

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Zechariah

9:9-10

The Lord says this: Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion! Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem! See now, your king comes to you; he is victorious, he is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations. His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R/: I will praise your name forever,
my king and my God



SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

8:9, 11-13

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you. So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.



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!

GOSPEL READING

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

11:25-30

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'



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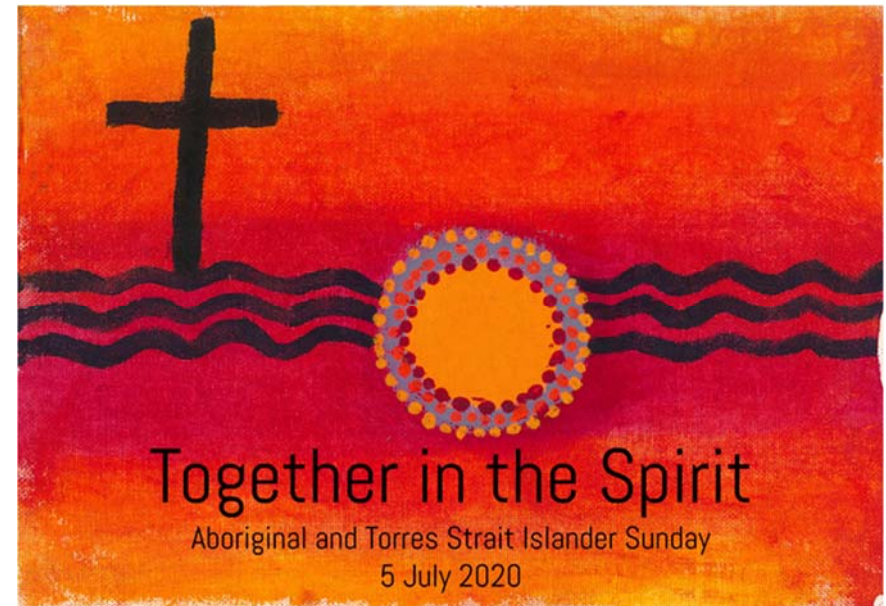
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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A – 4th and 5th July, 2020



Today is the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time and the day that the Australian Bishops and our National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council have invited us to celebrate **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday**. Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics number over 130,000 and are growing strongly.

Today we acknowledge that God has been walking with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, making His Presence known through a continuous living culture over many thousands of years. We pray in thanksgiving for these ancient peoples who have enriched and sustained our continent over all that time. We praise God for the Boong wurrung (Bunurong) people who nurtured the land here in our Parish that we call home.

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MASS TIMES:
Saturday (Suspended) 6:30 pm
Sunday (Suspended) 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Tuesday 6.00 pm
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9.15 am
Saturday 9.00 am

A limit of 20 people may attend each Mass. In order to meet our legal obligations, we ask you please phone the Parish Office to book in.

COMMUNION SERVICE:
Monday (Suspended) 9.15 am

RECONCILIATION:
Saturdays: (Suspended) 9.30am & 6pm

BAPTISMS: (Contact the office for more info)
Either during a weekend Mass or at 12.30pm on the 2nd Sunday of the month. 6 weeks' notice required. Please refer to our Guidelines for Infant Baptism and Application Form available on our parish website.

WEDDINGS: (Contact the office for more info)
By appointment, 6 months' notice required. Saturdays or weekdays (not Sundays).
Contact the Parish Office: 9583 6161

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PRAYING FOR:

Marie Stack, Bishop Pierre Bach,
Patricia Schwarze,

...and all those who died recently.

We also remember:

Mick Sullivan, Nellie Andrews,
Harold George, Anthonius Tetteroo

...and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.



NATIONAL NAIDOC WEEK

2020 : At this time in July, we would usually be celebrating NAIDOC Week but, as with so many other events, this year is different. Following the decision by the National NAIDOC Committee (NNC) to postpone NAIDOC Week from the original July dates due to the impacts and uncertainty from the escalating Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic across our communities and cities, the celebrations will now be held from 8th -15th November. The postponement is aimed at protecting our elders and those in our communities with chronic health issues from the disastrous impacts of COVID19. As cooler weather approaches the need to protect our most susceptible remains.

The NAIDOC 2020 theme - Always Was, Always Will Be. - recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years: NAIDOC Week 2020 is an opportunity for all Australians to reflect on and celebrate the rich history, diverse cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the oldest continuing cultures on the planet.

Resources:

www.naidoc.org.au/get-involved/2020-theme
www.natsicc.org.au/2020-atsi-sunday.html



The Archdiocese of Melbourne provides a **Coronavirus Update** on its website where you can download the latest information and guidelines: <https://cam.org.au/Guidance-for-Parishes-COVID-19/>

BOOKING IN FOR WEEKDAY

MASSES: It is wonderful to be able to celebrate the Eucharist as a community of faith. The numbers permitted are 20 at all the moment, so please ensure you ring the parish office as soon as possible to book in. *Please remember if you have booked in and then can no longer attend, please ring the office as soon as you can so we can offer your spot to someone else. Thank you everyone for your understanding.*

COUNSELLING: All counselling will now be over the phone or video consultations due to COVID-19. please contact AnneMaree Eddy directly on: 0403 284 536, and leave a message indicating you are a parishioner.

SCRIPTURE READINGS for Daily Mass (Australian Liturgical Calendar) are accessible online: www.universalis.com/Australia/1000/mass
Navigate the daily Scripture readings for the week ahead using the right-hand column.

ONLINE RESOURCES FOR FAITH FORMATION & INFORMATION:

The **Christian Classics Ethereal Library** is a digital library of hundreds of classic Christian books: <https://ccel.org/>

Lectio Divina July 2020 for daily prayer: <https://ocarm.org/en/carmel/lectio-divina-july-2020>

The **Holy See** to view the written works of Pope Francis and news from the Vatican: <http://w2.vatican.va/content/vatican/en.html>

CONGRATULATIONS ON 50 YEARS:

Fr Robert McCulloch is celebrating his 50th



Anniversary to the Priesthood on 4th July 2020. Ordained by Archbishop Knox, Fr Robert was the first priest to be ordained from Cheltenham. He celebrated his first Mass here on 5th July 1970. Fr Robert has a

doctorate in Liturgy from the Pontifical Liturgical Institute in Rome and taught Liturgy at the National Catholic Institute of Theology in Karachi Pakistan for twenty-five years. He leads the translation committee in Pakistan which has translated into Urdu the rites for the celebration of the sacraments and the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and has worked on the Urdu translation of the Roman Missal. He facilitated the procedure for the approval of the Fijian translation of the Roman Missal also. Fr Robert is now based in Rome as Procurator-General of the Missionary Society of St Columban and Procurator-General of the Mission Society of the Philippines. He had planned to be in Australia in August, and was going to celebrate Mass here, but due to COVID-19 restrictions he is now unable to. We congratulate him on this wonderful milestone, and keep him in our prayers as he continues to do God's work.



Thanks to Dad Hengeveld 05-13-1999
WELL, I DON'T REALLY SNEEZE THAT OFTEN ... BUT IF I DO I SUPPOSE YOU DON'T NEED TO SAY 'GOD BLESS YOU'