a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

The word of the Lord.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

In 10: 27

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

# **GOSPEL**

Mk 6: 30-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

# They were as sheep without a shepherd.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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# Reflections Gospel

## OVERWHELMED WITH COMPASSION

The disciples return to Jesus full of enthusiasm for the success of their healing and teaching mission. At this early stage of his ministry, Jesus is still widely popular. But his popularity will soon fall away—and turn, eventually, to hostility.

Jesus knows that the disciples could well be carried away by all the enthusiasm their mission is generating. Probably for this reason he takes them to be alone with himself for a while. Earlier, we are told of his going away, after a full day of ministry, to a lonely place to pray (Mark 1:35). He seems to want to school the disciples in the same rhythm of ministry interspersed with rest and the prayerful communion with God that is the necessary source of capacity to heal and to teach.

The attempt to escape the crowds in a boat is not successful. The people go around the lake on foot and are there waiting for Jesus as soon as he disembarks.

So we are presented with the image of the Shepherd-Messiah overcome with compassion. We are invited to look out upon the people through his eyes: to see them as sheep without a shepherd—scattered, leaderless, and ignorant. His longing for rest and quiet has been overwhelmed by compassion for the people and a desire to instill new purpose and understanding through teaching them at some length.

As Pope Francis has not ceased to insist, the task of the Church is to be the instrument of the pastoral compassion of Jesus, looking out through his eyes upon those to whom it is sent.

Brendan Byrne, SJ



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

22 JULY 2018

#### FIRST READING

ler 23: 1-6

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah. The remnant of my flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds - it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks –

when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David,

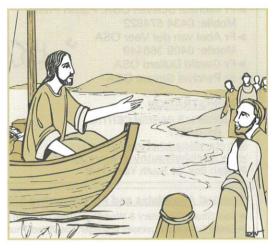
who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence.
And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

■ The word of the Lord.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 22. R. v. 2

- R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
- 1. The Lord is my shepherd; / there is nothing I shall want. / Fresh and green are the pastures / where he gives me repose. / Near restful waters he leads me, / to revive my drooping spirit. R.



- 2. He guides me along the right path; / he is true to his name. / If I should walk in the valley of darkness / no evil would I fear. / You are there with your crook and your staff; / with these you give me comfort. R.
- 3. You have prepared a banquet for me / in the sight of my foes. / My head you have anointed with oil; / my cup is overflowing. R.
- 4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me / all the days of my life. / In the Lord's own house shall I dwell / for ever and ever. **R**.

#### SECOND READING

Eph 2: 13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

Christ, our peace, has made us one.

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in



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# CHILDRENS' LITURGY

St. Joseph's • 10.30am Mass First & third Sundays of the month (except school holidays and long weekends)

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Joseph's • Sat: 5.15pm - 5.45pm (or by request)

## ANOINTING / HEALING MASS

First Tuesday of the month 10am at St Joseph's Church

(Senior parishioners, those with ongoing sickness, those with mental illness, may all receive the Sacrament of the Sick )

# Pastoral Associates and Administrative Support

- ► Toni Stuart (Secretary & Weddings:Tues/Thurs/Fri)
- ► Emilie Rousset (Business Manager: Tues/Wed/Thurs)
- ► Yvonne Bolland (Weddings: Tues10am-12noon)
- ► Diane Brebner (Alfred Hospital Liaison)

▶ Richard Anderson (Accountant)

# Parish Mass Times for the week commencing weekend 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018

DAY	ST JOSEPH'S	ST THOMAS AQUINAS'
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	TIME (Saturday- Vigil 6pm) 10.30am Mass Children's Liturgy	9.00am Mass
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July		
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	10.00am Mass	12.45pm Communion Service
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July <b>St James</b>	10.00am Mass	12.45pm Mass
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> July Sts Joachim & Anne	10.00am Mass	12.45pm Communion Service
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	10.00am Mass 10.30am Christian Meditation	12.45pm Mass
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am Mass 6.00pm Mass	

#### SAVE THE DATE

Monday 6th August 2018 - Ecumenical Mass in St. Joseph's Church at 7 pm. All are welcome to join us in hosting this Annual Ecumenical Gathering which will be followed by a light supper with fellow Christians from Christ Church (South Yarra), Baptist Community Church (South Yarra) and St. Martin's (Hawksburn).

