GOSPEL Mt 14:22-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Command me to come to you over the water.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a headwind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord', he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

13 August 2023

THE LORD WITH US IN OUR STRUGGLES

Elijah comes to Mt Horeb because his life is at risk, and he is terrified and discouraged. Having lost hope, he fled into the wilderness to die, and yet it is here that he rediscovers his mission and vocation as prophet. In the turmoil that surrounds him he recognises the Lord's voice, and the promise of a new beginning, not in earthquakes or fire, but in a gentle breeze.

When Jesus' walks on the water towards the disciples his presence was first greeted with terror as their boat struggled with heavy seas and winds. His encouraging words calm their fears and lead Peter to take up his invitation to come to him across the water. His newly found courage is short-lived, but he has sufficient faith to call on Jesus to save him. Immediately, Jesus reaches out and brings him into the boat and calms the storm that threatened to engulf them all. In the life of faith there are moments when events and circumstances threaten to overpower us. In these moments we too need to hear the words: 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.'

The next three weeks' readings from Paul's letter to the Romans reveal how he wrestled with a theological storm caused by Gentile acceptance of Jesus as their saviour while many people in Israel had rejected him. How could it be that a people who had received so many blessings had missed such an opportunity? Paul comes to appreciate how God's saving plan comes to fulfillment in ways we do not expect.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

I Kings 19:9, 11-13

A reading from the first book of the Kings Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 84:9-14. R. v. 8

- R. Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.
- 1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, / a voice that speaks of peace. / His help is near for those who fear him / and his glory will dwell in our land. **R**.
- 2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; / justice and peace have embraced. / Faithfulness shall spring from the earth / and justice look down from heaven. R.
- 3. The Lord will make us prosper / and our earth shall yield its fruit. / Justice shall march before him / and peace shall follow his steps. **R**.



SECOND READING

Rom 9:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Ps 129:5

Alleluia, alleluia! / I hope in the Lord, / I trust in his word. / Alleluia!

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Acknowledgment

We would like to acknowledge the Kaurna people as the custodians of the lands and waters of the Adelaide region, on which we meet. We pay respect to elders both past and present.

We acknowledge and respect the Kaurna people's cultural, spiritual, physical, and emotiona connection with their land, waters, and community

Sunday Mass Times

| 6.00 pm | (Saturday Vigil) |
|----------|------------------|
| 8.30am | (Sunday) |
| 10.00 am | (Sunday) |

Weekday Masses

| Monday | No services | |
|-----------|----------------|---------|
| Tuesday | Mass | 12noon |
| Wednesday | SHC Mass | 7.30am |
| | Rosary | 6.00pm |
| | Mass | 6.30pm |
| Thursday | No services | |
| Friday | Reconciliation | 11.30am |
| | Mass | 12noon |
| Saturday | Reconciliation | 9.30am |
| | Mass | 10.00am |

ROSARY

Join us for Rosary at 6pm every Wednesday followed by Mass at 6.30pm



FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 14th August

St Maximilian Mary Kolbe Tuesday 15th August The ASSUMPTION of the **BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** Wednesday 16th August St Stephen of Hungary Saturday19th August

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 19th/20th August, 2023. Yr A 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st R: Isiah 56:1, 6-7 Psalm: 66:2-3, 5-6, 8

St John Eudes

2nd R: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Masses at Hallett Cove this week

| Wednesday | 12noon |
|-----------|--------|
| Friday | 9.30am |
| Saturday | 6pm |
| Sunday | 9.15am |

Reconciliation

Before midday Mass on Fridays – 11.30am Before 10am Mass on Saturdays - 9.30am

Baptisms

are held on the Second and Fourth Sundays of each month at 11.15am by arrangement through the Parish office and with the Baptismal Preparation Team

Weddings - Contact Parish Office

Knights of the Southern Cross Empty Cans /Bottle Collection

For Collection please ring Pat Hodgson 0412 259 321

Popes' Prayer Intentions for August

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

Men's Fellowship

Come and enjoy a BBQ lunch at the shed along with some friendly company. Tues & Fri 10.30am

Parish Library /Community Centre

Open on Tuesday and Friday mornings for games, catchup, and borrowing. All welcome from 9.30am till 12noon.

