## "I have heard their cry....I know their sufferings....Come, now! I will send you.....I will be with you" Ex 3:1-12



# St Gregory's Parish Faith Community

47 Lowe St, Queanbeyan NSW PH: 02 6299 4611 St Raphael's (main church), St Gregory's (no weekend services), and St Patrick's Michelago.

### TWENTY-SIX SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

# **SEASON OF CREATION**

# Christian prayer in union with creation

Father, we praise you with all your creatures. They came forth from your all-powerful hand; they are yours, filled with your presence and your tender love. Praise be to you! Son of God, Jesus, through you all things were made. You were formed in the womb of Mary our Mother, you became part of this earth, and you gazed upon this world with human eyes. Today you are alive in every creature in your risen glory. Praise be to you!

Holy Spirit, by your light you guide this world towards the Father's love and accompany creation as it groans in travail. You also dwell in our hearts and you inspire us to do what is good. Praise be to you! Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love, teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of the universe, for all things speak of you. Awaken our praise and thankfulness for every being that you have made. Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined to everything that is.

God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth, for not one of them is forgotten in your sight. Enlighten those who possess power and money that they may avoid the sin of indifference, that they may love the common good, advance the weak, and care for this world in which we live. The poor and the earth are crying out. O Lord, seize us with your power and light, help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future, for the coming of your Kingdom of justice, peace, love and beauty.

> Praise be to you! Amen. Pope Francis, Laudato Si', 2015.





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.

### MIGRANT AND REFUGEES 108TH WORLD DAY 25 SEPT 22

"This Sunday 25 September is World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Pope Francis' message is: "God's plan ... gives priority to those living on the existential peripheries. Among them are many migrants and refugees, displaced persons, and victims of trafficking. The Kingdom of God is to be built with them, for without them it would not be the Kingdom that God wants ..." As Australians we should have particular concern for:

- 19,000 refugees with only temporary visas which do not allow them to bring their families to Australia or even to visit them overseas.
- Thousands of asylum seekers struggling through an unfair refugee application process and in most cases left destitute of support when they are unable to work.
- Over 200 people still held for nearly a decade in PNG and Nauru.

People still needing to leave Afghanistan."

Pope Francis in Laudato Si teaches that our faith conviction should motivate us as Christians to assume our responsibility as caretakers of creation. This is "an essential part" of our faith in the love and wisdom of the Creator, our God who sustains all of creation.

He says biblical narratives on creation indicate "that human life is grounded in three fundamental and closely intertwined relationships: with God, with our neighbour, and with earth itself" [66]. Human brokenness can lead us not to acknowledge our creaturely limitations in asserting power and dominion in creation, but to presume to take the place of God. This disrupts harmony between the creator, humanity and creation. Our calling as people of faith is to be the kind of people who will not only till, but also "keep" the earth - and not let it be despoiled and people forgotten. In Chapters 5 and 6, Pope Francis outlines concrete steps and opportunities for dialogue which "can help us escape the spiral of self-destruction" [163]. Change is required at personal, community, national and global levels. Our parish Laudato Si website is at www.Care4OurCommonHome.org .



Season of Creation – Archbishop Christopher, Greek Orthodox Bishop Bartholomew, **SEASON OF** and other faith communities will be present at an ecumenical tree planting and prayers **CREATION** 10.30am for 10.45am Tuesday 4-Oct-22 in the grounds behind St Peter Chanel's YARRALUMLA (entry is off 2 Loch Street). There will be a brief morning tea and social networking after with a view to an ongoing chapter of the Laudato Si movement in southern suburbs. All welcome. LaudatoSiACT@gmail.com

#### Expressions of Interest for appointment to the Catholic Education Commission of the Archdiocese

The Archbishop is seeking to appoint up to two new members from the beginning of 2023 and further members from mid-2023. Any enquiries and Expressions of Interest should be directed to the Chair of the Commission, Dr Patrick McArdle, Patrick.mcardle@cg.org.au. The Expression of Interest should include a brief statement outlining the applicant's interest and relevant experience together with a curriculum vitae. Closing Date for Expressions of Interest is Friday 14 October 2022.

