



# THE SAVING WORD

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT / B

21 MARCH 2021

## FIRST READING

Jer 31: 31-34

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

*The days are coming when I will make a new covenant with Israel and I will forgive their iniquity.*

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, ‘Learn to know the Lord!’ No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

■ The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 50: 3-4, 12-15. R. v. 12

**R.** Create a clean heart in me, O God.

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. / In your compassion blot out my offence. / O wash me more and more from my guilt / and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**

2. A pure heart create for me, O God, / put a steadfast spirit within me. / Do not cast me away from your presence, / nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R.**

3. Give me again the joy of your help; / with a spirit of fervour sustain me, / that I may teach transgressors your ways / and sinners may return to you. **R.**



## SECOND READING

Heb 5: 7-9

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

*He learnt to obey and became for all the source of eternal salvation.*

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 12: 26

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! / If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord; / and where I am, my servant will also be. / Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!



# OUR LADY of MT CARMEL CHURCH BULLETIN

## 5th Sunday Lent, 21 March 2021, Year B

### PARISH INFORMATION

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:** 9am – 3pm  
**Thursday:** 9am – 12.30pm

### PARISH MINISTRY TEAM

**Parish Priest:** Fr Paul Raj  
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### MASS INTENTIONS



#### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Lent, 21 March

**Saturday 6pm Mass** for Blessed Virgin Mary + Kate Fiamengo (RIP Anniversary)+ Grgo Roglich (RIP 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary & Birthday)

**Sunday 7.30am Mass** for Andrew De Sousa (RIP)

**Sunday 9am Mass** for Ines Aguiar (Intentions) + Maria & Bosco Kalat (RIP) + Dorita Martins (RIP)

**11am Baptism** of Violet Maree Otway

#### Monday 22 March

**7-9pm** Holy Trinity Prayer Group + Mass

#### Tuesday 23 March

**9am Mass** for Souls in Purgatory

#### Wednesday 24 March

**9am Mass** for Peter Liebeck (RIP) + Jose Joaquim Figueira Ornelas (RIP Recently in Madeira & 102<sup>nd</sup> Birthday)

**Morning Tea** after Mass

**10.30am** Legion of Mary

**6-7pm** Eucharistic Adoration

#### Thursday 25 March ... Annunciation of the Lord

**8.15am Mass** at Seton Catholic College

**9am-4pm** Church Open for Prayers – All Welcome to Pray

#### Friday 26 March

**9am Mass** for Deceased Members of De Ornelas Family + Maria Zita Correia Camacho (RIP Recently in Madeira)

**9.30-10.30am Stations of the Cross** + Eucharistic Adoration

**10.30am Mass** at Hilton Park Aged Care

#### Saturday 27 March

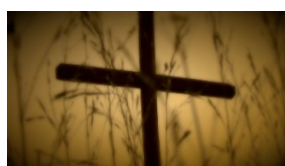
**9am Mass** for Deceased Members of Da Silva Family

#### Palm Sunday, 28 March

**Saturday 6pm Mass** for Holy Family (Thanksgiving) + Carlo Monaco (RIP 3<sup>rd</sup> Month Anniversary)

**Sunday 7.30am Mass** for Andrew De Sousa (RIP)

**Sunday 9am Mass** for Matilde Pereira Da Silva (RIP)



### WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH

If you are a new parishioner, please introduce yourself to Fr Paul. We could like to know a bit about you and your family. You can also fill in a Parishioner Registration Form and join in the Parish Planned Giving Program.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS

Christine Rhow, Veronica, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Norma Elliott, Rudi Tassell, David Azzaro, Steven, Davina, Elisabetta Paddon, Dermot McKernon, Edward Fortune, Lou Collova, Franca Kalat, Joan McGrath, Zdenka Mravljinc ...



### 2021 SACRAMENT DATES

#### CONFIRMATION

9am Sunday 20 June

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

9am Sunday 12 September



### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30-10am and 5.15-5.45pm  
Or by appointment.



