

## 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C 19th - 20th January 2019

**First Reading:** Isaiah 62:1-5

*As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.*

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch. The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken', nor your land 'Abandoned', but you shall be called 'My Delight' and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding. Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

The Word of the Lord

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 95:1-3,7-10. R. v.3

**R/** Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

*One and the same Spirit distributes different gifts as he chooses.*

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

The Word of the Lord

**Gospel Acclamation:** 2 Thess 2:14

**Alleluia, alleluia!** God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Alleluia!**

**Gospel:** John 2:1-11

*The first of the signs given by Jesus was at Cana in Galilee.*

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine'. Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water', and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from - only the servants who had drawn the water knew - the steward called the bridegroom and said; 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink; but you have kept the best wine till now'. This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord

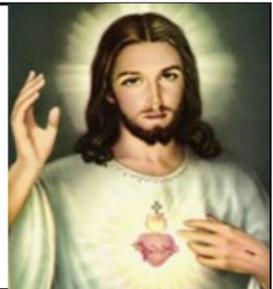
**What does the Cana miracle tell us? Is it that God's special gifts are not meant primarily for our personal benefit but for the service of others? What gifts has God given me?  
"Am I using these gifts for some service in the community?"**



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#### Come to the Feast

The image of a great banquet to which all are invited appears often in the pages of the Bible as a sign of Divine Hospitality. God's inclusiveness and all-embracing mercy was offered to all, particularly in times when God's people were enduring times of suffering, oppression and exile.

So to, the symbol of a wedding was used in the ancient scriptures, as a human illustration of the partnership that exists between creation, humanity and God – united as one family in a relationship of enduring, creative love. The prophets came to portray God as One who bore such strong feelings and care that he would be ready to suffer for and with the partner, in whatever trouble or danger they found themselves.

The wedding feast at Cana from the Gospel of John needs to be considered in this light. It is more than a miracle about water and wine performed by Jesus as a wonderworker. Jesus, a wedding guest, willingly shares in the celebration and hospitality offered to all guests equally. The wedding celebration provides



a context in which to perceive a greater reality. The bride and groom whose wedding is being celebrated are also in the background. It is the mother of Jesus who sees the opportunity for Jesus to reveal the action of God within this very human context.

We are drawn to reflect on the mutual relationship that God has established with Israel, humans, nations and creation; made visible in the life, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus – who is Emmanuel, God with us.

As a wedding could be seen as a step in the building up of a community of love and sharing of life, Paul in the second reading develops his sense

that each and every person of faith is a person to whom the Holy Spirit has communicated a unique gift, to contribute to the building up of the Christian Community and to be proclaimers of God's love and hospitality to the world.

Let us take time this week to consider the words of scripture: "It is the same Lord working in all of us". Do we take time to recognise our own gifts and acknowledge the gifts of each other? As we enter 2019 may we who participate in the hospitality of God celebrate and encourage each other, that we too may be signs of God's mercy and hospitality to all.

**Office Hours:**

Tues to Fri: 10.00am - 12.30pm

**Parish Priest:**

Fr Jan Szweda, SVD

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Fr Jan Szweda SVD

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Pauline O'Day (President)

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**Parish Mass Schedule**

**Weekend Masses:**

**Saturday:** 6:00pm

**Sunday:** 9:00am (*Italian*),

10:30 am, 6:00 pm

**Weekday Masses:**

**Monday to Friday:** 9.10am

**Healing Mass:** 1st Thursday of

the month at 1.30pm

**Devotional Practices:**

**Adoration of the Blessed**

**Sacrament:** Wednesday after

9.10am Mass

**Holy Rosary:** Thursday

(English) & Friday (Italian) after

9.10am Mass

**Legion of Mary:** Thursday

7.30pm, in the Presbytery

**Reconciliation:**

Weekdays: 30 minutes before

Mass or by appointment

**Baptisms & Weddings:**

By appointment only

**Our Church - A Safe Community  
A Shared Commitment**

**Professional Standards - Statement of Commitment**

The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne has a universal expectation for the protection of children. It is resolutely committed to ensuring that all those engaged in the Church promote the inherent dignity of children and young people and their fundamental right to be respected and nurtured in a safe environment. This is particularly so for the most vulnerable children, including aboriginal children, those from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds and children with a disability.

The Catholic Church has a moral, legal and mission-driven responsibility to create nurturing environments where children are respected, their voices are heard and where they are safe and feel safe. We have zero tolerance of child abuse and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated seriously and reported in line with our legal obligations, our moral obligations and our Church policies.

Creating child-safe environments is a dynamic process that involves active participation and responsibility by parishes, schools, families and communities. It is marked by collaboration, vigilance and proactive approaches across policies, procedures and practices.

We are committed to preventing child abuse and identifying risks early and then reducing or removing them. If you see something of concern, please let us know at professionalstandards@cam.org.au.

Every person involved in the Catholic Church has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role he/she plays individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.

