

FIRST READING

A reading from the book Wisdom 1:13-15,
2:23-24

Death was not God's doing,
he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.
To be – for this he created all;
the world's created things have health in them,
in them no fatal poison can be found,
and Hades holds no power on earth;
for virtue is undying.
Yet God did make man imperishable,
he made him in the image of his own nature;
it was the devil's envy that brought death into the
world, as those who are his partners will discover.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*R/. I will praise you, Lord,
for you have rescued me.*

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul
to the Corinthians 2Cor 8:7-9, 13-15

You always have the most of everything – of faith,
of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any
cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we
expect you to put the most into this work of mercy
too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was:
he was rich, but he became poor for your sake,
to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean
that to give relief to others you ought to make things
difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing
what happens to be your surplus now against their
present need, and one day they may have something
to spare that will supply your own need. That is how
we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who
gathered much had none too much, the man who
gathered little did not go short.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ
has done away with death
and brought us life through his gospel.
Alleluia!*

GOSPEL READING

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Mark 5:21-41

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a
large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the
lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up,
Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and
pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter
is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her
to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with
him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing
all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a
haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful
treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she
had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was
getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came
up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak.
'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I
will be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried
up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of
her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone
out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said,
'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him,
'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet
you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look
all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came
forward, frightened and trembling because she knew
what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and
told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your
faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free
from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from
the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your
daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further
trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs
and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have
faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except
Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they
came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the
commotion, with people weeping and wailing
unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all
this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but
asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all
out and, taking with him the child's father and mother
and his own companions, he went into the place where
the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said
to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell
you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began
to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they
were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered
them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told
them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord.



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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B

26th/27th June, 2021

Heavenly Father,

*In you we live and move and have our being,
and while in this body,*

we experience the daily effects of your care.

*Just as the suffering lady boldly
touched Jesus' cloak and found healing,*

Let your healing flow into us, too,

Let us seek and find You

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



FOCUS ON THE WORD: Although Jairus obviously believed that Jesus might be able to do something to help heal his daughter, once news came that she had died he needed a strong reminder from Jesus to not be afraid and to have faith. Was it the example of the woman's faith in Jesus that gave Jairus the strength to continue to believe? Of interest, the girl was 12 years old – the same 12 years the woman suffered with a haemorrhage. For the woman who suffers a serious physical complaint – an unending flow of blood – must have left her physically, emotionally and spiritually exhausted. For many of us there is some aspect of our lives that has an almost equally draining effect as the physical complaint of the woman. In effect, some aspect of our lives may be haemorrhaging – a constant outflow of energy and emotion that prevents us from being all that we might be. It may be an unhealthy relationship; an addiction; a lack of confidence; a grudge; a lack of emotional control. **Have you thought? What's my haemorrhage?** © Greg Sunter

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN: The Parish of St John the Baptist, and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. You can find out more about the church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention

FEAST DAYS Mon 28th June St Irenaeus Tues 29th June Sts Peter & Paul
Wed 30th June First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Sat. 3rd July St Thomas

I have come that you may have life and have it to the full

(John 10:10)

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MASS TIMES:
Saturday 6:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Tuesday 7.00 pm
Wednesday & Thursday 9.15 am
Friday 11.00 am

GLENGOLLAN VILLAGE MASS 1st Friday 2pm

WILLOWBROOK MASS: 3rd Thursday 2pm

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 5.15 pm

BAPTISMS: Either during a weekend Mass or at 12.30pm on the 2nd Sunday of the month. 6 weeks' notice required. Please refer to our Guidelines for Infant Baptism on our Parish Website.

Contact the Parish Office on: 9758 1029 or via email at: office@stjohnthebaptist.net.au

WEDDINGS:
By appointment, 6 months' notice required. Saturdays or weekdays (not Sundays). Contact the Parish Office: on 9758 1029.

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26th / 27th June, 2021
YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

PRAYING FOR...

All who have died recently
Peter Wallace.



Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Amparo M Judit, Anne Daelmans, John Greene, Peter Halliday, Innocenzo Abbatangelo & Luigi Albicini (1 Month).

The sick:, Kathryn Kircos, Peter Thomas, Wilma Neville, Ruby Samtoy, Fame Pelgrim, Elsie Johnson, Barbara Kenny, Anne Jayawardena, Lea Hartley, Cosimo Petracca, Catherine Turner, Patricia Quinn, David Merton, Michael Byrne, Bev McNamara, Anthony McNamara, Victoria Lewis, Nicole Moore, Peter Fairhurst, Hans Whitaker, Edward Osborne, Allida Serafin, Clive Geach.