### MASS INTENTIONS

**Suggested Offering:**  
\$15 per Mass.  
Please give Mass Intention Envelopes to Fr Paul or Parish Office.



### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

#### Palm Sunday, 28 March

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Is 50:4-7

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** Phil 2:6-11

**Gospel:** Mk 15:1-39



**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.



**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.



# Fifth SUNDAY IN LENT






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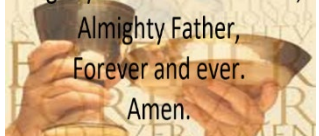
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<p><b>OUR LADY of MT CARMEL NOVENA:</b> God our Father, prompted by Your Spirit the order of Carmel has from the beginning dedicated itself to the Mother of Your Son. As she unites her prayers with ours, look with favour upon us and bless our families, keep each of us from harm And bring us to the joy of heaven. We ask this through Jesus the Lord. <b>Amen.</b></p> 	<p><b>SOULS in PURGATORY PRAYER:</b> Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, for those in my own home, and in my family. <b>Amen.</b></p> 	<p><b>OUR LADY of ALL NATIONS PRAYER:</b> Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster and war. May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. <b>Amen.</b></p> 
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<b>WEEK 3</b> <b>MAR 20-21</b> <b>5<sup>TH</sup> LENT</b>	<b>COMMENTATOR</b>	<b>READERS</b>	<b>ACOLYTE</b>
<b>Sat 6pm</b>	Loretta Masnada	Carmel Collova	Gerald Farrell
<b>Sun 7.30am</b>	Mark Ryan	Maureen Cooper	Frank Cooper
<b>Sun 9am</b>	Toni Kalat	Maria Alberti	Joe De Ornelas

Through Him, with Him, in Him  
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
All glory and honour is Yours,  
Almighty Father,  
Forever and ever.  
Amen.



<b>WEEK 4</b> <b>MAR 27-28</b> <b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>COMMENTATOR</b> <b>READERS</b>	<b>ACOLYTE</b>
<b>Sat 6pm</b>	<p><b>Commentator:</b> Martha Kalat <b>Reader:</b> Loretta Masnada <b>PASSION READING:</b> <b>Narrator:</b> Katie Hughes <b>Pilot:</b> Tereza Camacho <b>Crowd:</b> Congregation</p>	Enrico D'Alessandro
<b>Sun 7.30am</b>	<p><b>Commentator:</b> Diane Richards <b>Reader:</b> Kath Bowskill <b>PASSION READING:</b> <b>Narrator:</b> Jenny Troy <b>Pilot:</b> Nicholas Lim <b>Crowd:</b> Congregation</p>	Gerry Miller
<b>Sun 9am</b>	<p><b>Commentator:</b> Monica Cook <b>Reader:</b> Toni Kalat <b>PASSION READING:</b> <b>Narrator:</b> Elizabeth Sabella <b>Pilot:</b> Franca Kalat <b>Crowd:</b> Congregation</p>	Gerald Farrell



## GOSPEL

Jn 12: 20-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

*If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest.*

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus'. Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you, most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!'

A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours.'

'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all to myself.' By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

### ■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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# Breaking Open the Word

## DYING IN ORDER TO LIVE

As Holy Week approaches, we are invited to enter more deeply into our own hearts and to accompany Jesus as he searches his heart in preparing to undergo his passion. The readings focus not only on the new life that we are offered, but also on the decisions that must be made to die to what is false within us so that God's new life may grow and flourish within us.

Jeremiah spoke to his contemporaries about the new covenant that God wanted to plant in their hearts. He powerfully calls for a decision to renewal. Would they give God the space in which to plant a seed? Did they have the courage to leave their past behind and journey towards a new future?

In the second reading and the Gospel we see how Jesus also shared in our struggle to choose the life that comes from dying to self. In the letter to the Hebrews, we are presented with the image of Jesus as God's Son who, like us, must search, struggle and pray so that the seed might grow and flourish. Some people may be disquieted by the image of Jesus having to come to perfection through struggle. It is a most precious gift – this is how seriously God takes it when God becomes one like us and shares in our humanity. In the gospel we see Jesus wrestling with this moment which is paradoxically the moment when he is already glorified. It is the moment of decision, when he must choose to become the living example of the seed that dies in order to live.

Christopher Monaghan CP