

Parish of St Peter - Waiheke Island

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PARISH TIMETABLE: SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5.00PM
SUNDAY MASS 9.15AM

RECONCILIATION RITE | AVAILABLE BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES

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12th week in Ordinary Time : Year A : 21 June 2020

Pastor's Note

It would be a little harsh, but also accurate, in a way, to regard Our Lord's words in this Sunday's Gospel as his response to Jeremiah's cry in the first reading. Jeremiah has become an exemplar in our language. Someone who predicts doom and disaster is called "a Jeremiah." His name is forever associated with bad news. Jeremiah himself complained about this. He wanted to speak words of comfort, but found that he was continually called upon to chastise, to speak uncomfortable words.

He had to do this because that was the reality of the world in which he lived. Over generations Jewish society, from top to bottom, had lost touch with their calling. They had ceased in many ways to live as the people of God they were called to be. They truly were heading for disaster, and to fail to point that out would be to speak, and live, a lie.

But that didn't make life any more comfortable for Jeremiah. Opposition and threats were his lot. Still, he declares his trust in God, and looks forward to final victory. However, he does so in a vision that is still largely of this world. When Jesus responds to the fears of those around Him, He does so in words that point beyond this world. Do not fear for your body, but rather for your body and soul together, for your eternal destiny.

This isn't a rejection of striving to change and sanctify this world – far from it! But it is a call not to see victory and defeat in terms of this world. We never stop trying to perfect this world, but live in the knowledge that a perfect society will not exist. Nor can we look back and pretend that some past version was all golden. Any historian will point out the shadows and darkness that existed, then, as now.

Our call to keep on speaking the truth, whether received with joy, or the rejection and hatred that Jeremiah faced, is not based on a vision of a Golden Age, in the past or in the future. It is not based on a vision of triumph, with a great crowd telling us "you were right!" It is based rather on the Lord's statement about the value of each one of us. Sparrows are sold two for a penny, He says, but every one of them has value in the eyes of God. And we are worth much more than they. Every human life has immense value, because we are called, not to some earthly triumphal procession, but to share in the life of God for all eternity.

That life starts now, however. It is not separated from this world, because God himself brought that divine life into our world, as St Paul tells us. This is where we work to allow this to happen in our lives, and in those around us. That is our great task, similar to, but much greater than, Jeremiah's. But, Jesus reminds us, our workplace is not our home. And our focus should always be on home.

Fr Chris Denham, St John the Baptist, Parnell

PARISH ROSTERS 20 – 28 June 2020

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PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD

	Welcome/PoF	First Reading	Second Reading
Saturday 20 June	Romel de Guzman	Beng de Guzman	Bronwen Muir
Sunday 21 June	Mark Mullins	Christine Sloan	Kirsten Sloan
Saturday 27 June	Ruth Gracie	Kevin McBride	Barbara McBride
Sunday 28 June	Mary Wright	Ivan Grbin	Carol Grbin
Saturday 4 July	Clare Campbell	Laurie Leonard	Neil Johnson
Sunday 5 July	Judith Aggrey	Kirsten Sloan	Vikki Trainor

MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION (set up only)

Saturday 20 June	Susan McCusker
Sunday 21 June	Glen Trainor
Saturday 27 June	Pauline Dunkley
Sunday 28 June	David Sloan
Saturday 4 July	Chris Lynch
Sunday 5 July	Fe Wilson



DRIVEWAY MAINTENANCE

Saturday 27 June	Clucy Ingram	Saturday 4 July	Barbara Boyce
Saturday 11 July	Patrick Newton	Saturday 18 July	David Harold

CHURCH CLEANING

Saturday 27 July	Kirsten Sloan	Saturday 11/18 July	Beng & Romel de Guzman
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Please note that the deadline for the newsletter is Thursday at 5pm. Thank you.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK, RECOVERING FROM SURGERY OR NEEDING OUR PRAYERS, ESPECIALLY: Louise Shave, Angela Marsden, Peter Ryder, Ann Thomas, Elizabeth O'Flaherty, Shona Sullivan, John Gillespie, Jenny Wallace, the Grevatt family, Mike & Josie Glynn & son Mark Walsh and his family, Debbie Sheridan, Father Gerard Glynn, Sarah Sommerlad (aunt of Pat Newton), Eileen Porteous & Clive Brock (brother & sister of Ruth Gracie), Freddy Gonzales, Monica Kelsey (sister of Tom Hughes), Bronwen Muir, Stuart Weekes, Kennedy Harper Wilson, Amanda & Garret Quinn, Elaine McGrath, David Sloan, Joyce Camilleri, Rex McQuinn (father of Katie Horton), Roy & Jan Carroll.



