



STS PETER & PAUL'S

CATHOLIC PARISH

SOUTH MELBOURNE



Under the Pastoral care of the Capuchin Friars

13th June 2021

11th Sunday Ordinary Time (B) Sunday

Tree of Righteousness

In the cryptic message of the prophet Ezekiel, long centuries before the Lord's coming, God gave His people reason to hope. Ezekiel glimpsed a day when the Lord God would place a tree on a mountain in Israel, a tree that would "put forth branches and bear fruit." Who could have predicted that the tree would be a cross on the hill of Calvary, and that the fruit would be salvation?

Ezekiel foresees salvation coming to "birds of every kind"—thus, not just to the people of Israel, but also to the Gentiles, who will "take wing" through their new life in Christ. God indeed will "lift high the lowly tree," as He solemnly promises. Such salvation surpasses humanity's most ambitious dreams. And so we express our gratitude in the Psalm: "Lord, it is good to give thanks to you." It is indeed good, and better still to give thanks with praise. The Psalmist speaks of those who are just upon the earth, but looks to God as the source and measure of justice, of righteousness. Like Ezekiel, he evokes the image of a flourishing tree to describe the lives of the just. The image, again, suggests the Cross as the measure of righteousness.

The Cross is a sign of contradiction to those who would rather "flourish" in worldly terms. As St. Paul emphasizes to the Corinthians, we need courage. Our faith makes us strong, and it is proved in our deeds. He reminds us that we will be judged by the ways our faith manifests itself in works: "so that each may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil."

God Himself will empower the works He expects from us, though we freely choose to correspond to His grace. In the prophetic oracles, He scattered the seed that sprang up and became the mustard tree, large enough to accommodate all the birds of the sky, just as Ezekiel had seen. He gave this doctrine to His disciples in terms they were able to understand, and He provided a full explanation. In the sacraments He provides still more: the grace of faith and the courage we need to live in the world as children of God.

Scott Hahn

ABOUT OUR PARISH

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MASS TIMES

Sunday 8am & 10am

Saturday 6pm (Vigil)

Mon - Sat: 8am

Confession Times:

(currently no confession)

Sat after 8am Mass

Sat 5:15pm

Emerald Hill Mission (EHM)

0409 417 412 (EHM)

"There is no fear in love, but perfect love cast out fear"

1 John 4:18



THLS502 Liturgical Music Professional Learning Seminar



LECTURER

Professor Clare Johnson

Clare Johnson is Professor of Liturgical Studies and Sacramental Theology at ACU and Director of the ACU Centre for Liturgy. She is Chair of the National Liturgical Music Council advising the Bishops Commission for Liturgy. She will be joined by guest presenters for special sessions of THLS502.

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Music is an integral part of the Church's liturgy – a living art form that voices the Church's prayer and theology in an unsurpassable way. This unit explores the nature of liturgical music, its history, theology, and practise.

With a focus on the Catholic Church's official teaching on music from Vatican II onward, this unit investigates theological principles and contextual issues to be considered when choosing appropriate music for liturgical use. After providing a general introduction to the Catholic Church's definition, documentation and practise of liturgical music, this unit studies the functions, forms, and roles of music in the liturgy today. It identifies what constitutes suitable liturgical music and explores how to choose fitting music for different liturgical moments, purposes, and genres of liturgical texts, and how to evaluate what makes music effective in liturgy as a powerful means for bonding an assembly in its worship of God.

ADVANCE YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Musicians, liturgists, clergy, teachers, pastoral associates, parishioners and all who have an interest in Catholic Liturgical Music are welcome to register for this professional learning seminar (not for academic credit with no assessments) which is also being offered as a postgraduate unit (for academic credit or audit). This rich face-to-face learning opportunity will provide you with access to your choice of 12 learning hours drawn from Professor Johnson's lectures and special sessions with guest presenters. Learning session descriptions can be viewed at

www.acu.edu.au/THLS502-Sessions

DETAILS

5, 6, 7 & 8 July 2021, 9am-5pm
Face-to-face at ACU's Melbourne Campus

COST

The cost of the Professional Learning Seminar is \$450 per person (for 12 contact hours over 8 sessions in total).

REGISTRATIONS

Register and sign up for your choice of learning sessions by 28 June 2021 at

www.acu.edu.au/PL-CfL

CONTACT

For more information contact us at CentreforLiturgy@acu.edu.au.

The Liturgical Music Professional Learning Seminar is aligned to Australian Professional Standards for Teachers 1.5.2, 2.1.2 and 6.2.2 (Proficient Level). Teachers in Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, Western Australia and the Northern Territory can submit their participation in the seminar as professional development hours. Further information about logging hours in your state or territory is available at <http://www.acu.edu.au/teacherpd-clf>.



