



PARISH NEWSLETTER

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5th Sunday of Easter – 19th May, 2019 Year C



MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASSES

Brighton

Monday: 9.15am

Sandgate

Tuesday: 7.00am

Thursday: 5.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration begins 12 noon Thursday and continues after Mass until 11pm.

Friday: 7.00am

Regis Aged Care:

21 May 10.30am (Lucinda)

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday:

Eventide Chapel: 9.30am
Brighton Church: 5pm

Sunday:

Brighton: 7am

Sandgate: 9am & 5pm

Name Tag Sunday:

4th weekend of the month

Parish Council Meeting:

3rd Thursday of the month

SCHOOL MASSES

St Kieran's School:

Principal: Ben Gray

Thurs 23 May 9am

Phone: 3269 5989

Sacred Heart School:

Principal: Julian Cotter

Sun 9 June 9am

Phone: 3269 3427



Saturdays

Sandgate: 11.30am – 12pm

Brighton: 4pm (2nd Rite)

1st Saturday of the month

Reconciliation is also available by appointment.

LOVE AND LOVING LIKE JESUS

(Acts 14:21-27; Apoc 21:1-5; Jn 13:31-35)

It amazed the apostles of Jesus just how a man's impending death could be 'glory' for him? And, such a humiliating death as dying by Roman crucifixion!

Yet, the puzzle of the 'hour' of Jesus was clear to him as his subsequent resurrection and exultation seals the glory given him by the Father. Today's Gospel dwells quite remarkably on the hour the Son of man is 'glorified'.

Five weeks now into the announcement of the resurrection, we too see the 'glory' of Jesus. Now we understand why this event has traditionally given the Gospel witness of John, (especially chapters 13 -20) its classification and name: 'The Book of Glory'. Now Jesus reminds us that the great feature of his 'glory' is the love God has for us, for which God sent his Son, Jesus into our world.

The love of Jesus is love 'as I have loved you'. It is the love which Christ is, lives, demonstrates and now commands all of God's children to follow in loving in return. This love is manifestly sacrificial. Its glory is 'death'. But this death is life everlasting and, in this way, brings glory to the father. Towards this love, and because of this love Christ is glorified.

It is from the reflection of Jesus' self-sacrificing love that the 'new heaven and the new earth' of today's second reading speaks to us. Just as it was based on this love made visible in Jesus, that the disciples, emboldened by the resurrection tirelessly worked; putting **new hearts** in their faith communities. Here, Paul and Barnabas are said to turn hope into support and encouragement.

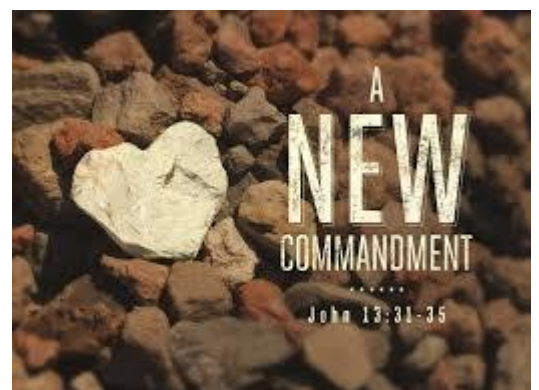
The emphasis laid on Luke's use of the Greek verb, 'episterizo' in describing the actions of Paul and Barnabas is quite significant. *Episterizo*, - *firm up, strengthen, support* here underscores the contexts of perseverance and resilience under which true discipleship is forged. The endurance, persecution and suffering that characterised Paul's own experiences in his first missionary journey is summed up in 'the many hardships we have to experience before we enter the kingdom of God'. Paul relives in himself, the direct implications of true Christian love – and indeed, how Jesus entered his own glory.

Therefore, to ponder Jesus' command that we "love one another, as I have loved you" is to face the confronting scenario of laying down one's own life for another. Given the context of the unending wave of harm done to Christians the world over, today's message is far from being a mere coincidence. Jesus speaks afresh to us about the sacrifice, endurance, resilience and perseverance by which our crown is won.

