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Fr Peter Tien
Parish Priest



15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY —YEAR B

Parish Bulletin

Sunday 11 July 2021

FIRST READING:

A reading from the prophet Amos (7:12-15)

Go, prophesy to my people.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians (Eph 1:13-14)

Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.

Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight.

He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came.

Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (Mk 6:7-13)

He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

St Anthony's Church - Tahmoor

Saturday Vigil - 5.00 pm

Sunday - 7.30 am & 9.30 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday - 5.00 pm — NO ADORATION

5.30 pm — NO MASS

Wednesday - 8.30 am — NO MASS

Thursday - 8.30 am — NO MASS

Friday - 8.30 am — NO MASS

Reconciliation (Confession)

Not currently available.

Adoration: Tuesday: Not this week

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday

9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

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Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace,
peace for his people.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven. (R.)
3. The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)



YEAR of SAINT JOSEPH

“Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life”

DECEMBER 8, 2020 - DECEMBER 8, 2021

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH (POPE FRANCIS)

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary! To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

Lord grant them eternal peace & joy and to their families and friends strength and comfort

ANNIVERSARY:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

PRAY FOR THE SICK John Bell, Leone Kirton, Marie Darlington, Christine Jupe, Graeme Menser, Ross Spirou, Lesley Thompson, Mauro Mariano, Melony Cox, Joanne McMahon, Daniel Clarke, Margaret Brown, Lesley Gardiner, James McNeil, Ian Macnamara, Stephanie Macnamara, Elizabeth Linsell

READERS: THIS WEEK

VIGIL:
7.30AM:
9.30AM:

NEXT WEEK

BETH NOLAN
JOHN MAHER
MAREE GALEA

CLEANERS:

HELEN WILLIS &
JEAN LE ROUX

FLOWERS:

SUE APITERI

SACRISTY:

MARY GILBERT

DIOCESE OF WOLLONGONG MASS ONLINE For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DOW web-site <https://dow.sh/dailymass>

MASS ON T.V.

As all Masses in the area have been cancelled due to the recent COVID restrictions—Mass can be watched every week on Sunday morning at 6.00 am on Channel 10

If you have planned giving envelope **No.68**, could you please contact the parish office or let Fr Peter know, thank you

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES are now available for collection from the foyer of the church.

(When Masses resume)

If you are not already in planned giving and would like to contribute to support the parish, please contact the parish office.

Giving can be done via the envelope system or by direct debit or credit card.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2021 CONFIRMATION:

Confirmation will be conferred by the Bishop during Masses at 3.30pm and 5.00pm(Vigil) on Saturday 21st August. There will be PARENT ONLY meeting to start preparation for the Sacrament at 2.00pm OR 7.30pm on Tuesday 20th July OR 2.00pm OR 7.30pm on Wednesday 21st July. Parents have to attend ONLY ONE of these meetings. Parents should register and book in for these meetings by contacting the parish secretary well beforehand. Details of Parish office hours etc. are on the front of this bulletin. Attendance at one of these meetings is part of the program and if that is not possible parents will have to discuss it with Fr Peter after Mass on Sundays or the child may not be able to be confirmed this year. To be eligible for Confirmation this year your child should be in Year 6 or above at school and be receiving Holy Communion at Mass.

FREE TECHNOLOGY TRAINING FOR SENIORS UPDATE

Due to the current COVID -19 situation it has been decided to only run 1 session for 5 consecutive weeks commencing Tuesday 3 August 2021. This will still be held at St Benidect's College Oran Park at 1pm-2.30pm. if you have registered for session 1, you will automatically be included at the later date. This is a unique opportunity for an 'exchange of gifts' between both students and seniors in a covid safe way, however we will be guided by the school and public health orders at all times. Please contact Jane Hollier, Parish and Community Officer CatholicCare on 0417018152.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT – WELCOMING AND INFORMATION - CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF WOLLONGONG

Suitably experienced and qualified persons are encouraged to apply for the role of Executive Assistant – Welcoming and Information in the Diocese of Wollongong. For more information and a detailed role description, please go to www.dow.org.au/jobs Any enquiries please contact Helen Bennett 0407 438 434 or email recruitment@dow.org.au

FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY –

25 July 2021 Sunday, 25 July 2021, has been designated by Pope Francis, as the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, to coincide with the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents. It is occurring in the Year of Amoris Laetitia Family 2021-22 with the theme, 'I am with you always'.

