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## 25<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2020 – THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**LOVING GOD IN OTHERS:** Christ said that his command that all should love others is like his command that they should love God. One kind of love is involved in the other. In fact, the one kind should become the other. There is a solidarity in the human race arising from their common origin in God and their common redemption by Christ. Because of this latter, we are all united in a mystic union. God willed that the incarnation should become, in some real sense, a reincarnation in every person so that all should relive in their lives the life of Christ. For Christ, when he died upon the cross, and rose again from the tomb, had not only a physical body, but a new mystical body of which he desired that all should be members.

Fundamentally then the reason why we should love our neighbour is because we see the divine Christ in them. It is Christ who lives in under-developed countries, who is homeless, hungry and naked; it is Christ who lives in slum conditions with no proper roof over his head or normal human amenities. It is Christ who suffers in hospitals, who has cancer or is crippled or blind. It is Christ who is old and lonely with no friends and little money. The last Vatican Council stressed the importance of love of others. In the document on the Church it said: *To those who believe in divine love, Christ give assurance that the way of love lies open to all, and that the effort to establish a universal brotherhood is not a hopeless one.* It cautions them, at the same time, that this love is not something to be reserved for important matters but must be pursued chiefly in the ordinary circumstances of life. Everyone in their daily dealings with people must come across plenty of instances where they could show love to someone in need.

**Masses and Prayers:** Marie Therese (Jenaine) Leeyee, recently deceased., Joseph Degabriele (ann), Luca Tolic (dec 14/7/20), Marty Pavkovic (dec), John Quinlan (ann.28/10), Robert Melvin (ann,25/10),

**Imposition of restrictions concerning Churches.** From Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October, restrictions on Church attendance have been eased. There is now a limit of 300 people who can attend Mass, provided the 4 square metre per person rule is adhered to. However, our Church will hold at least forty persons according to this regulation, any overflow would have to be accommodated in the Marion Hall. There is still the requirement of taking names and contact details of attendees.

The Government has recommended the wearing of face masks when people are in crowded places, such as shopping centres, supermarkets, public transport, and *places of worship*. This is not mandatory, but strongly recommended given the length of time people are together at Mass.

Parishioners who elect to attend Mass during the pandemic should consider the safety of other parishioners by staying away if they are unwell, and if so, getting tested and self-isolating while awaiting the results. It is also advisable that parishioners only attend Mass in their own parish and not move from parish to parish.

Please note, with the social distancing rule, only a maximum of fifty persons can be accommodated in the Church.

Confessions are now available before the 5 pm Vigil Mass (4 pm to 4.45 pm).



**PLANNED GIVING:** Your contribution to the 2nd collection goes towards the running and upkeep of our parish, and 30% of what you donate is eligible for a tax deduction.

**TAX RECEIPTS for 2019-2020** are now available, if you wish to receive a tax receipt please email: [oatleycc@bigpond.net.au](mailto:oatleycc@bigpond.net.au)

**New Contributors:** Please refer to the planned giving form, which can be accessed on the website under **DONATIONS**, if you wish to become part of our regularly giving programme at St Joseph's Parish Oatley. Upon completion of the form please email to [oatleycc@bigpond.net.au](mailto:oatleycc@bigpond.net.au)

Alternatively if you wish to donate on an ad hoc basis to the Church Account (Second Collection), there is a Bpoint facility below on this website under "Donations" on the menu. Please follow the links.

Envelope packs are available in the Church foyer to be picked up after Mass if you have not done so yet.

*Thank you for your contributing to St. Joseph's Parish. I am very appreciative of your ongoing generosity and commitment to support our Parish in achieving its Pastoral Mission and meeting ongoing expenses. Fr. Paul.*

## **Sunday Mass** **25<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

### **THE INTRODUCTORY RITES**

#### **Entrance Procession**

*Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;  
turn to the Lord and his strength;  
constantly seek his face.*

#### **Penitential Act**

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.  
May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life.  
Amen.

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
**Lord, have mercy.**

#### **Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

### **Collect**

Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God,  
increase our faith, hope and charity,  
and make us love what you command,  
so that we may merit what you promise.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD** (Refer to your Sunday Missal or Liturgy Sheet)

### **PROFESSION OF FAITH (Nicene Creed)**

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,

born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
*At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.*  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **UNIVERSAL PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

*My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, having turned toward serving the  
true and living God, let us pray in the name of Jesus.*

1. That the Church may live in her own communities, the love of God and neighbor that she preaches to others. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
2. That governments may make humane provisions for resident aliens and open borders to those seeking refuge from poverty and repression. *Let us pray to the Lord.*

3. That children, the handicapped and all vulnerable members of our society may find compassion and cooperative care from the Christian community. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
4. That families and individuals struggling to carry burdens of unemployment and debt may find assistance and aid from those who mirror God's own compassion. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
5. That those newly baptized into the flock of the Lord and those who are confirmed with the gift of the Holy Spirit may find life in all its fullness as they are nourished with the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
6. That those who served the living and true God in this life may now be welcomed by the Son whom God raised from the dead. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
7. That the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of all Consolation, will assist us in our journey of faith. **HAIL MARY.**

*Grant our prayers, Heavenly Father, for we strive to love you, as we love one another, taught by your only Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
AMEN.*

### **Pope Francis Prayer for protection from Coronavirus**

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you. Health of the sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, our Salvation, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the Joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

## **Our Spiritual Communion**

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be *etc.*

## **Communion Antiphon**

*We will ring out our joy at your saving help  
and exult in the name of our God.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray.

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray,  
perfect in us what lies within them,  
that what we now celebrate in signs  
we may one day possess in truth.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## **BLESSING**

May the Lord bless us and keep us.

May he let his face shine upon us  
and show his mercy towards us.

May he turn his countenance towards us  
and give us his peace

May Almighty God bless us all, in the name of the Father, and of Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

*Let us praise the Lord and glorify him in our lives.* Thanks be to God!

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