



St Patrick's Cathedral Newsletter



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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16 FEBRUARY 2025

First reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8 A curse on those who trust humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Second Reading: Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.

Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26 Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!

The Beatitudes according to Luke

He comes down from the mountain (his favourite place of prayer; listening and talking to the Father) to begin his life's mission.

Jesus is no longer a solitary teacher and healer; He has called on others to accompany him in bringing the Good News of God's incredible love and mercy to the people of His own district and beyond.

The people are waiting, "to hear Him and be healed." Jesus looks His newly chosen disciples in the eye – we today feel Him looking you and me in the eye – to listen to His plan for the renewal of their world.

Let's LISTEN and EMBRACE His words!

The plan and carrying it out, bringing it about to call for a dramatic reversal in the way society has functioned over the centuries and certainly today. I can't even imagine the key elements of the plan being proclaimed by Vladimir Putin and Donald Trump or the current leaders of society in our own country or in China, England, France, Germany

Jesus's plan for a society in which all people can live in peace and happiness is a radical departure from the visions offered throughout our modern world!

Blessed, He declares, are those who are Poor – You are the ones who can understand and bring about the world that God is wanting to build: "You'll be free from the seduction of material things!"

Blessed, are you who experience hunger, the food produced by the world will satisfy your needs because you'll be free to share, selflessly.

Blessed, are you who experience loss of material things even the physical loss of friends and loved ones, and your own health ... You will open your hearts to the real source of joy and hope.

Blessed, He declares, are those who are free to weep and cry! Hold each others hands in sorrow and sadness ... that will heal the world while torture and wounding, killing and bombing will destroy.

Blessed, it is to suffer, to be left out, to be abused and demonised ... that will open the door to be loved and healed and included as daughters and sons by God.

And, yes it's a blessing, really if the "world" at its worst and the people in it turn you away! Trust in the faithful God who will NEVER let you down!

That's the vision and challenge Jesus offers and asks His disciples to promote.

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✚ **We remember in our prayers all those who have died recently:** Graham Swenson, John Hanna.

✚ **We hold in our hearts the memories of those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Alvina Denison, Marjorie Collison, Pat Carey, Tony Allom.

✚ **For all those who are ill in our community:** Sue McGavin, Clive O’Kelly, Claire Seymour, John Evers, Sharon Keats, Bernard Bartetzko, Vicky Coccozza, Jibrán Mardini, Richard Stritzel, Rita Irwin, Kate Gibbs, Christine ‘Saus’ Barron, Alyshia Morris, William Garrahy, Bev Smith, Sheryl Grunke, Noel Roshan Francis, Therese Odri, Kath Smith, Freddy Nield, Ray Frelek, Blake Cusato, Braxton, Greg Coddington, Jamal Abraham, Judy Moloney, Perlita Torrecampo, Teresita Pamulaklakin, Madeline Gray, Dorothy Marsh.

For sale: Dyson Big Ball Animal Origin Upright Vacuum – retail \$396 Sale Price \$250 – like new condition – surplus to requirements at St Pat’s. Please enquire via email admin@stpats.org.au or 46 371 500.

Fr Tom Duncan, as you know was here at St Patrick’s for a couple of years following his ordination. Over the last part of his journey Fr. Tom has been considering the best way to live his spiritual life with God. Bishop Ken advised us of the following in regards to All Saints Parish Roma, and the associated parishes, “In recent months, Fr. Thomas Duncan has requested extended leave from your parishes on two occasions to assist his discernment of a calling to a Monastic life. As a result, Fr. Thomas would like to persue this calling into the future. Therefore, he has notified me of this desire and his decision to resign his appointments to your parishes and the Deanery. I have granted him a period of leave so that he can begin monastic formation within a monastery of his choice. Fr Duncan will complete his appointment on Easter Sunday. My prayers are with Fr. Duncan and your communities.” Bishop Ken will meet with the parishes concerned to discern the strengths and weaknesses of the community in deciding on the next appointment. We keep Fr. Tom in our prayers.

Sunday 16 February 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7am, 9am, 5.30pm. Live Stream 9am	3pm Wedding Keem Escano & Czerina Tupas 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Monday 17 February	5.30pm Mass SPC 9.00am Mass STM	9.30am Rosary Group – Parish Conference Room
Tuesday 18 February	9am Mass SPC Msgr John Bergin	
Wednesday 19 February	7am Mass SPC Fr Michael Hays	6.30pm Multicultural Meeting – Parish Office – Staff Room 7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Thursday 20 February	7am Mass SPC Fr Michael Cronin Fr Henry McFarlane	7.30am – 8.30am Adoration
Friday 21 February	7am Mass SPC 9.30am Mass STM Fr Brian O’Dwyer	9am Friendship Group – Parish Conference Room 5.30pm Altar Servers Meeting and Mass 7.15pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre
Saturday 22 February The Chair of Saint Peter	7am Mass SPC 6pm Mass SPC	6.30am Rosary at St. Patrick’s 8am – 9am Reconciliation SPC 10am Baptism Montana Ivy Clapham 11am Baptism Herbie William Reynolds, Freddy Maeabh Stenner, Fredrick Max & Lillian Elizabeth Finn 12pm Baptism Jackson Robert Appleton 1pm Altar Server Practice
Sunday 23 February 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7am, 9am, 5.30pm Live Stream 9am	11am Baptism Billie Betty Penell 1pm Altar Server Practice 4.30pm Bingo in the Cathedral Centre

Planned Giving: Thank you for your donations. Loose \$3247 Planned Giving \$1217 Donation Point \$1250 Money Counters this weekend: Sam & Fina Ginardi, Wendy Heelan Money Counters next weekend: Kevin & Judy Lindores, Jim Harris.

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