2021 SIGNIFICANT MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS

If you are celebrating 25, 40, 50 or 60 years of marriage this year, and would like an invitation to the Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Brian Mascord at St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow on Sunday, 8 August 2021 at 2pm, please register online at www.dow.org.au/events/, or contact Helen Bennett at the Office of the Bishop at 4222 2403, or via email helen.bennett@dow.org.au by no later than Monday 12 July. Once you have done so, an invitation and official online registration procedures can be sent to you.

For those who missed out in 2020 In this year of St Joseph and the Family, we are exploring the possibility of hosting two (2) sessions to enable as many couples as possible, and some limited members of their family, to attend the Significant Marriage Anniversaries Mass. Furthermore, this also enables us to invite couples who reached one of these significant milestones in 2020 to contact Helen Bennett and register their interest.

As you would appreciate, due to the possibility of heightened COVID-19 restrictions, our plans are subject to change and even cancellation. We kindly urge you to register as soon as possible in order to receive an invitation and enable appropriate planning for this important celebration.

GO DEEPER IN FAITH! FREE 6-week course in the Catholic Faith This course is designed for any Catholic who is looking to discover more about their Catholic Faith. Over six consecutive Mondays or Fridays, we will explore the following topics with great guest speakers: Morality: Life in the Spirit (Mr Seth Harsh), Church: Mission of the Holy Spirit (Sr Susanna Edmunds OP), Christ: Heart of Catechesis (Fr Bernard Gordon VG), Creation: Work of the Trinity (Sr Berna-

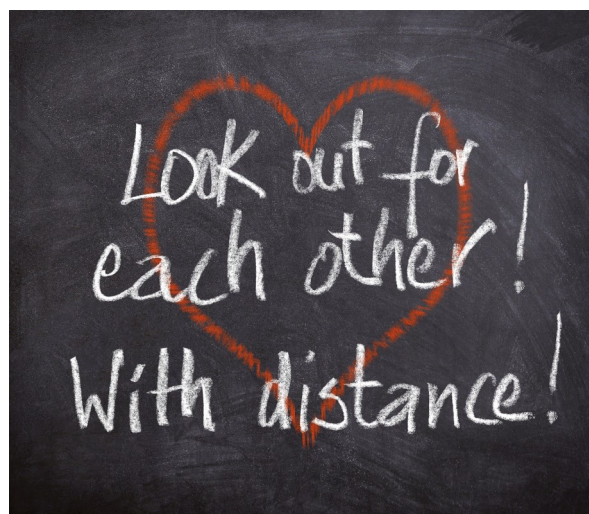
dette Toohey MGL), Reconciliation: Forgiveness of Sins, Healing (Sr Therese Mills MGL), Communion: Eucharist - Source & Summit (Fr Mark De Battista) In the past, this course was only available to Catechists, but we have now opened it up to all interested people. We hope that you can join us. There are two opportunities to attend: Mondays: Commencing Monday 19 July 9:30am-1:30pm CCD Regional Centre, Micah House 35A Cordeaux St, Campbelltown (Dates: July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 16, 23) Fridays: Commencing Friday 23 July 9:30am-1:30pm Xavier Conference Centre 38 Harbour St, Wollongong (Dates: July 23, 30, August 6, 13, 20, 27) If you would like to attend please register by clicking here, RSVP by Friday 16 July.

THE JOURNEY, 11 JULY 2021 – YOUR DIOCESE OF WOLLONGONG WEEKLY PODCAST

Msgr Graham Schmitzer – makes a welcome return to the show this week challenges, along with a great personal faith journey sharing from Sharon Brewer from the ACCB. Some fabulous uplifting music on this week's show too. Be encouraged in difficult times by the Journey - Listen at jcr.org.au or your local Christian Radio station.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2021/22

- Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor The Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2021-22: Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor, affirms that "we human beings need a change of heart, mind, and behaviour". It draws from Scripture, from the theological tradition, from Catholic Social Teaching, and from the wisdom of the world, including the insights of the First Nations. More info and link for pre-orders for hard copies online (deadline 8 July) here [Social Justice Statement 2021-22 - Office for Social Justice \(catholic.org.au\)](http://Social Justice Statement 2021-22 - Office for Social Justice (catholic.org.au))



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NEXT WEEK READINGS:

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

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