

CATHOLIC PARISH OF APPECROSS

St Benedict's Church Rejoice Newsletter



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Gospel Reflection by Greg Sunter

Today's first reading from Isaiah is one of several references in the Old Testament that use wedding imagery – bride and groom – to describe the relationship between God and the people of Israel. The imagery is never that of an 'old married couple' but rather young lovers entering into a new life together full of hope; full of romance; and full of passion. This image of God and the people as bride and groom would not have been lost on the first audiences of today's gospel passage. Immediately, they would have recognised the significance of Jesus' first outing in public ministry being at a wedding feast – at the coming together of God and God's people, Jesus is present! It is a very neat and quite deliberate follow on from the prologue of the Gospel of John where the gospel writer uses the image of 'the Word made flesh who lives among us' to describe Jesus. The Word has come into the world and the first public appearance is at an event that symbolises the relationship between God and God's people.



The interplay between Jesus and his mother is very interesting in this gospel event. In this particular gospel it is one of only two occasions that Mary is mentioned: this event at the beginning of Jesus' ministry and then at the foot of the cross as he is crucified. Mary does not ask Jesus to do anything. She simply states, 'They have no wine', but one can almost hear the motherly tone with which it was said. I'm sure Jesus was left in no doubt that he was expected to do something about it. When he tries to avoid the issue, Mary apparently ignores his objections and instructs the servants to do whatever Jesus tells them. No fuss; no argument. How do mothers do it?



PLEASE PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED:
William Darbyshire & Maureen Court

ANNIVERSARIES: Ann Williams, Corrado Di Giovanni, Frances Ryan, Candida Maria Nardone, Betty Smith, Michael Mastaglia, all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends.
Please remember all our ill and sick parishioners in your prayers. Thank you

*please
join us*

Upcoming Events

- 23 Jan—Cath Series @ 7pm
"God is Merciful—God is Just"
- 26 Jan—Australia Day—Mass @ 7.30am—**CHURCH CLOSED AFTER MASS**

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION
EVERY FRIDAY MORNING
@ 7.30AM

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS:
Karl Brown, Marina Ciccarelli, Frances Meyerkort, Alana Coffey, Ondine Komnick, Rodney Dowling

Farewell Morning Tea

DEACON MARK'S FAREWELL MORNING TEA

SUNDAY, 27 JANUARY

AFTER 9.30AM MASS

BRING A PLATE OF FOOD TO SHARE

miss you? of course we'll miss you.

You came and touched our hearts, Now you leave, it's hard to see. But wish you happy days ahead. And a prosperous life indeed.

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

Please fill-in a Membership Form which is available from the turn stand in the foyer of the Church and post or hand-in to the Parish Office. Thank you

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MASS TIMES

Wed/Fri: 7.00am
 Tues/Thurs: 9.00am
 Sat: 7.30am
 Sat Vigil: 6.00pm
 Sun: 7.30am, 9.30am & 6.00pm

*If Public Holiday falls on Wed/
 Fri, Mass will be celebrated at
 7.30am*

Reconciliation:
 Sat: 4.30pm—5.30pm

**Exposition of the
 Blessed Sacrament**
 Mon: 7.30am—6pm
 Tues/Thurs: 9.30am—6pm
 Wed/Fri: 7.30am—6pm
 Sat: 8am—12noon

Rosary Groups:
 For the Sick: Mon-7pm
 For Priests & Vocations: Sat-8am
 Cenacle: Thurs-9.30am

Prayer Group:
 Mary Mother of Sorrows:
Holidays

Baptisms:
 Sundays at 11.30am.

Marriages:
 By appointment

**BENEDICTCARE
 GROUP**

During the month of
 January, please contact the
 Parish office if in need of
 help or assistance.

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time, Yr C, 20 January 2019

ENTRANCE PROCESSION: 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
 A reading from the prophet Isaiah
*As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God
 rejoice in you.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 95:1-3. 7-10. R. v.3
 (R.) Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

SECOND READING— 1 Cor 12:4-11
 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians
*One and the same spirit distributes different gifts as he
 chooses.*

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
 A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
The first of the signs given by Jesus was at Cana in Galilee.

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

CHILDREN'S CORNER

*When the wine ran out at a wedding at Cana, Jesus performed his first miracle turning
 the water in six stone jars into wine. Draw 3 more jars and colour the picture.*



**AUSTRALIA
 DAY**

MASS AT 7.30AM

*AFTER MASS CHURCH AND CHAPEL
 WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL 4.30PM*

THE BOTH ANDS OF CATHOLICISM SERIES
 WEDNESDAY, 23 JANUARY @ 7PM

GOD IS MERCIFUL

*God is fair
 and just, always*

GOD IS JUST

*Find the stream of water
 that turns into wine*



PARISH MINISTRY ROSTERS—26/27 JANUARY 2019

	<u>SAT: 6PM</u>	<u>SUN: 7.30AM</u>	<u>SUN: 9.30AM</u>	<u>SUN: 6PM</u>
ACOLYTE	C. CARDOSO	M. KILROE	W VAN ALEBEEK	W DORAY
ALTAR SERVERS	L & R MORRIS	C & L KILROE	L HANDCOCK M SARAVANAN	N DORAY A RIJKS
COLLECTORS	I COORAY S DONOVAN	G. DOYLE	E FEW M SANDFORD	C JOSEPH M NARDONE
COMMENTATORS	M REGO	M OH	M HANDYSIDE	D CLAYDON
READERS	L REGO M McNAUGHT	G PULKER M. ANDERSON	N PARKER A SUPPRIAH	B KERMAN J NORTON
EMOCH	A SEQUEIRA P SEQUEIRA S CARRICK E DIAS G CLAY	B. LILLIS J LEE	M BUNN K DWYER E FEW M HARRIS S NEALE	B KERMAN J NORTON R PAUL Y VAN DER BURG D LONGO
ALTAR SOCIETY	C. GELDENHUYS			
COUNTERS	B FARRELL	S SALDANHA	E NORONHA	
PILGRIM STATUE	D & C VALLINI			

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**28 Jan - SHARE THE
 CHARISM DREAMS -
 VISION - PATHWAYS**
 An opportunity for contem-
 plative prayer, silence,
 reflection, review of life,
 sharing, focusing on
 Contemplative Dialogue,
 Living Contemplatively
 Listening - "Listen to the
 whisperings of God in your
 heart". Monday 28 January
 4pm to 8pm, St Joseph's
 Convent, 16 York St, South
 Perth. RSVP by 23 January
 for expressions of interest to,
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