

Dear brothers and sisters,

Today in the Gospel, Matthew 16:13-20, is one of only two places in the four Gospels where the word 'church' occurs (the other being Matt 18:15-17). The community of disciples is being equipped with authority and structures that will enable it to function during the time when Jesus will no longer be with them in the human body they have known. What is said about the Church flows from what is said by Peter about Christ. Everything the Church has to say begins and ends with its God-given knowledge of Jesus, the treasure which it holds in trust for the world.

When Jesus questions his disciples about popular understandings of his identity and mission, people can only place him in well-worn categories. His reality requires a much greater leap in imagination and faith. Simon's response, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God', conveys awareness that Jesus is related to God in a unique way. The disciples are being drawn through Jesus into a fellowship with the divine never before imagined or foreseen.

Simon is 'blessed' not because he is virtuous but because God has graciously revealed to him knowledge beyond human understanding. The Church rests on this gift of faith indicated by Simon's new name: 'Rock'. Built on the rock of faith the Church will be a community of life.

The gift of keys does not make Peter the gatekeeper of heaven, letting in whoever he deems worthy. It has to do with continuing Jesus' mission of interpreting Scripture in particular circumstances. The Church, as the foretaste of God's reign on earth, is equipped to discern and live God's will in the changing circumstances that confront it. For all its human weaknesses and failings, the Church holds a supreme treasure and enjoys a divine guarantee.

SINCERE THANKS

Dear Friends,

I have been overwhelmed by your prayers, gifts and the many expressions of appreciation in the last week. My profession jubilee and birthday were wonderful celebrations. I am grateful to all who made them the success for us all which they were. I am truly blessed to be your parish priest. Together I hope we can work to make the parish be what God asks of us at this time. Thank you all very much indeed.

Your brother in Christ,
—Greg



Let Us Celebrate

Parish Feast Day—Saturday 29th August

Mass at 8.30am followed by morning tea in parish hall

Each year we celebrate together on the Feast of the Dedication of our church, August 29th. Come and join us for Mass at 8.30am, followed by morning tea in the parish hall. Again, due to WA Covid-19 regulations, we ask that you register your attendance for the morning tea. You can do this online by using the Eventbrite app, or going to www.eventbrite.com.au and searching "Parish Feast Day—Morning Tea", or by contacting the parish office 9276 8500, or registering on the list in the Church foyer.

Important: As numbers are limited, please book early.

Archdiocesan Marriage Anniversary Certificates

All parishioners celebrating a special milestone wedding anniversary this year (25, 30, 40, 50+ years) are invited to register for a certificate of blessing from Archbishop Timothy and Bishop Don. Couples can register for a milestone anniversary certificate at: <https://clmf.brushfire.com/2020marriagecertificate/>. All certificate requests MUST be received before September 2, 2020.



Can you help?

Do you have skill or expertise in website design? Our parish is looking to refresh our website. We are looking for people to join our working party. If you are interested and have time to meet, please contact Tanya on 0414 540 722. Thanks!



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST

Special thanks to the 24/7 Youth Ministry for their wonderful work in leading the retreat program for all our First Communicants during their First Eucharist Retreat held at the parish centre last Friday 21 August. Many thanks also to the school teachers and parish volunteers for all their help.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION:

Saturday, September 5th at 3:00 pm OR
Saturday, September 12th at 3:00 pm OR
Saturday, September 19th at 3:00 pm.

Please check your email for your child's allocated First Communion Mass date and time.

All First Communion families and their guests are gently reminded to please arrive early. First Communion photo session will start at 1:30pm. Please observe 1.5 metres physical distancing between people from different household in all directions. If you are unwell, please stay home. Please practice good personal hygiene upon entering the church or the parish centre. Sterilise your hands with the hand sanitiser provided as you come in and exit the church or the parish centre.



PILGRIM STATUE—This week in the home of Cecelia Khin Si: 12/86 Railway Pde, Bayswater.
Ph: 0430 148 090

Please put your name on the roster in the foyer if you would like to host the statue in your home.

