



Gospel Acclamation Jn 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 13:31-35

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

‘Now has the Son of Man been glorified,
and in him God has been glorified.
If God has been glorified in him,
God will in turn glorify him in himself,
and will glorify him very soon.
My little children,
I shall not be with you much longer.
I give you a new commandment:
love one another;
just as I have loved you,
you also must love one another.
By this love you have for one another,
everyone will know that you are my
disciples.’

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

‘Love one another as I have loved you.’
You may think that Our Lord’s
extravagant extreme of love in
voluntarily undergoing death for us,
is something no human being could ever
measure up to.

But actually, something like this
happens whenever a mother or father
sits by the bedside of a child suffering
the terrible pain of a chronic illness or
traumatic accident and, perhaps, even
facing the prospect of death. Such a
parent will invariably say ‘I would
rather suffer and die than see my child
suffer and die.’ It is the same with a
person seeing their much loved life
partner in a similar situation.

Each of us, usually to a lesser degree
and in less fraught circumstances, has
the opportunity to absorb, to some
extent, the sufferings of others. We are
thus given the possibility of fulfilling
the command: ‘Love one another as I
have loved you.’

The effect of this sort of loving will be
realised at the end of history, not in a
garden of Paradise, but as in a
wonderful City where all tears will be
wiped from our eyes.

We could pause for a moment on our
way to that future City, resolving to be
alert to opportunities to fulfil our Lord’s
command: ‘Love one another as I have
loved you.’

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The Living Word

Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year C

15 May 2022

First Reading Acts 14:21-27

They assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them.

Paul and Barnabas went back through
Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put
fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging
them to persevere in the faith. ‘We all have
to experience many hardships’ they said
‘before we enter the kingdom of God.’ In
each of these churches they appointed
elders, and with prayer and fasting they
commended them to the Lord in whom they
had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached
Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word
at Perga they went down to Attalia and from
there sailed for Antioch, where they had
originally been commended to the grace of
God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church
and gave an account of all that God had
done with them, and how he had opened
the door of faith to the pagans.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:8-13. R. cf. v.1

*(R.) I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God.*

or

(R.) Alleluia.

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)

2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their
blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God,
to make known to men your mighty deeds
and the glorious splendour of your
reign. (R.)
3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom;
your rule lasts from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading Rv 21:1-5

He will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth;
the first heaven and the first earth had
disappeared now, and there was no longer
any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new
Jerusalem, coming down from God out of
heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed
for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice
call from the throne, ‘You see this city?
Here God lives among men. He will make
his home among them; they shall be his
people, and he will be their God; his name
is God-with-them. He will wipe away all
tears from their eyes; there will be no more
death, and no more mourning or sadness.
The world of the past has gone.’

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke:
‘Now I am making the whole of creation new.’

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Spanish Speaking Mass 12:30pm; Filipino Mass monthly 4th Sunday at 12:15pm

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday Communion Service 8:30am, Tuesday 7pm,
Wednesday - Saturday 8:30am **Public Holidays 8:30am**

Reconciliation: Saturday after morning Mass or by appointment.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: 9:00am to 3:00pm Mon - Fri

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Next week 6th Easter: Acts 15:1-2,22-29; Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23; John 14:23-29

From the Parish Office ...

Today we hear words spoken by Jesus before his death and Resurrection. Jesus is teaching at the Last Supper. It begins with the announcement that this is the moment when the Son of Man will be glorified. This theme continues throughout John's Passion. Jesus will be glorified in his death on the cross and in his Resurrection, and the disciples will glorify Jesus in the love they show. John's Gospel does not present a sentimental view of love. This is a type of love that is shown in service and sacrifice. It is difficult to choose to love when faced with hatred and anger. Jesus tells the disciples that all will know that they are his disciples because of the love they show for one another. This description of the early Christian community will be repeated in the Acts of the Apostles: "See how they love one another." Christian love is the hallmark of Christianity. We see it lived in the witness of the martyrs. We see it in the example of the lives of the saints. We see it in the holy women and men who live and love daily, making small and large sacrifices for others.

We welcome into our Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism, Rafaela Astrid Behzad and Lilijan Iva Levett and congratulate their families



For Catholics, the month of May is set aside for devotions to Mary. We would like to encourage you all to do something special in this month to honour Mary, the first and true model of discipleship. Let us not forget to give thanks to God for Mary, the mother of Jesus and of us.

Honouring Australia's Patroness

Procession for the Feast of Mary Help of Christians

Saturday 21st May 2022

10:30am - St Peters Church Devonshire St, Surry Hills,
Pilgrims Blessing and start of procession

12:00pm - St Marys Cathedral: Mass in Honour of Mary Help of Christians Praying for World Peace (celebrated by Auxiliary Bishop Daniel Meagher)

Parish Banners and Flags Welcome!



Vinnies West Ryde Call Centre - Volunteers Needed

Nearly all Vinnies cases start with a telephone call to our West Ryde Call Centre (next to our Vinnies Shop). We need volunteers to help us with this very important work.



You will take telephone calls, assist with filing or other admin, you may progress to entering cases on our computer system or interviews. The hours are arranged to suit you. All training is on the job. To get started please call our Regional Administrator, Jenny on 9809 2757. The poor need your help.

TRIVIA NIGHT

The Rotary Club of Macquarie Park invites you to this fundraising night to aid the Ukrainian refugees that have fled to Poland, and to support other local Rotary projects in the Ryde area.

When: Saturday 25th June 2022

Where: Holy Spirit School Hall at 191 Cox's Road, North Ryde

Time: 6 pm for a 6:30pm start

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PRAYERS for HEALING: Gerard Watts

PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF: Tony Bietola, Lois Seet, Miguela Aguirre, Minerva Santos recently deceased.

Tony Bietola's funeral will be held at Holy Spirit Parish on Thursday, 19th May at 10:30am

Also, Vincenzo & Caterina Cincotta, the Escalante & Venal families, Frank & Edgar Falzon, Carmela, Angelo, Paul Scicluna, Ignazio (Jim) Torrisi, Charlie & Melina Bietola, Dr Raphael Panetta, Rosina & Michele Panetta, Rosa & Raffaele Fazzolari, Mary & Sam Bietola, Frank Ientile, Maria Ientile, John, Annarita, Antonio Ientile, Natale Papandrea, Papandrea, Ientile, Cessario families, Angelo Fazzolari & Fazzolari family, Fortunato & Rosa Galluzzo & Galluzzo family, Rosina, Giuseppe, Salvatore & Bruno Panetta, Luigi, Rosina, Pasquale & Santa Genova, Mario & Dirce Gualdi, Antonino & Tindara Caravello, Alberto Tanzini, Angelina & Antonino Rando, Giuseppe & Maria Caterina Pupo, Baby Cove Rose Pupo, Emmanuela Delia, Nemesio Biason Sr., Antonio Sison, Marie & Jim Hyde, Denis Wonderley, Paul Hicks, Polocrispo & Rosalinda Romagos, Esmeria & Rufino Acosta, Eleno Etor, Vanessa Juresic, Craig Kooyman, Mary Arena, Agata Santa Rocca, Antonio Fonti, Grazia Fonti, Onofrio Casamento, Domenica Casamento, Joseph Casamento and the Di Tano, Smith, Shewan and Holland families