



Goulburn Mission Bulletin



17th Sunday Ordinary Time YR C



FIRST READING: Genesis 18:20-32

The Lord said, ‘How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.’ The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, ‘Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?’ The Lord replied, ‘If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.’ Abraham replied, ‘I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?’ ‘No’, he replied ‘I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.’ Again Abraham said to him, ‘Perhaps there will only be forty there.’ ‘I will not do it’ he replied ‘for the sake of the forty.’ Abraham said, ‘I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.’ ‘I will not do it’ he replied ‘if I find thirty there.’ He said, ‘I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.’ ‘I will not destroy it’ he replied ‘for the sake of the twenty.’ He said, ‘I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.’ ‘I will not destroy it’ he replied ‘for the sake of the ten.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3 (R.) Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

1. 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.)
2. 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.)
3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. (R.)
4. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

SECOND READING: Colossians 2:12-14

He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins. You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins. He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Romans 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!
You have received the Spirit which makes us God’s children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke Ask, and it will be given to you. Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, ‘Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.’ He said to them, ‘Say this when you pray: “Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test.”’ He also said to them, ‘Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, “My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him”; and the man answers from inside the house, “Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you.” I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship’s sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants. ‘So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!’ © Liturgy Help 2025



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WEEKEND MASSES	
Saturday -	5pm SPP Goulburn 5pm Taralga
Sunday -	8am (OLOF), 10 am (SPP) 9am (Crookwell)
Binda -	10.30am (1st Sunday)
Marulan -	8.30am (2nd Sun)
Tarago -	8.30am (3rd Sun)
Bungonia:	7pm, Thurs Rosary

CONFESSIONS
SPP: 11.30 -12 (Wed /Thurs/Fri), Sat 4.15pm
OLOF: Sat. 9.30am -10am
Taralga: 4.30pm (1st Sat)
Crookwell: 8.30am (2nd Sun)

ADORATION & BENEDICTION
SPP 11am Fridays
Holy Hour: 2nd & 4th Tuesday 5.30pm OLOF

WEEKDAY MASSES	
Tuesday -	5pm (OLOF),
Wed, Thurs, Fri -	12 noon (SPP)
Friday-	9.30am St Mary's Crookwell
Sat -	9am (OLOF)

Mass Offerings: Please send to office, or central collection boxes.

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BAPTISMS: QKR, WEBSITE OR OFFICE

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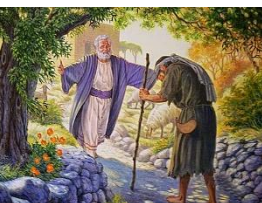
MISSION CALENDAR DATES

July 27: SPP Pruning Party Continues.....
July 30: Ex- St Joseph's students & friends K&GZ 10.15
AUG 1: Friday Parish Survey Closed.
AUG 2: Women's Morning Tea Workers Club: 10.00am
AUG 3: St Joseph's School Mass, Children's Liturgy
AUG 3: Parish Morning Tea after 10am Mass
AUG 6: RCIA info night 6pm SPP Presbytery
AUG 9: SPP Regular Tour Open day 11am
AUG 9: Mary McKillop Coastal Pilgrimage Tour
AUG 13: Crookwell Morning Tea Meeting room
AUG 20: Baptism Enrolment: 7.30pm SPP Presbytery
AUG 24: COUPLES FOR CHRIST 1st Session ST Brigids

REFLECTION

If we've ever wondered 'how to pray' we can find words of guidance in Jesus' instructions to the disciples. He invites us to call God, 'Father' an intimate term which indicates how God see's us, as His children. The words 'may your name be held holy' could also be termed 'Father, may we always honour you, and know how special you are. There is no one else like you.' Jesus encourages us to acknowledge and voice our desire to do God's will in our lives, that Gods Kingdom of love, goodness, mercy, compassion and salvation be our reality. We pray that our needs are met, and that our sins are forgiven. And just as God the Father forgives our sins, we too are called to forgive the sins of others. 'And do not put us to the test' could also sound like 'we pray that we can bear what life brings us, with your grace and with the help of the Holy Spirit'. God wants to hear from us, to speak to us in our hearts. May we always find time to pray to God, to speak to God our Father who loves us more than we can imagine, and who want to give us all we ask for, in the name of His Son.

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Goulburn Mission Notice board

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

CONFIRMATION QKR is live and reading for bookings.

Enrolment: AUGUST 13 Crookwell - August 14 Goulburn

ALTAR SERVER INDUCTION COURSE TO BE RUN IN FIRST WEEKS OF TERM 3



COUPLES FOR CHRIST

MISSION: Building the Church of the Home, Building the Church of the Poor We are Couples for Christ. We are committed to live in God's righteousness and holiness, evangelizing people through a life of love and service. We shall work for the renewal of families that will serve God and build generations of Christian leaders; and we shall pursue Total Christian Liberation through social justice, respect for life, and work with the poor.

