ST JOSEPH'S PARISH OUYEN, PATCHEWOLLOCK, TEMPY, WALPEUP, UNDERBOOL



Third Sunday of Easter

1st May 2022

Entrance Antiphon

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 5:27-32. 40-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me

and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead.

restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. (R.)

2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.

At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. (R.)

- 3. The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;
 - O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

Second Reading Rv 5:11-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory, and blessing.

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals

said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people. Alleluia!

Gospel <u>Jn 21:1-19</u>

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.

'I tell you most solemnly, when you were young you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and somebody else will put a belt round you and take you where you would rather not go.'

In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.'

Communion Antiphon

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

Reflection by Dr Scott Hahn

There are two places in Scripture where the curious detail of a "charcoal fire" is mentioned. One is in today's Gospel, where the Apostles return from fishing to find bread and fish warming on the fire.

The other is in the scene in the High Priest's courtyard on Holy Thursday, where Peter and some guards and slaves warm themselves while Jesus is being interrogated inside.

At the first fire, Peter denied knowing Jesus three times, as Jesus had predicted. Today's charcoal fire becomes the scene of Peter's repentance, as three times Jesus asks him to make a profession of love. Jesus' thrice repeated command "feed My sheep" shows that Peter is being appointed as the shepherd of the Lord's entire flock, the head of His Church.

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Recent Deaths: Anniversaries:

Sick: Terri Scott, Cora Jardine, Judi Floyd, Laura Burns and Joan Bathgate

May our healing God touch the lives of our sick bringing them comfort & peace.

Sunday 8th May – Mass

Ouyen: 11:00am Sunday Reader: Marie Shaddock Prayers of the Faithful: Merril Boland Offertory Procession: Carmel Vallance & Kathy Loxton Projectionist: Marie Shaddock

Collections: 24th April U'Bool: \$30.00 Ouyen: \$123.35 Planned Giving: \$295.00 Church Cleaning: May: Margaret & Leo Collins Presbytery Cleaning: May: Carmel Vallance

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Father will be available after the Friday Mass for Reconciliation, after the 11:00am Masses, or at any other time by appointment.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Every Thursday from 2:00 - 6:00 pm with the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 pm and Rosary at 4:00 pm; all welcome.

Prayer For Australia: Eternal Father, I offer you the Precious Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ offered at all the Masses throughout the world for the Holy atonement, and to protect Australia from the sin of abortion, euthanasia, and from every evil. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Summary of the New Covid Provisions:

- ~ QR Codes are no longer required to sign in
- ~ Face masks are no longer required to be worn
- ~ Kindness and Common Sense strictly enforced

Pope's Prayer Intention for May: For Faith-Filled Young People - We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Mass Timetable

Wk 1 Patche	Mass	11:30am	1 st Friday
Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 2 Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 3 Ouyen		11:00am	Sunday
Wk 4 U'Bool	Mass	9:00am	Sunday
Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 5 Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday

****More opportunities for Mass Please note the new time:** each Friday at **10:00am**

Good Friday and Project Compassion money: could you please return any donations to either or both of these charities as soon as possible so that the money can be sent away.

Side door entrance: we are asking anyone with any mobility issues, and those who use gofers, to enter via the side (north facing) door. This has a much wider opening on level ground and is ideal for dropping off/picking up or parking gofers. For those with gofers we would ask you to **please use the gravel to drive** on, rather than the pavers which are too narrow and have a dangerous lip. If you are aware of any other potential hazards please notify: Faye, Cheryl or Marie.

<u>Wisdom from the Saints:</u> "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the whole world on fire." *St Catherine of Sienna*



<u>Microphone issues</u>: We have recently had Greggs in to replace a lot of the big central lights and also look at our microphones. Barry has fine-tuned the microphone over the lectern and has set it in its correct position. It is a very sensitive and fragile mic and will pick up your voice regardless of how tall or short you are. As a result, he has recommended that we **do not adjust** the position of the microphone if we want to prolong its life.

Ordinations to the Priesthood: Deacons Matt Restall and Bill Lowry will be ordained priests for the Diocese of Ballarat on Friday, July 22, 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 7.00pm. Please keep both Bill and Matt in your prayers as they draw closer to their ordination.

Easter Holy Water: There are still a few bottles of Holy Water for those who would like to take some home, or if you have a bottle of your own, please bring it to the church and it will be filled for you.

<u>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity for 2022.</u> 16 – 23 May 2021 The theme for this year is: "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit"

<u>Walking in the Spirit:</u> As we are approaching the lead-up to the final Assembly of the Plenary Council in July, people across the country are invited to participate in a national prayer pilgrimage. We pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and grace for the Members who will gather and also for ourselves and the Church, that we may have the courage to follow where God is leading us. I ask you to pray specifically that all members of the Council will put aside any personal agendas and be truly open to what God is asking of us as 'the Church in Australia'. The "Walking in the Spirit" prayer campaign runs until the opening of the Second Assembly, on Sunday, July 3. You can find out more at <u>www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit/</u>

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: For 75 years, the support of Christian refugees has Aid to the Church in Need ACN AUSTRALIA is not only material. Our support of priests, sisters, and catechists all work to build up the faith and to offer help and consolation to those in desperate need. Can you give hope to Christian refugees today?

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