

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Mt 17: 5

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! / From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard: / this is my beloved Son, hear him. / Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**GOSPEL**

Mk 9: 2-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*This is my Son, the beloved; listen to him.*

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Rabbi', he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah'. He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him'. Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.

As they came down the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

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# Breaking Open the Word



# THE SAVING WORD

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT / B

28 FEBRUARY 2021

## LIVING IN FAITHFULNESS AND HOPE

There are few moments in the scriptures as dramatic as when Abraham has steeled himself to seize the knife that will take the life of his son Isaac. In that moment on the mount Abraham revealed once again his true quality and the depth of his trust in the word of God. Years later, on a mountain God will reveal the glory and grandeur of the greatest gift of all, the presence of Jesus among us, the living word. As Abraham listened to the voice of the Lord God, so too the disciples of all ages are called to listen to the words of Jesus, the beloved Son. His words promise us a life that awaits us beyond death, and his presence will enable the disciples to move on with him to the cross. On a mountain a son's life was saved. Centuries later on a rocky outcrop, scorned and ridiculed, God will give what he did not take from Abraham so that all of us might be saved.

In many ways Paul reflects on what has been gained for us all by that sacrifice on Calvary. Like Abraham, God does not withhold even what is most precious. The glory and promise of the Transfiguration have their fulfilment in Jesus' victory over death, a victory which now enables us to live our lives in faithfulness and hope. Paul is concerned to share the certainty of his belief that, with Jesus pleading our cause, there is no need for fear.

**Christopher Monaghan CP**

## FIRST READING

Gen 22: 1-2, 9-13, 15-18

A reading from the book of Genesis

*The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.*

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son', God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.'

When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood. Then he stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in place of his son.

The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self – it is the Lord who speaks – because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

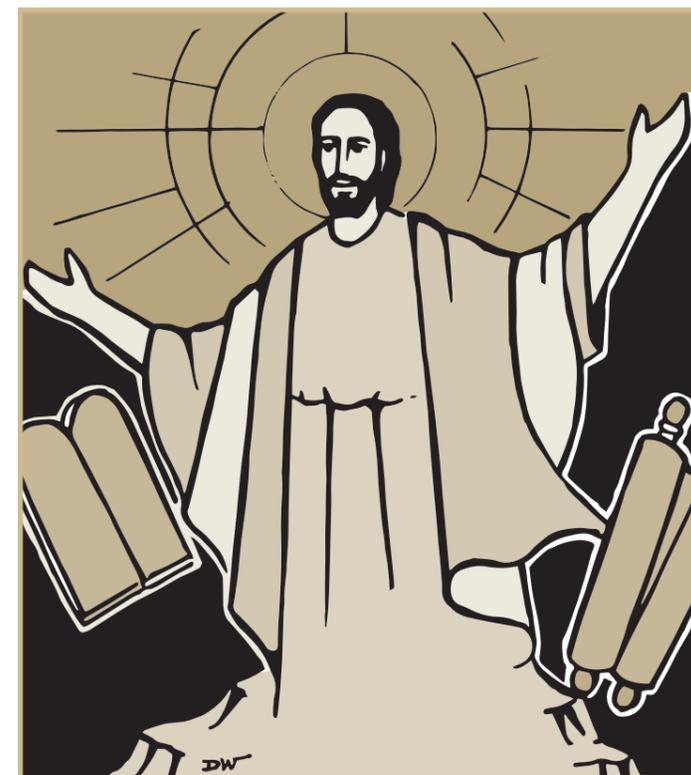
■ **The word of the Lord.**

## RESPONSORIAL PS

Ps 115: 10, 15-19. R. 114: 9

**R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord / in the land of the living.**

1. I trusted, even when I said: / 'I am sorely afflicted.' / O precious in the eyes of the Lord / is the death of his faithful. **R.**



2. Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; / you have loosened my bonds. / A thanksgiving sacrifice I make: / I will call on the Lord's name. **R.**

3. My vows to the Lord I will fulfil / before all his people, / in the courts of the house of the Lord, / in your midst, O Jerusalem. **R.**

## SECOND READING

Rom 8: 31-34

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

*God did not spare his own Son.*

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

## Brighton Catholic Parish

### **Church**

St Joseph's,  
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Brighton

### **Parish Priest**

Fr Michael Musyoka Kyumu

### **Assistant Priest**

Fr Dominick Awiti Okwadha

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### **Office Hours**

Monday – Friday 9am – 3pm

### **Brighton Parish Pastoral Council Members**

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Christina Jonas (Chairperson),  
Emmy Smyk (Dep Chair),  
Monica Conway (Secretary),  
Clare Thewlis, Graham Workman,  
Helena Card, Amanda Parslow,  
Keith Moorman, Chris Nell,  
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195 Brighton Rd  
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### **Acknowledgment**

We would like to acknowledge the Kurna people as the custodians of the lands and waters of the Adelaide region, on which we meet. We pay respect to elders both past and present.

