# 24th July 2022



#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Then Yahweh said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before Yahweh.

Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner?

Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just

Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?'

Yahweh replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them'.

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes.

But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No,' he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty five just men there.'

Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there'. 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.' Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there'. 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.'

He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there'. 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.'

He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten'. 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

#### R. On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. (R.) 2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. (R.) 3. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

#### Second reading: Colossians 2:12-14

You have been buried with him, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he[\*b] has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia. You have received the alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia

#### GOSPEL:

Now once he was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples'.

He said to them, 'Say this when you pray: "Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it you". I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to

For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him.

What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish?

Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'



### Wglcomg Parish of Cororooke

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St Brendan's: 9.30am Sunday/

5pm 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

St Joseph's: 10:30am Lay-led /

Mass 1st Sunday

St Brendan's: 31st July, Lay Led @9.30am

Minister: L McGuane

**Commentator: M McCarthy** 

Reader: J Miller

Lay Leaders: M O'Shea & C Finlay

St Joseph's: 31st July, Mass @10:30

with Fr Kevin
Family: L Darcy

#### **ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES:**

St Brendan's: July: L McGuane St Joseph's: July: Mulheron

**Counters:** 17th July: J Finlay

31st July: L Darcy

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

<u>ANNIVERSARIES:</u> Maree Mahoney, Win O'Brien, Mick Eastaughffe, Eileen Boylan, Simon Grist

Those seeking our prayers for healing and well being. Leah Spokes, Geraldine Finn, Goldie Elsum, Doug Swanson, Michael Bergin, Leo Embrey

#### Pope's intention for July: For the elderly:

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people. May their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

Apparently you have to eat healthy more than once to get in shape. This is cruel and unfair.

I always knew I'd get old. How fast it happened was a bit of a surprise, though.

I am starting to think I will never be old enough to know better.

Dates to Remember....

31<sup>st</sup> July: **Mass at St Joseph's** with Fr Kevin 5<sup>th</sup> Aug: **Mass at Thomas Carr chapel** @ 11am 8<sup>th</sup> Aug: Feast of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop

14<sup>th</sup> Aug: Mass at St Brendan's @ 11.00am

with Fr Jim McKay

15 Aug: Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed

Virgin Mary Mass at St Mary's @ 9.05am

16<sup>th</sup> Aug: Mass at St Brendan's @ 12.00
followed by lunch in the hall
in memory of Maree Mahoney
Mass at St Mary's @ 5.00pm

11<sup>th</sup> Sept: Thomas Carr Mass & Open Day –details to

follow

## PRAYER FOR THE WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & ELDERLY

I give thanks to you, Lord,
For the blessing of a long life
For, to those who take refuge in You,
Grant always to bear fruit.
Forgive, O Lord, resignation and
disillusionment, but forsake me not when my
strength declines.

Teach me to look with hope to the future you give me, to the mission you entrust to me and to sing your praises without end.

Make me a tender craftsman of Your revolution,

To guard with love my grandchildren and all the little ones who seek shelter in You. Protect, O Lord, Pope Francis and grant Thy Church to deliver the world from loneliness. Direct our steps in the way of peace. Amen.

## ACRATH: Change the life of a victim/survivor of human trafficking.

ACRATH needs to raise \$200,000 in the coming weeks until July 30 - UN World Day Against Trafficking in Persons - to sustain its many programs and to continue supporting victim/survivors of human trafficking. This year ACRATH needs funds to advocate, educate, contribute to change and support the victim/survivors, building on work done through the pandemic. We ask you to help us to continue our important work and spread the message that 'PEOPLE ARE NOT FOR SALE!' by donating today via our

website <a href="https://acrath.org.au/donate/">https://acrath.org.au/donate/</a>. We receive NO government funding so your donation is vital.

Prayer for Ukraine God of peace and justice, We pray for the people of Ukraine. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, That your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power of war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen