



## 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.*

14/15 January 2023

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

*I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.*

Responsorial Psalm:

**HERE I AM LORD; I COME TO DO YOUR WILL.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:1-3

*The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God.**

**Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 1:29-34

*This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.*

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Ours is an historical religion. It not only unfolds within the joys and disappointments of time and place, but it is rooted in actual events that took place in the lives of real people. The Christ to whom we commit ourselves is not a mythic character, a figment of communal religious imagination. He is someone who was born into history, at a specific period of time, in a particular place. He was known by real people like John the Baptist; he submitted himself to historical rituals like baptism. He had followers who testified to the truth of both his existence and his life. Jesus was a man of history.

Like Paul, we too have been called to be apostles. We received this call when we were baptised. The beginning of the year, with its custom of making new resolutions, is a wonderful time to remember to what we have committed ourselves. At times it seems that our own apostleship is no less daunting than was Paul's. However, it is no less immediate either. Whether the period of history is the first half of the first century, as was the time of Jesus, or the second half, as was the time of Paul, or the twenty-first century, as is our time, salvation unfolds within the events of time. Furthermore, the followers of Jesus always return to the events of his life in order to discover the meaning of the events in their lives. These past events are reinterpreted in the ongoing present. Discipleship is never otherworldly.

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### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

|            |  |                |
|------------|--|----------------|
| Tuesday:   | Mass 10:00am   | Rosary 10.30am |
| Wednesday: | Morning Prayer and Service 10:00am                     | Rosary 10:30am |
| Thursday:  | Mass 12:00 noon  | Rosary 12.30am |
| Friday:    | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament<br>Mass 12:00 noon | 11.00 am       |
| Saturday:  | Mass 10:00am   | Rosary 10.30am |

### WEEKEND MASSES

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| Saturday: | Vigil Mass 6:00pm |
| Sunday:   | Mass 9:30am       |

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**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:** After Mass when a priest is available

**BAPTISM:** During Sunday Mass or at 12:00 noon after Sunday Mass. Email the Parish office to book.

## NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

| January 21 & 22, 2023                                | 6.00pm Vigil   | 9.30a.m.                          |
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| Commentator  | Kate Davis   | Lara Labronte                     |
| Readers<br>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time<br>– Year A | Rukmin Silva   | Louise Kulkens                    |
| Special Ministers                                    | Stephen Goss   | Maria Prout                       |
| Meet & Greet   | Stephen Goss   | John Francis<br>Christene Francis |
| Data Projector Operator                              | Phillip Davis  | Bernard Perera                    |
| Counting – Sun, 10am                                 | John & Christene Francis, Patrick Van Reyk, Len De Silva |                                   |
| Church Cleaning                                      | * Seion Emmanuel, Leyna Nguyen, Kalya Baptist            |                                   |

Any notices that need to be included in the weekly newsletter, email the parish [jordanville@cam.org.au](mailto: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.

### **ENROLMENTS FOR ST MARY MAGDALEN'S SCHOOL**

Enrolments are now being accepted for 2023 at St Mary Magdalen's School. Tours are offered by appointment. Call 98070315

### **Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine**

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you. Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom. You are Father of all; we are brothers and sisters. Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# SCRIPTURAL

# CONTEXT

## **Baptism of Jesus**

Each of the three synoptic gospels (Mark, Luke and Matthew) presents an account of the baptism of Jesus. All three versions record the Spirit descending in the form of a dove. In the fourth gospel, it is interesting that the gospel writer does not actually give an account of the baptism as by the time of this gospel's writing the story is well entrenched in the Christian culture. Instead of a baptism account, John the Baptist appears to recall the event. Rather than needing to describe the event, this gospel writer treats it as a given and simply refers to it.