# **EVENTS AND MEETINGS**

- ► Christian Meditation: Fridavs 10.30am
- ► SJOS Committee: Wed 25 July 6.30pm ▶ Praise & Worship: Sun 5th August 6.30pm in
- St Joseph's church followed by coffee & cake.
- ► Ecumenical Mass: Mon 6 Aug 7pm St Joseph's



#### PRAYER REFLECTION FROM ST AUGUSTINE

"Tune vourselves to the music of God present in all of creation."

#### THANK YOU

We thank very sincerely all who have contributed generously to our Parish Planned Giving (Second Collection - Thanksgiving Offering for the Parish) during the past month. If you have not renewed your offering or would like to begin giving using envelopes, direct debit, or regular credit card payments, you are invited to fill in the Thanksgiving Offering forms that are available at the entrance to the church and return them to the Parish Secretary or Parish Business Manager.

#### **ENROLMENTS FOR SACRAMENT OF** CONFIRMATION

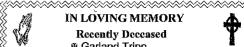
The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in on Sunday 16th September. If you wish your child to receive this Sacrament please enrol by contacting the parish office. Preparation classes will be held in the 4 weeks prior to the Confirmation Mass

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

This Sunday 22 August and again on Sunday 5 August and Sunday 19 August during the 10.30 am Mass at St. Joseph's Church. All children very welcome!

#### WELCOME ARCHBISHOP PETER COMENSOLI

Parishioners of the Archdiocese are invited to the Liturgical Reception and Solemn Mass of the ninth Archbishop of Melbourne Most Rev. Peter A Comensoli in St Patrick's Cathedral on Wednesday 1 August at 7pm. RSVP: https://www.trybooking.com/WXSE



#### IN LOVING MEMORY

Recently Deceased 

Anniversaries



- William Cahili

Gordon Dennis

Bill McCready

■ Lautoro Alvial

🚇 Raphy Henneguin-Ruske 🖷 Teresa Manuel



## PLENARY COUNCIL OF THE CATHOLIC **CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA - 2020**

An Explanation and Briefing Session about the 2020 Plenary Council of the Australian Catholic Church will be held for all interested parishioners in the Cardinal Knox Centre. East Melbourne on Saturday 11th August (11 am - 1 pm). If you do intend to come you may book online at https://www.trvbooking.com/WXSD For more information about the 2020 Plenary Council visit the Melbourne Archdiocese website www.cam.org.au/plenary

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

June Cochrane, Des White, Beb Larsen, Chaiel Balcombe, John & Rose Ignace, Ronald Seaman, Aristotle Pamintuan. Therese Phillips, Mitos Gloudemans, Meldred Liba Lagahit, Socorro Sevare, Dolores Hogan, Frank Muratore, Maurice Wallin, Alex Walisz, Margaret Greene, Elaine Dennis, Spiros Lavia, Emma Kirk, Chris 'Smith', Jean de Campo, Jacinta Sevare, Gus Carter, Socrates Baroutas, Anne Rigg, Tony McNamara, Sergio Fassio, Anthony Alfred, Brendan Taylor, Diohan Gunarta Kurniawan

#### **SUNDAY COLLECTIONS 15/07/18**

Thanking you for your continuing support! Please contact the parish office if you wish to contribute via Direct Debit or Credit Card

- 1st Collection (Clergy/Priory a/c) ...... \$ 987.40 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. (Planed Giving Church a/c) .... \$482.00
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. (Loose Money Church a/c)..... \$438.25