



22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

2nd / 3rd September 2023

Jeremiah 20:7-9

It is obvious that God's knowing of Jeremiah is more than cognitive. It is rather an activity of relationship. Jeremiah stresses the difficulty in fulfilling the cross that he must bear in his life. But he finally acknowledges that God breaks through his resistance and he fulfills his calling.

Next Week: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Ezekiel 33:7-9
Romans 13:8-10
Matthew 18:15-20

Romans 12:1-2

As the apostle to the Gentiles, Paul is conscious of his responsibility to the Romans. He wants to strengthen their faith. He appeals for their dedication to God and for the responsibilities of each of them for the service of all. He begins with the ethical instruction and exhortation of the law of love.

Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus once again confronts the people with the challenges of Christian life. He stresses that each one of them must deny themselves and take up their cross. If we are to follow Christ, each one of us must take up our own cross in order to fulfill our own destiny.

Universal Prayers

- 1 For those who don't have enough to eat or wear, or even shelter to protect them against the elements. We pray to the Lord.
- 2 For those who are sick and poor, ignorant and idle because they have not been given the chances to better themselves through education. We pray to the Lord.
- 3 For those servants of justice in every city who live with danger as they seek to stem the tide of violence that threatens our community. We pray to the Lord.
- 4 For those who are sick in heart and weary of soul who carry the burdens of broken friendships, shattered marriages and failed dreams. We pray to the Lord.
- 5 For those messengers of faith in every parish who are discouraged and lonely because no one seems to share their burden for the world. We pray to the Lord.
- 6 For our fathers who have died, that God may bring them into the joy of His kingdom. We pray to the Lord.

Weekday Liturgical Schedule

Tuesday	Mass	8.00am
Wednesday	Mass	8.00am
Thursday	Mass	8.00am
Friday	Mass	8.00am

Confessions

Wednesday 6th September 11.00am

Mass Intentions

Saturday	2 nd Sept	Frank & Gloria Carlon
Sunday	3 rd Sept	Amos Dalla-Costa
Sunday	3 rd Sept	Patrick Hillsdon
Tuesday	5 th Sept	Meg & Steve Chadwick
Wednesday	6 th Sept	Clem & Rosie Carlon

Please remember in your prayers the many sick of the parish, including Kathleen Ryan.

Also, please remember in your prayers the recently deceased: Vincent O'Connor, Maureen Hogarth, Brian Graham, Carmel de Cure, John Brereton, Margaret Casely.



PLEASE NOTE THESE DATES

Tuesday 5 th September	New Extraordinary Ministers Meeting	10.30am Parish Hall
Wednesday 6 th September	Women at the Mill – Gospel/Coffee	9.30am Behind the Mill Café, Bowral
Monday 11 th September	Catholic Women's League	10.30am Parish Hall
Tuesday 12 th September	Parish Council Meeting	6.00pm Parish Hall
Tuesday 19 th September	Scripture Study	6.00pm Parish Hall
Sunday 24 th September	Solemn Vespers & Benediction	4.00pm St Thomas Aquinas Church
Thursday 28 th September	Conversations with Peter Arkins	10.30am Parish Hall
Friday 20 th October	Parish Trivia Night	6.30pm for 7.00pm Fr Glynn Centre

National Child Protection Week

This week (Sept 3–9) is National Child Protection Week. Affirmation cards for all children in our parish are available at the back of the Church. Please take one (or more) to distribute.

Trivia Night This year the Trivia Night will be held on Friday 20th October in the Fr Glynn Centre, 6.30pm for 7pm start. \$10 per head. Bring your own food and drink. Great raffle prizes to be drawn on the night. To book, please contact the Parish Office. Come by yourself or be part of a table of ten.

Prayer for Fathers on Father's Day

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, his foster father.

Bless all fathers and grandfathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience, give them ability to love in a way that reflects your love.

Support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation.

Help us to love them in a way that would bring honour to You and them. Bless and heal all those wounded by the imperfections of their fathers and grant an eternal rest to our fathers you have called from this life to yourself, through Jesus Christ Lord.

Amen



A Woman's Opportunity to Live a Cursillo 3 Day Weekend

Do you feel there is more to your life? Is your Spiritual life a little sluggish at the moment?

Join fellow Catholic women as we explore our faith and discuss where this faith is taking us. Father Chris Roberts is our Spiritual Director and will offer Mass daily.

Our next weekend is being run at Carmel House, Varroville (set in the scenic hills of the Macarthur region), from the evening of Thursday 5th October until Sunday afternoon, 8th October.

Please phone Geraldine on 0421 329 365 or visit www.cursillo.asn.au for more information on what Cursillo is.