

A Transformation is in Progress

Have you noticed that our church front garden area has recently had some maintenance? Did you see the festive creations of our parish school children displayed during Christmastime?

We are in the embryonic stages of planning a beautiful transformation of the garden and front areas of our church to represent our parish vision statement of **vibrancy, invitation, encounter** and **Christ**.

The incorporation of a mosaic section has been suggested and the concept design would need to be carefully discerned and planned. In light of this taking some time to get underway a small-scale renovation will begin as soon as possible.

ARBORETUM PARISH PICNIC

Come and join us for our first social gathering for 2022, on Saturday the 19th of February. Meeting at the Arboretum at 12.30pm, we will have lunch together in the form of a 'B.Y.O. picnic' followed by small group guided tours (max. 8 people/tour) of a beautiful native garden onsite.

If you would like to join me to share fellowship and admire the magnificence of God's creation, please write your name on the form located on the Events Table in the church, by the 13th of February.

I'm looking forward to your company, Fr Troy



St Gregory's Parish Faith Community

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St Raphael's (main church), St Gregory's (no weekend services),
and St Patrick's Michelago.

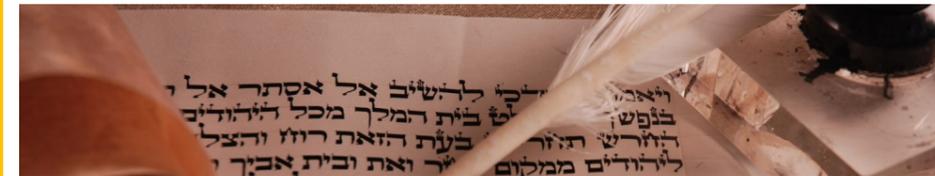
THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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22nd & 23rd January 2022

VISION: Our Parish is a vibrant community inviting everyone to encounter Christ.

MISSION: To go and make disciples, to be a servant to each other and to be a people who reach out to those in need. We are guided by the LIFE of Jesus; sustained by the LOVE of God; and inspired by the LIGHT of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love.

Where there is injury, pardon.

Where there is doubt, faith.

Where there is darkness, light.

Where there is despair, hope.

And where there is sadness, joy.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Saturday
5.30pm Vigil Mass
4.30pm Reconciliation

Sunday
9.00am Mass
No Sunday Evening Mass until February 2022

Monday
No Mass

Tuesday
5.30pm Mass
Office Open 9-3.30pm
Wednesday
12noon Mass

Thursday
7am Mass
Office Open 9-3.30pm

Friday
12noon Mass
11.00-11.55 Exposition & Adoration
Office Open 9-3.30pm

Baptisms
St Raphael's Church
Sundays .10:30am

Marriages By appointment

Michelago 2nd Saturday of the month 5.30pm & 6pm during Day Light Saving's time

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Please pray for our sick :

Phillip Roy Anderson
Carmelo Bautista
Florence Bowell
John Church
Elaine Cliff
Emmanuel Corpuz
Juliet and Rommel Estabillo
Helen Fraser
David Goldsmith
Corazon Guemo
Patricia Hardy
Julia Kovacevic
Mary Lea
Mary Ian McAdam
Anthony McGlynn
Gywen McIntyre
Anne McTernan
Rita Notte
Loretta & Geoff Percival
Regina Paredes
Hayden Paterson
Maria Picker
Trishy Mary Rankin
Nathan Reynolds
Dora Sartor
Jack Sealey
Mary Skidmore
Elisabeth Smyth
Miyako Sturgess (Tokyo)
Rosario B Surmielida
Madeleine Thriff
John Verrell
Ljubica Vricic
John Warner

May they rest in peace:

Ivo Felizzi
Andrew Beetson
Keith Elliott
Douglas Anderson (Cairns)
Jason Keating
Marta Grdur
Marijan Prpic
Paul Kelleher
Angela Wheeler
Margaret Maher

Anniversary of Death:

Olga Power
Emilia Papa
Frank, Michael, Tony &
Franco Tarzia
Leodigario Paelmar Jr



Baptisms:

Archie Bull
William Schelberger
Callie Watkin

Entrance Antiphon

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendor, strength and honour in his holy place.

First Reading Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered Amen! Amen!; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep'. For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law.

He then said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

C. The law of the Lord is perfect it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple (R.)

L. The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. (R.)

C. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. (R.)

L. May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock! (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 12:12-14-27

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 1:1-4;4:14-21

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received. Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him. He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written: The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour. He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

Communion Antiphon

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

**Here are next weekend's mass readings: 4th Sunday Ord Time C
Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19 Psalm 70 Corinthians 12:31-13:13
Luke 4: 21-30
Let's prepare before we come to mass.**

Church Restrictions Update

Fr Troy as Parish Priest of St Gregory's, Queanbeyan has decided, after reflecting on the Government and Archdiocesan protocols, he has indicated that we will keep to the 200 limit in attendance. Also masks are highly recommended to be worn as well as checking in. Singing is allowed to continue by the choir but not the congregation.

We have had two alerts from NSW health this week to advise that a covid case was present at our church on the weekend. If you are not feeling well and have symptoms don't come to mass also very importantly if you are waiting on results from a covid test you must isolate until you get results.

Key Muster- we are doing a check on all keys that have been circulated throughout the parish. If you have a key that has a church connection could you please either call into the parish office or call to verify the key. Thank you

A set of keys were found in the church after last weekend's masses, if these are yours please see Fr Troy or call the parish office.

ST GREGORY'S COIN CLUB - For the month of January we will donate to Home in Queanbeyan. Thank you to everyone who have donated their coins. Balance so far is \$200

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION - For baptised children in Year 3 (or above)

The registration for this sacrament has now opened. Please visit :

<https://www.stgregsqueanbeyan.com/first-reconciliation>

To download the registration form and schedule of events.

Please call Rita at the parish if you have any questions.

Our first anointing mass will be on Friday January 28th at Midday



Australia Day falls this year on Wednesday. We will have our normal midday mass to celebrate Australia Day. This will be followed by a sausage sizzle. Please come along and stay to celebrate our national day. BYO refreshments.

2022 Daily Mass Book replacements are here. If you requested a new one please see Fr Troy or come to the parish office.

January 29 – February 5 “Marriage Preparation”

Evenings for the Engaged marriage preparation course. 2 consecutive Saturdays 9am-3pm in Murrumbateman \$150 includes catering and resources. Presented by married couples and a priest. Time provided for couple to discuss topics privately.

Register at www.marriagefamily.org.au Enquiries 0451670041 prugordon@gmail.com