

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

OUYEN, PATCHEWOLLOCK, TEMPY, WALPEUP, UNDERBOOL



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time C

16th January 2022

Entrance Antiphon

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you,
shall sing to your name, O Most High!

First Reading Is 62:1-5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

**As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so
will your God rejoice in you.**

About Zion I will not be silent,
about Jerusalem I will not grow weary,
until her integrity shines out like the dawn
and her salvation flames like a torch.

The nations then will see your integrity,
all the kings your glory,
and you will be called by a new name,
one which the mouth of the Lord will confer.
You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of
the Lord,

a princely diadem in the hand of your God;
no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken',
nor your land 'Abandoned',
but you shall be called 'My Delight'
and your land 'The Wedded';
for the Lord takes delight in you
and your land will have its wedding.
Like a young man marrying a virgin,
so will the one who built you wed you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride,
so will your God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the
nations.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. **(R.)**
2. Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. **(R.)**
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name. **(R.)**
4. Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Cor 12:4-11

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the
Corinthians

**One and the same spirit distributes different
gifts as he chooses.**

There is a variety of gifts but always the same
Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done,
but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts
of different ways in different people, it is the
same God who is working in all of them. The
particular way in which the Spirit is given to each
person is for a good purpose. One may have the
gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the
Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching
instruction given him by the same Spirit; and
another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit;
another again the gift of healing, through this one
Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another,
prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits;
another the gift of tongues and another the
ability to interpret them. All these are the work
of one and the same Spirit, who distributes

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different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia!

Gospel [Jn 2:1-11](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
John

**The first of the signs given by Jesus was at
Cana in Galilee.**

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews; each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew – the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink, but you have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

Communion Antiphon

You have prepared a table before me,
and how precious is the chalice that quenches my
thirst.

Reflection by *Scott Hahn*

Think of these first weeks after Christmas as a season of "epiphanies." The liturgy is showing us

who Jesus is and what He has revealed about our relationship with God.

Last week and the week before, the imagery was royal and filial—Jesus is the newborn king of the Jews who makes us coheirs of Israel's promise, beloved children of God. Last week in the liturgy we went to a baptism. This week we're at a wedding.

We're being shown another dimension of our relationship with God. If we're sons and daughters of God, it's because we've married into the family.

Have you ever wondered why the Bible begins and ends with a wedding—Adam and Eve's in the garden and the marriage supper of the Lamb (compare [Genesis 2:23–24](#) and [Revelation 19:9; 21:9; 22:17](#))?

Throughout the Bible, marriage is the symbol of the covenant relationship God desires with His chosen people. He is the groom, humanity His beloved and sought after bride. We see this reflected beautifully in today's First Reading.

When Israel breaks the covenant, she is compared to an unfaithful spouse. But God promises to take her back, to "espouse" her to Him forever in an everlasting covenant. That's why in today's Gospel Jesus performs His first public "sign" at a wedding feast.

Jesus is the divine bridegroom, calling us to His royal wedding feast. By His New Covenant, He will become "one flesh" with all humanity in the Church. By our baptism, each of us has been betrothed to Christ as a bride to a husband. The new wine that Jesus pours out at today's feast is the gift of the Holy Spirit given to His bride and body, as today's Epistle says. This is the "salvation" announced to the "families of nations" in today's Psalm.



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Ouyen, Patchewollock, Tempy, Underbool, Walpeup
Parish Administrator: Fr Anthony Nagothu (03) 5026 3068
Parish Contact Person: Faye Nihill 5092 1326

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Teresa Pentreath 2nd Feb

Sick: Terri Scott, Cora Jardine and Judi Floyd 🙏
May our healing God touch the lives of our sick bringing them comfort & peace.

Sunday 23rd January – Mass – Wk 4
Ouyen: 11:00am
U'Bool: 3:00pm
Reader: Marie Shaddock
Prayers of the Faithful: Merrill Boland
Offertory Procession: John & Merrill Boland
Projectionist: Marie Shaddock

Collections: 9th January
Ouyen \$180.00
Planned Giving: \$337.00

Church Cleaning:

January: Peter & Marie Shaddock

Presbytery Cleaning:

January: Faye Nihill

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Will resume again later in January

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION: My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

Pope's Prayer Intention for January: For true human fraternity -We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

New Mass Timetable From February 6th

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

Summary of the New Covid Provisions:

*We are no longer required to check the vaccination status of those attending places of worship. *Quotient requirements are no longer in force. *Masks are mandatory at the moment but that can change so please be aware *QR code check-ins are required.

More opportunities for Mass: each Friday at 4:00pm

Wisdom from the Saints:

"He who gives you the day will also give you the things necessary for the day." *St Gregory of Nyssa*



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Meeting of the Leadership Team and Finance Committee: Friday 21st January at 4:45pm in the Parish Centre

Save the Date – Thursday 27th January at 5pm - Pastoral Planning for our Parishes

2021 – 2025 Looking Forward is a draft document of proposals for the future of our parishes. The Parish Leadership Team in conjunction with Fr Anthony have looked at the proposals for our region and would like to share them with the parish as a whole. To enable this, Fr Matthew Thomas (Mildura) will come and join us to discuss any benefits and concerns. Please keep this date free and see the flyer on the table where you sign in for more details.



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