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### FIRST READING: Ecclesiasticus 3:19-21,30-31

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 67(68):4-7,10-11

**R God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.**

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy. O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. **R**

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place. God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom: **R**

You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. **R**

### SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24a

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God,

the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Matt 11:29ab

Alleluia, alleluia! Take my yoke upon you; learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: Luke 14:1,7-14

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.' Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they can't pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.' St Pauls Missal

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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: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 5.30pm OLOF

Guided Adoration Fridays, 5.30-6pm OLOF

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday -5pm (OLOF),

Friday -12 noon (SPP)

Wednesday, Thursday 7.30 am OLOF, **NOT 12pm 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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### MISSION CALENDAR DATES

SEP 06: Women's Morning Tea 10am workers Club

SEP 06: Men's Rosary Crusade OLOF Forecourt 10am

**SEP 06: 6pm VIGIL MASS CTK & SPP**

SEP 7: Children Liturgy

SEP 7: Father's day Morning tea and retiring collection

SEP10: Crookwell morning tea

SEP 12: St Saviours Craft Group 1.30 St Thomas room

SEP 17: Taralga Prayer group 10 am convent

SEP 17: Baptism enrolment 7.30pm SPP Presbytery

SEP 19: Volunteer Marian procession meeting 6pm

OCT 26: Marian Procession

### REFLECTION:

A wedding banquet is an ideal opportunity to strengthen bonds of friendship, family ties and neighbourliness. What is to be avoided is selfishness that excludes less fortunate people and invites only those who can "pay back" the invitation in some way. Jesus urges his audience to extend their hospitality to new groups: the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind. These are the people who are on the fringes, or on the outside of the village community. People must go beyond the bounds of kinship and close alliance.

The kingdom is not reserved to a select few. God prepares his banquet for everyone: the just and the sinners, the good and the bad, the learned and the uneducated, those on the margins and those rejected and scorned by society.

In the end, the Kingdom of Heaven is the only banquet that counts. To miss out on the that banquet is the greatest tragedy that can happen to anyone. The people at the margins of society have a powerful patron: God. To include them in a table fellowship here on earth is to ensure oneself a place of honour in Heaven.

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### Goulburn Mission Notice board

#### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

**Crookwell** Wednesday St Mary's School Hall- 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm.

**Goulburn** Thursday St Brigid's @ SPP 4pm-5pm

**RETREAT MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER AT STS PETER ABD PAULS SCHOOL**

#### COUPLES FOR CHRIST

August 31 – St Brigid's 2<sup>nd</sup> Seminar 12am - 4pm  
September 7 – St Brigid's 3<sup>rd</sup> Seminar 12am – 4pm  
September 14 – St Brigid's 4<sup>th</sup> Seminar 12am – 4pm

#### Guided Family Adoration

Friday 5.30-6pm OLOF All welcome  
Young families in particular are  
invited to come learn together.

(RCIA)

Wednesday **AUGUST 27<sup>th</sup>** at 6pm at  
the Presbytery.

Please contact the office on 0403  
631 797.

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#### St SAVIOURS CATHEDRAL CRAFT GROUP

2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month in the St Thomas  
Room

Bring along your craft project, and enjoy a  
cuppa

Rev'd Theresa 0408 762 651

#### SUMMER VIGIL MASS TIMES BEGIN

**6PM MASS** CHRIST THE KING AND STS PETER AND PAULS  
BEGINS SATURDAY 6<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**NEW WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE BEGINS:**

**7.30AM MASS** WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT OLOF

(NO 12PM MASS AT SPP ON THESE DAYS)

**11AM ADORATION AND BENEDICTION** FRIDAY SPP

**12PM MASS** FRIDAY SPP

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**Recently Deceased:** Baby Cora, Sue Clarke, Norma Steele, Hazel Wilding, Mary Packham, Joseph Laferla, Beryl Johnson, Robert Powell, Ron McEntee, Thomas Bourke, Denis Thackeray, Mary Fitzgerald,

**Anniversaries:** Natalie Misfud, Geoff O'Brien, Mrs Ena Webb, Deceased members of the Mullen & McGuire families., Daphne Byron, Eileen Mearthy, Margaret Barton, Jim & Betty Hamilton, Hamilton Family Deceased, Harald Falk, Kevin Falk, Patricia Percival, passed and present Members of the Legion of Mary, Sr Marie Jeanne, Perry McCormack, Keith Mackay, John Craicun, Jan Knight, Gregory McIntosh, Lionel, Clementine & Paul McGrath

