



St Mark's Parish

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

20 January 2019

Gospel Reflection



The readings that are offered to us as we begin Ordinary Time carry over some of the themes that we considered during the Christmas season. Then we celebrated the new era that God inaugurated through the birth of Jesus. Now we look deeply into our minds and hearts to see just how open we are to the demands of that new year. Last Sunday we considered the manifestation of the Spirit at the time of the baptism of Jesus. This Sunday we contemplate the various manifestations of that same Spirit in our own lives. Finally, we are brought to realise that this variety of Spirit-filled ministries is intended to be a source of Christian unity and not of fragmentation or division.

One of the major themes gleaned from the readings for today is that of the call to newness. God summons us to something new, gives us a new name, provides us with new experiences, launches us into new ministries, and calls us to sing a new song of praise. Even Jesus experienced a call to newness. Through Mary, God called him out into ministry, a ministry that would bring the fruits of the eschatological age of fulfilment to the whole world. We may be inclined to think of Pentecost as the season of the Spirit, but in reality the newness of God always comes to us through the Spirit regardless of the season of the year. In the world of the new age, the real glory of Jesus will be manifested in the variety of the gifts of the Spirit given to the church. @ Dianne Bergant CSA

Australia Day Celebrations at St Mary's Cathedral



St Mary's Cathedral will celebrate Australia Day with a Mass at 9am, 12pm, and 6pm to pray for God's blessing for all Australian people on 26th January; Organ Recitals, Bell Ringing and Guided History Tours of the Cathedral or Cathedral Crypt.

Tours and Recitals are Free. All Welcome.

For more information, please call: (02) 9220 0400.

The Cathedral will have 9am Mass only on the public holiday of Monday, 28th January.

St Mark's Drummoyne Australia Day Mass will be at 12pm with Adoration and Reconciliation from 11.00am. Monday, 28 January Mass will be at 8.00am

Celebrating Mass this weekend we welcome,

Saturday 6pm Vigil: Fr Mannes Tellis OP | Sunday 9am: Fr Michael Smith

Sunday 6pm: Fr Kelvin Lovegrove and we thank Fr Joe Camilleri, for celebrating our weekday Masses, this week. We are deeply grateful for their assistance to our community. Please extend your usual warm welcome and generous hospitality. *Thanks and blessings Fr Michael.*

Pope to parents: Children must learn their faith from you

Pope Francis baptised 27 babies during Mass in the Sistine Chapel on Sunday, reminding their parents that the first space in which children learn and witness the faith is at home.

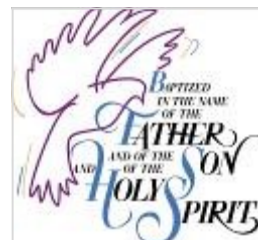
"Yes, when they go to catechism class, they will study the faith well, they will learn catechesis," he said. "But before being studied, faith must be transmitted, and this is a job that is up to you." Preparing to baptise the babies – 15 girls and 12 boys – Francis urged their parents "to transmit the faith by example, by words, by teaching [them] to make the sign of the Cross. This is important." "The important thing is to transmit the faith with your life of faith: that they see the love of the spouses, that they see the peace of the house, that they see that Jesus is there," he said. Francis gave the brief, impromptu homily during Mass for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, when there is a tradition of baptising a group of babies in the Sistine Chapel, a custom started by St John Paul II. In his homily, the Pope said that it is the parents' task to pass the faith along to their children, beginning at home, "because faith must always be transmitted 'in dialect': the dialect of the family, the dialect of the house, in the atmosphere of the home." Asking if he could give a little advice, he went on to urge the couples not to fight in front of their children. He noted that it was perfectly normal for a husband and wife to quarrel but recommended trying to keep arguments out of the view and hearing of their kids. "This, I dare, is a piece of advice that will help you pass on the faith," he said. The Pope also commented on the "chorus of tears," that could be heard coming from the over two dozen babies in the chapel and said mothers should not be ashamed to breastfeed if their child is hungry. "And so, we go forward in this ceremony, in peace, with the awareness that the transmission of the faith is your responsibility," he said. Following Mass, the pope reflected on the Baptism of Christ before leading the Angelus, noting that before Jesus' baptism in the Jordan river took place, he was "in the midst of the people."

This element of the story "is not only a background of the scene, but is an essential component of the event," he said. "Before plunging into the water, Jesus 'plunges' into the crowd, joins it and fully assumes the human condition, sharing everything except sin."

