



ONGOING MISSION

In the verse preceding today's Gospel, we learn that Jesus 'went about among the villages teaching' (Mark 6:6b). In the context of this activity, Jesus sends out the Twelve, and we are given a glimpse of the experience of the early missionaries, something we also find in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Importantly Mark records that Jesus gives them authority over unclean spirits. They are now able to heal as he did.

Going out two by two, they emulate the Old Testament law of witness (Deuteronomy 17:6; 19:15) as well as replicating the way they were called – in pairs. The details of their garb might seem strange to us. Taking a staff is not only helpful for walking but also adds protection. The specifics of 'no bread, no bag, no money' distinguishes them from Cynic preachers, as does having only one tunic and will allow them to be recognisable as participants in Jesus' mission. Wearing sandals distinguishes them from barefoot slaves or from those who could wear boots. They are to stay with people who welcome them and so as travellers they may be offered hospitality.

The results of their mission are made evident, and their activity comes to the ears of Herod, yet their identity as Jesus' disciples is still unclear. They are thought to belong to John the Baptist. The context of mission in the days of Jesus is a far cry from today. How are we called and sent out today? What is our sense of proclaiming the Good News in the world?

Dr Rosemary Canavan

and have believed it:
and you too have been stamped with the seal
of the Holy Spirit of the Promise,
the pledge of our inheritance
which brings freedom for those whom God has
taken for his own,
to make his glory praised.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Eph 1: 17-18
Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our
heart that we might see how great is the
hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mk 6: 7-13
A reading from the holy Gospel according
to Mark.

He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance: and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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FIRST READING

Am 7: 12-15

A reading from the prophet Amos.

Go, prophesy to my people.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah. 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 84: 9-14. R. v. 8

R. Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, / a voice that speaks of peace, / peace for his people. / His help is near for those who fear him / and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; / justice and peace have embraced. / Faithfulness shall spring from the earth / and justice look down from heaven. **R.**
3. The Lord will make us prosper / and our earth shall yield its fruit. / Justice shall march before him / and peace shall follow his steps. **R.**

SECOND READING

Eph 1: 3-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus

Christ,
who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.
Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ,
to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence,



determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ, for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved, in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth. And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation,



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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 14th July 2024)
 St Joseph's Catholic Church, 30 Fitzgerald Street
 St Thomas Aquinas' Church, 43 Bromby Street

In the Pastoral Care of the AUGUSTINIANS

- ▶ Fr Luca Park OSA Parish Priest
- ▶ Fr Marydas Arackal OSA Assistant Priest
- ▶ Fr Matteo Cho OSA (Korean Chaplain)
- ▶ Fr Brian Buckley OSA Prior

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OUR PARISH AND THE AUGUSTINIANS

Commit to creating an environment where the safety of children and vulnerable persons is paramount. All volunteers are required to have a Working With Children Check.

Pastoral and Administrative Support

- ▶ Stefphy Coosnapa (Parish Pastoral Assistant) ▶ Juliet Oei (Business & Facilities Manager: Wed - Fri)
- ▶ Safeguarding: Stefphy Coosnapa ▶ Bernadette Dennis (St Joseph's Outreach Services)
- ▶ Toni Stuart (Parish Secretary, Weddings & SJOS Volunteer Co-ordinator: Tues/Thurs/Fri)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

St. Joseph's • 10.30am Mass
 Fourth Sunday of the month
 (except school holidays and long weekends)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Joseph's • Sat: 5.15pm – 5.45pm, by appointment or before/after Weekday Mass

ANOINTING / HEALING MASS

(Sacrament of the Sick) First Tuesday of the month 10am at St Joseph's Church

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME

Anyone ill or housebound may contact us to request a visit for communion at home.

