
3. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
We are filled with contempt.
Indeed all too full is our soul
with the scorn of the rich,
with the proud man's disdain. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Cor 12:7-10

I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

Gospel Acclamation See Lk 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

***The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News
to the poor.***

Alleluia!



Gospel Mk 6:1-6

A prophet is despised only in his own country.

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Reflection by Greg Sunter

This week's gospel sees Jesus returning to his home town of Nazareth. He is well and truly into his public ministry at this point in the gospel and his reputation is obviously growing as a healer and teacher. When he goes to Nazareth the locals are quick to 'put him in his place'. They remember the boy, the teenager, the young man apprenticed to his father's craft. He's a nobody as far as they are concerned; just young Yeshua (Jesus) who grew up here. It is much the same within families and local communities today. No matter how successful and authoritative a young woman or man may have become, a trip home will quickly remind them that in the eyes of those they grew up with nothing has changed. In the gospel passage they even say, that's Jesus – he's just James' brother; no one special! Why would they think they had anything to learn from a brat who grew up in their own town? What could he possibly tell them? They try to force Jesus back into the mould of the person with whom they were previously familiar and comfortable.

We do this to one another all the time. We have certain expectations about the way a friend normally acts or thinks and when they behave differently we react in a way that lets them know that they are not 'being themselves'. In doing this, we are looking to maintain our own comfort zone. We take away the freedom of the other person to grow and change. Many people seem to enter into relationships thinking that neither of them will ever change. This, of course, is an unsustainable assumption. Surely, if we want the best for those we love and care for, we want them to be constantly growing and becoming all that they can be?

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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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WEEKEND MASS TIMES
BARWON HEADS: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
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
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Please send in bulletin notices by 1pm on Thursdays

**PARISHIONERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE THEIR BULLETINS
HOME AFTER MASS**

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Anniversaries 7th July to 13th July: Gordon Long, Marie Springett, Lily Kee, Molly Watson, Carmel Creedon, Nicholas Teague, Max Willmott, Michael O'Neill, Paul Larkins, Roisin Peck and Kath McCormack.

Please pray for those who are Sick: Naomi Bianco, Peter Bourke, Helen Carter, Sam Caruana, Sue Casey, Jack Davin, Ian Downing, Robert Drummond & Patti Semler, Frank Flynn, Gloria Forbes, Nell Fraigneux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Margaret Gladstone, Mary Gladwin, Martin & Mary Grundy, Justin Hanan, Stephen Hanan, Susan Hardy, Peter Harrington, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Robert Hurley, Melissa Keogh, Hilda Koertjes, Margaret Lomas, Toni Lukauskas, Brendan Merriman, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Cecilia Picc, Mavourneen Ray, Margaret Renwick (Snr), Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, Pam Sullivan, Salvatore & Santa Sutera, Kevin Teasdale, Deanne Warren, Cathy 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: 14th July at 9:00am:

(C) Frank Rice (L) Brenda Bissinella (SM) Dan O'Meara, Carmel Rice (W) Catherine Hayes, Bev O'Meara.

QUEENSCLIFF: 14th July at 11:00am:

(C) Terry Philp (L) Shirley Hurley (SM) Sr Nola Morrissy (W) Mary Clare Hoare.

COUNTERS: Tuesday 9th July at 10:00am:
Remo & Naomi Bianco.

** 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.

For all Safeguarding updates, please visit the parish website:
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.

Stewardship Program 2024-2025: Anyone interesting in joining the Stewardship (Thanksgiving) Program, please contact the parish office.

Hospitality Sunday: will take place this Sunday, 7th July, following 9:00am Mass (including children's liturgy) at Ocean Grove and 11:00am Mass at Queenscliff. All welcome!

St Vincent de Paul Society meeting will be held on **Thursday 11th July** following 9:15am Mass at Ocean Grove.

Soup Night at Holy Family, Barwon Heads: on **Saturday 13th July** following 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.*

St Aloysius Playgroup: families with young children are welcome to join. The playgroup meets once a fortnight at the Parish Hall in Queenscliff. For session dates and playgroup coordinator details, please visit: <https://hollytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/st-alloysius-playgroup-commencing-tuesday-4th-june-in-parish-hall/>.

PRAYER FOR BAPTISM FAMILIES:

Dear Parents, as you prepare for your child's Baptism, the people of Holy Trinity Parish rejoice that you have chosen to baptise your child, and we pray that in the coming years, you and your family will continue to know and grow in the love of God that is everlasting.

Geelong Catholic Diners Club: You are warmly invited to join us for a social get-together for food & friendship. **Date:** Tuesday 9th July. **Time:** 6:00pm. **Venue:** Great Western Hotel, "Western Room" (crn Aberdeen St & Shannon Ave, Newtown). **Cost:** Purchase meals & drinks at your own cost. **RSVP** via phone or text to Joan 0429 215 111 or Michael 0431 959 584.

Let's Talk Aged Care! Busting the myths of aged care facilities. Speakers from TLC Homestead Aged Care, Bernadette and Susan, will be available to answer all your questions from financials to pathways, etc. **Thursday 18th July at 10:00am at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church Narthex**, Ocean Grove (following morning Mass). All welcome for a cuppa, morning tea and informal chat.

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LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 8th July – Weekday, Ordinary Time 14

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

Wednesday 10th July – St Thomas (Feast)

9:15am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

11:00am Mass with Anointing at Arcare, Point Lonsdale

Thursday 11th July – St Benedict (Memorial)

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

Friday 12th July – Weekday, Ordinary Time 14

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 13th July – St Henry (Memorial)

Sunday 14th July – 15th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

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Thought for the Week:

Appreciation can make a day – even change a life. Your willingness to put it into words is all that is necessary.

– Margaret Cousins.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday (7th July): this weekend we observe Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. Theme: *Keep the Fire Burning: Strong in Faith*. Visit: www.natsicc.org.au.



This beautiful artwork, titled *Pentecost*, that has been created by three artists from the Balgo Community: Magda Lee, Gracie Mosquito and Imelda Gugamen.

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