

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** (or a hymn) Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Ps 137)

**ANTIPHON:** Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

**RESPONSE:** Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

**LECTOR:** I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

**LECTOR:** I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

**LECTOR:** The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** (or a hymn) The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Or

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, says the Lord, and I will raise him up on the last day.

**TODAY'S READINGS** Isaiah 22:19-23; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20

**NEXT WEEK** (22nd Sunday of Year A) Jeremiah 20:7-9; Psalm 62; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27

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*You are my  
rock*



23 August 2020 21st Sunday Year A

Jesus takes his closest followers to Caesarea Philippi to have an important conversation. Two key things happen. Firstly, the disciples experience a moment of real insight in their understanding of Jesus. Jesus asks Simon Peter: "But who do you say that I am?" With great trust and a growing faith, Peter replies: "You are the Christ (Messiah), the Son of the living God." For centuries the Jews longed for the coming of the messiah. By calling Jesus the messiah, Peter proclaims that Jesus is the one for whom they had waited. Jesus is God's anointed one; the one in whom God's Spirit dwells.

Peter watched Jesus embrace people; especially the sick, the poor, the sinners. He witnessed firsthand Jesus loving people into life. He saw the face of God in the face and actions of Jesus. Ultimately, Peter received the gift of God's revelation, which allowed him to understand more clearly who Jesus is, what is Jesus' mission and to recognise the significance of Jesus' special relationship with His Father.

In the verses that follow today's gospel, Jesus challenges the disciples to an even deeper understanding, by instructing them about what kind of Messiah he is and what this will demand of them. Accepting Jesus as messiah means that they must also be ready to accept that He will 'suffer with'

people, especially the outcasts; but that God will ultimately vindicate His beloved Son.

Secondly, Jesus establishes his disciples as a community. In Mt 7:24, Jesus told his disciples to build on rock. It's on the rock (Greek, *petra*; Aramaic *kepha*) that is Peter (Greek: *petros*; Aramaic *kepha*), that Jesus builds His house; a community of disciples, called the "church".

Peter is not "rock" because of personal qualities of steadfastness or reliability – remember that later on, Peter not only denies Jesus, but deserts him! Rather, Peter is "rock" because of the insight of faith which God has communicated to him. Built on this "rock", the Church will be a community that will survive attempts to destroy it and resurrection awaits the its members.

The church which Jesus is establishing is for Israel and the Gentile world; for anyone who is willing to listen to His word, live it and believe in Him. Peter is given the keys not to close but to open and as first among the apostles, he has the responsibility to carry on Jesus' mission of preaching and teaching the good news.

As we gather in our own communities of faith, Peter is our model as we continue the mission of Jesus in our time; saying in our own way and our own words, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

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## CURRENT PARISH NEWS

WEEK START SUN **AUG 23, 2020**

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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WEDDINGS, FUNERALS & SACRAMENT OF

PENANCE PLEASE CONTACT PARISH OFFICE.

BAPTISM ENROLMENT TALKS HAVE RESUMED.

NEXT BAPTISM ENROLMENT TALK SEPT 6 AT 4PM

IN PARISH HALL. NO APPT NECESSARY!



It's that time of year. Fr John is on holidays. **AUGUST MASS TIMES:**

**NO Aug Mon-Sat morning Masses until Tues Sept 1 with 9am Mass. SATURDAY NIGHT 6PM & SUNDAY 6.30AM & 8.30AM REMAIN.** Msgr John Butler will, as usual, caretake the parish during Aug. Contact Parish Office with any concerns as usual.



**VIETNAM** has a new Augustinian priest in the making following the diaconal ordination of Br Tuan Anh Le in Brisbane. The young Vietnamese man from the Vinh diocese in central Vietnam was ordained a transitional deacon for the Order of St Augustine on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption. The Augustinians follow the oldest monastic rule in the Roman Catholic Church, written by St Augustine of Hippo around the year 400. Deacon Le fell in love with Augustinian spirituality and the person of St Augustine during his discernment. St James' parish priest Fr Francis Belcina said ordination was a great sign for the Vietnamese mission.



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OFFICE HOURS

Click on links for resources & articles:

Regina Caeli Parish website

<http://www.reginacaeliparish.org.au>

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<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/>

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**SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY:** Social Justice Sunday will be celebrated on 30 August. The Bishops' 20-2021 Social Justice Statement is titled "To Live Life to the Full: Mental Health in Australia To-day." The Statement is available electronically on the ACBC Office for Social Justice page along with liturgy resources, a prayer card & podcasts. A spoken word version is available as 3 podcasts. All resources available at: <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2020/07/03/social-justice-statement-2020-21/#content>

Regina Caeli Mass of Healing & Hope Sat Sept 5 at 9am Transport available.

Please contact the office if we can help.



*We pray, God of all people, that your Spirit of healing & protection be with the people of Beirut & Lebanon at this time. May the good news of peace & loving care be with all who live in Beirut, especially those suffering from this disaster.*

The New Normal for gatherings / Masses August 2020 Mass times:

Sat: 6pm; Sun ~ 6.30am & 8.30am

Important protocols must be followed...

- ♦ Strict occupancy/social distancing enforced (1person or family/4m<sup>2</sup>) & limited to 100p
- ♦ All to use hand sanitizer on arrival
- ♦ All attendees required to sign in.
- ♦ Please take antibacterial wipe on entry to church & sanitize your contact areas with antiseptic wipes (provided) before leaving.
- ♦ Please sit only in seats with stickers!
- ♦ Priest to give Communion & only in hand
- ♦ Stay home if unwell
- ♦ Maintain good hand & respiratory hygiene
- ♦ Sign of Peace limited to spoken greeting
- ♦ Gifting boxes available at all doors;
- ♦ Please take a newsletter but we would appreciate you taking it home with you.
- ♦ No Hymn books used.

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**RECENTLY DECEASED:** FR JOE MCGEEHAN, BART GAFFNEY, CARMEL HOLLEY, LUCY HOUGHTON, TIM OWEN, JULIA SLACK, CECILY MCMAHON, TERESA NULUONG, MARY TWOMEY, DOMINIC VU, PATRICIA ZEMEK  
**ANNIVERSARIES:** VILLELMO CALVISI, ATTILIO CORNELIA & ALFONSO CALVISI, SABATINO MORLACCI; LOUISE CHAPPINS; BERNADETTE DALTON, MORNA DALTON: JACK & JOY McNAMARA, PAT & JACK O'CONNOR, LEO & GAY RYAN, IVAN NANCY & STEPHEN GARRETT, GLORIA & ANN MARIE MCMAHON, DIANE McNAMARA; TOM STERNFELDT; SALVATORE ZAPPALA

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS:** Augusto Cesar, Joshua Chester, James Clifford, Pat Cochrane, Veronica & Cathy Comiskey, Neil Cremin, Pat & Clare Dugger, George D'Allura, Robbie Dicker, Susan Donald, Loye Gardiner, Paul Heathwood, Philomena Hegarty, Allaura Hows, Kate Jennings, Kath Keogh, Nicky Logan, Katie Loveday, Cheryl Loveridge, Enid McCarthy, Trish McConnell, Peter McLaughlin, Fr Ron Mollison, John Morgan, Christopher Mothershaw, Marie-Louise O'Brien, Pam O'Reilly, Peter Reid, Wal & Joyce Smith, Lester Steen, Nathaniel Williams, Zelina & family

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ENTRANCE HYMN

GA417/AOV16

RF, V1, RF

GLORY & PRAISE

**REFRAIN:** *Glory and praise to our God, who alone gives light to our days. Many are the blessings He bears to those who trust in His ways.*



V1. We, the daughters and sons of him who built the valleys and plains, Praise the wonders our God has done in ev'ry heart that sings. R/.

OFFERTORY HYMN

GA500/AOV35

RF, V1, RF

UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT

**REFRAIN:**

*Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die, It remains but a single grain with no life.*

V1. *If we have died with him, then we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.* R/.

REFLECTION HYMN

GA506/AOV26

V1, RF, V2

(BONIWELL) THE LORD IS MY SHEP-

HERD

1. The Lord is my shepherd, and I want to follow, wherever he leads me, wherever he goes. Over the mountains, the waters and by-ways, valleys and highways he's waiting for me.

**REFRAIN:** *I want to go to meet him there, to lay myself down in his love. The Lord is my Shepherd and I want to follow, wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.*

2. And while on the journey to where we are going, he promised to be there to help us along. And over the mountains, we'll walk on together, to know all the wonders he's given to me. R/.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

GA414/AOV80

RF, V1, RF, V2, RF

SING A NEW SONG

**REFRAIN:** *Sing a new song unto the Lord; Let your song be sung from mountains high. Sing a new song unto the Lord, Singing alleluia.*

V1. Yahweh's people dance for joy. O come before the Lord. And play for him on glad tambourines, And let your trumpet sound. R/.

V2. Rise, O children, from your sleep; Your Saviour now has come. He has turned your sorrow to joy, And filled your soul with song. R/.

Boys' Night Out

Wed Sept 16, 6pm: Easts Leagues Club