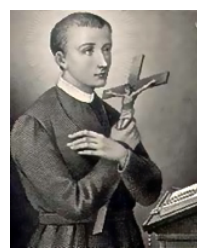


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Welcome to St. Gerard's parish, where we foster the wellbeing and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome. If you have any concerns, visit <https://www.stgerards.org.au/child-safety-professional-standards/> or see the Safeguarding Officer.
"Child Safety is Everyone's Responsibility"

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - July 9 & 10, 2022

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold Your face; I shall be filled with the vision of Your glory.

First Reading - Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul. 'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

Responsorial Psalm: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; You have the words of everlasting life. *Alleluia!*

Gospel Reading - Luke 10: 25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus 'do this and life is yours.' But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself.'

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in Your house, for ever singing Your praise.

Daily Antiphons - Monday, July 11, to Saturday, July 16, 2022 (Year C)

Monday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time - July 11, 2022 - Saint Benedict

Entrance Antiphon: There was a man of venerable life, Benedict, blessed by grace and by name, who, leaving home and patrimony and desiring to please God alone, sought out the habit of holy living.

Responsorial Psalm: To the upright I will show the saving power of God.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* Happy are they who suffer persecution for justice' sake; the kingdom of heaven is theirs. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: This is the steward, faithful and prudent, whom the Lord set over His household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time.

Tuesday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time - July 12, 2022

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold Your face; I shall be filled with the vision of Your glory.

Responsorial Psalm: God upholds His city for ever.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in Your house, for ever singing Your praise.

Wednesday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time - July 13, 2022

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold Your face; I shall be filled with the vision of Your glory.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord will not abandon His people.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* Blessed are You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in Your house, for ever singing Your praise.

Thursday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time - July 14, 2022

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold Your face; I shall be filled with the vision of Your glory.

Responsorial Psalm: From heaven the Lord looks down on the earth.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* Come to Me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in Your house, for ever singing Your praise.

Friday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time - July 15, 2022 - Saint Bonaventure

Entrance Antiphon: I will look after My sheep, says the Lord, and I will appoint a shepherd to pasture them, and I, the Lord, will be their God.

Responsorial Psalm: You saved my life, O Lord, I shall not die.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* My sheep listen to My voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow Me. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: It was not you who chose Me, says the Lord, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last.

Saturday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time - July 16, 2022

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold Your face; I shall be filled with the vision of Your glory.

Responsorial Psalm: Do not forget the poor, O Lord!

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to Himself; and the Good News of reconciliation He has entrusted to us. *Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in Your house, for ever singing Your praise.

MASS and INTENTIONS

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Saturday Vigil, July 9

Mass 5:30pm Michael Lovett (*For the Repose of his soul*)
Mass 7:00pm Maronite Community

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday, July 10

Mass 8:30am Josip Levak (*Remembrance*)
Mass 10:30am Lorenzo Martinelli (*Anniversary of Death*)
and Muriel Naidoo (*Thanksgiving Mass*)
Mass 3:30pm Tamil Community
Mass 5:30pm June Polglaise (*Anniv. of Death & Remembrance*)

Monday, July 11 - Saint Benedict

Mass 9:15am Trilby Mary Domingo (*Birthday Remembrance*)
and Emmanuel D’Souza (*Birthday Thanksgiving*)

Tuesday, July 12

Mass 9:15am Josip Levak (*Remembrance*)

Wednesday, July 13

Mass 9:15am Ken Stewart (*Anniversary of Death*)
and Dalton Fernandez (*Anniversary of Death*)

Thursday, July 14

Mass 9:15am Private Intention

Friday, July 15 - Saint Bonaventure

Mass 9:15am German DePenha & Sylvia Fernandez
(*Anniversary of Death*)

Saturday, July 16 - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Mass 9:15am In honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel & for her
protection and prayers.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Saturday Vigil, July 16

Mass 5:30pm Clifford Rodrigo (*Anniversary of Death*)
Mass 7:00pm Maronite Community

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday, July 17

Mass 8:30am Francesco Zaia (*Anniversary of Death*)
Mass 10:30am Edward Baldsing (*Anniversary of Death*)
and Rosamma Sebastian (*Anniversary of Death*)
12:00pm Baptism Congratulations to Anthony Morgano
Mass 3:30pm French Community
Mass 5:30pm Annesley Fernando (*Birthday Remembrance*)

Confession will not be heard on Sunday or Monday.
Confession is heard Tuesday to Saturday from 8:20am to 8:50am and
after the Mass on Saturday until 10:30am.

Please remember to pray for...