Anointing of the Sick

On the first Saturday of each month, we will have Anointing of the Sick during the 10am Mass. All are welcome.

What's on in our parish this week

Tuesday 15th August Vinnies Knitting & Sewing Group 9.30am - 12 noon Parish Library 9.30am -12 noon Men's Fellowship 10.30am Thursday 17th August Bible Study 10.30am Friday 18th August Parish Library 9.30am -12 noon

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Men's Fellowship 10.30am

Recently Deceased

Barbara Grace Ingerson, Selwyn Douglas Price, Fr Peter Dunn, Sean Gormely (Ireland), Emanuel Saliba,

Hearts &

Prayers

Deceased

John Whittaker, Brian Livesey, Larner Ritchie, Antonina (Lina) Schinella, Fr Kevin O'Loughlin Bruce Thornton,

Anniversaries

Loyse Tellis, Mary (Mollie) O'Grady, Sussanah Arend, Joseph Zammit, Maureen D'Crus (India), Jason Ritchie, Michael O'Grady, Frank Price, Vincent Price, Chas Fairlie,

Terry Critchley, Robert Morrell, Isabel Turner (Sydney), Chris Harwood, Antonio, Eileen Coombs, John Hill, Andrew Reynolds (Ireland), Jeff Smith, Matt Chard, Pauline Parkinson, Stephen Elliot, Phil Bawden, Michael Lalich, Johnny Marchioro, Metha Storer, Mary Revnolds, Carmel Earl, Raymond Giblett, Denis Donoghue (Ireland), Henriette Greenfield, Monica Egan, David Noah Smith, Christina, Sr Marietta, Mike Pulley, Robert Pulley, Ignacio Sy Jr, Kevin Pardon, John Wallace, Aoibhinn Delanev

Privacy Laws. All parishioners are encouraged to pray for the sick. Masses will be offered on request. Due to privacy laws, names will not be published on the sick list in the bulletin without prior permission of the person involved



We welcome into our community through Baptism this weekend:

Sophie Jennifer Borgman



Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will be on the 1st Sunday of each month during the 10am Mass.

All primary school aged children (5-12 years) are welcome to join.

"Let the little children come to me, do not stop them; for it is to such that the kingdom of God belongs." (Mark 10:13)

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

Today is the second weekend of National Vocation Awareness Week. In the context of the call to all the baptized we especially pray for an increase in vocations to the Consecrated Life of Sisters and Brothers, to the Diaconate and to the Priesthood.

LEAVING COLLECTION

There is a leaving collection today at all Masses for the support of all studying for the Priesthood in our Archdiocese.

FIRST AID

We will be running full day First Aid courses at Brighton on Mon. 6th & Thurs. 23rd November. Please contact the Brighton office to book. Costs covered if you have a role as a volunteer in our Parish.

The Feast of the Assumption



Come and join the Rosary Group in reciting the Rosary for your special intentions at 11.30am before the noon day Mass on Tuesday 15th August.

Join us for a cuppa and a chat after Mass. All welcome!



Wedding Anniversaries Mass

On the weekend of the 16th/17th September, we will have an Anniversary Blessing during Mass for all those who have/are celebrating significant wedding anniversaries this year.

If you would like to receive a blessing, please contact the parish office with your details: info@brightonparish.com.au

Walking in the footsteps of Mary MacKillop



Date: Thursday 7th September Venue: Mary MacKillop Precinct,

Kensington

Time: 10am-2.00pm The journey will incur a small cost

to cover the expenses.



Sacramental Programme 2023/2024

Enrolments are open for our next Sacramental Programme for the years 2023/24.

If you have a child in year 4 and above who is baptized, you can enrol him/ her to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Enrolment forms are available in the church foyer.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

invites

Couples, priests and religious for a virtual marriage encounter weekend to enrich and revitalise vour sacrament of service.

It allows you to grow in your relationship with your spouse or community.

What: Virtual weekend via Zoom

When: August 18 – 20 Time: 6.30pm Fri - 4pm Sun https://www.wwme.org.au For all enquiries and bookings:

Joy & Charlie on 0411 289 462

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