August 2 - Soldiers Club Welcome Afternoon Tea- 3pm

August 24 - St Brigid's 1st Seminar 10am - 3pm September 7 - St Brigid's 3rd Seminar 10am - 3pm
August 31 - St Brigid's 2nd Seminar 10am - 3pm September 7 - St Brigid's 4th Seminar 10am - 3pm

TARALGA

Each year we have an evening for parishioners who are considering volunteering in our Parish.

This will be held in the Church at 4.00pm on Saturday 2nd August

Current volunteers are also invited to attend to help answer questions and review and update required paperwork.

WWCC and Safeguarding
Please ensure that you have a valid WWCC, and that your volunteer paperwork is up to date.
goulburn@cg.org.au
0403 631 797

Men's breakfast!
@ The Tatts

August 16th 7.30am-9am
Guest Speaker: Tony Stuart
RSVP- Michael Lamarra
0419 019 304

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS: (RCIA)
Information evening:

Wednesday AUGUST 6th at 6pm SPP Presbytery
Regular Program Commences on
Wednesday AUGUST 20th at 6pm at the Presbytery.
All Adults interested in learning more about their faith, deepening their understanding, or who wish to become a catholic are invited.

Please contact the office on 0403 631 797.

LAST WEEK

Surveys: the link to access the survey is:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfVcfNXUkjuY06wOZReGIhPI1muffNO0gquONlpMi76ruWQk4g/formResponse>

Please continue to contribute the wonderful feedback. The cut off is strictly Friday the 1st August.

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Recently Deceased: Robert Powell, Ron McEntee, Thomas Bourke, Denis Thackeray, Mary Fitzgerald, Gordan McSorley, Peter & Barbara Brown, Ruth-Kirsten Read, Gordon McSorley, Shirley Evans, Margaret Cusack, Richard Robinson, Dale Duvall, Luke Elvins, Connor Wilding -Skelly, Natalie Misfud,

Anniversaries: Kim Woodward- Hunter, John Woodward, Agnes & Ernest Woodward, Petrina Elliott, Austin & Phyllis Corby, Alan & Florrie Roberts, Paul & Marilyn Van Ross, Ken Cummins, Richard Kelly, Barbara Howlett, Richard Heaton, Bryan Kennedy, Margot Brews, Maurie Laws, Thelma Kennedy, Tony Oxley, Anna Peplowski, Antonia Peplowski, David James, Connie Robertson, Pat Byron, Donald Anable, Lorna Watts, Des Thistleton, Rev. Mayne Murphy, Bid Eggleston, Angella Garvina, James O'Rourke, Dulcie & Charles Millynn, Maxine Probert, Thelma Evans,

Prayers: Peg McEntee, Marcus Imbens, Peter & Anne Kelly, Ojwang Family, Jacinta Ojwang, Martin Walsh, Bishop Pat Power, Christine McCormack, David Ojwang, John Murrell, Rosemary Probert, Ruth Read Sr, Anne McIntosh, John Murrell, Baby Cora Berry, Christopher White, Leslie King, Dorothy Brewer

Entrance Antiphon: Cf Psalm 67:6-7,36

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

Communion Antiphon: Matthew 5:7-8

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.

Reading Provided by Fr Dominic:

Prayer is always an act of love. Contemplation can be passively sitting in the presence of God after turning away from all that is going on in your life so that you can turn to God in loving appreciation and just gaze at him knowing that he is sustaining you and the rest of creation in his creative love. By letting go of all else we can then just swim in this love. Prayer is about orienting your life toward God, and the life of prayer is about cherishing that nearness to God. This should foster a deep desire for personal improvement. Spiritual people know life is sacred and try to live by this understanding. The life of prayer must lead you into a deeper relationship with the people of your parish. The prayer that God will always answer is the one where you ask for the grace that leads to your salvation or the salvation of someone else. Imagine a very young child picking up a Matchbox Car and handing it to their father. He receives the car as if his son were giving him a gift. This is a little like our prayer time with God that he receives as a gift.



"The Lord reminds us that fathers do not give their children stones when they ask for bread. He then goes on to say: 'If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!'.... Luke specifies the 'good gifts' that the Father gives; he says 'how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!' (Lk 11: 13). This means that the gift of God is God himself. The 'good things' that he gives us are himself. This reveals in a surprising way what prayer is all about: It is not about this or that, [as we heard last week with Martha and Mary] but about God's desire to offer us the gift of himself—that is the gift of all gifts, the 'one thing necessary.' Prayer is a way of gradually purifying and correcting our wishes and of slowly coming to realize what we really need: God and his Spirit" (Pope Benedict XVI, *Jesus of Nazareth*, Vol 1., p. 136-137).