"In his divine holiness, full of grace and mercy, the Son of God became flesh to take upon himself and take away the sin of the world," he continued. Explaining that Jesus' baptism marks the start of his public life and mission, Francis noted that the mission of the Church and each person to be "faithful and fruitful," calls for a "grafting" onto the mission of Jesus.

"It is a matter of continuously regenerating evangelization and apostolate in prayer, to make a clear Christian witness. Not according to human projects, but according to God's plan and style," he said. "The feast of the Baptism of the Lord is a favourable opportunity to renew with gratitude and conviction the promises of our Baptism, committing ourselves to live daily in harmony with it."

Source: CNA.



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Today's Liturgy.

Entrance Antiphon: Ps 65:4

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

First Reading: Is 62:1-5
Zion shall be vindicated.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 95:1-3. 7-10. R. v.3
Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:4-11
To each is given different gifts.

Gospel Acclamation: See 2 Thes 2:14
Alleluia, alleluia!
God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Gospel: Jn 2:1-11
The Wedding at Cana.

Offertory Antiphon: Ps 65:1.2.16
Shout with joy to God, all the earth; sing a psalm to his name. Come and hear, all who fear God, and I will tell you what great things the Lord has done for my soul.

Communion Antiphon: Cf. Ps 22:5
You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

The liturgy of the word is a decisive element in the celebration of each one of the sacraments of the Church; in pastoral practice, however, the faithful are not always conscious of this connection, nor do they appreciate the unity between gesture and word... The relationship between **word and sacramental gesture** is the liturgical expression of God's activity in the history of salvation through the **performative character** of the word itself. In salvation history there is no separation between what God *says* and what he *does*. His word appears as alive and active (Heb 4:12), as the Hebrew term *dabar* itself makes clear. In the liturgical action too, we encounter his word which accomplishes what it says. By educating the People of God to discover the performative character of God's word in liturgy, we will help them to recognise his activity in salvation history and in their individual lives.

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Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

The Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial
with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of
the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the
Son,
who with the Father and the Son is
adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the
forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection
of the dead
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

*We welcome into our
faith community this
Sunday through the
Sacrament of Baptism at
St. Mark's:
Isabella Anna Leong
& Xavier Jose Shelby*



and we congratulate their parents.

Next Week:
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Neh 8:2-6. 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30;
Lk 1:1-4. 4:14-21;



In your love and concern, please pray for the following ill members of our community:

Eileen O'Neill, Nora Bateman, Tina LaForgia, Julius Mendel, Anne Whitfield, Daisy Gill, Francois Tuyau, Giovanni Iacono,

Elvira Favorito, Pat Williams, Bruce Barter, Betty Bidgood, Jeff Bidgood, Evelyn Dann, Meagan Ficarra, Mae Ann Buckley, Pat Castagnone and Lynette Lord and all St Mark's community members unwell at this time.

Anniversaries and those we are remembering at this time:

Eddie Conaghan, Jimmy Conaghan, Frank Hanvey, Leonarda Altomare, Maurangelo Altomare, Charlie Camilleri, George Andreou, Tannous and Nasa families, Fr Kevin Muldoon, Antonio Ziino, Santa Mattiello and members of the Di Losa and Ziino families, Roslyn Iris Poppen, and Larry O'Neill.

Recently deceased: Veronica Hamilton, Stephen Fairburn, Romilda Xuereb and Monica Muir. We pray for those who have died and offer our prayers to their families.



Birthdays are a wonderful time to celebrate the life God on Sunday 27 January 2019 parishioner **Maria Paino** will celebrate her 90th Birthday with a Blessing at St Mark's after 9am Mass. (10am)

Maria and her family invite you to join her in this significant milestone celebration and to join the family afterwards upstairs in the Parish Centre.

(For catering if you are joining Maria and the family after the blessing please notify the parish office.)