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: Michele Raso, Maria Martelli, Mary Bui Thi, and Mary Nguyen;

Deceased: Michael Evans and Clare Boswell;

Anniversaries: Fr Alphonsus Folan, OCD; Br James Groth, OCD, Sebastiano Del Casale, Maria Tenaglia, Hung Nguyen-Le, Mariangelo Rossi Sputore, Nick Sputore and the Costanzo Family;

The Sick of the Parish: Sharon Rosielle, Barry Connell, Alicia Escandon and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

*"Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my God."*

CALENDAR OF SAINTS

24 Aug: St Bartholomew, apostle

27 Aug: St Monica

28 Aug: St Augustine, bishop, doctor

29 Aug: The Passion of St John the Baptist, martyr



CHURCH HEATING

We trust that you have been feeling a little warmer and cosier in church since July. The under-floor heating system is 'on' and being maintained at a level that takes the chill out of the icy winter air. Even with our solar panels operating, the system is expensive to run. We estimate a cost of \$42 per day of operation. Over a two-month period, this will equate to around \$2,600. Since the church has re-opened, second collection income is down by about \$2,300 per month. We have, nonetheless, been running the heating system for the well-being of parishioners. We thank you, sincerely, for your support during this pandemic period. We understand that it has been a difficult time for many of you. We continue to appreciate these contributions for the betterment of the parish.

24:7 Morley Youth Group

For all youth in Years 6-12, bring along a gold coin donation, and friends! Every Friday, 6:30pm-8:30pm at Infant Jesus Primary School hall. Coming up:

Sacrificial love (28th August) Please contact Steph on 0499 547 066 or Joe on 0499 038 223 for more information, or find us on Instagram @247morley or @youthministry247



In Our Church

Morning Mass: Mon-Fri: 7am & 9am, Sat and Public Holidays: 8.30am
Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian), 6pm
Reconciliation: Saturday 10 - 11am and 5pm - 5.30pm
Perpetual Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Wednesday 7.00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 9.30 - 10.30am
Eucharistic Prayer: Friday 6.30 - 7.30pm
Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments: Please contact the Parish Office.

Our Parish Team

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NEXT WEEKEND — 29/30 August 2020—22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

| <u>Ministry</u> | <u>Sat 6pm</u> | <u>Sun 7.30am</u> | <u>Sun 9.30am</u> | <u>Sunday 6pm</u> |
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| Acolytes/Altar Ministers | John Tomczak | Paul Wachtel | Chris Yapp | Marion Wayne |
| Altar Servers | Aaditya and Abhay | Jamie and Mary | Leandra and Gabrielle | Alex and Bryant |
| Proclaimers | Donna Marie and Marian | Joanne and Sjen | Mark and Mike | Fely and Margaret |
| Extr. Ministers Of Communion | John T and Chris T | Mike and Bryan | Nevellene and Magdalene | Marie and Maureen |
| Hospitality | Roopa and John T | Rose and Mavis | Ancilla and Marlene | Rita and Marina |
| Church Cleaning | Team D— Fiday, 28 August @ 10.30am | | | |

PLEASE NOTE: If you are unable to attend on your rostered day, please arrange for someone else in your Ministry to take your place.

PLEASE STAY SAFE

COVID-19 SAFETY REGULATIONS APPLY

- ◆ If you are unwell or have any symptoms of cold or flu, please do not enter.
- ◆ Upon entering, sterilize your hands using the hand sanitiser provided.
- ◆ Keep a safe 1.5m physical distance.
- ◆ Please follow directions of staff/volunteers
- ◆ Be kind to staff/volunteers

If we want our Masses to continue...

then please put your hand up to clean the pews after Sunday Masses. Under the Covid-19 regulations, we are required to regularly clean the areas being used. After Mass, offer your help to wipe down seats and pew backs.

Gloves and cleaning materials are provided. Thank you.



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