We acknowledge and respect the Kurna people's cultural, spiritual, physical and emotional connection with their land, waters and community.

### **Sunday Mass Times**

**6.00 pm** — (Saturday Vigil)

**8.30am** — (Sunday)

**10.00 am** — (Sunday)

### **Weekday Masses**

Monday 1/3	No services
Tuesday 2/3	Mass 12 noon
Wed 3/3 SHC	Mass 7.30am
Thursday 4/3	No services
Friday 5/3	CTK 9am Mass 12 noon
Saturday 6/3	Mass 10am

### **Feast Days this week**

#### **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

St Casimir

#### **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

Autumn Ember day

### **Reconciliation**

After midday Mass on Fridays

After 10am Mass on Saturdays

### **Baptisms**

are held on the Second and Fourth Sundays of each month at 11.15am by arrangement through the Parish office and with the Baptismal Preparation Team

### **Weddings** - Contact Parish Office

### **Popes' Prayer Intentions for March**

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

### **Direct Giving App**

You can now contribute to the first and second collections via your mobile phone. Download the Adelaide Archdiocese Find a Mass app or go to <https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/app-home> to make a one-off donation or set up recurring donations to the parish and for the support of the clergy.

### **Knights of the Southern Cross**

#### **Empty Cans /Bottle Collection**

For Collection please ring Pat Hodgson 0412 259 321

### **What's on this week in our parish**

#### **Monday 1/3**

Vinnies meeting 4pm

#### **Tuesday 2/3**

Parish library open 9.30am – 12noon  
Vinnies Sewing & Knitting 10am  
Men's Fellowship 10am  
Meditation 11am

#### **Wednesday 3/3**

Lunch in the Garden 12noon  
LENTEN Evening prayer 7pm  
Knights meeting 7.30pm

#### **Thursday 4/3**

Lenten Study Gp 10.30am

#### **Friday 5/3**

Parish library open 9.30am – 12noon  
Men's Fellowship 10am  
Lenten discussion Gp 10.30am  
Stations of the Cross after 12pm Mass

### **Readings for next weekend**

#### **6th/7th March, 2021**

#### **Third Sunday of Lent, Yr B**

1st Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Gospel: John 2:13-25

### **Obligation for Sunday Mass**

The obligation for NOT attending Mass on Sundays is still available for all parishioners.

### **Please pray for:**

#### **Recently Deceased**

Amal Youssef

#### **Deceased**

#### **Anniversaries**

Veronica Williams, Doreen Bishop

#### **Sick**

Lindsay Head, Maciek Kuesner, Brigid Pegman (Ireland), Julie Currie, Genevieve Honner, Anne Flint, Sue Cashman, Russell Ebert, Eugene McKiernan, Jim East, Peter Boxshall-Smith, Lauren Eblen, Tibor Ferencz, Jimmy Ryan, Marilyn Huddleston, Frances McKenna, Peter Paige, Robyn Williams, Pam Wallman, Barbara Driscoll, Jim McClafferty, Robert Wolf, Kevin Pardon, Pam Wynn, Leon Grealy, Chris Boast, Bob McEvoy, Marian Maitland, Edna Rusinski, Rachel Bainbridge, Taylor Keen, Charlie Hamblen, Duncan Booth, Fr Peter Dunn, Pat Donnelly, Eileen Paige, Betty Fowles, Margaret Mary Roche, Debbie Canino, Sr Marietta Green, John Wallace, Carol Swavley, Aoibhinn Delaney

**Privacy Laws.** All parishioners are encouraged to pray for the sick. Masses will be offered on request. Due to privacy laws, names will **not** be published on the sick list in the bulletin without prior permission of the person involved.

The new issue of the Australian Catholics magazine is now available from the foyer.