In other years: Pope St Fabian (- 250)

He became Pope in 236 and was martyred on 20 January 250, during the persecution of the Emperor Decius.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS - 19/ 20 JANUARY 2019
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NEXT WEEK:	WORD	COMMUNION	SERVER/JEM	Children's Liturgy
Saturday 6.00 PM	C Griffith C Burlew	N Duane S Looi	R Zoccali	School Holidays
Sunday 9:00 AM	L Boulos N Goodman L Smith	A Bateman M Jimenez C O'Neill	E Pidd / Holidays	
Sunday 6:00 PM	J Denehy B Natoli	P Harrington M Harrington	T Griffin	

St Mark's Parish Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am & 6.00pm

Weekdays:

8.00am Monday
9:30am Tuesday
7.30am Wednesday
9.30am Thursday
8.00am Friday
12 noon Saturday

Morning Prayer of the Church 15 minutes prior to weekday Mass

Reconciliation:

11.30am Saturday

Adoration & Exposition:

11.00am - 12 noon Saturday
First Friday of the Month from the conclusion of morning Mass



BAPTISMS: are on the first and third Sundays of the month at 10:30am. During Lent no Baptisms or Weddings are celebrated.

MARRIAGES: Parishioners intending marriage are asked to notify the Parish office at least six months prior to your wedding.

FUNERALS: Parishioners are asked to contact the parish office.

NEW PARISHIONERS: If you are new to St Mark's please pick up a Welcome to St Mark's envelope from the Church foyer.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS - 26/ 27 JANUARY 2019
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NEXT WEEK:	WORD	COMMUNION	SERVER/JEM	Children's Liturgy
Saturday 6.00 PM	C Cheng R Harris	S Uthappa M Griffin	E Pidd	School Holidays
Sunday 9:00 AM	N Rice T Murphy A Williams	Y Lee R Colantonio K Rowntree	M Casey / Holidays	
Sunday 6:00 PM	T De Silva D Jayasuriya	I Boccalatte J Dey	T Boccalatte	



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St Mark's Plenary 2020

Missed Out on a session last year! If you haven't yet shared your story, & would like to join the last of our sessions at St Mark's sign up sheets are in the foyer.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office phone (02) 9390 5812.

PLENARY	DAY	TIME
1	Monday 21 January 2019	7.00pm - 8.30pm
2	Wednesday 30 January 2019	7.00 pm - 8.30pm
3	Saturday 2 February 2019	4.00pm - 5.30pm
4	Sunday 3 February 2019	10.00am - 11.30am
5	Tuesday 5 February 2019	7.00pm - 8.30pm
6	Saturday 9 February 2019	4.00pm - 5.30pm

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Parish Priest: Very Rev Fr Michael L McLean PP EV

Priest in Residence: Fr Denis Minns OP

Pastoral Associate: Sr Antonia Nedu ISR (Mon & Tues)

Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council: Ms Celine Cheng

School Principal: Ms Rachel Bourke **School General Tel:** (02) 9181 3042

Parish Administration: Ms Vicki Anderson (Mon to Fri)



We put our faith in Jesus



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C



St Agnes was a young girl who lived at the time of Christian persecution in fourth century Rome. One tradition suggests that at the age of twelve, she refused to consider marriage because of her dedication to Christ, and instead offered herself as a martyr for Christ. Her name means "lamb" in Latin, and every year on her feast day two lambs are blessed, and their wool is used to weave the pallium, which is presented by the Pope to all newly appointed Archbishops. **21 January**

Wordsearch

Try to find these words:



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Find the stream of water that turns into wine



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Pope to visit sick, imprisoned when in Panama: Francis is visiting Jan. 23-27 for World Youth Day celebrations

Pope Francis during his visit to Panama for World Youth Day is expected to meet with young people not able to attend the festivities — those in jail and others living with HIV. The pope is to visit Panama Jan. 23-27 where he will deliver seven speeches and celebrate two Masses as well as a penitential liturgy. Francis will also dedicate the altar of Panama's newly renovated 400-year-old cathedral, meet with bishops from Central America and have lunch with some of young people attending World Youth Day. The pope will also meet with young people unable to take part in the activities, according to the organizing committee statement.

The pope's meeting with young detainees will be "a very special event" in which "young people deprived of freedom will take part in a penitential liturgy with the Holy Father in an act of repentance, reconciliation and forgiveness," Archbishop Jose Domingo Ulloa Mendieta of Panama was quoted by the committee as saying.

Following the closing Mass for World Youth Day, Pope Francis is scheduled to visit Casa Hogar el Buen Samaritano (Good Samaritan Home), a centre dedicated to helping HIV and AIDS patients. He will also pray the Angelus there with young people from Malambo hospice which helps people addicted to drugs and alcohol, and from Hogar San Jose, a house for the poor run by the Missionaries of Charity and the Kkottongnae religious congregation. The theme for the World Youth Day 2019 is taken from the Gospel of St. Luke: "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

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