**Dates to Remember**

**Saturday 2nd February:**

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

**Funeral Mass for John Bernardini**

The Mass for the repose of the soul of John Bernardini will be held at Sacred Heart Church on Thursday 24th January at 10.30am.

**Last Week's Collection: 13/01/19**

1st Collection for our Church: \$1261.60  
2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$739.50

Thank you for your kind generosity!



**PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:  
WHAT IS GOD ASKING  
OF US IN  
AUSTRALIA AT THIS TIME?**

Have your say by Wednesday 6th March, 2019

Details: <http://www.cam.org.au/plenary/>



**Sacramental Program 2019**

There will be programs conducted for children who attend non-Catholic schools in preparation for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Our parish will have no Confirmation in 2019.

Registration forms will be available from last Sunday of January. Programs will be conducted at the presbytery on Sundays after 10.30am mass. You will find more details regarding the program on the application forms.

**Thank you From St Vincent de Paul Preston**



A very sincere thanks to our parishioners, students, teachers, families and friends for your most generous support of our annual parish Giving Tree appeal.

Around 30 hampers made up of food items, Christmas treats, gift cards and toys for children were sorted, packed and delivered in the week leading up to Christmas. The over-all value of your kind donations is estimated to have been well over \$2800 - and this not including the toys and hamper items passed on from our neighbouring Parish at St Pius 10<sup>th</sup> Heidelberg. Thanks also to all who offered their time to help sort, pack and deliver the hampers to families.

**Supporting Local Asylum Seekers**

A further thanks to all who have supported our ongoing appeal for food stocks for Baptcare Asylum Seekers Sanctuary. We hope this will continue, especially during this quiet month of January when some support services are on a break. A list of food and personal items can be collected as you leave the church today and items to be returned in the following weeks.

**Welcome!**

This weekend through Baptism we welcome: **Audrey Grace Kozak, Madeline Mary Wolfe & KellyMarie O'Connor** into our Parish family



**World Youth Day 2019**

Date: January 22nd, 2019 – January 27th, 2019

Location: Panama City, Panama



The theme for the 34th World Youth Day, 2019 is, "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." (Lk 1:38).

The verse comes from Luke's Gospel account of the birth of Jesus being foretold, when the angel Gabriel came to Mary announcing that she would conceive and bear a son that she would call 'Jesus'. Despite the initial confusion ("How can this be, since I have no husband?"), Mary gave her firm assent and trust to God by saying 'May it be done to me according to your word.' The largest youth event of the Church will be broadcast LIVE on Shalom World Television from January 22nd to 27th.

For more information on how to watch Shalom World on different devices, visit:

[www.shalomworld.org/connected-tv](http://www.shalomworld.org/connected-tv)

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**Piety Shop volunteers needed:**

A sincere thanks to all who faithfully continued to serve on the Piety Shop after the Sunday 9am and 10.30am Masses.

Volunteers for the evening masses on Saturday and Sundays are required. Please contact Pauline on 94842445 if you are able to commit to opening the shop after either of these mass times, on a monthly or fortnightly basis.



Thank you for your presence this weekend at Sacred Heart Preston. You are always welcome here.



PLEASE TAKE THE BULLETIN HOME

**WE PRAY FOR:**

The elderly and the sick

Brian Donnellon, Lorraine Fitzpatrick, Irene Navascues, Dale O'Keefe, Veronica Parkes, Rosie Poter, Lidia Razzi & Yvonne Tierney

Our loved one who died recently

Giuseppe Verga (funeral Tues 22/01/19), Lorraine Fitzpatrick (funeral Wed 23/01/19), John Bernardini (funeral Thurs 24/01/19)

Those whose Anniversaries occur at this time

Santino Casalis (1 month) & Giuseppe Gandolfo



O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Day of Prayer Against Human Trafficking**

You are all most heartily invited to attend the Vigil Mass to celebrate the Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita and to mark the International Day of Prayer, Reflection and Action against Human Trafficking. Mass will be celebrated:

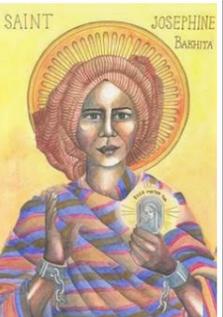
Time: 7.30pm

Date: Thursday 7th February 2019

Place: St Patrick's Cathedral

Principal Celebrant: Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli

RSVP/Inquiries: [justice@cam.org.au](mailto:justice@cam.org.au)



**Cleaning Roster: Saturday 26th January 2019**



Rebecca/Belinda

Thank you for your help!

**Roster for weekend of 26th - 27th January 2019**

	Readers	Ministers	Projector
Sat 6.00pm	Marlene Vergou Terry Murphy	Mary Harb Charlotte Bainy	Rohan Lemos
Sun 9.00am (Italian)	Tamburrini M.	Pavan M. Bozzella C.	Mancini M.
Sun 10.30am	Moira O'Brien Anne Stuart	Pauline Veamatahau Giovanna D'Intino	Jessy Thambiraj
Sun 6.00pm	Robert Dullard Tim Rankin	Margaret Rankin Sharon Kotz	Jessica Suppiah