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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th / 14th November 2021

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Getting Ready for Getting Ready

Jagged and dark.

These are the kind of images we find in the main readings for Sunday.

"A time unsurpassed in distress"

"Some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace."

"The sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken."

They are called "apocalyptic literature." Why such horrible imagery, especially now with beautiful Advent just a few weeks away?

Examine carefully what you are able to do and with what effect.

One reason is so that we might find within us a need for relief from all the turmoil. In other words, for the coming of the simple Christ child. Recall that in our 21st century we find just the opposite of this: competing ideologies striving to take over.

Look at the advertising world:

Shampooing your hair will make you ecstatic (with a corn-cob-eating grin on your face as you use the product). A car can "save your soul"! Casual sex without commitment is taken for granted. Free cable movie channels practicing the blasphemous use of God's and Jesus' name, censoring out only—sometimes—words referring to bodily functions. Of course, in addition to such dehumanizing media forces, the world is faced with crises every bit as bad as what apocalyptic literature might suggest. The pandemic, to begin with. Economic crises that more than wrecks people's lives, toxic wastes, holes in the ozone layer, tsunami and hurricanes, major climate changes. You can certainly add more.

Our readings do contain a few grains of hope.

At the end of the First Reading we find a beautiful promise of rescue:

... the wise shall shine brightly

like the splendor of the firmament,

and those who lead the many to justice

shall be like the stars forever.

Such a passage can give us peace ...

... and a problem. Should we be nourished by such lovely words, at a time when the greatest tribulations in human history are staring us in the face?

An awareness of our tribulations is not wrong. It is right. But how can you or I have any effect on the enormity of our situation?

Maybe we should get hyper-active instead, reforming television, recordings, movies, video games, and so on.

No. Try this:

First, Get smart. Examine carefully what we are able to do and with what effect. We are not helpless, no matter what we feel.

God grant me the serenity

to accept the things I cannot change;

courage to change the things I can;

and wisdom to know the difference.

Second, let our courage rest in divine help.

I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope. When you call me, when you go to pray to me, I will listen to you and bring you back. (Jer 29:11)

That is what Advent will aim towards. Use Sunday to wait for Advent waiting.

John Foley, SJ



Congratulations to **Ned Tones**
Baptised into our Parish Family this weekend.

ADVENT REFLECTION BOOKLETS

“New Life in Christ”

We have available a limited number of booklets which are suitable for group or individual reflections during Advent. If you would like a copy please get in touch with the Office asap.

St Peter’s Hospitality Group Christmas Luncheon

Thursday 2nd December at 12 noon in the Silver Room, Sports Central Caboolture. You’ll need to order and pay for your own meal. All Parishioners across our Parish are invited. For further enquires please phone one of the ladies - Mary 0416 167 405; Michelle 5499 2125; Audrey 0498 981 059 or Aileen 0412 096 311

Time Capsule Re-burying.

Sunday 21 November at 10.45 at St Peter’s. Please come along and be a part of our history as the Time Capsule, to be retrieved in 2044, is buried for a second time.

2022 COPIES OF BREAK OPEN THE WORD

Copies of “Break Open the Word” are available in the Sacristy for all Readers & Musicians. They will come into play on the 27th / 28th November, which is the first Sunday of Advent.

Sunday 14th November - World Day of the Poor

This day calls attention to people living in poverty across the world. The Fifth Annual World Day of the Poor has the theme “The Poor will Always Be With You.” In his [message for the day](#), Pope Francis says, a different approach to poverty is required. This is a challenge that governments and world institutions need to take up with a farsighted social model capable of countering the new forms of poverty that are now sweeping the world and will decisively affect coming decades. If the poor are marginalized, as if they were to blame for their condition, then the very concept of democracy is jeopardized and every social policy will prove bankrupt. With great humility, we should confess that we are often incompetent when it comes to the poor.

We talk about them in the abstract; we stop at statistics and we think we can move people’s hearts by filming a documentary. Poverty, on the contrary, should motivate us to creative planning, aimed at increasing the freedom needed to live a life of fulfilment according to the abilities of each person. To read the rest of the Holy Father’s statement visit <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/20210613-messaggio-v-giornatamondiale-poveri-2021.html>

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Our Recently Deceased

John Vaughan, Michael Willcocks, Dot Hickson, Marion Filippini, Anna Jones, Eileen Williamson, Kevin Wade, Keith McMahon, Sr Maureen Hickling, John Craddock, Gudelia Roque, Judy Williamson, Robert Swarbrick, Pauline Freeman, Bill Rowe, Joan Stanton, Bernie Mason, Oscar Laus, Geoffrey Brown, David Lovett, Judy Bakhsh, Alvin Bregente Sr, June Donaldson & Joe McCafferty who have recently gone to their eternal reward.