Daily unnerved in the mire of the many hate crimes and killing of Christians in various parts of our world today, how can we muster the strength to love as Jesus loved? Can we persevere to the end in order to share the dreams of the new heaven and new earth? One of the ways is to be realistic in knowing that the experience of faith in Christ is always one often rooted in blood and drowned with tears. Another way is accept the hope of our future glory by giving, receiving and sharing in the loving support to, and from one another.

This is the love and loving which Jesus commanded. Notice that he did not even command us to love him. Jesus rather commands us to love one another. To wash one another's feet; and to show the greater love by laying down our own lives for our friends (Jn 13:14; 15:13)! On this love, Paul warns us that: It does not seek self-interest and does not brood injury. Instead, his love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things and endures all things (1Cor 13:4-7)!

Fr Modestus





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WELCOME! If you are new to the Parish or are visiting, we are glad you have come to share Eucharist with us today. New Parishioner brochures, which can be put in the collection plate, are at the rear of the Church.

ROSARY BEFORE MASS: During the month of May, Rosary will be offered before each weekend Mass. All parishioners are asked to be respectfully aware of this devotion when entering the Church, particularly during this time. All are welcome to participate in this powerful prayer for our families, our community, our country and peace throughout the world.

FEAST OF OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS: Friday 23 May. Adoration will be offered in Sacred Heart Church from 6pm – 9pm. All Welcome.

ST KIERAN'S SCHOOL: St Kieran's Primary School are now conducting interviews for Prep 2020. We encourage all families interested in joining our great school community to contact the School Office on phone 3269 5989 as limited spaces are available. If you are looking for quality, inclusive education, your child's future starts here. Unlock their potential.

PARISH/SCHOOL MASS: Sacred Heart School will be hosting the Parish/School Mass on Sunday 9 June at 9am. What a wonderful way for the whole community to share our faith. All Welcome!

DONATIONS FOR SCHOOL FETE: St Kieran's School Fete is on Sunday 21 July. Donations of Trash & Treasure and/or plants are being sought. Items can be left under the marquee each weekend in the school carpark between 8am – 4pm. Large items can be collected by leaving a message with Tom Gordon on 3269 0383. All donations gratefully received.

VOCATION VIEW: Can you imagine a country running on Jesus' one law of "love one another"? No wars. No hunger. No thirst. No jealousy. Only loving followers of Jesus.

CHILDRENS' ROSARY: Sacred Heart School (every Tuesday morning in Sacred Heart Church) and St Kieran's School (every Wednesday morning under the Peace Tree) beginning at 8am during May. All families welcome!

ALL HALLOWS' SCHOOL: Open Day – Sunday 26 May beginning at 11am. Visit: www.ahs.qld.edu.au

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD: Former parishioner and staff member, **Brendan Gormley** will be ordained to the priesthood on Friday 31 May in St Stephen's Cathedral at 7pm. Brendan has invited parishioners to share in this wonderful celebration.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: A weekend away for married couples in peaceful, picturesque

surroundings – away from the distractions of everyday living. Take time out of your busy schedule to invest in your most precious asset – your Marriage!

Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston August 2 – 4. For bookings: Maria & David Murphy (07) 3342 1456. More information on website www.wvme.org.au

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: Sunday 23 June at 2pm – St Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane. Proceedings led by

Bishop Brian Finnigan. This year, there will be a Eucharistic Miracle Exhibition at the Hanly Room (next door to Cathedral) on Saturday 22nd June 11.00am – 5.30pm and Sunday 23 June 9.00am – 5.00pm. *'He who follows me walks not in darkness says the Lord.'* John 8:12 www.corpuschristibrisbane.com

