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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: TO BE A LIGHT UNTO THE WORLD

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Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm

Acknowledgement of Country : We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians, Elders and communities and the spirit that binds us in our dreams and aspirations on Dharawal country. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year - B - 20th & 21st July 2024

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Entrance Antiphon

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah (23:1-6)

(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 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 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)

All: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Reader: 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.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Reader: 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.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Reader: You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Reader: 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.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Parish News and Happenings

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians
(2:13-18)
(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 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

Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark (6:30-34)

(They were as sheep without a shepherd).

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 6:00 pm. (Vigil Mass)

Sunday : 8:00 am & 10:00 am.

Weekday Masses :

Mon- Fridays at 9:00 am

Saturday : 8.30am

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday : 5:15pm – 5:45pm

Every Wednesday : NOVENA to our Mother Mary,
6:30pm Rosary followed by Novena Prayers

Bible Study : Fortnightly on Sundays at 2.30pm
in the Logos Centre.

Sunday School : Every Sundays during 10am Mass
in the Logos Centre. (during the School Term)

Communion Antiphon

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

**READINGS FOR THE 17TH SUNDAY -YEAR B :
27th & 28th July 2024
2 Kg 4:42-44; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15**

BAPTISMS are open. Every 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month.

For Baptism Preparation please contact **Maria D'souza** through email :
maria197114@gmail.com **OR**
contact the Parish Office.

Parish Multicultural Day Celebration

Join us for a vibrant celebration of our diverse community on **Sunday, September 8, 2024**, following the 9:00 AM Mass, which will be the only Mass of the day.

Ways to Participate:

- **Donate Boxed Items:** Contribute boxed items for our white elephant stall.
- **Organize a Food Stall:** Showcase flavors from your country by setting up a food stall. Contact us to reserve your stall space.
- **Solo or Group Performance:** Share your talents with the community through a cultural performance. Register your act in advance.
- **Invite Friends and Family:** Extend the celebration by inviting loved ones to join us for this special day.
- **Wear a Costume:** Embrace your heritage by dressing in traditional attire from your country.
- Help to clean up.

For participation inquiries, please reach out to the Parish Office or contact Eric D'Silva at 0434 869 426.

Let's come together to celebrate our diversity and unity as a parish community!

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Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation & Holy Communion 2024

Application Forms are now available in the Church Foyer for parents who wish to enrol their child in the Sacramental programs.

Enrolment closing date : Monday, 22nd July 2024.

Parents must attend the Parents Meeting on Tuesday 23rd July 2024 at 7:00pm in the church.

Lessons will start on Sunday 28th July at 11:30am

Formation for Lectors/Readers

All Readers (existing and new) are invited to attend the Lectors /Readers Formation Day on **Saturday 17 August 2024, at 12:00pm in the church.** Light refreshments will be served. Please inform the parish office of your attendance. Thank You!

Thank You

Thank you for your wonderful support in response to the **St. Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal 2024.**

Our Parish has raised **\$ 3,378.50** for the cause. Thank you all for your generosity. God Bless!

MULTICULTURAL DAY RAFFLE

Trying to think of a way to support our parish? Collect a book of raffle tickets to sell to family and friends.

1st Prize : \$300

2nd Prize : \$150

3rd Prize : \$50

Plus Consolation Prizes

Ticket price : \$2/ticket

Draw : 8th September 2024

All proceedings will go towards parish projects. Thank you for your support.

Please see Lina for your book.

REFLECTION:

A costly caring

Once a man went to see a friend of his who was a professor at a great university. However, as they sat chatting in the professor's office, they were continually interrupted by students who came knocking at the door, seeking the professor's advice about something or other. Each time the professor rose from his chair, went to the door, and dealt with the student's request. Eventually the visitor asked the professor, 'How do you manage to get any work done with so many interruptions?'

'At first I used to resent the interruptions to my work. But one day it suddenly dawned on me that the interruptions were my work,' the professor replied.

That professor could have locked himself away and devoted his time to his own private work. In that way he would no doubt have had a quieter life. But being the generous and unselfish person that he was, he could not do that. Instead he made his work consist in being available to his students. It was no surprise that he was greatly loved by the students. And it was no coincidence that he was one of the happiest and most fulfilled professors on the campus.

