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30th June 2019

13th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19: 16, 19-21

Galatians 5: 1, 13-18

Luke 9:51-62

“Not hero worship, but intimacy with Christ.”

— Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *The Cost of Discipleship*

Someone said, ‘follow not the Christians but Jesus Christ’. How true it is in today’s context where one is lost in the complexity of beliefs, dogmas, moral injunctions and religious rites. We are inclined or wooed to blend in with the values, lifestyles, economics and politics and techno culture of our society.

The concurrent theme of this Sunday’s readings is following the “WAY, TRUTH AND LIFE”, in other words, Jesus. I would like to share with you a few messages I got from an online article entitled, “A Life of Faith in a Post-Modern World”.

Jesus called people to follow him in a way of living. His teachings point to an understanding that following Jesus is a journey, a living. It is indeed sad to note that our following of Jesus sometimes stops with observation of religious rites. We may have a strong belief in Jesus and His sacrificial love and His presence but still remain self-centred, giving a deaf ear to the plight of the poor and needy around us, and even harbouring hatred toward people of other races, cultures, or sexual orientations. “All of this believing, loving, worshipping, and accepting Jesus is largely an internal experience, sometimes highly emotional, and although it’s frequently expressed in a corporate setting, it’s often intensely personal and private. But following Jesus is *not* an internal state. It’s an engagement with the outside world in a tangible way”. Being a follower of Jesus—or a disciple—would mean that we should be radically different from the rest of the world. The Eucharist we receive (Body and Blood of Jesus) is the food for our journey and not the journey itself. Hopefully our sacramental celebrations provide nourishment, not a detour. Jesus calls us to transform the world. He calls us to spend our lives in the service of the least, the lost and the lonely. That kind of life goes way beyond serving in a local community. The content of true discipleship is found *outside* of the walls of a church. It is found where people are hurting, where people are hungry, where people are oppressed, where people are denied justice, where people are dying.



In a book called *The Cost of Discipleship*, Lutheran theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906–1945) described the difference between “cheap grace” and “costly grace.” Cheap grace, he said, is grace without a commitment and response from the believer. It is grace without servant hood. Costly grace, said Bonhoeffer, moves us to respond to the call of Jesus.

If we are able to rediscover the life and teachings of Jesus in a fresh way, to understand how Jesus confronted the social issues, politics, economics, and religion of his day, we may be able to follow Him in the light of our belief in Him.



A tall, gangly, self-conscious seventh-grader was on her junior high girls’ track team. A meet scheduled for one Saturday had to be postponed to the following Saturday — when the girl’s church had planned a community service project that she had signed up for. She went to her track coach and told him about the conflict. He told her, “Your teammates are counting on you and you can’t let them down. I expect you to be here for the meet.” She went home in tears. The next day she talked to him again; he responded, “You are either here for the meet or you turn in your uniform.”

After a sleepless, tearful night, she made her decision. The next day she went to the coach’s office, handed him her uniform and walked away. Her parents and the parents of her teammates were surprised and even

shocked: their own teenage daughter was actually choosing God and church over her track team, even though that was the way they raised her. The girl said simply, “This is about God”.

(“Expect a call” by Kyle Childress, The Christian Century, January 9, 2007.)

We are called to be not just believers but followers of Jesus in an intimate way.

God’s blessings, Fr. Vince

Update

WHAT A DIFFERENCE A YEAR MAKES!



1st July 2018

Let us continue to pray for the Lord
to bless our plans!

Thank you to everyone who has pledged to help in the building and furnishing of our new church building.
If you would like to give your donation, please ring the office for bank details or payment options.



Social Justice @ St Mads

Thank you for your support for the Vinnies appeal. We have the goal to increase the Vinnies presence in the parish, which could be thru:

- ⇒ a better link with the Vinnies shop at Round Corner
- ⇒ linking with the fantastic work Marian College is doing to support Vinnies
- ⇒ have a mini Vinnies in the parish.

Anne Stanfield is the Vinnies Diocesan support officer and is keen to assist us on this endeavour, but we need a parishioner to be a liaison person for our parish, along with our long-time coordinator, John Anderson. If this is you, can you let the parish office know. Anne can give lots of assistance.

~Sue Martin

MARK YOUR
CALENDARS!
THE NEXT WOMEN'S
BREAKFAST WILL BE
ON SAT, 20 JULY,
8:30am IN THE
ST JOSEPH CENTRE.

SPEAKER: Sue Martin about her experiences in Timor Leste



PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: National Theme for Discernment #3 How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Prayerful and Eucharistic?

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared how deeply they treasured the Eucharist and the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church.