EVENTS AND MEETINGS

- ▶ 1st Communion Preparation: 19 & 20 July
- ▶ Liturgy Committee: Thurs 18 July 6pm

AUGUSTINE – THE CHRISTIAN LIFE



"The Word of the Lord abides forever." If you hold fast to the Word that he may give you eternal life, that's when it comes into its own. When people are thinking about temporal and earthly

things, about adding wealth to wealth, increasing their deposits in numbered accounts, about glittering with honours and swelling with power, in that day shall perish all their thoughts. You however, if you were thinking, because you have become a Christian, not about temporal felicity but about everlasting rest, when your body returns to its earth, that's when your soul finds its rest." (Sermon 33A)

CHILDREN'S FIRST COMMUNION



Preparation classes for children making their First Communion will begin on Friday 19th July. Please contact Stefphy at the parish office if you would like to enrol your child.

PARISH BAPTISM

We welcome the family and friends of Lennox Kereopa who is to be baptised in our parish this weekend.



IN LOVING MEMORY



Anniversaries

- ✦ Domenico Tesoriero ✦ Gordon Dennis
- ✦ Thomas Bong Se Guan ✦ Patricia Hunt
- ✦ Raphy Hennequin-Ruske ✦ Renato Dixon
- ✦ Albert Netto ✦ Stefania Coelho
- ✦ Marie Louise Simpson ✦ Margaret Bennett
- ✦ Daniel Leow Chin Meng



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - JULY 10th MEETING REPORT

The Parish Council met during the week and was addressed by Daniel Dorall the chair of SJOS about current issues of importance for the parish. The council noted the recent consecration of St Peter's Church Toorak. Some representatives attended the event and extended our congratulations. Forthcoming significant events in the next couple of years include the 2025 Holy Year and the 50th anniversary of the coming of the Augustinians to the parish in 2026.

VISIT OF FR MICHAEL



During the week we were pleased to welcome back Fr Michael Sullivan, a former parish priest, for a brief visit to South Yarra and other Augustinian visitors from Korea and Vietnam.

THANK YOU

We appreciate the time our volunteers dedicate to assisting in many ways in our parish. Thank you.

MASS COLLECTIONS 7/07/2024

Clergy (Augustinian Community)	
1 st Collection, CDF & bank deposits.	\$ 569.10
Church (Parish Ministries)	
2 nd Collection	\$ 250.70
Envelopes.....	\$ 110.00
Direct Debit/EFT/ CDF Pay/ Cr Cards	\$ 1140.00
Tap Point Terminals.....	\$ 470.00
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>	

Liturgical Calendar for the week commencing 14th July 2024

DAY	ST JOSEPH'S	ST THOMAS AQUINAS'
	TIME	TIME
Saturday 13 th July	6.00pm Vigil Mass	
Sunday 14 th July 15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.30am Mass	9.00am Mass
Monday 15 th July St Bonaventure		
Tuesday 16 th July 15 th Week in Ordinary Time	10.00am Mass	12.45pm Mass
Wednesday 17 th July Bl Magdalene Albrici	10.00am Mass	12.45pm Mass
Thursday 18 th July 15 th Week in Ordinary Time	10.00am Mass	12.45pm Mass
Friday 19 th July 15 th Week in Ordinary Time	10.00am Mass	12.45pm Mass
Saturday 20 th July 15 th Week in Ordinary Time	9.00am Mass	

2024 CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL

At parish Masses this weekend we conduct the annual appeal by using the envelopes provided at the church door and return them this week or next weekend on the collection plate. This year's appeal focuses on projects within Mongolia, to help deliver essential services to people in need. Thank you for your generous support.



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Robert Huggins, Margaret Wallin, Mark Ho, June Cochrane, Ronald Seaman, Mitos Gloudeans, Anne Rigg, Ced John Netto, Julie Mahony, Paul Chong, Larissa Popowski, Isabella Chong, Thomas Bedier, Luke Dennis, Sonia Guzman, Damien Ryan, Stephen Soh, Anne Morton, Cecil D'Cruz.