

# 15th Sunday in Ordinary time - Year C

## 13th - 14th July 2019

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 30:10-14

*Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.*

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and if you return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul. For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

The Word of the Lord

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 68:14,17,30-31,33-34,36-37

R/ Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

**Second Reading:** Colossians 1:15-20

*All things were created through him and for him.*

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers - all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

The Word of the Lord

**Gospel Acclamation:** Jn 6:63,68

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life. **Alleluia!**

**Gospel:** Luke 10:25-37

*Who is my neighbour?*

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus. 'do this and life is yours.' But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be traveling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by the other side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same your self.'

The Gospel of the Lord



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### “Who is my Neighbour?”

Along with the parable of the Prodigal Son, today's gospel reading of the "Good Samaritan" gets to the heart of God's loving relationship with the whole human family and what it truly means to love God with all our heart, soul and mind.

As Jesus continues his journey to Jerusalem, he is confronted by a scholar of the Mosaic Law. He asks Jesus, "What must I do to merit eternal life?" Jesus throws back the question and asks, "What is written in the law?" The man is caught and quotes, "You must love God with all your heart and soul, strength and mind and your neighbour as yourself." This is one of the most important prayers and tenet of Judaism and recited daily. Jesus' response is simply, "Do this and you will live." ("Do" being the operative word).

Having been shown up, the lawyer tries another question: "Who is my neighbour that I must love like myself?" In society of Jesus' time, with its distinctions between Jew and Gentile, men and women, clean and unclean, this was a trick question. Jesus responds with the parable.

A stranger - 'a certain man', was assaulted, robbed and left to die on the side of a roadway between Jerusalem and Jericho. Who he is, Jew or Gentile, the Gospel writer doesn't say; Jesus' point being that he is a human being. Two of the Religious Elite pass the man by, neither bothering to find out whom he is or if he's alive. A priest moves to the other side of the road. A Levite who assists in the Temple reacts the same way. More important to them is that they avoid any sort of 'ritual impurity' or interruption to their observance. A Samaritan on the other hand, is said to be "moved with compassion" - moved in the depths of his own being - to go over to the injured man, clean his wounds, transport him to a hostel to recover and promises to pay all his expenses. The 'enemy' is the compassionate neighbour in this parable.

As in his ministry, Jesus demolished all boundary expectations in his interpretation of the Law. It was about living within the Spirit of the Law not the Letter: so also it was not belonging to a class, religion, gender, or ethnicity that determines who is our neighbour. It was about being a neighbour. The point becomes, not who deserves to be loved, but that I become a person who treats everyone with the compassion of God.

Love of God IS Love of Neighbour.



**Office Hours:**

Tues to Fri: 10.00am - 12.30pm

**Parish Priest:**

Fr Jan Szweda, SVD

**Priests in Residence:**

Fr Ennio Mantovani SVD

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**Child Safety Committee:**

Rebecca Cooney, Robert Dullard,

Teresa Dang, Pauline O'Day,

Fr Jan Szweda, Belinda Cooney,

Kay Dufty, Sharron Kotz.

**Parish Council Members:**

Catherine Zanatta (chairperson),

Kay Dufty (secretary), Gerard

Grant, Ophelia Swai, Anisasio

(Pauline) Veamatahau,

Mark Tierney, Fr Jan Szweda SVD

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:**

Pauline O'Day (President)

Ph: 9484 2445

**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 (Eng) & 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

**Sacred Heart Parish Child Safety Committee**

The members of the committee are committed, in collaboration with our parish leaders to put into effect policies and recommendations that will create an environment in which the inclusion, protection and safety of children, young people and vulnerable persons is the highest priority of our Parish.

The Current committee members are: Rebecca Cooney, Belinda Cooney, Robert Dullard, Sharron Kotz, Teresa Dang, Kay Dufty, Pauline O'Day and Father Jan Szweda.

The Parish Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are soon to be reviewed and updated, where deemed necessary, and in accordance with updated Archdiocesan Policies and documents soon to be launched.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word Starts Sunday 21st July**



Sacred Heart Parish is very pleased to announce it will be offering a Children's Liturgy on Sundays at 10:30am Mass. The Children's Liturgy is a prayerful celebration of God's Word, reading the Gospel from a Children's Bible and talking about the way we live in the light of God's Word. We'll learn fun children's hymns too!

The liturgy will start at Mass with a special blessing by Fr Jan. The children will then process with their liturgy leaders to the presbytery for prayer, gospel reading and songs, returning to Mass in time for Liturgy of the Eucharist. Parents are most welcome. Very young children must be accompanied by an adult.

Children's Liturgy will run during school terms only. Dates for Term 3 are: July: 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>; August: 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>; and September 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14**

**Sacred Heart Social Committee**

The Sacred Heart Social Committee asks for your feedback about the celebration we had for our recent feast day. Please complete a simple feedback form in the church foyer, and put it in the box provided. This will assist us to understand how you felt about this celebration and how we can work to improve the future parish celebrations.

**Sacred Heart Fundraising Committee**

Do you have experience in fundraising, or would like to work with others to raise funds to support the Sacred Heart Parish? Anyone interested in being part of a fundraising committee are asked to put their name and contact details on the sheet in the foyer of the church. All levels of expertise and enthusiasm are welcome.

**Sacred Heart Parish Prayer**

**Loving God, we honour the heart of Jesus, your beloved Son. We remember how he opened his heart in love to all people. Open our own heart to receive the gifts that continue to flow so richly from the heart of Christ, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.**



**First Holy Communion 2019**

A Commitment Mass for children preparing for their First Holy Communion will be held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 10.30am.