Find out more at
www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

*Congratulations to
Anna Maria Julia Cauchi
as she receives the Sacrament of Baptism
this weekend.*

BAPTISM PREPARATION:

The next **Baptism** preparation session will be on Saturday, **6th July** at **4:30-5:30pm** at St Joseph Centre.

To book, please call the parish office on 96542260. Thank you.



PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS:

For the recently deceased

Betty Broughton, Brunina Tassone, and John Hennessy

For the dearly departed

Deceased of the Saeco family, Pulis family, Sultana family, Spadaro family, John Frendo, Carmelo & Victoria Hili, Pietro Ceccato, deceased of the Ferraro family, Carmela Barone, Pablito Corpuz, Alba Minuzzo, James Mulvihill, Joseph Culligan, and the deceased members of the Mulvihill and Culligan families

For healing of the sick

10-mo old Florence Smith, Gregory Borg, Maria Peach, Paul Byrne, Andy, Patrick Breen, Jacqueline Kelly, Maria, Tricia, Rob, Michael Foley, Samuel Abella, Harper Grace, Margaret Collison, Margaret Gaudry, Anis Nicholas, Peter Balnaves, June, Dorothy Green, Pat D, Neil Rogers, Karen Bligh, Marlon Sabellano Alumios, Desmond Grogan, Louise, Vanessa, Ben Johnson, Cathy Voss, Mary Madden, John Donnelly, Louise Lambert, Charlie, Frank Tabone, John Lippman, Sarah Bilford Beattie, Giuseppe Grasso, Faye Willing, Annabelle, Patrick, Ben Eberand, Callum Goracz, Patrick Griffiths, Catherine Bourke, Tina, Marie, Joe, and Charles Vencyel



LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$ 1131.70

2nd Collection (for Parish) **Envelopes** = \$ 1393

Loose = \$ 654.40

Credit cards/Direct Debit ave weekly = \$2107

TOTAL = \$4154.40 (target = \$5577)

If you donate to the parish and have recently changed your credit card, please phone the parish office on 96542260.

Thank you for your generosity!

We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners and Custodians of this country on which we worship

Peter's Pence Collection: 6—7 July

The Peter's Pence Collection is traditionally taken up throughout Catholic parishes around the world either on 29 June, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, or a Sunday close to this Solemnity. This collection helps provide the Holy Father with funds for emergency assistance to those in need. The proceeds enable Pope Francis to assist the most disadvantaged in emergency situations including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Thank you for your generosity.

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BISHOP'S GOOD SHEPHERDS APPEAL

When God calls, will you help them answer? The Holy Spirit Seminary in Harris Park is training 15 young men to be true shepherds of Christ's flock and future priests for the Diocese of Parramatta. Your gift to Parramatta Catholic Foundation will support our seminarians to prepare for the priesthood and a life of community service. Please give generously via the Bishop's Good Shepherds Appeal envelopes or online at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal

AN EVENING WITH CARDINAL JOHN DEW: 16 JULY

His Eminence, John Cardinal Dew, Archbishop of Wellington, will deliver a lecture on Servant leadership in the spirit of Pope Francis. Tuesday 16 July at the Ailsa Mackinnon Community Centre, Our Lady of Mercy College, Parramatta from 7pm. RSVP by 12 July to Br Mark O'Connor - mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES

The Office for Worship is taking enrolments for its Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses for those who are interested in being Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion or Bringing Communion to the Sick and Dying. The course will be at the Institute for Mission (Downstairs Hall).

NOTE: Introduction Session on 12 August is compulsory. Enrolments close on 5 August 2019. Please see your Parish Office for a form or for more information, contact 02 8838 3456 or ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org

ADULT CONFIRMATION 2019

The Office for Worship will host a Catechesis and Formation Day for those candidates interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. This will be on Saturday 31st August, 9.30am - 2.00pm at IFM (Institute For Mission) in the Downstairs Room, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown 2148 (off Flushcombe Road).

A light lunch will be provided on the day. It is recommended that all sponsors attend the catechesis. Parishes should forward the names of candidates before Monday 26th August, 2019.

IFM REFLECTIVE MINISTRY PROGRAM: 20 AUGUST

The Institute for Mission's Reflective Ministry Program - Component 2 starts on August 20. This is a great opportunity to enrich and enthuse those involved in the ministries of the Catholic communities. Go to ifm.org.au for more information and registration, or contact the IFM team on 02 9296 6369.

