



The Parish of
St Anne & St Bede



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1st Collection

Account name: St Bede's Presbytery Account Presbytery
Account BSB: 083 347 Account no. 666017079

2nd Collection

Account name: St Bede's Church Account Church
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Please click on the link below after 5pm on Saturday, 20th June, to watch Mass Online, celebrated by our priests:

<https://youtu.be/G5sO2-O245w>

First Reading - Jerimiah 20:10-13

He has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of those who are evil.

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me,
“Terror from every side!”
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!’
All those who used to be my friends
watched for my downfall,
‘Perhaps he will be seduced into error.
Then we will master him and take our revenge!’
But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;
my opponents will stumble, mastered,
confounded by their failure;
everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.
But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice,
who scrutinise the loins and heart,
let me see the vengeance you will take on them,
for I have committed my cause to you.
Sing to the Lord,
praise the Lord,
for he has delivered the soul of the needy
from the hands of evil men.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm – Ps 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35

R/ Lord, in your great love, answer me.

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 own mother's sons.
I burn with zeal for your house
and taunts against you fall on me. **R.**

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. **R.**

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

Second Reading – Romans 5:12-15

God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

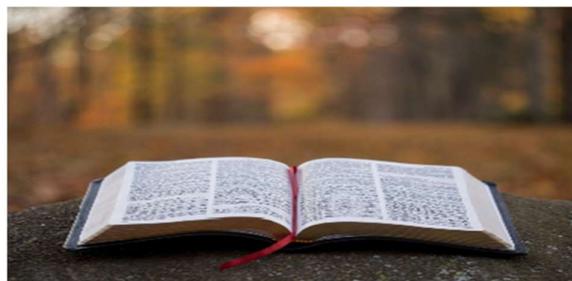
The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord,
and you also will be my witnesses.

Alleluia!



Gospel – Matthew 10:26-33

Do not fear those who can kill the body.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: ‘Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

‘Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

‘So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: Loving Father, as we gather before you today, in confidence we turn to you in prayer.

We pray for Pope Francis and the Bishops and Priests of our Church. May they lead their people to give public witness and public proclamation of the Gospels.

Lord hear us.

We pray for world leaders. May they have the courage to use the authority given to them for the good of their people, especially the less fortunate ones.

Lord hear us.

We pray for those people suffering all over the world. May a light of hope begin to shine for them in their darkness.

Lord hear us.

We pray for our faith community. May we be true disciples of Christ and not be afraid but trust in God’s providence.

Lord hear us.

We pray for the sick of our parish especially *Garry O’Connor* and for all who have asked for our prayers. We pray for those who have died recently and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time especially *Fr John Martin, Cynthia Newbecker, Fabianus Arfani and Ada Coruzzi*. May they be welcomed by God to the joys of their heavenly home.

Lord hear us.

Celebrant: Gracious God, filled with the knowledge that you listen to our prayer, we open our hearts to you in Jesus’ name. Amen.

PARISH NEWS

Please read the following update from the Archdiocese regarding COVID-19 restrictions and how this will affect our Parish.

Last updated Saturday 20 June 2020

With a sudden rise in COVID cases throughout Victoria, the Premier has announced changes to the proposed easing of restrictions that was to come in to place from Monday 22 June.

As of 11:59pm Sunday 21 June 2020, numbers in places of worship will **remain at 20 until 12 July 2020** (dependant on trending health concerns and advice). There are further limits to be put in place for gathering in homes and other spaces.

This is a deep disappointment for our communities, with many places of worship set to re-open for greater numbers. The Statement from the Premier (above) gives a first indication of restrictions, with parishes to be further informed on Monday as more details come to hand.

May we keep each other and all those who are meeting first-hand the protection of everyone in our communities close in prayer.

HOW THIS WILL AFFECT OUR PARISH

Next week, our Mass times will return as before to accommodate the limit of 20 people permitted to attend Mass and will be as follows:

SATURDAY/ SUNDAY MASSES

St Anne's

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 10:30am

St Bede's

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am; 9:30am; 11:00am

St Bridget's

Sunday: 10:00am; 5:30pm

St Joachim's

Saturday: 6:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am

WEEKDAY MASSES

St Bede's

Tuesday: 9:15am

Thursday: 9:15am

Friday: 9:15am

St Anne's

Wednesday: 10:00am

Friday: 10:00am

For those who will watch or have already watched the Mass online sent earlier this morning and which is also on our website, please disregard the announcements about the new Mass times and numbers as this Mass was recorded before these new guidelines came into place. For further clarification, please contact the Parish Office. We thank you for your understanding.

ASRC virtual telethon

The Asylum Seeker Resource Centre (ASRC) is holding a virtual telethon, to raise funds, on Saturday 20 June. For those who would like to contribute please visit their website <https://www.asrc.org.au/>

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL 2020

“To serve the poor is to go to God” – St Vincent De Paul

To parishioners of St Bede’s Balwyn North, St Anne’s Kew East and St Joachim’s Kew North.

The local Saint Vincent de Paul Conference is holding our Annual Winter Appeal to assist those in need.

With this year of Pandemic crisis, many people who have lost jobs are coming to us for assistance. For many, it is the first time they have sought help. One of their major concerns is that if they do not regain employment within 2 years, they may never work again. We predict that demand for our services will be significantly increased over the next few months.

Our Conference was formed in 1957 and has now celebrated over 60 years of service to our community. Then and now, our primary work is to help people struggling to cope with the day-to-day pressures of life. They are in a situation where they need help, through no fault of their own. Some of the types of assistance that we commonly provide are food vouchers, which can be used at local supermarkets, phone vouchers, clothing, furniture or financial assistance towards utility bills, education costs or on occasion rent. A key part of our work, which is often little recognised, is to lend a listening ear.

We are asking that you do your best to help us. Every dollar donated goes to those in need and there are no administrative charges deducted. All donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible. Refer to next page for payment and receipting process.

In this year of COVID-19 as you will appreciate, has made our collection different, as not everyone can attend Mass.

We at SVDP thank you in advance for your donation.

Gary Mooney
President
St Anne’s, St Joachim’s and St Bede’s St Vincent de Paul Conference