HARVEST PILGRIMAGE: 'Footsteps of Jesus' – Watch the Gospel come alive as we set out on this true pilgrimage of faith and retrace the progressive stages of the life of Jesus from his Nativity in Bethlehem to his Passion on Calvary. Be deeply moved as we behold with our eyes what our minds for so long attempted to imagine. 9 days/10 nights – Sunday 17 November – Tuesday 26 November, 2019 accompanied by Fr Julian Belich. Brochures and more information available at Church door.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: In the Gospel today, Jesus says "I give you a new commandment: love one another... This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you show that you have love for one another, especially those suffering and poor, and that indeed you are the disciple of Jesus.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS WEEK: Next week, we acknowledge vital work of all volunteers. Our volunteers are at the heart of everything we do. Thank you for volunteering on our Roster. Your time, dedication and commitment serves to enrich the life of our Parish. If you would like to join our growing pool of volunteers, please contact the Parish Office.

WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

CENACLE: gathers **Tuesdays** following the 7am Mass at Sandgate.

BIBLE STUDY: every Wednesday in Sandgate Parish Hall from 7pm. Topic: Completing Paul's last missionary journey and commencing the study of Isaiah. Contact Vanessa: 0403 492 879. All Welcome!

LEGION OF MARY: Every **Thursday** in the Parish Office from 9am-10.30am. New members welcome!

BRIGHTON CHOIR PRACTICE: Every **Thursday** 3.30pm in Brighton Church. New members enthusiastically welcomed!

ADORATION: 12noon – 11pm **Thursdays** at Sacred Heart Church. Holy Hour begins at 10pm.

- Pope Francis puts child safety front and centre with new international standards to address clerical abuse and prevent cover ups
- Funding boost allows Aspleycare charity to continue after financial hardship threatens future of the program
- Catholic Women's League urges quality palliative care for the dignity and validation of the lives of individuals
- Australian election throws religious freedom into the spotlight as politicians are forced to clarify their stances on the role of faith
- Palliative medicine specialist Dr Phillip Good writes about the dignity of palliative and end-of-life care
- Prayers and memories flood in for Jean Vanier, founder of L'Arche, who died aged 90
- Good Samaritan Sister Lorraine Victorsen tells her story and discusses the power of interfaith dialogue and shared belief in the one God

PARISH ROSTER

We are always appreciative of the many ways parishioners contribute to the life of the Parish by way of their selfless volunteering.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD	18-19 May	25-26 May
5pm Saturday Brighton	C Rosenberg O'Brien C Hickey H Boon	K Lynch J Moore P Ryan
7am Sunday Brighton	R Heap M Heap L Isaak	P Pehrson F Edwards B Gray
9am Sunday Sandgate	L Butler R Corias C Murdoch	K Coffey W Johnson C McLaren
5pm Sunday Sandgate	B Fallis TBA	TBA
EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS	18-19 May	25-26 May
5pm Saturday Brighton	C Rosenberg-O'Brien K Lynch	E Harte P Madden
7am Sunday Brighton	B Gaffney F Edwards P Madden	P Cross D Price TBA
9am Sunday Sandgate	J Murdoch L Kelly TBA	N Eyles J Murdoch TBA
5pm Sunday Sandgate	P Janbroers TBA	B Fallis TBA
ALTAR SERVERS	18-19 May	25-26 May
5pm Saturday Brighton	C Armitage	TBA
7am Sunday Brighton	TBA	TBA
9am Sunday Sandgate	TBA	S Bastian M Armitage
5pm Sunday Sandgate	I Treanor S Treanor	M Tate
CHURCH CLEANING	18-19 May	25-26 May
Brighton	M Bernard	TBA
Sandgate	M Neilson	TBA
HOSPITALITY	18-19 May	25-26 May
7am Sunday Brighton	M Thompson D Price	M Thompson F Edwards
9am Sunday Sandgate	Sacred Heart families	Couples for Christ
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	18-19 May	25-26 May
9am Sunday Sandgate	A Hennessy M Carter	A Hennessy M Carter
COUNTERS	18-19 May	25-26 May
Parish Office	TBA	D Madden R Mahon
BAPTISM PREPARATION	Next Baptism Preparation Session – Sunday 30 June	
DINNER IN THE PARK		

