

The Living Word

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

14 July 2024

First Reading Am 7:12-15

A reading from the prophet Amos.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah. 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The 23rd Psalm

**(R.) The Lord is my Shepherd,
There is nothing I shall want.**

The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)

He guides me along the right path, he is true to his name.

Though I should walk in the valley of darkness, no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff,
with these you give me comfort. (R.)

You have prepared a banquet for me,
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil,
My cup is overflowing. (R.)

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
All the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell,
Forever and ever. (R.)

Second Reading Eph 1:3-10

A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.
Before the world was made, he chose us,
chose us in Christ,
to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence,
determined that we should become his adopted children, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes,
to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.
Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight.
He has let us know the mystery of his purpose,
the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning
to act upon when the times had run their course to the end:
that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head,
everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation See Eph 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

O Lord, open our hearts

that we may listen to the words of your Son.

Alleluia!



Christ Missioning the Disciples (Public Domain)

Gospel Mk 6:7-13

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

✠ *A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.*

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, ‘Do not take a spare tunic.’ And he said to them, ‘If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.’ So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

LIVING THE GOSPEL

Travelling Light

Jesus made it plain to the disciples that they were to travel unencumbered by the extras of life. In fact they were to carry next to nothing and rely on the goodness of others. The challenge to travel lightly through life is a difficult one in a world today that is dominated by material possessions. In the race between the ‘haves’ and ‘have nots’ the ‘haves’ are way out in front. The gospel passages challenges us to think about the ‘things’ with which we burden ourselves. What is really necessary to live a good life and follow Jesus?

Reflection by Greg Sunter

This account of the sending out of the twelve disciples appears in all three of the synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke) and so originates from the Gospel of Mark. It is a commissioning of the disciples to spread the ministry of Jesus – teaching, healing and casting out demons. It seems rather harsh conditions under which Jesus sends out his disciples. They are to carry nothing but a staff – a walking stick – and to trust completely to the hospitality that they will encounter. For the disciples going out on their mission, it is a challenge to their faith and their trust that God will provide for them. The act of sending out the disciples can also be seen as a challenge to the towns and people that the disciples visited. A challenge for them to fulfil their duty of hospitality – of welcoming the stranger and caring for those in need. By travelling without a ‘fallback position’ the disciples are utterly at the mercy of those they encounter but there is an implicit demand on the other to extend hospitality to the one who seeks it. How would the disciples be greeted in our world today if they arrived in a country or town with no food, no possessions and calling on the hospitality of the place in which they had arrived? Does this sound familiar? There are refugees and asylum seekers who arrive on our borders and seek the hospitality of our country. They are fleeing inhospitality – often starvation, war, persecution, poverty – and they ask for welcome and hospitality. Unfortunately, in the culture of fear and intolerance that has developed, they are not met with welcome and hospitality; they are met with obstacles, rejection and ill treatment.

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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.

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Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

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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

is available prior to each weekend Mass,
and before or after weekday Masses if needed.

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Please visit our website for all information:

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Please send in bulletin notices by 1pm on Thursdays

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

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Anniversaries 14th July to 20th July: Betty Tobin, John Hume, Yvonne 'Bonnie' Ryan, Minnie Roberts, John Kirkman, Shirley Tisdale, Elizabeth Lee, Kath McAllester, Nell Downie, Sheila Guthrie, Kevin Warren, Bill Laurie.

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, John Drury, 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 Sutura, 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: 21st July at 9:00am:

(C) Majella O'Connor (L) Jenny Cole (SM) Luci Quinn, Janine Fitzpatrick
(W) Marg Lucas, Judy Considine.

QUEENSCLIFF: 21st July at 11:00am:

(C) Bob Merriman (L) John Hanan (SM) Maria Sammut
(W) Rosemary Vaughan.

COUNTERS: Tuesday 16th July at 10:00am:

Carmen Buhargiar and Greg Carey.

** 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.

WELCOME Fr Geoff Baron! As of Monday 15th July, Fr Geoff will be the priest in residence for most of the parish transition, before Fr Linh's commencement in November. We look forward to welcoming Fr Geoff and having him in the parish once again.

Seafarers' Sunday: Next Sunday, 21st July, there will be a collection in aid of the Stella Maris mission to seafarers. As all three of our churches have connections with the sea, this cause is relevant to us. Read more: <https://melbournecatholic.org/news/catholics-asked-to-offer-stella-support-for-seafarers>.

St Aloysius Playgroup: families with young children are welcome to join. The playgroup meets once a fortnight at the Parish Hall in Queenscliff. For Term 3 session dates and playgroup coordinator details, please visit: <https://holyltrinityqueenscliff.org.au/ministries-groups/st-alloysius-playgroup/>.

We wish the principals, staff and students a wonderful, joyous Term 3 as students return to school next week.

Upcoming annual appeal and special collections:

- Stella Maris Sea (Seafarers) Sunday Appeal: weekend of 20-21 July.
- Propagation of the Faith Appeal: weekend of 27-28 July.

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. **This 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.

Each Church in our Parish has a TAP & GO terminal. These have helped increase financial support for our Parish. Easy to use – please avail yourself of this way to support us. Thank you.

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TAR (Trinity Aid for Refugees) warmly thanks all those parishioners who very generously contributed to the refugee week donations of vouchers, cash, and groceries.

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LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 15th July – St Bonaventure (Memorial)

Tuesday 16th July – Our Lady of Mount Carmel (Memorial)

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

Wednesday 17th July – Weekday, Ordinary Time 15

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

Thursday 18th July – Weekday, Ordinary Time 15

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

Friday 19th July – Weekday, Ordinary Time 15

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 20th July – St Apollinaris (Memorial)

Sunday 21st July – 16th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Apostleship of the Sea

12:30pm Baptism Service at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

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Thought for the week:

*‘Love alone can unite living beings
So as to complete and fulfill them ...*

*For it alone joins them
By what is deepest in themselves.*

*All we need is to imagine
our ability to love developing
until it embraces
the totality of humankind
and of the earth.’*

TEILHARD DE CHARDIN

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