

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians
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.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: cf John 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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Who is my neighbour?

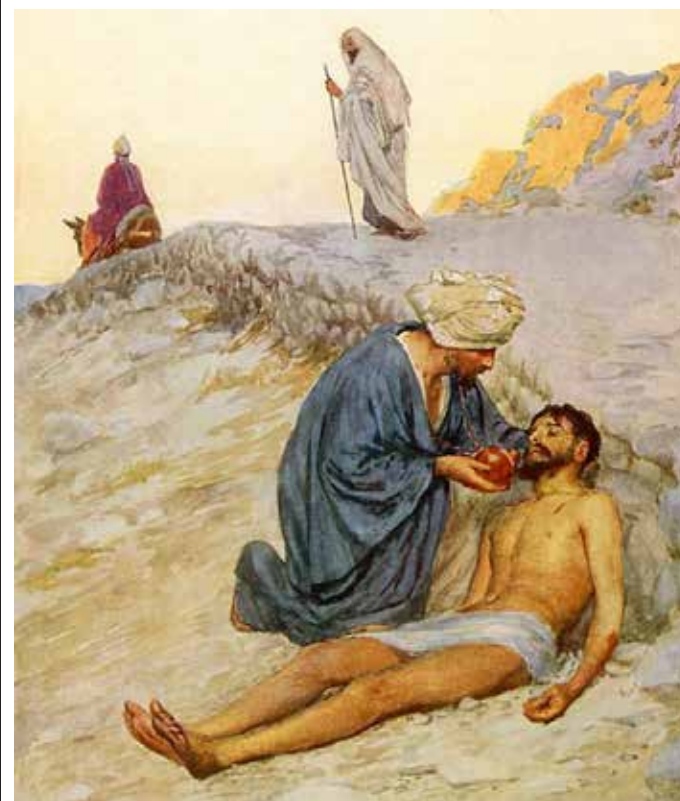
There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, 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 travelling 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 on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller 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 yourself.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Gen 18: 1 – 10; Col 1: 24 – 28; Lk 10: 38 – 42.

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MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6:00 pm.
SUNDAY: 8:00 am and 10.00 am.
MONDAY: No Mass.
TUESDAY through to SATURDAY: 9.00 am Mass.
FRIDAY: 9.00 am Mass.
Exposition & Benediction every Friday after Mass.
RECONCILIATION: Saturday 5pm – 5.45pm or by appointment.
Baptism: Every Sunday at 11.30am. Please contact Parish Office.
Marriage: By appointment.
Anointing of the sick: Please give names to Father Roberto Castillo.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

9th / 10th July 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

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 you shall 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.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

RESPONSE: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

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.

Response.

As for me in my poverty and pain
let your help, O God, lift me up.
I will praise God's name with a song;
I will glorify him with thanksgiving.

Response.

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.

Response.

For God will bring help to Zion
and rebuild the cities of Judah
The sons of his servants shall inherit it;
those who love his name shall dwell there.

Response.

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9 / 10 JULY 2022 – 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM
Acolyte	T DABBAH	A STANTON	M MORELLI
Reader	B CLARK	P TREACY	C LAYOUN
Offertory	DABBAH FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY
Projection	T MORFUNI		
Altar Servers	GRP 2: ZAC O'DONOGHUE & NOAH EL-AZZI	JOSH MULROE	GROUP 6: ADAM CALLAGHAN
Welcomers	A CHAN & P ONG		VOLUNTEER WANTED
Counters	GROUP 8: F KURNIAWAN A NAGANATHAN D TAN		
Altar Flowers	N HAHN	JULY ATAR LINEN: JOSEFINA DELAVEGA	

16 / 17 JULY 2022 – 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM – FAMILY MASS
Acolyte	T DABBAH	D ELLIS	J RAPER
Reader	L SAMONTE	S JAYAMANNE	H VAZ
Offertory	DABBAH FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY
Projection	A PLEADIN		
Altar Servers	GROUP 3: SOPHIA BERNLEITNER & AMARA LOIACONO & NIARA PAREKELEM	JOSH MULROE	GROUP 7: VINCENT & ALYSSA WIDJAYA
Welcomers	A CHAN & P ONG		VOLUNTEER WANTED
Counters	GROUP 9: C DABBAH T DABBAH A STANTON		
Altar Flowers	A NAGANATHAN	JULY ATAR LINEN: JOSEFINA DELAVEGA	

PARISH NEWS & NOTICES:

Request for Mass and Prayers.

We pray for those who have recently died especially Ronald Myatt (*Maureen Pearce's brother*), Jenny Munsie and Fr Kevin O'Grady. Also pray for those who celebrate anniversaries especially Bill & Tottie Raper, Alec & Ester Ceccato, Maria Yang, Manda and Pavo Urban, Julie Clarke and Cora, Davell, Frank and Mifanwy Pompeous.