PRAYING

God loves us with the tenderness of a doting parent and longs to be in a close and trusting relationship with us. Like any good relationship, regular quality time is needed in order for the relationship to develop. Prayer is how we talk to our loving God; it is also how we listen for what God might be saying to us. St Teresa of Avila described it as 'a close sharing between friends'.

Prayer is integral to faith. In prayer, we invite God into all the details of our lives. We express our thanks, our praise, our concerns, our sorrow and regret, knowing we are deeply loved by a forgiving God. While it might feel awkward at first, launching into a conversation with God demonstrates our trust—not just that God is there and is listening, but that God will respond and is more than capable of meeting our needs.

We don't need to wait until we feel worthy or 'spiritual' enough to pray. God wants to meet us just as we are. Nor do we need to be anxious about what words to use. The Bible says, 'when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words' (Romans 8:26).

Just as infants learn to speak in the context of their families, we learn to pray in the context of God's family, the Church. Prayer is as much a communal act as it is as a personal or individual one.

Praying the prayers of the Church connects us not only to God and to those with whom we gather, but also to Christians around the world and through all the ages. Memorising some prayers from the Catholic Church's rich prayer tradition, and repeating them often, is an excellent way of learning to pray. The prayer that Jesus himself taught his followers, the Lord's Prayer (the Our Father), is a great place to start. Most of all, we invite you share who you are—your deepest desires, dreams, worries and concerns—with our loving God. He is always ready and waiting to receive you.

Source <https://www.catholic.org.au/>

FEAST OF THE WEEK

Albert Chmielowski's

17th June



Saint Albert Chmielowski's Story

Born in Igolomia near Kraków as the eldest of four children in a wealthy family, he was christened Adam. During the 1864 revolt against Czar Alexander III, Adam's wounds forced the amputation of his left leg.

His great talent for painting led to studies in Warsaw, Munich, and Paris. Adam returned to Kraków and became a Secular Franciscan. In 1888, when he founded the Brothers of the Third Order of Saint Francis, Servants to the Poor, he took the name Albert. They worked primarily with the homeless, depending completely on alms while serving the needy regardless of age, religion, or politics. A community of Albertine sisters was established later.

Pope John Paul II beatified Albert in 1983, and canonized him six years later. His liturgical feast is celebrated on June 17.

Please remember in your prayers and Masses the following people who are ill:
Sr Annunciata, Valda Hogan, Flo O'Hara, Sr Joyce Stewart, Peter Wood, Vandersman Family, Joanne Kilmer, Lilliana Bobadilla, Ruby Roxa, Eunice Costa, Richard Fennessy, Giovanna Santarossa, James Burnes, James Atkins, Jeff Martin, Naomi McSweeney, Miles Buntleski, Maria Cimino, Teresa Sheehan, Bob White, Joseph Barbara, Helen Keighery, Dale Cocker, Grace.



11th Sunday of ordinary time

Entrance Antiphon: O Lord hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. So not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

1st Reading – Ezekiel 17:22-24

The newly-planted cedar is an allegory of how God's people will grow to be a safe shelter for all.

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night.

The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar.

Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is nothing wrong.

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

2nd Reading – 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Paul is intent on living in a way that is pleasing to God.

Alleluia Alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live forever. Alleluia!

Gospel – Mark 4:26-34

Jesus uses two parables to describe what the kingdom of God is like.

Next week's readings:

1 st	Job 28: 8-11
2 nd	2 Corinthians 5:14-17
Gospel	Mark 4:35-41

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

We pray together:

We pray for Pope Francis, that he will continue to lead the church on the path of inclusion and hospitality.

We pray for front-line health workers in lands where the coronavirus remains uncontained, that vaccination will keep them strong and safe.

We pray for the Church in Australia may it be a community which is called to care for the vulnerable, welcome the stranger, and make present the goodness of God's kingdom among people.

We pray in union with the sick and frail of our parish. May they continue to feel part of the church, through the outreach of communion ministers and friends.

We pray for those people who through their ministries provide support and comfort to those who are in need.

We remember with compassion our family and friends who have gone before us. Hold them in your keeping, especially those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Edna Lippold, John Darcy, Albert Brasher, Mary Moloughney, Irene Brasher.

Collections: June 5/6, 2021

1st Collection : -

2nd Collection : -

Online (May) per week: \$1,040

1st Collection goes to the Friars, and the 2nd collection goes to the running costs of the Parish.

EFT Donations:

Account Name: Parish SS Peter & Paul

BSB: 083 155

Account number: 515577466

	Readers	E.M.E	Flower Arrangement
Sat 05	Geraldine C		Geraldine F & Sue
Sun 06	Eileen & Rick	Aline	
Sat 12	Janet		Doris & Hai
Sun 13	Mario & Gerry	Rick	