Those Who’s Anniversaries Occur at This Time

Grant Mitchell, Gordon Stoddart, John McDonald, Kilitina Koronato, Ruby Kelly, Bernhard Goudens, Annemarie Olah, Roy Barraud, Veronica Thornber, Lorna Blake, Joe Cashman, John Griffin, Patricia Chambers, Phil Wright, Giovanni Fazio, Rose Reilly, Yvonne Brown, Don Lutton, Eddie Ward, Margaret Smith, Taylor Shaxton, GeoffWale, Peter Beashel, Margaret Smith, Ronal Wilson, Rosemary Holt & Peter Segulin.

Our Parishioners who are Sick

Craig Legge, Fr Lyall Cowell, Judy Plant, Noah Irvine, Aurea Laus, Dawn & John Roberts, Les Stephenson, Anton Lenhart, Tony Collins, Anne Iverson, Russell Basiuk, Maria Roberti, Michael Cooper, Col McLaughlin, Ninfa Dickfos, Paul & Eleanor Copeland, Kaye Johns, Gerry & Justin Toussaint, Helen Teys, Kay Berge, Mark Wheatley, Nicholas Edwards, Julie Hawkins, Margaret Anne, Joana Van Laart, Bede & Louisa Brittenden, Miriam Gittins, Tracey Morgan, Abel McHugh, Rita Hyde, Nicole Harvey, Margaret Kelly, Mark Kennedy, Eileen Ryan & Patricia Twinchek.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

This Sunday - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dan 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14,18; Mark 13:24-32

Weekday Readings:

Monday 1 Macc 1:10-15,41-43, 54-57,62-64; Luke 18:35-43

Tuesday 2 Macc 6:18-31; Luke 19:1-10

Wednesday St Elizabeth of Hungary 2 Macc 7:1,20-31; Lk 19:1-10

Thursday 1 Macc 2: 15-29; Luke 19:41-44

Friday 1 Macc 4: 36-37, 52-59; Luke 19:45-48

Saturday 1 Macc 6:1-13 Luke 20:27-40

Next Sunday - Christ The King

Dan 7: 13-14; Apoc 1: 5-8; John 18:33-37

God made all people, so be kind to everyone!



From the Desk of Mrs Lisa Freeth (APRE)

Earlier this term, all teaching staff engaged in a Catholic Identity Twilight. The focus for this professional learning was to understand the communal nature of human existence from a Catholic perspective. We were also introduced to African philosophy of 'ubuntu' — a concept in which your sense of self is shaped by your relationships with other people. It's a way of living that begins with the premise that 'I am only because we are.' It embraces the idea that humans cannot exist in isolation. We depend on connection, community, and caring — simply, we cannot be without each other. As Catholic educators, we are very much aware that our 'community' extends beyond our school grounds and encompasses the deep bond that exists with both parish and the universal Church.



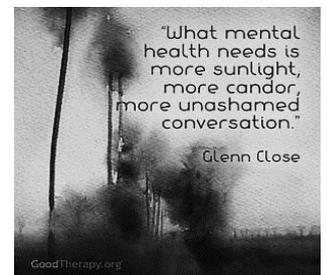
From the Desk of Mrs Raechel Fletcher (APRE)

This week the MAD (Making A Difference) group will be running a Mental Health and Wellbeing Campaign. The aim of the Campaign is to address the stigma of Mental Health and promote understanding, compassion and inclusion. Mental Health issues impact many people and in particular, cultural and minority groups who experience stigma, discrimination and exclusion such as refugees, Indigenous Australians, LGBTQIA+ community, and ethical and racial minority groups. Males can often feel excluded from social groups when experiencing mental health issues due to the stigma of talking about their feelings. In fact, males make up an average seven out of every nine suicides, every single day in Australia. Being able to talk about mental health and removing the stigma is an important step in creating safe and inclusive communities.

This campaign also aims to encourage all of us to think about our own mental health and wellbeing, regardless of whether we may have a lived experience of mental illness or not.

"We are all made in the image of God", and as Christians we draw out a series of teachings about the dignity of the Human Person. For Catholics, this teaching shapes beliefs about the

sacredness of life and the innate sacredness of every person. Our Edmund Rice tradition calls us to follow Jesus by liberating one another and by building communities that accept and welcome all. Communities that are truly inclusive.



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Parish Collections

Parish Giving for 6th / 7th November \$4357.35
Thank you for your constant support of our Parish.



Knights of the Southern Cross

The final meeting of the year will be held in the Mary McKillop Hall on Thursday 18th November at 6.30pm

REQUESTS FOR EXEMPTIONS FROM COVID-19 VACCINATION ON RELIGIOUS GROUNDS

Recently I have been hearing of priests being asked to endorse a religious exemption for the COVID-19 vaccine. The Archdiocese of Brisbane follows Pope Francis's lead in supporting vaccination for all except those with a valid medical exemption. For Catholics, there is no legitimate reason to seek an exemption on religious grounds. Pope Francis says, "Getting vaccinated is a simple yet profound way to care for one another, especially the most vulnerable." In summary, clergy in this archdiocese cannot endorse an exemption on religious grounds for the Covid-19 vaccine.

Bishop Ken Howell

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