2ND JULY 2023—YEAR A

Readings at Mass

Entrance Antiphon

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

1st Reading 2 Kings 4:8-11,13-16

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.' One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. He said to his servant Gehazi, 'Call our Shunammitess. Tell her this: "Look, you have gone to all this trouble for us, what can we do for you? Is there anything you would like said for you to the king or to the commander of the army?"' But she replied, 'I live with my own people about me.' 'What can be done for her then?' he asked. Gehazi answered. 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. This time next year,' he said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

Responsorial Psalm 88 For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth. Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. **R.**

Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss. **R**.

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength; by your favour it is that our might is exalted; for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord; our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. **R**.

2Nd Reading Romans 6:3-4,8-11 When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once

for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who call you out of darkness and into his marvellous light. Alleluia.

GOSPEL Matthew 10:37-42

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'



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13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A–2nd JULY 2023



OUR PARISH VISION:

We are a Parish community embracing our Catholic faith and cherishing the Good News of Jesus Christ. Enriched by our diversity, we reach out to others and welcome all into our Parish. In the spirit of Mother Teresa and through our living and praying together, we want to grow strong in faith, hope and in our love for God and one another.

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Parish Calendar — Thirteenth week in Ordinary Time					
Sun, 2nd July13th Sunday in Ordinary Time9:30amMass5pmMassTue, 4th July9amMassWed, 5th July9amMass	Thu, 6th July9amMass9amMass9amMass10amFuneral MassSat, 8th July5:30pmConfessions6pmMass	Sun, 9th July14th Sunday in Ordinary Time9:30am9:30amMass5pmMassMassSchedule			
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Understanding the Word of God

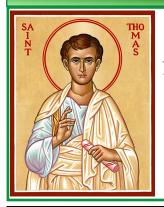
It strikes me that this is important context for us to know in order to understand today's Gospel. By virtue of our baptism, we too are sent. We are all called by name to be apostles, to bring the good news of Jesus to those around us. Today's Gospel reading tells us that the life of an apostle is not an easy one: It involves re-arranging our priorities in ways that are sometimes uncomfortable for us, "Whoever loves father or mother more than me ... whoever loves son or daughter more than me ... whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me."

By saying these things, Jesus is holding up a mirror and asking us to take a look at our priorities: Are we willing to put God above even those we love most, or even above life itself? What things are we willing to leave behind, what risks are we willing to take so that others can know the joy of friendship with Christ?

While it might be easy to fixate on the challenges inherent in bringing the Gospel message to others today's readings also should give us hope that indeed there are people hungry and thirsty for the word of God. In our first reading, we hear about an influential woman of Shunem, who first welcomes the prophet Elisha into her home, and then insists on making him a rooftop suite to host him whenever he visits! Her eagerness to receive the prophet and to listen to his words are rewarded with a promise that she will finally bear a son. Likewise, Jesus tells the apostles that, "whoever receives you receives me and whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward."

Indeed, there are men and women who are ready not only to open their doors and their homes to us, but who are ready to open even their hearts to the good news that we bear! For me, in my work sharing faith with others there's nothing more exciting than to walk alongside men and women eager for the Gospel, for the hope, joy, and love which friendship with Christ brings. Seeing the joy and meaning that fills their hearts upon meeting Christ-makes all the struggle worth it and is its own reward. Who in your life demonstrates great openness to God or spirituality? Who in your life is hungry for more? How might you look for an open door to share the joy of knowing Christ with them? When have you had the opportunity to help another grow in faith, and what was the experience like for you?

Rachel Espinoza



Feast of the Week

St Thomas the Apostle-3 July

Little is recorded of Saint Thomas the Apostle. Nevertheless, thanks to the Gospel of John, his personality is clearer to us than that of some others of the Twelve. Saint Thomas was one of the original twelve Apostles of Christ. He is upheld as an example of faith in our Lord *despite* his seeking of certainty and the doubts that he had.