An act of kindness is judged, not so much by its importance, but by the disruption it causes in the life of the one who does it. It's a great test of people when, at a drop of a hat, they put aside their own plans to help another person.

It's a consolation for us to know that Jesus too had to cope with interruptions. He too had his plans upset. Today's Gospel tell us that he was in such demand that he and his apostles scarcely had time to eat. However, at some point he decided that enough was enough, and took the apostles off to a quiet place for a break.

This time he wasn't thinking of himself but of his apostles. They had just come back from the mission on which he had sent them. He saw that they needed a rest. So he decided to take them off to a quiet place. The carers too need to be cared for.

All of us are capable of caring. The need for caring people is great. Neglect is widespread in our society. There are many people in our world who are like sheep without the shepherd. When we care, we living the Gospel.

Good can come out of interruptions. They prevent us from becoming totally preoccupied with ourselves. Selfishness is a kind of prison. Love, on the other hand, sets us free. Helder Camara says: Accept surprises that upset your plans, shatter your dreams, give a completely different turn to your day and - Who know? - to your life. It's not chance. Leave God free to weave the pattern of your days.

Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies
Flor McCarthy, SDB

Parish News and Happenings

Thanksgiving & Special Intention Mass offered for:

Birthday : Sr. Olive Hogan / Ivor / John the Baptist Son / Jonathan

Thanksgiving : Herbert & Sheila Kreltszheim / Mila Talmage / Christen Castillo / Anishka, Alijah & Aisaach / Jiji, Jesseton, Jorim,

This week masses have been offered for the Sick and Special needs of :



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| * Dr Lydia de Jesus | * Eva Silang |
| * Dr Joycelyn de Jesus | * Carole Dimayuga |
| * Leslie Reich | * Selda Dimayuga |
| * Jaypee Masangkay | * Nancie |
| * Aida Dayao | * Mason Dulalia |
| * Nelia Ambat | * Jun & Charo Doctors |
| * Vivian Martin | * Catherine Nguyen |
| * Lucinda Rose | * Resty Perez |
| * Christine | * Susan Biag |
| * Marie-ange Suggun | * Lysiane |
| * Maria Vu | * Jake Valte |
| * Vlado Kutle | * Andrea Tuazon |
| * Wally Skoczylas | * Daniela Vladislavic |
| * Luis Vincente Marcelo | * Mabel Artuz |
| * Carla Geronimo | * Monique Yongching |
| * Hania Stoklosa | * Mary Brennan |
| * Ricardo San Juan | * Herbert & Sheila - Kreltszheim |
| * Alan & Margaret Raisbeck | * Anica Lovrich |
| * Aleyna Meryam Lacin | * Jordan Joval |
| * Mirella Autard-Catherine | * Rey Manoto |
| | * Katarina Klindic |

THIS WEEK MASSES HAVE BEEN OFFERED FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS & DEATH ANNIVERSARIES OF :



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| ✠ Chris Wright | ✠ Mercedes Carlos |
| ✠ Herbert Kreltszheim Sr | ✠ Custodio Orellana |
| ✠ Elvera Kreltszheim | ✠ Kathleen Waldon |
| ✠ Agnes D'Souza | ✠ Joel Domingo |
| ✠ Luc Claude Fabien | ✠ Stanley Motha |
| ✠ Harold & Joseph Noronha | ✠ Ricardo Montano |
| ✠ Colin Burns | ✠ Cezar Hernandez |
| ✠ Harold, Hilda & Bruce Burns | ✠ Marie Rafaud |
| ✠ Jose Cabacungan | |
| ✠ Guadalupe Cabacungan | |
| ✠ Cardinal Jean Margeot | |
| ✠ Deceased members of:
Cabacungan family
Cabanilla family | |
| ✠ All souls in Purgatory | |



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SVD Prayer : *"May the darkness of sin and night of unbelief vanish before the light of the Word and the spirit of grace, and may the heart of Jesus live in the hearts of all. Amen"* **Saint Arnold Janssen**

Gloria

*Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise You, We bless You,
We adore you, We glorify You,
We give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world, receive our
prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the
holy one, You alone are the Lord, You alone are most
high Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory
of God the Father. Amen.*

The Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, (all bow)
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell; on the third day he rose
again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is
seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the
dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic
Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of
sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.
Amen.*