### **Lenten Evening Prayer**

This Wednesday at 7pm the parish will be holding Lenten Evening Prayer. This is an initiative from the Archbishop. The Archdiocese has produced a booklet which will be used each week. Please pick up a copy of the booklet from the foyer this weekend. We will have guest speakers giving the reflection each week. The session will finish with Benediction.

### **Year of St Joseph**

#### **A daily prayer to St Joseph**

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.

### **COVID REQUIREMENTS**

If you are attending Mass or any other event or meeting in the Brighton Parish you are required to Scan the QR code with your phone. If you do not have a phone then you will be required to sign in. QR codes are located in each area of the Parish. This is a mandatory requirement by the SA Government. We ask for your cooperation in this matter.

Please maintain a 1.5m social distancing whilst in our church or any meeting areas. Thank you for helping to keep us all safe.

### **Do you know about SAPOL's COVID Operations Centre?**

If not, then come along to the McAuley Room in the Activity Centre on Wed March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8pm and hear Sgt Peter Benn from SAPOL explain the fascinating operations of this centre which is paramount to keeping us safe during this COVID 19 pandemic.

This meeting is sponsored by the Knights of the Southern Cross, Brighton, Hallett Cove, Glenelg and St Ann's branch and is open to all parishioners. A donation on the night to assist in the Knights charitable works will be appreciated.

The tablecloths from the Activity centre are still missing. Please check and return them ASAP. Thank you

### **World Day of Prayer**

Each year representatives from many different churches are involved in organising World Day of prayer in their local area. This special service is prepared by residents from a particular country. This year the day features Vanuatu and there will be a service held in St Elizabeth's Anglican Church on Friday March 5<sup>th</sup> at 1.30pm. All welcome.

### **Lenten Evening Prayer - ZOOM**

If you are not able to attend in person, the Lenten Evening prayer is live streamed from Hallett Cove.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84037567118?pwd=VUEvRXNLS3M4T2RhN1hESCtzSTIHQT09>

or via the Hallett Cove parish website

[www.hcparish@adam.com.au](http://www.hcparish@adam.com.au)

Meeting ID: 840 3756 7118

Passcode: 647195

### **FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION**

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March being the Feast of the Annunciation there will be Mass here at St. Joseph's at 10am followed by **Reconciliation** for the Lenten season.

### **Anointing of the Sick Masses during Lent**

- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March, 12 noon at Hallett Cove
- Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March, 10am at Brighton

### **Lenten donations for Vinnies**

Bring along items for Vinnies and place in the boxes in the foyer. We thank you for your support.

**27<sup>th</sup> /28<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Canned Foods

eg Meat, Vegetables, Fish, Fruit, Soup

**6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> March:** Pasta / Pasta Sauce

**13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> March:** Laundry Products eg Washing Powder

**20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> March:** Breakfast Cereal

**27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> March:** Tea, Coffee or Biscuits

### **Fringe Organ Recitals**

St Francis Xavier's Cathedral on Wednesday March 3, 10 and 17. The Archdiocese of Adelaide with the Adelaide Fringe invite you to attend the *Lunchtime Organ Recitals* at the Cathedral. We welcome Jacinta Jakovcevic for the first recital in this series, followed by Dr Amir Robin-Karas and Andrew Georg. Entry is free. All are welcome. Please phone Archdiocesan Events for further information P: 8210 8220.

## **PROJECT COMPASSION**

# **BE MORE**



Margret is a teacher at a vocational school for deaf students in the Solomon

Islands that suffered long-term water shortages and damage from Tropical Cyclone Harold. With Caritas Australia's support, Margret's school installed water tanks, repaired cyclone damage and implemented COVID-19 prevention measures, and is now planning to boost food security.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help people living with disabilities in the Solomon Islands gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to protect our common home.**

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter – Virtual Weekend**

**Love one another as I have loved you (John 15:12)**

A weekend of discovery... a lifetime of love

Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites couples, priests and religious for a virtual marriage encounter weekend to enrich and revitalise your sacrament of service. It gives you the opportunity to grow in your relationship with your spouse or your community. Details are as follows:

**What:** Virtual weekend via Zoom

**When:** April 30 – May 2, 2021

**Time:** Commencing at 7pm on Friday – Concluding 4pm Sunday

**Contact Julie and Zyg Staszyc:**

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<https://www.wwme.org.au>

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