**Prayers:** Evera Cay, Paul Barling (95 years old!) Bernadette & Anabelle Mikita, Anne McIntosh, John Murrell, Sr Anne McIntosh, John Murrell, Baby Cora Berry, Christopher White, Leslie King, Dorothy Brewer



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**Entrance Antiphon:** Cf. Ps 85: 3, 5

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry  
to you all the day long. O Lord, you  
are good and forgiving, full of  
mercy to all who call to you.

**Communion Antiphon:** Mt 5: 9-10

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they  
shall be called children of God. Blessed  
are they who are persecuted for the  
sake of righteousness, for theirs is the  
kingdom of heaven.

#### Words from Fr Michael Lim,

A great gift of the Second Vatican Council was that of recovering a vision of the Church founded on communion, and regaining also the principle of authority and of hierarchy in this perspective. This has helped us to understand better that all Christians, in as much as baptized, have the same dignity before the Lord and share the same vocation, which is that to holiness (cf. Constitution Lumen Gentium, 39-42). Now we ask ourselves: what does this universal vocation to be Saints consist of? And how can we achieve it?

First of all we must keep very present that holiness is not something that we procure for ourselves; that we obtain with our qualities and our capacities. Holiness is a gift, it is a gift that the Lord Jesus gives us, when He takes us to Himself, clothes us with Himself, and renders us like Himself. In the Letter to the Ephesians, the Apostle Paul affirms that "Christ loved the Church and gave Himself up for her, that He might sanctify her" (Ephesians 5:25-26). There, holiness is truly the most beautiful face of the Church: it is to rediscover oneself in communion with God, in the fullness of His life and of His love. One understands, then, that holiness is not only the prerogative of some: holiness is a gift that is offered to all; no one is excluded, it is what constitutes the distinctive character of every Christian.

All this makes us understand that, to be holy, it is not necessary to be Bishops, priests or religious ... We are all called to become saints! Very often, however, we are tempted to think that holiness is reserved only to those who have the possibility to detach themselves from ordinary tasks, to dedicate themselves exclusively to prayer. But it is not so! Some people think that holiness is closing your eyes and putting on a pious face... No! That is not holiness!

Holiness is something greater, more profound that God gives us. In fact, it is precisely by living with love and offering Christian witness in our daily tasks that we are called to become Saints – and each one in the conditions and in the state in which he finds himself. Are you consecrated? Be holy by living with joy your donation and your ministry.

Are you married? Be holy by loving and taking care of your husband or your wife, as Christ did with the Church. Are you an unmarried baptized person? Be holy by doing your work with honesty and competence and offering time to the service of brothers. "But, father, I work in a factory ... I work as an accountant, always with the numbers, I cannot be a saint there..." - "Yes, you can! There, where you work you can become a saint.

God gives you the grace to become a saint. God communicates with you." Always and everywhere you can become a saint, that is, by being receptive to the grace that is working in us and leads us to holiness. Are you a parent or a grandparent? Be holy by passionately teaching your children or your grandchildren to know and to follow Jesus. And this takes a lot of patience, to be a good parent, a good grandfather, a good mother, a good grandmother, it takes a lot of patience and this patience is the holiness exercising patience.

Are you a catechist, educator or volunteer? Be a Saint by becoming a visible sign of the love of God and of His presence at our side. This is it: every state of life leads to holiness, always! At home, on the streets, at work, at church, in the moment and with the state of life that you have, a door is opened on the road to sainthood. Do not be discouraged to travel this road. God gives you the grace to do so. And this is all that the Lord asks, is that we are in communion with Him and serve others. If lived in communion with the Lord and in the service of others.

Dear friends, in the First Letter of Saint Peter, this exhortation is addressed to us: "As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who utters oracles of God; whoever renders service, as one who renders it by the strength which God supplies, in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ" (4:10-11). See the invitation to holiness! Let us receive it with joy, and support one another, because the path to holiness is not travelled on one's own, each one on his own account, but it is travelled together, in the one Body that is the Church, loved and rendered holy by the Lord Jesus.

Pope Francis