READINGS: (YEAR C)

5th Sun of Easter
 1st Reading Acts 14:21-27
 Psalm: Ps 144:8-13.R.cf.v.1
 2nd Reading Apoc 21:1-5
 Gospel John 13:31-35

6th Sun of Easter
 Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
 Ps 66:2-3,5-6,8.R.v.4
 Apoc 21:10-14,22-23
 John 14:23-29

5th Sunday of Easter: 'LOVE ONE ANOTHER'. Today's Gospel comes from Jesus' Last Supper discourse. He is about to die. His final words to his beloved disciples are: 'as I have loved you, you also must love one another'. In the end, all that matters is love, a love that is expressed most purely when we sacrifice ourselves for the well-being of others. When we love in this way we show that we are disciples of Jesus who laid down his life for us.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Harvey DELACOUR, George BASTIAN, Clare LAUMAN, David HOGAN, Justin CARR, Jason MORPHETT, Muriel URQUHART, John RHULE, Angelo MORETTI, Trish MORRISON, Annette BOYER, Ivy BRUCE, Pat BURNS, Agnes CHARNLEY, Lee CONSTABLE, David DOWLING, Grace FERRINGTON, Marjorie GLEESON, Thomas HARTE, Helen HOGAN, Kellin HYDE, John JAMES, Pauline JOHNSON, Chloe MASON, Tarryn MCDERMOTT, Trevor PAYNE, Christina PETERS, Colin ROBINSON, John SHEPHERD, Candice THOMPSON, Samantha TSALIKIS and Valerie WORKMAN.

(If you know of someone no longer required to be included in this list, please contact the Parish Office. Thankyou)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ETERNAL REPOSE OF THE SOULS: For Peter GREALY Snr and Sr Lourdes MOYLAN RSM who died recently and for Arthur SMITH, David ANDREWS, Des SHEPHERD, Ian SHEPHERD, Pamela RAMPLING, Mervyn DOWNES, Adrian DOWNES, Steven GALLACHER, Teresa PEHRSON, Alfred PEHRSON, Peggy PEHRSON and Colin YEO whose anniversaries occur around this time.

RESPONSE: (Ps 144:8-13, R.cf.v.1) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Jn 13:34) **Alleluia! Alleluia!** I will give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

MYSTERY OF FAITH: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: (Jn 15:1,5) I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, Alleluia.

ENTRANCE: GLORY AND PRAISE TO OUR GOD

**REFRAIN: Glory and praise to our God,
who alone gives light to our days.
Many are the blessings he bears
to those who trust in His ways.**

We, the daughters and sons of Him
who built the valleys and plains,
praise the wonders our God has done in ev'ry
heart that sings. ®

In His wisdom He strengthens us,
like gold that's tested in fire.
Though the power of sin prevails,
our God is there to save. ®

Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day our God
is waiting to save,
always ready to seek the lost,
to answer those who pray. ®

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PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS: A NEW COMMANDMENT

A new commandment I give unto you
That you love one another
As I have loved you
That you love one another
As I have loved you.
By this shall all men know that
You are my disciples
If you have love one for another
By this shall all men know that
You are my disciples
If you have love one for another.

Traditional

REFLECTION: I HAVE LOVED YOU

**REFRAIN: I have loved you with an everlasting love,
I have called you and you are mine;
I have loved with an everlasting love,
I have called you and you are mine.**

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
He will bring you his light and his peace. ®

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
He will bring you his joy and his hope. ®

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
He will bring you his care and his love. ®

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RECESSIONAL: BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM

You are salt for the earth, O people:
Salt for the Kingdom of God!
Share the flavour of life, O people:
Life in the Kingdom of God! ®

**REFRAIN: Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
Bring forth the City of God!**

You are a light on the hill, O people:
Light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
Shine for the Kingdom of God! ®

You are a seed of the Word, O people:
Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
Grow in the Kingdom of God! ®

We are a blest and a pilgrim people:
Bound for the Kingdom of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland:
Love is the Kingdom of God! ®

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