Our sick: Brian Edwards, Peter Shaw-Dennis, Allan Welsh, Peter D’Silva, Carl De Rozario, Doreen Oliver, Suzette Savrimoothoo, Kathleen James, Marie Blandin de Chalain, Clita Martinelli, Lalitha Kurup, Sarkis Dib, Alessandro Zaia, David Giacotto, Mila, Steven Dickson, Josie Surace, Sarah Cleary, Monica Kelly, Anne Moorthy, Mayelin Do Santos, Krzysztof Borkowski, Jessie Sequeira, Reed Crawl, Patricia Slattery, Sandy Hayman, Anna Bardella, Giovanna & Giuseppe Campasso, Baby Arielle Harper, Claris Sebestiampillai

The recently deceased: Philomena Bowes, Abbondio Quaini, Rosemary Vidot

Anniversaries/Remembrances: Antony Pillai Alfred, Mario Pappalardo, Cynthia Scanlon, June Polglaise, Tanya Rosario, Frank Mark Imbrogno

Church Cleaning

Saturday, 16th July

Knights of the Southern Cross

Saturday, 23rd July

J. Trissy, Linda & Family

Reading Roster

Saturday, July 16th - Vigil Mass

5:30pm C. Fernando

Sunday, July 17th

8:30am I. Mulipola

10:30am J. Panicker

5:30pm J. Abraham

Saturday, July 23rd - Vigil Mass

5:30pm D. Franklin

Sunday, July 24th

8:30am M. Noble

10:30am M. Lourdunathan

5:30pm M. Yallapa

Other Masses at St. Gerard’s

Maronite Mass

Every Saturday at 7:00pm

Tamil Mass

2nd Sunday of the month at 3.30pm

French Mass

3rd Sunday of the month.

Rosary begins at 2.45pm in French
and then Mass at 3.30pm.

PARISH NEWS, NOTICES AND REFLECTION

Thanksgiving Envelopes

Thanksgiving envelopes are available for collection from the foyer of the Church. Please search for your envelopes with your surname and, please note, that not all envelope numbers have changed.

We thank you for your continued support of our parish and priests.

Failing up - How Failure can bring you closer to God - with Dr Adam Cooper

We all want to succeed in our lives and so, of course, we spend our time trying to avoid failure. However, what if we could actually use failure to bring ourselves closer to God? This is the idea that Dr Cooper will explore in the next God and Beer event. Speaker: Dr Adam Cooper Topic: Failing Up - How Failure Can Bring You Closer to God.

Date: Monday, 11th July. Time: 6.30pm for a meal, 7.30pm for the talk. Venue: The Notting Hill Hotel, 260-262 Ferntree Gully Rd, Notting Hill. Register: Godandbeer.com.au Cost: Free! However, places are limited so please register to avoid disappointment and to hear about future events. Meals are available for purchase.

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

Enrolments for Prep in 2023 are open and Parish families are our first category for enrolments. If you have a child who will be starting school next year please contact the School Office (03) 9791 7553 or email

principal@sgdandenongnth.catholic.edu.au to arrange a meeting and tour with the Principal Mr Paul Cowan. We

also have Open Days planned for Tuesday, 31 May, Wednesday, 15 June and Thursday, 23 June. Please visit our

website: www.sgdandenongnth.catholic.edu.au

Amended Office Hours and Open Times

Sinthia will be on annual leave from Tuesday, 12th July until Tuesday, 19th July. The office will therefore only be open on Monday and Thursday during this time. The office will resume usual hours and days from Wednesday, 20th July. We thank you for your understanding.

What we must do: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are to love God and our neighbour with all the strength of our being, as the scholar of the Law answers Jesus in this week's Gospel.

This command is nothing remote or mysterious – it's already written in our hearts, in the book of Sacred Scripture. "You have only to carry it out," Moses says in this week's First Reading.

Jesus tells His interrogator the same thing: "Do this and you will live."

The scholar, however, wants to know where he can draw the line. That's the motive behind his question, "Who is my neighbour?"

In his compassion, the Samaritan in Jesus' parable reveals the boundless mercy of God, Who came down to us when we were fallen in sin, close to dead, unable to pick ourselves up.

Jesus is "the image of the invisible God," this week's Epistle tells us. In Him, the love of God has come very near to us. By the "blood of His Cross" – by bearing His neighbours' sufferings in His own body, being Himself stripped and beaten and left for dead – He saved us from the bonds of sin and reconciled us to God and to one another.

Like the Samaritan, He pays the price for us, heals the wounds of sin, pours out on us the oil and wine of the sacraments, and entrusts us to the care of His Church until He comes back for us.

Because His love has known no limits, ours cannot either. We are to love as we have been loved, to do for others what He has done for us, joining all things together in His Body, the Church.

We are to love like the singer of this week's Psalm – like those whose prayers have been answered, like those whose lives have been saved, who have known the time of His favour, have seen God in His great mercy turn toward us.

This is the love that leads to eternal life, the love Jesus commands today of the scholar and of each of us: "Go and do likewise."