Applications for Confirmation.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents that our Confirmation Programme for Year 6 children is about to begin. Most families have been advised of this via email. But if your child is in Year 6, has already received the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, then please see Fr Roberto after Mass for an application form.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents that:

- **Parent Information Evening** will be held on Wednesday 20th July at 7.30 in the St Therese Church.
- **Candidate & Parent Presentation Mass** is on Saturday the 23rd July at 6pm Vigil OR Sunday the 24th July at 8am OR 10am Mass.
- **Sessions** begin on Wednesday the 27th July at 7pm in the St Therese Church.



Attention Catechists and Helpers.

Special Area Masses for the Northern, Central and Concord Deaneries to celebrate the wonderful work being done in our State schools are on Thursday July 14th at Holy Name of Mary, 3 Mary St Hunter's Hill, commencing at 11am OR Friday July 15th at St Paul of the Cross, 532 new Canterbury Rd Dulwich Hill, commencing at 11am.

Parking Etiquette.

Please be cautious when you enter and exit the church carpark, ensuring you have vision of pedestrians and the cars on the street. Also please ensure you park within the designated parking spots to ensure the maximum number of people can use the carpark.

Parish Secretary on holidays.

Our secretary, Gayle will be on holidays for three weeks starting on the 12th July and returning early August.



During her absence there will be printouts of the readings and rosters. Please note that the August roster will may not get to be completed before she leaves.

Pray that she comes home safe and energised after an enjoyable time away.

Planned Giving donations via credit card are now possible.

Credit cards can be used for your Planned Giving donations. If you wish to take advantage of this, please take a copy of the authority form from the front foyer. Complete this form, scan & email the completed form to admin@sttherese.org or put it in the letterbox at 8 Inkerman Road Denistone for our secretary to action upon her return to work.



Planned Giving Envelopes and your tax receipts.



- Most people who donate to the Planned Giving via their Credit Cards have already received their tax receipts via email this week.
- Donations to the Planned Giving through the envelopes: your new envelopes and tax receipts for 2021 / 2022 are in the front foyer clearly marked with your name. **Please take care not to take someone else's envelopes.**
- Donations to Charitable Works and Catholic Mission only: your receipts have been posted to you this week.
- For all those parishioners, who **opted not to claim a tax refund**, you will receive a letter and that advises you how much you have donated over the past financial year.

Please know that your generous donations make a great difference for our community and we are truly and sincerely grateful.

Would You Like To Help The Parish With A Monthly Donation?

If you currently do not contribute to our envelopes and now wish to help support the parish please contact the Parish Office to arrange YOUR set of Planned Giving envelopes or take a copy of the credit card authority form from the front foyer. Gayle will organise this when she is back from holidays.

Helpers Urgently needed!

Our catechists at Denistone East Public School do a great job and now they need your support.



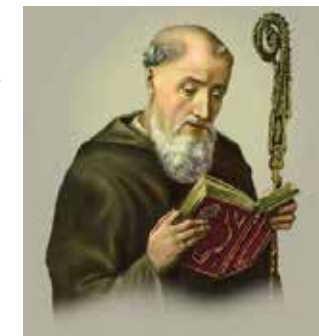
Can you help in the classroom by giving them 30 mins of your time each Tuesday? Please consider this! Please speak with Fr Roberto after Mass.

Collection plates Reminder.

Last weekend we resumed circulating the collection plates twice throughout Mass. Please be willing to help if you are approached to help take up the collections.

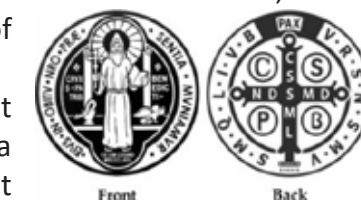
St Benedict

Medals have long been used in our Catholic Church as means of fostering religious devotion to God and the saints. Their main use as in all religious articles is to be a means of reminding us of God and desire to serve God and love our neighbour. They are not charms or objects with some magic power to bring us good fortune or good health. Among the medals there is one famous one: the medal of St Benedict.



This 11th of July will be the memorial of this great Saint. After founding 12 communities of monks at Subiaco in Italy Benedict travelled to Monte Cassino where he established a monastery and wrote 'The Rule'. It is a simple set of guidelines for how the life of a monk should be lived has become one of the most influential works in all of Western Christendom. Following the golden rule of Ora et Labora (pray and work) the monks each day devoted 8 hours to prayer, 8 hours to sleep and 8 hours to manual work, sacred reading and works of charity.

The medal of St Benedict contains in its inscription a prayer of exorcism against



Satan, a prayer for strength in time of temptation, for peace and among the nations and the world, a prayer that the cross be our light and guide, a prayer of firm rejection of all that is evil and petition that we may walk in God's way with the Gospel as our guide. Benedict is the patron saint of Europe.

This week we got some of these medals that I will bless with special prayers and then distributed to those who wish to have one.

Blessings to you, Fr Roberto