

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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First Sunday in Lent Time C

6th March 2022

Entrance Antiphon

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

First Reading [Dt 26:4-10](#)

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

The confession of faith of the elect.

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty

says to the Lord: 'My refuge,
my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' **(R.)**

2. Upon you no evil shall fall,
no plague approach where you dwell.
For you has he commanded his angels,
to keep you in all your ways. **(R.)**
3. They shall bear you upon their hands
lest you strike your foot against a stone.
On the lion and the viper you will tread
and trample the young lion and the
dragon. **(R.)**
4. His love he set on me, so I will rescue him;
protect him for he knows my name.
When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.'
I will save him in distress and give him
glory. **(R.)**

Second Reading [Rom 10:8-13](#)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The confession of faith of the believers in Christ.

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

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Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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Gospel [Lk 4:1-13](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness where he was tempted.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God,
and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you
to guard you,

and again:

They will hold you up on their hands
in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said:

You must not put the Lord your God to the
test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him,
the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

Communion Antiphon

One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes forth from the
mouth of God.

Reflection by Dr Scott Hahn

In today's epic Gospel scene, Jesus relives in His flesh the history of Israel.

We've
already seen
that, like
Israel, Jesus
has passed
through
water and
been called
God's
beloved Son.



Now, as Israel was tested for forty years in the wilderness, Jesus is led into the desert to be tested for forty days and nights.

He faces the temptations put to Israel: Hungry, He's tempted to grumble against God for food. As Israel quarrelled at Massah, He's tempted to doubt God's care. When the Devil asks for His homage, He's tempted to do what Israel did in creating the golden calf.

Jesus fights the Devil with the Word of God, three times quoting from Moses' lecture about the lessons Israel was supposed to learn from its wilderness wanderings.

Why do we read this story on the first Sunday of Lent? Because like the biblical sign of forty, the forty days of Lent are a time of trial and purification.

Lent is to teach us what we hear over and over in today's readings. "Call upon me, and I will answer," the Lord promises in today's Psalm.

Paul promises the same thing in today's Epistle. This was Israel's experience, as Moses reminds his people in today's First Reading: "We cried to the Lord . . . and He heard." But each of us is tempted, as Israel was, to forget the great deeds He works in our lives, to neglect our birthright as His beloved sons and daughters.

Like the litany of remembrance Moses prescribes for Israel, we should see in the Mass a memorial of our salvation, and "bow down in His presence," offering ourselves in thanksgiving for all He has given us.

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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: Julia Cecilia Shaddock

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

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

Sunday 13th March – Mass – Wk 2

Ouyen: 11:00am

Reader:

Prayers of the Faithful:

Offertory Procession:

Projectionist: Marie Shaddock

Collections: 20th February

Underbool: \$67

Ouyen: \$226

Planned Giving: \$510.00

Church Cleaning:

March: The Grace Family

Presbytery Cleaning:

March: Cheryl Anderson

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:

Every Thursday from 2:00 – 6:00pm with the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00pm and Rosary at 4:00pm; 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 Souls in Purgatory, to forgive, to heal, to make atonement, and to protect Australia from the sin of abortion, euthanasia, and from every evil. Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen. Our Lady Help of Christians; Pray for us. St Joseph; Pray for us.

Pope's Prayer Intention for February: A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

New 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	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 4	U'Bool	Mass	9:00am	Sunday
	Ouyen	Mass	11:00pm	Sunday
Wk 5	Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday

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

Lenten Discussion Group Tuesdays at 10:00 in the Parish Centre, all welcome.

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



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Ukraine: A few days ago, Pope Francis made an unprecedented visit to the Russian embassy with a message for Mr Putin to end this war. He subsequently asked all Catholics to fast and pray for its end, particularly on Ash Wednesday. Let us join the Lord over these next 40 days through prayer and remain alongside Him as He ministers to our suffering brothers and sisters around the world.

OH&S – Part of our requirements each year are risk assessments to assess our buildings and surrounds for safety for all people and we are particularly mindful of tripping and potential fall hazards. Because of the particular way the front doors open out and the narrowness of the paths, **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**, the pavers which are too narrow and the lip on them can be dangerous. If you are aware of any other potential hazards please notify: Faye, Cheryl or Marie.

Project Compassion Anatercia 12, was struggling to cope with adult responsibilities after her father died. Then she participated in Caritas Australia-supported training and gained access to psychosocial supports. Now, her quality of life has improved and she can focus on school. Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help young people succeed in the future and bring stability to vulnerable youth like Anatercia. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting www.lent.caritas.org.au or by calling 1800 024 413.



Caritas Australia Prayer for International Women's Day – March 8, 2022

Gracious God, we pray for ourselves and all women around the world.

Strengthen us to stand in solidarity with our sisters experiencing poverty and injustice.

Open our hearts to listen and serve.

Give us the courage to hope and work for a better future for all women.

Awaken us, that we may fully realise our interconnectedness to our one global human family.

Guide us with your spirit, to welcome, champion, practically and joyfully love each other. Amen.

Wisdom from the Saints: “The Lord measures out perfection not by the multitude or magnitude of our deeds, but by the manner in which we perform them.” *St John of the Cross*

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: In many places throughout the world there is a shortage of priests and therefore religious sisters are the custodians of the faith. These sisters however often struggle to live and support the faithful, so across the course of a year **ACN supports more than 18,000 religious sisters in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe and Latin America.** Could you help support a religious sister? To learn more visit www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject



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