



Parish of St Mary Magdalen, Jordanville

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The Parish of St. Mary Magdalen is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

19/20 February 2022

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

The Lord has put you in my power, but I will not raise my hand against you.

Responsorial Psalm:

THE LORD IS KIND AND MERCIFUL.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Just as we have carried the earthly image, we must carry the heavenly image.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I give you a new commandment;
love one another as I have loved you.**

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Be merciful as your Father is merciful.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Perhaps one of the most difficult lessons to learn is forgiveness of those whom we consider our enemies, those who have wronged us. As challenging as this may be, the Gospel calls us to a very high standard: we must be merciful as God is merciful. If such perfection can become a reality in our lives, we will be able to forgive. Paul assures us that we can indeed attain such perfection, not by ourselves, but through the power of the risen Lord whose image we bear.

Paul plays with the theology of creation. In the beginning, we were made like the first Adam, earthly, limited, weak, concerned about the things of this world, and committed to our own wellbeing. Through baptism we have been fashioned after the image of the second Adam, Christ the risen Lord. Being like Christ, we become godlike, empowered with his saving power, transformed with him into new beings. It is now in our power, which is really the power of the resurrection, to be merciful as God is merciful. In the risen Lord we experience a mystical transformation. From now on, all of our actions can flow from this new reality.

Transformed by the power of the resurrection, we are capable of unprecedented good works. We can live without retaliation; we can render good for evil. We can be prodigal in our generosity toward others; we can relinquish any rights of proprietorship that we might enjoy. We can live with others without unfairly judging them. We can be like God, boundless in our forgiveness.

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MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday:	Mass 10:00am	Rosary 10:30am
Wednesday:	Morning Prayer and Communion Service 10:00am	Rosary 10:30am
Thursday:	Mass 12:00noon	Rosary 12:30am
Friday:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:00am Mass 12:00noon	
Saturday:	Mass 10:00am	Rosary 10:30am
	Vigil Mass 6:00pm	
Sunday:	Mass 9:30am	

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: After Mass when a priest is available

BAPTISM: During Sunday Mass or at 11:00am. Email the Parish office to book.

NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

February 26 & 27, 2022	6.00pm Vigil	9.30a.m.
Commentator	Rukmin Silva	Edwin DeSouza
Readers 8th Sunday in Ord Time - Year C	Kate Davis	Anne Bremner
Special Ministers	Rosa Phillips	Mary Boyle
Meet & Greet	Roshini Boteju Stephen Goss	Patrick Van Reyk Tom Neary
Data Proj & CD Optr	Stephen Goss	Edwin Gomez
Counting – Sun, 10am	Anne & Kevin Bremner, Brian Foley	
Church Cleaning	Christine Barcham, Rukmin Silva, Phillip Davis	

Any notices that need to be included in the weekly newsletter, email the parish jordanville@cam.org.au by Thursday.

MASSES STREAMED FROM ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, MELBOURNE

Daily Mass: The 1.00pm Mass is streamed live daily (*Mon - Fri*) from St. Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne and is then available as a recording on demand until one hour prior to the next 1.00pm Mass.

On Sundays, the 11.00am Mass is streamed and it is also available as a recording on demand via Channel 44.

Job Vacancies - Could you share the stories of suffering Christians? Are you looking for flexible part time work? Aid to the Church in Need is recruiting for a number of Diocesan Outreach Assistants who will deliver monthly presentations in parishes across the Archdiocese. For all details visit, www.aidtochurch.org/work.

Synod of Bishops: Hundreds of groups and individuals across the country have shared their stories about how all members of the Catholic Church can walk together to carry out our mission as Christians. Have you? The local consultation process for the global Synod on Synodality is open for two more weeks – until February 27. Join with family, friends, parishioners or participate yourself. Find out more at: <https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

Parish Safeguarding

Our Parish is committed to the safety of children. I ask everyone to view the relevant policy on our website at www.smmchadstone.com.au.

Parish Safeguarding UPDATE – The Archdiocese’s Professional Standards Unit has recently produced e-learning videos, which aims to educate all volunteer and our parish community in safeguarding our children. I would like to encourage all, especially our volunteers, to watch the videos on this link [Safeguarding e-learning videos | The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne \(melbournecatholic.org\)](#)

May I take this opportunity to remind all volunteers to make sure that your Working With Children Check is up to date?

Chaplaincy Appeal 2022

This weekend is the Chaplaincy Appeal. Donations from our parish community will help the Chaplaincy programs to support the most vulnerable people in our community.

Your support and generosity will ensure that the Catholic Chaplains can continue to be the messengers of God’s mercy, love and compassion.

Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and financial support to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to individuals and families in Victoria facing loneliness, illness, pain, grief and death.

Please donate using the special envelopes provided or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au.

Volunteer Opportunity Assisting Refugee Students - Mercy Connect Melbourne – Mercy Works Ltd. is currently recruiting volunteers to support Refugee Students and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese. The volunteer commitment is approximately half a day per week for four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. A Training Day for new volunteers with emphasis on Child Safeguarding will take place prior to commencement. Email: somml@bigpond.com (preferred for contact), Website: www.mercyworks.org.au

Caritas Australia Aid to Tonga - You can provide vital relief to communities impacted by natural disasters, such as the volcanic eruption and tsunami in Tonga, along with the current COVID-19 crisis in Papua New Guinea and Fiji. With your support, our partners on the ground can respond immediately when crises strike. Please find here the link

<https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific/>