23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 6th September 2020

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD <u>FIRST READING:</u>

Ezekiel 33:7-9 (JB)

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 94:1-2, 6-9 (JB) **R**. O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. R.

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. R.

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' R.

SECOND READING:

Romans 13:8-10 (JB)

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Matthew 18:15-20 (JB)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'



WELCOME

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ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES:

St Brendan's: 6-13 Sept: C Grist/M Allen. St.Joseph's: September: Ryan

<u>RECENT DEATHS:</u> <u>ANNIVERSARIES:</u> 5-11th Sept Ellen Doolan, Bob Russell ,Ian Weller, Ursula Carmody.

<u>SICK:</u> Nathan De Lorenzo, Helen Hunt, Leah Spokes, Tarlea Roache, Geraldine Finn, Patricia Hickman, June Turner, Ross Suares, Goldie Elsum

WANTED: beanies, gloves & scarves for people experiencing hardship in Geelong region. St Margaret's staff help with Christ Church's breakfast program. I'm rostered Sept 25. Please contact me before then, if you any items.

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CONGRATULATIONS to ..

Jill O'Dowd and Claire Foley (The Red Violets) on the recent release of their inspiring song, Find your Light. Released in conjunction with Let's Talk, it contains a powerful message in breaking mental health stigma. Well done also to Sheldan and others who contributed to this message of hope and support. So proud of you all.

COVID-19 Prayer.

When this is over, may we never again take for granted A handshake with a stranger, Full shelves at the shops, Conversations with neighbours, A crowded theatre. Friday night out, The sharing of Eucharist, A routine check-up, The school rush each morning. The roar of the 'G', Each deep breath, A boring Tuesday, Life itself. And when this ends, may we find that we have become more like the people we wanted to be, we were called to be, we hoped to be. And may we stay that way -Better for each other because of the worst. Laura Kelly Fanucci

Social Justice Statement 2020-2021

The COVID-19 pandemic is affecting the mental health of many members of our parishes, schools and communities. Understanding mental health will help us to be aware of those who need our support. In the Social Justice Statement 2020-2021, *To Live Life to the Full: Mental health in Australia today*, the Bishops invite us all to reject stigmatisation, to work for the transformation of social determinants of mental ill-health, and to call for policies and service provision that meet the needs of the poorest and most marginalised members of our community. More information is available from http://bit.ly/SocialJustice 2020

Vicar General's Letter:

We will email this letter as it has information for all in the Ballarat Diocese.