WEEKDAY ROSARY on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, Rosary will be recited 25 minutes prior to the Weekday Mass. All are welcome to join in the recitation.



GROUP ROSARY SESSION FOR PEACE

Date: *first Saturday each month at 10.30a.m.*
Venue: 37 Lane Road, FTG. All are welcome.
Contact: Pauline Barlow on 9758 5106.

FRIENDSHIP GATHERING will resume on Thursday 1st July, 2021 from 10am -12pm. All are welcome anytime to have a chat, play cards or knit. New members are welcome.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP will resume our meetings at 10.15am – 12.30pm in the Parish Hall, for Prayer and Praise. You can find out more about us at <https://www.ccr.org.au/>

MOTHERS' PRAYERS will resume at 9am in the Meeting room in the Parish Office. Enquiries: 9758 1029

CDFPAY FOR PARISHES – ONLINE PAYMENT PORTAL For those who would like to contribute electronically, this site enables you to make quick and easy online thanks-giving .payments [CDFpay for St John the Baptist Parish, Ferntree Gully](#) Many thanks to all our contributors for your generous support.

THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING, or World Drug Day, is marked on 26th June every year, to strengthen action and cooperation in achieving the goal of a world free of drug abuse. To find out more, go to: [International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking | United Nations](#)

PETER'S PENCE ANNUAL COLLECTION This weekend, we will take up the Peter's Pence collection. Pope Francis uses the collection proceeds to provide emergency assistance and aid to the most disadvantaged around the world. The Peter's Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. Thank you for your generous support.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS will be celebrated on Friday 2nd July at 11am with Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament from 10.00am. All Welcome.

THE NEW COVID-19 GUIDELINES More changes! Religious Gatherings and Ceremonies No overarching venue limit. Density quotient of 1 person per 2 sqm applies when using a covid check-in Marshall, otherwise a density quotient of 1 person per 4 sqm applies. No group limits as from 11:59pm Thursday 24 June 2021 This weekend we will use the online ticketing system for all weekend Masses, through the Eventbrite website. Go to: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/holy-mass-weekend-tickets-159563523795> this link will go-live on **Thursday 24th June. If the restrictions remain as they are, we will not require tickets for next weekend.**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL FESTIVAL MASS All parishioners are invited to join the local SVDP Conference in an annual Festival Mass on Tuesday, 29th June at 7pm.



Members of seven Conferences from the Knox Sherbrooke Region are also invited. There will be light refreshments in our parish hall after mass with a guest speaker.

ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS Are you interested in a monthly game of golf with friendly welcoming people from surrounding parishes? The Niblick Social Golf Club is a Catholic organization of both men and women who enjoy a game of golf and a social get together. Games are played at different public courses on the first Monday of each month, and social activities are enjoyed throughout the year. Membership is only \$30 per year. Why not consider coming along for a game as a guest and meet some new people. For more information contact Peter Finn (President) Ph 0414 818 003

DRAMA CLASSES FOR ADULTS develop your acting, singing, voice and presentation skills. Come and join RISE performing arts. Meet with our friendly trainers during the first free introductory class of the course. 10 week course starts 17th July, 2021. For more information : www.trybooking.com/BRKNT or contact Geraldine on 0413 398 528

THE MARY MACKILLOP HERITAGE CENTRE at 362 Albert Street, East Melbourne is open for pilgrims, parishioners, and community groups on Monday to Friday from 9 am – 5 pm. Come and have a Cuppa with Mary and:

- View a dedicated Museum to Mary and the SOSJ's with emphasis on Victoria.
 - Walk the Mary MacKillop Heritage trail (Virtual tour if preferred), which includes Mary's place of birth (Please register).
 - Sit in a very spiritual and sacred space, the chapel, where Mary walked, lived and prayed.
 - Purchase gifts from a wide range of gifts that includes books, cards, and souvenirs, including products from the Peruvian Women's Project.
- Parish groups are invited to have a special Cuppa with Mary MacKillop on Wed and Fridays from 2 – 3.30 pm (other times by negotiation) for more information, Email: www.mmhc.org.au or Phone: 03 9926 9300

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Join us for our
INFORMATION EVENING
19 July | 7.00 - 8.30pm
Limited places available, so book now!
www.emmaus.vic.edu.au

ROSTERS: Mon 28th June to Sun 4th July, 2021

Flowers	Genevieve W & Gina Pereira
Linen	Sue N
Welcomers	6pm Peter G & Wilma H 9am Joanna C, Thelma B 11am Anna M, Priya F
Lectors	6pm Rosina L 9am Caroline Q 11am Phuong B
Counters	Bryon, Ruby & Guil
Gardening	Carlos E