A parent information session will be held on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August, in the presbytery after the 10.30am Mass. Following this session, children will stay back for their first lesson which will conclude at 12.35pm. If you would like your child to make their First Holy Communion in September 2019, please attend this information session and bring your child along to attend the class.

If you have any queries, please contact the Sacramental Programme Co-ordinator, Judeline Wadhvani on 0490660787 or at [judeline.wadhvani@gmail.com](mailto:judeline.wadhvani@gmail.com).



**ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY MASS**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July, 11am  
St Patrick's Cathedral,  
1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne**

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, or 60<sup>th</sup>-70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year?

The Life, Marriage & Family Office invites you and your families to join us at the Annual Anniversary Mass. Couples who register will receive commemorative certificates and packs.

**Registrations:** [www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily](http://www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily) or contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 or [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au). Registrations close Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July.

**Welcome!**

This weekend through Baptism we welcome:  
**Elki Glover and  
Hendrix Roberto Maiolo**  
into our Parish family



**Last Week's Collection: 07/07/19**

1st Collection for our Church: \$1063.20  
2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$514.50  
Catholic Mission Appeal (Ghana): \$1400.25  
*Thank you for your kind generosity!*



**Morning Melodies:  
Christmas in July with June Newman**

Join us at the Darebin RSL 402 Bell Street on 26<sup>th</sup> July. Morning Tea starting at 11.00am followed by a 2 course Luncheon and Live Music for \$19  
**Signup sheet** is in the church porch or ring Pauline 9484 2445 or Eileen 0402 448 652 by Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July.

**MELBOURNE ACYF PILGIMRAGE TO PERTH**

Young people from parishes, communities, schools are invited to join the Melbourne ACYF Pilgrimage to the fourth Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) in Perth from 8-10 December. ACYF is the largest national gathering of Catholic youth in Australia and it exists to provide young people with opportunities to deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to be disciples in the world today and encounter and celebrate the vitality of the Church. The Festival is for youth and young adults from year 9 to 30 years of age.



**Details:** [www.cam.org.au/acyf19](http://www.cam.org.au/acyf19) or call 9287 5565  
**Like our Facebook page** to keep up to date: [@melbacyf](https://www.facebook.com/melbacyf)  
There are a limited number of subsidies available and applications need to be received **by 11 August**.  
**Apply online here:** <https://www.cam.org.au/acyf19/Announcements>  
**Download ACYF Prayers:** [https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Portals/0/ACYF\\_Prayers.pdf](https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Portals/0/ACYF_Prayers.pdf)

Parishes are also invited to include the following prayer in their weekly prayers of intercession:

*Loving God,  
We pray for our parish community; that through our accompaniment of young people in their discipleship journey, we will be constantly renewed by the Holy Spirit.  
Let us pray to the Lord.*

**Liturgical Ministers and Piety Shop Rosters**

The new roster begins next week. If we do not have your email details or you requested a printed copy, please check the envelopes available in the church entrance area. If you have not received a copy, contact Cristina on 9480 3398 or Pauline 9484 2445. Thankyou.

**Cleaning Roster:  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
Volunteers**  
*Thank you for your help!*



**PLEASE TAKE THE BULLETIN HOME**



**WE PRAY FOR:**

The elderly and the sick  
**Brian Donnellon, Stanislawa Kotowski,  
Maria Santa Lucia, Stephen Meese,  
Irene Navascues, Dale O'Keefe, Veronica Parkes,  
Rosie Poter, Lidia Razzi, Raul Reinal &  
Ercolina Zoppi**



Those who have died

**Isa, Mario, Orfeo & Rino Bergamin,  
Alfonso, Dino, John & Natalina Bernardini,  
John Bourke (1<sup>st</sup> Anni.), Teresina Di Stefani,  
Mark Nolan, Giselda & Teresa Paoli,  
Carlo, Duilio, Livio & Pasqua Trentin and all  
deceased members of the Ottaviano Bertone &  
Carlo Trentin families.**

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

**Heart of Life Spirituality Centre**

A "Retreat in Everyday Life, is an 'at home' retreat", over 5 weeks, beginning Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August and concluding 2<sup>nd</sup> September. You are invited to spend some time in prayer at home each day pondering your experiences of the day, and on Mondays to come to Heart of Life between 1.15 pm - 2.15 pm to reflect with a spiritual companion on how God might have been present for you.

**To register your interest**, please call 9890 1101 or email [holsc@bigpond.com](mailto:holsc@bigpond.com), no later than Monday 29 July.

**Alight Family Fiesta**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September, St Bede's College Mentone**  
At a time when living Christian family life can feel like swimming against the tide, **Alight** is an event that will strengthen everyone - especially parents - to be renewed in their mission. Fr Leo Patalinghug, a priest and chef, will serve up a creative presentation of faith and food that will have the whole family wanting more. Rides, food and live music will help to make this a joyful celebration for the whole family!

To register or for more info, look for the Alight flyers in your parish or visit: [www.cam.org.au/alight19](http://www.cam.org.au/alight19)

**Roster for weekend of 20<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> July 2019**

	Readers	Ministers	Projector
<b>Sat 6.00pm</b>	Renato Tonini Celia Lemos	Peter Bourke	Rohan Lemos
<b>Sun 9.00am (Italian)</b>	Bozzella C. Orsini A.	Gugliotti A. Roda G.	Tamburrini M.
<b>Sun 10.30am</b>	Ivana Lo Bello Sonya Bading	Tony Eley	Jessy Thambiraj
<b>Sun 6.00pm</b>	Anna Liggieri Ylenia Useli	Robert Dullard	Jessica Suppiah