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Baptism Preparation Sessions

If you are having your child Baptised in our parish it is a requirement that you attend a prior Preparation Session.

The next date for a Session is Sunday, 10 February so please contact the Parish Office for further information.

WEEKDAY MASS RESPONSES
Available at the back of the church

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PARISH INFORMATION

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Weekday Masses	Tuesday - Friday	9:00am
Reconciliation	Saturday	5:00pm - 5:30pm
Weekend Masses	Saturday	6:00pm
	Sunday	8:30am
	Sunday	10:00am
		5:00pm

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Office Hours	Tue 8:15am - 4:30pm Wed 8:15am - 3:30pm

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GOSPEL REFLECTIONS

By Dianne Bergant CSS - Liturgy Help

In both the reading from Nehemiah and the Gospel passage, we see the dynamic power of the word of God. Paul's teaching originated as oral proclamation, and like the texts read by Ezra the priest and the one interpreted by Jesus himself, it was first proclaimed aloud. Only later were these proclamations written and handed down from one community to another, from one generation to the next.

The word of God elicits various responses. In the first reading, the people cried out in response: 'Amen, amen! So be it! We hear and we will obey!' From the verses contained in today's gospel, we do not know how those who heard Jesus' interpretation reacted to it. We do know that both audiences listened intently to the sacred words of Scripture. Can we do less? Are we eager to obey? Do we view the law as a treasure, as life-giving? Have we learned to live with each other as members of one body, each member being important and contributing to the total health of the entire body?

Both Ezra and Jesus proclaimed the word of God within the context of a liturgical celebration, a setting similar to the ones wherein most people today hear God's word proclaimed. According to Ezra is acting in his capacity as priest, one who is responsible for interpreting the law. The assembly is unusually inclusive, embracing not only the men but the women and children as well. The reading of the law takes about six or seven hours, from daybreak to midday.

Interpretation was provided along with the reading in order to make relevant in new ways the requirements of a tradition that originated in the past. Such interpretation is always a challenge for a believing community. The people's response is curious. They weep, perhaps out of remorse for infidelity or because they are overcome by the grandeur of the sacred event.

Mass Times next week

Tuesday: 9.00am Wednesday: 9.00am Thursday: 9.00am Friday: 9.00am

Saturday: Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am 10.00am 5.00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday: 5.00pm - 5.45pm

Parish Finance Update

2nd Collection including Planned Giving envelopes (19/20 Jan)	\$1,866.75
Family Fast (Dec)	\$ 215.35
Direct Debit (Dec)	\$ 860.00

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Reader/Commentators and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

If you would like to join one or both of these Ministries, please contact Amy— 0416 915 161, Tina—0438 280 125— or Fr Jeronimo.



We ask the current members of these ministries to please check your weekly rosters as reminders will no longer be sent.

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This week we welcome Nicholas Diedler who is a seminarian placed in our parish for four weeks pastoral experience.

We hope parishioners will meet/greet Nicholas and show our support for him as he travels on his faith journey.

Baptism

Last week we welcomed Ashlee Robertson and Jensen Kilner to God's family.

Congratulations to Ashlee and Jensen and their families.

Holy Spirit Choir and the Street Ministry sing on every 1st Saturday of the month and in February it is **Chinese New Year** Theme.



Please bring a plate and join us for supper after 6pm mass. For more information, please contact Amy 0416 915 161.

Suggestions for Plenary Council

On the weekend of 2/3 February there will be cards on the pews or distributed by volunteers for anyone who would like to have an input into the Plenary Council making plans for the Church's future.

Cards will be collected in a box at the rear of the church to be collated and sent to the organising committee.

Thursday Eucharistic Adoration

We thank all those who attend Thursday Eucharistic Adoration for your commitment to this special quiet time with the Lord which is very important.

We advise that Adoration will re-commence in February.

Feast Days this week.....

Mon 28 Jan—**St Thomas Aquinas**—Born near Aquino about 1225. Regarded as one of the greatest theologians in the history of the Church, he is remembered for his modesty, the prayerfulness of his personal life, and the abiding influence of his thoughts. Died in 1274.

Thurs 31 Jan—**St John Bosco**—Born in Piedmont (Italy) in 1815. Grew up in extreme poverty and, after ordination, devoted his whole life to educating young people, especially the poor. Founded the Salesians, men and women who continue this work with youth throughout the world. Remembered for his cheerfulness and total trust in the providence of God. He died in 1888.

Sat 2 Feb—**Presentation of the Lord**— is celebrated forty days after Christmas, commemorating the prescribed Mosaic ritual following the birth of a child, and recalling the encounter of Jesus with Simeon and Anna in the temple.

Next weekend's (2/3 Feb) readings are for the 4th Sun Ord Time Year C

1st Reading : Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 17-19

2nd Reading : 1 Corinthians 12: 31—13: 13

Gospel : Luke 4: 21-30

First collection - Takes place immediately after the prayer of the faithful and prior to offertory.

Second Collection - Takes place immediately after the offertory and this collection is for our Church/parish expenses.



First Reading: Nehemiah 8: 2-6, 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people - since he stood higher than all the people - Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered Amen! Amen!; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah - His Excellency - and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep'. For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law.

He then said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.'

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: 18: 8-10, 15

R: Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

- The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. **R.**
- The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. **R.**
- The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. **R.**
- May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock! **R.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 12-30

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink. Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. If the foot were to say, 'I am not a hand and so I do not belong to the body', would that mean that it stopped being part of the body? If the ear were to say, 'I am not an eye, and so I do not belong to the body,' would that mean that it is not a part of the body? If your whole body was just one eye, how would you hear anything? If it was just one ear, how would you smell anything?

Second Reading contd.....

Instead of that, God put all the separate parts into the body on purpose. If all the parts were the same, how could it be a body? As it is, the parts are many but the body is one. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I do not need you,' nor can the head say to the feet, 'I do not need you.' What is more, it is precisely the parts of the body that seem to be the weakest which are the indispensable ones; and it is the least honourable parts of the body that we clothe with the greatest care. So our more improper parts get decorated in a way that our more proper parts do not need. God has arranged the body so that more dignity is given to the parts which are without it, and so that there may not be disagreements inside the body, but that each part may be equally concerned for all the others. If one part is hurt, all parts are hurt with it. If one part is given special honour, all parts enjoy it. Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it. In the Church, God has given the first place to apostles, the second to prophets, the third to teachers; after them, miracles, and after them the gift of healing; helpers, good leaders, those with many languages. Are all of them apostles, or all of them prophets, or all of them teachers? Do they all have the gift of miracles, or all have the gift of healing? Do all speak strange languages, and all interpret them?

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: Luke 4: 18

Alleluia, Alleluia! The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. **Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Gospel: Luke 1: 1-4; 4: 14-21

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him. He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written: The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.

He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