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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 the Most High, Jesus
 Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

It is for you that I suffer taunts,
 that shame covers my face,
 that I have become a stranger to my
 brothers, an alien to my mother's sons.
 I burn with zeal for your house
 and taunts against you fall on me.

This is my prayer to you,
 My prayer for your favour.
 In your great love, answer me, O God,
 With your help that never fails:
 Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
 In your compassion, turn towards me.

The poor when they see it will be glad
 And God-seeking hearts will revive;
 For the Lord listens to the needy and does
 not spurn his servants in their chains,
 Let the heavens and the earth give him
 praise, the sea and all its living creatures.

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, 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.

CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God
 and to you, my brothers and sisters,
 that I have **greatly sinned**
 in my thoughts and in my words,
 in what I have done and
 in what I have failed to do,
through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
 therefore I ask blessed Mary
 ever-Virgin,
 all the Angels and Saints,
 and you, my brothers and sisters, to
 pray for me to
 the Lord our God

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

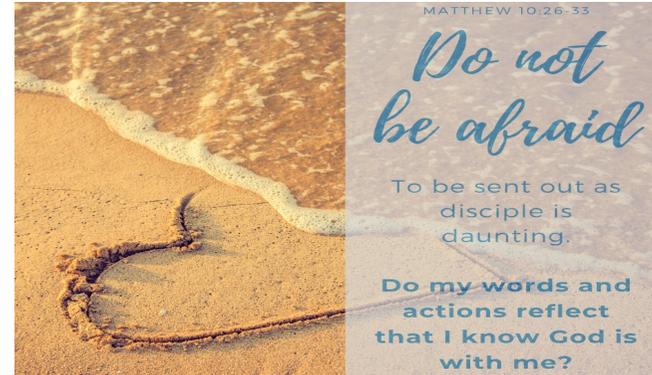
21 Jun: 12th week Ordinary Time: Jeremiah 20: 10-13; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33
28 Jun: 13th week Ordinary Time: 2Kings 4:8-11, Romans 6:3-4, 8-11; Matthew 10: 37-42

Notices

Small Fundraising Craft Stall. The grand total raised is a wonderful \$37,010.00 as of 7 June, 2020. The stall has books, freshly made marmalade and interesting small items for sale. The hamper of goodies was won by Barbara McBride and the next raffle is for 6 tickets to Waiheke Cinema. Thank you to the whole Parish. Jo and the team.

Breaking Open the Word. Listen to the Gospel of the day followed by a short reflection as the Gospel is broken open. The link is available on the Auckland Diocesan website <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/>

The **Rosary** will be prayed each Friday at 12 noon at St Peters. All are welcome.



Ecumenical Day of Prayer for Christian Unity. The Day of Prayer for Christian Unity will be held at 5pm on Sunday 21 June at the St Columba Presbyterian Church in Botany. It is a time for all Christians to gather together as one and give thanks to the Lord for His goodness to us during COVID-19 lockdown.

Ut Unum Sint Celebrations. On 25 May, we would have celebrated the 25th anniversary of Pope St. John Paul II's Encyclical on the commitment to ecumenism, "Ut Unum Sint – That They May Be One." We will commemorate *Ut Unum Sint* with a year-long celebration by hosting biblical, theological, and spiritual formation talks over the next 12 months, starting with a video presentation by Fr. Peter Smith of the Archdiocese of Sydney, "Refugees, A Global Problem and A Regional Solution" which will be made available online from the Diocese from 21 June.

Draw closer to Jesus and be empowered by the Holy Spirit. Everyone is welcome to attend an 8-week **Life in the Spirit Seminar** at Sacred Heart Parish, 16 Vermont St, Ponsonby. 8 Tuesdays starting 7 July 2020, 7.30pm. (Cuppa from 7pm). Register with Ally 376-4303 or ponsonbyhernebayparish@gmail.com



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