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE: 22 JULY - 9 SEPTEMBER

Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown is running Jeff Cavin's Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible Study Program from 22 July to 9 September. The sessions will be held every Monday from 7pm to 8.30pm at St Patrick's Church, Blacktown. Visit <https://mqofblacktown.org.au/> to register and to find out more information, or contact the Parish Office on 02 9622 1125 or admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL, PERTH: 7 - 11 DECEMBER 2019

ACYF19 is a biennial national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Bishops of Australia. The event involves three days of exciting, large scale Plenary's, tens of workshops, concerts, prayer experiences, fun, expos and concludes with an outdoor mass with the City of Perth. Bishop Vincent and Catholic Youth Parramatta will be leading an expected 200 participants. Free twin-share hotel accommodation is being offered now. For more information and to register visit www.catholicyouthparramatta.org

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest:

Rev Vincent Savarimuthu

Parish Secretary:

Lisa Echevarria

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Sally Coppini

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Principal: Mrs Jeanette Black

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Principal: Mrs Jayne Campbell

PARISH SERVICES

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.30pm

(Eucharistic Adoration at 4:45)
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00 am, 5.30pm

Children's Liturgy

10am Mass during School terms

Weekday Masses

9:15 - Tuesdays to Fridays

Playgroup - Tue 9:00am

at St Joseph Centre during school terms

Prayer Group: Wednesdays after the

9.15 am Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm

Baptisms: Every 4th Sunday at 11:20,
or during 10am Masses

Weddings: By appointment

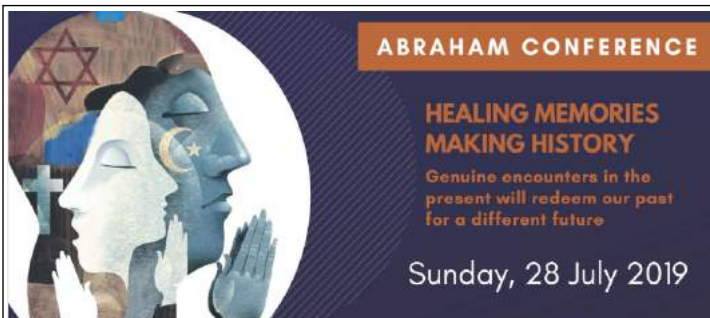
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- ◇ Dawn Eden's story
- ◇ Movie review:
- ◇ Men in Black: International
- ◇ A gift for Timor's women

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a fitting instrument in God's hands,
to work for God's glory.

-St Madeleine Sophie



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Music Coordinator: Alexandra Mifsud

Junior Ministers Coordinator: Maree McNeil

Children's Liturgy Coordinator: Deb Rankin

Baptism Preparation: Angelique Easton

RCIA Coordinator: Steve Fry

Playgroup Coordinator: Grainne Barker

SRE Coordinator: Maureen Jones

Friendship Group: Jenny Puleo

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Peter Balnaves/Suzanne Kingston-Hunt

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	ACOLYTE	Peter Balnaves	Steve Fry	Phillys Hannah	Sam Ursino
	READERS	Mary Sammut Paul Cashman	Tony Hooper Gerry McArdle	AnnMarie Duncan Marietta Nesci	Simmy Cesamolo Jenny Naglic
	EUCARISTIC MINISTERS	Berenice Hart-Gerometta Judith Gauci	Eileen Sherlock Michael Parslow	Sandra Tabone Sue Martin	Janelle & Stephen Bawden
	JUN MINISTERS	Monica & Dom Bruggeling		James Whittle	Thomas & James Barker
	MUSICIANS	Bev & Pat	Joan & David	Bobby & Mark	Youth Group
	COUNTERS	John & Betty Hourigan		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	AnnMarie Duncan
	FLOWERS	Teresa Capaldi, arr'd by Mari & Maureen		ALTAR LINEN	Kathy Fenech
6/7 JULY	WELCOMERS	John Cice	Rosa & Tony Carlino	Michelle Eamer Adriana Kennedy	Lesley & Rick Gangemi
	ACOLYTE	Peter Balnaves	Steve Fry	Joe Touma	Sam Ursino
	READERS	Geoff and Jacinta Mifsud	Pat Lynch Gerry McArdle	Jacqui Nisbet Roslyn Earl	Jan Schroder
	EUCARISTIC MINISTERS	Pat Waters Dianne Millington	Eileen Sherlock Michael Parslow	Careyanne Moylan Bob Burke	Lesley Gangemi
	JUN MINISTERS	Kerstin Grima Emilie Mifsud		Christian Maait Elizabeth Cauchi	Tiago Gregory Hannah Tran
	MUSICIANS	Lisa J	Joan & David	Mark	no musicians
	COUNTERS	Frank & Ivanka Valencic, Kay & Archie Brooks		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
	FLOWERS	Dianne Bennett		ALTAR LINEN	Kathy Fenech