#### YEAR C 24 & 25 September 2022



Listen to the Voice of Creation SEASON OF CREATION 2022



### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Saturday 5.30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 9.00am Mass Sunday 5.30pm Mass now at Googong

> Monday No Mass

Tuesday 5.30pm Mass

Wednesday 12noon Mass

**Thursday 22 Sept** 9am Mass

Friday 12noon Mass 11.00am-11.55am Exposition and Adoration

> **Baptisms** St Raphael's Church Sundays 10.30am

Marriages by appointment Reconciliation by appointment

Michelago 2nd Saturday of the month 5.30pm or 6pm during Daylight Savings time

#### Please pray for our sick:

Phillip Roy Anderson Carmelo Bautista Florence Bowell John Church Elaine Clift **Emmanuel Corpuz** Fr Mark Croker Juliet and Rommel Estabillo Helen Fraser Cora Fulcher David Goldsmith Corazon Guemo Antonietta Laria Anthony McGlynn Gywen McIntyre Patricia McMahon Loretta & Geoff Percival **Regina Paredes Trishy Mary Rankin** Nathan Reynolds Elisabeth Smyth David Smyth Miyako Sturgess (Tokyo) Rosario B Surmielda Ljubica Vricic **James Wells** 

#### May they rest in peace:

Clive Corey Sr Roberta Robertson RSM Giuseppe (Joe) Fadini Amparo Francisco (Philippines) Silvia Cobau Stephen Millard **Gilberto Serafin** Daphne Brown Karen Yap (Anneta's daughter) Amalito Cura Bev Marks Luz Consuegra Hilary Harrison Stephanie Simpson Jane Spiteri Aldo D'Antonio (Italy) Marija (Maria) Visic

#### Anniversary of Death:

Nicola Gagliardi Valentino Calgaro Lin Milton **Gus Etheridge** Maria Pullen Indu Pieris



We welcome into our parish through Baptism. Ellie O'Toole Isla Young Ellarose and Liliana Huckel Ariana Bono

#### Entrance Antiphon

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

#### First Reading Am 6:1. 4-7

The almighty Lord says this: Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

- (R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!
- ALL. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. (R.)
- **ALL.** It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. (R.)
- ALL: He upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. he Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

#### Second Reading 1 Tim 6:11-16

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord

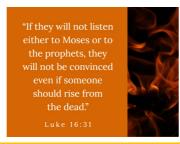
of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

#### Gospel Lk 16:19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things come your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours." 'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning, so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets." said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no. father Abraham." said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead.""

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low. © liturgy help



Here are next weekend's Mass readings: 27th Sun Ord time Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2: 2-4 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17:5-10 Let's prepare before we come to Mass.

#### **REMAINING CAUTIOUS:** Please remain cautious as flu and Covid continue. Face masks encouraged during mass. Thank you for your continued efforts.

ST GREGORY'S COIN CLUB - For the month of September we will be collecting for St Benedicts Community Centre in Queanbeyan So far collected this month \$105 Total running balance for the year is Many thanks for your continuing generosity!

- ٠ **PILGRIMAGE TO INNER PEACE** – This gathering is to deepen our personal relationship with Jesus through Christian Meditation. The next gathering will be on 27th September(7.30pm in the Church) Please remember that this is a fortnightly gathering. Contact Tony Carey on 0455 231 057 tony@tcconsulting.com.au
- St Gregory's Parish Faith Community is supporting Vinnies Queanbeyan. Thank you to ٠ everyone who has been contributing to the grocery collection. The most needed items are now school snacks, pasta, microwave rice, noodles, cordial & deodorant. Thank you for your support.
- **Pre-Christmas Scratchie Raffle -**We are having a Pre-Christmas raffle to raise funds ٠ for our parish. The prize is \$100 worth of Scratchies ranging in value from \$1 to \$10. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. They will be available for sale after Mass.
- 2023 Daily Mass Book If you would like to purchase one, an order will be ٠ going in by the 30th September. The cost is \$22 and a list is available in the events hub to place your name.
- \$5. We will only be ordering 50 copies so please place your name on the list if you would like a copy.
- ٠ attend please place your name on the sheet which is in the events hub. Cost of class will be \$20 - \$25 and this will go to a nominated charity through the church.

28 October Women's Taskforce Annual Dinner The Archdiocese Catholic Women's Taskforce annual fundraising dinner October 28<sup>th</sup> 6.30 pm, Woden Southern Cross Club. Guest speaker is Dr Ursula Stephens, Former Senator and CEO Australian Catholic Safeguarding Limited. Funds raised go to MacKillop House, a place of safety for women and children in need. Earlybird tickets \$65. Book via https://womenstaskforceacq.org or call 0487388873.

**BAPTISMS IN OUR PARISH** - We are currently booking baptisms for 2023. Please call the parish office if you wish to book a baptism for your child.

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Advent preparation- Heart of the Disciple a 28 day reflection resource book. Will be available for

Mosaic Classes - Wonderful news - expressions of interest are being taken for the return of the Mosaic Classes they are to happen on the 15th October and the 3rd December. If you would like to

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