Rosters—Weekend ~ 8th & 9th July 2023					
Readers Sat 6pm:	Kathleen Anderson & Ferdinand Prajogi	Sun 5pm: JNR Servers	Paul Dwyer		
Sun 9:30am	Michael Parker & Nia Parker	Sat 6pm:	Louise & Emily Murphy		
Sun 5pm:	Fran Rapson	Sun 9:30am	Joshua Gales & Alex Hales		
		Sun 5pm:	Daniel Albert & Raphael Osuji		
Acolytes:					
Sat 6pm:	James Wynne	Counters:	Frances & Stuart Gray		
Sun 9 30am:	Rachel Parker				
Collections 1st Collection: 2nd Collection:		If you would like to continue with your weekly donation, you can set your account for weekly direct deposits: Baldivis Parish BSB 086 006 Account : 181363512			



Parish News



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The **Pilgrim statue of Mary** has started **BECOME A 'ST TERESA VOLUNTEER'** again in our Parish. Everything you contribute helps our Parish grow-If you would like to have Mary in your home for a fortnight, please see Silia and it is a great way to meet fellow parishioners after Mass. Please add your name and contact on **ANY** of the A roster is available in the Narthex. Silia - 0455 969 463 or Ministries listed. You will find a sign on sheet in Kevin-0416 417 487 the Narthex (next to the Newsletters) YOUTH MASS AT SAINT TERESA, BALDIVIS **LEGION OF MARY** We will be having a Youth Mass every 3rd The Legion of Mary Seniors meet on Sunday of the month at the 9.30am Mass. We Monday evenings at 7.00pm in the Legion encourage young people to contribute by of Mary room adjacent to the Altar offering to do the PowerPoint, the Reading of ALL ARE WELCOME. the Word, and also to Join the Choir. It can be a For any enquiries please contact: lot of fun, and it is a wonderful way to join in Kevin Autagavaia on 0416 417 487 prayer. **Mass Offering PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS** If you would like to have a Mass offered for your Come and join us and pray with Our Blessed Mother for special intention. Please take a Mass Offering her Beloved Sons, the priests. Envelope form the table in the Narthex, write On each 1st Friday of the month your intention, give a generous donation and give following 9.00am Mass it to Father with the indication of when you ADORATION + ROSARY + DIVINE MERCY + LITANY would like the Mass to be offered. **COUNSELLING SERVICES** Sometimes the greatest gift we can give is Prayer. St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish is offering Counselling CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM! Services to our parishioners, their families, and Open your phone camera and point it to each of the QR friends. codes to follow our pages! For further details, please contact Dr Simon O Karginoff preferably via a text message on 0481 533 Baldivis 689 or by email: doctork@westnet.com.au **Catholic Parish** (All services strictly confidential) We specialise in the supply & implementation of advance JAK ELECTRICAL SERVICES Domestic, Marine, Caravan, RV & Food Trucks, New security and tracking solution for home & commercial use. Installs, Repairs, Testing and Certification. From consulting design, planning through to installation, integration and ongoing services. Call: Jono 0419815674 (EC010549) For more info please contact: Joseph Mugwanya **BALDIVIS LANDSCAPING SUPPLIES** Phone: +61 8 95232258 577 Eighty Road, Baldivis WA Mobile: +61 414985498 MAK ech 0412 821 152 Email: infor@cmaktech.com Web: www.cmaktech.com Email: baldivislandscapingsupplies@bigpond.com www.baldivislandscapingsupplies.com Do you have any plumbing or gas is: **STELLAR MAINTENANCE SOLUTIONS** are you worried about the cost? Y **Drip Hunter** Small friendly and professional local business offering the after vou. following services : We offer all parishioners a \$50 discount. Lawn mowing and care Call Joel directly on 0439 922 548. **General yard maintenance** You can visit us on Facebook or look at our website: House cleaning driphuntersplumbing.com.au (Discounted rates for new customers & parishioners) Feel free to contact me for obligation free quote Please call Luke Monica and Joel look forward to being at your service. 0474745860 or email

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