

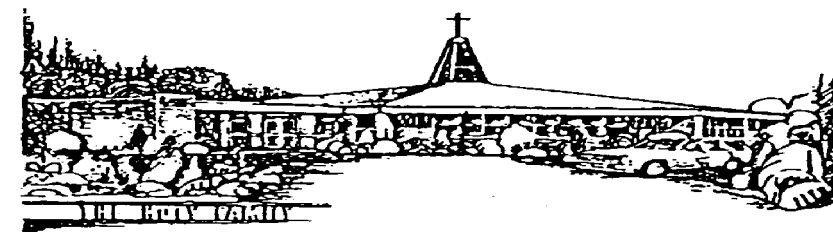
**Readings for 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent Year C/2****FIRST READING:** Deut 26:4-10 : The confession of faith of the elect.**Ps : Shepherd Me, O God (sung)****SECOND READING:** Rom 10:8-13 : The confession of faith of the believers in Christ.**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Phil 2:15-16))** Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! (Mt 4:4) Alleluia!**GOSPEL:** Lk 4:1-13 : Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness where he was tempted.**Weekly Diary : 7<sup>th</sup> March – 13<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup>** : 8.00am. Mass followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>** : 9.30am. Mass followed by Rosary

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>** : 5.00pm. : 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent Year C/2  
**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>** : 7.00 am. + 9.00 am. : 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent Year C/2

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED****PRAYER:** O Lord Jesus Christ, rest your weary ones, bless your dying ones, soothe your suffering ones, pity your afflicted ones, shield your joyous ones, and all for your love's sake. Amen. (St Augustine)

Prayers have been requested for the following :

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Jure Selak (George), Patrick Thomas Powell, Peter John Smith, Joan Manning**ANNIVERSARIES:** Liwanag C. de Luna, Henry Dyer, Michael Penridge, Peter Crowe, Jesus & Salustia Balasabas, Julie Victoria, Saneng David, Eulalia Vizon, Giuseppe Cini,**SICK LIST:** Geoffrey Eaborn, Margaret Cotton, Frank Balinas, Lavinia Azucena, Marta Szysz, Riley Dodds, Mary Carrick, Kayden Chong, Ruth Stretton, Gerard Bijoux, Peter O'Rourke, Fr. David Wilson S.M., Rhalda Leonard, Sasha Whelan, Ann Daly, Bernard Murphy, Marie Roberts, Romulo Salilig, Peter Pape, Beverly Holley, Orazio Smeralda, Darren Pascoe, Peter Smith (Ashmore), Joe McAloon, Madeline Hodgetts, Marie Turnbull, Christine Kyriakides, George Kyriakides, Morris Lynch, George Docherty, Christina Ang, Sofia Bean, Vivienne Mitchell, Shingo Sawabe, Sonia D'Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Juliet Wee, Jean Di Benedetto, Marie Dupois, Abigail O'Donell, Terry Owsnett, Ronald Sincock, Dolares Kelly, Mary McDonnell, Bill Walker, Courtney Blount, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Baby Charlie Shirran, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Ken Hannam, Gail Callaghan**HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY****1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent Year C/2****Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2022****PARISH PRIEST**  
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holyfamilycatholicchurchrunawaybay**Hours:**  
8.30am—3.00pm  
Monday—Tuesday  
8.30am-1.00pm  
Wednesday-Thursday  
(closed FRIDAY)**Reconciliation:**  
Please contact the Parish  
Office.**Baptisms**  
Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday & Sunday at 11am.  
Please contact the Parish  
Office.**St Francis Xavier School:**  
Principal : Paul Rees  
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Thank you for supporting COVID-19 contact tracing efforts  
and doing your bit to keep Queenslanders safe.**HELLO! From Fr Marty**

*"Our greatest business in life  
is not to see what lies dimly at a distance,  
yet to do what clearly lies at hand."*  
Thomas Carlyle



*A psalm for all that is going on here in Queensland  
and throughout the world.*

**Psalm 86****A prayer of David.**

<sup>1</sup> Hear me, Lord, and answer me,  
for I am poor and needy.  
<sup>2</sup> Guard my life, for I am faithful to you;  
save your servant who trusts in you.  
You are my God; <sup>3</sup> have mercy on me, Lord,  
for I call to you all day long.

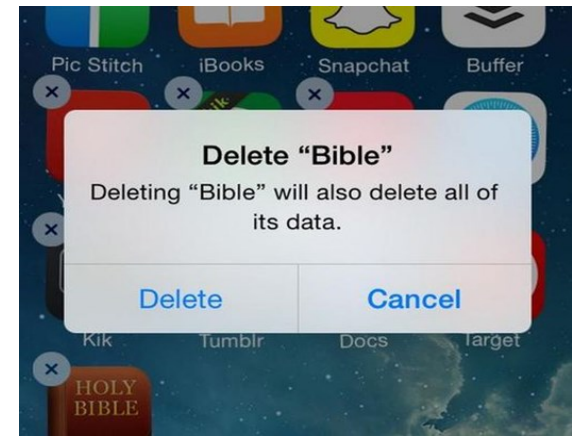
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- <sup>4</sup> Bring joy to your servant, Lord,  
for I put my trust in you.
- <sup>5</sup> You, Lord, are forgiving and good,  
abounding in love to all who call to you.
- <sup>6</sup> Hear my prayer, Lord;  
listen to my cry for mercy.
- <sup>7</sup> When I am in distress, I call to you,  
because you answer me.
- <sup>8</sup> Among the gods there is none like you, Lord;  
no deeds can compare with yours.
- <sup>9</sup> All the nations you have made  
will come and worship before you, Lord;  
they will bring glory to your name.
- <sup>10</sup> For you are great and do marvelous deeds;  
you alone are God.
- <sup>11</sup> Teach me your way, Lord,  
that I may rely on your faithfulness;  
give me an undivided heart,  
that I may fear your name.
- <sup>12</sup> I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart;  
I will glorify your name forever.
- <sup>13</sup> For great is your love toward me;  
you have delivered me from the depths,  
from the realm of the dead.

**Thought for the week.**

This is an abstract quote. Have a think about it.



**Second Rite of Reconciliation,  
29<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm**

This will be held on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> of  
March at 6pm.

The first rite of Reconciliation is still  
being celebrated, yet not in the church.  
It will still be by appointment in the  
office.

Please feel free to call to make an  
appointment.

**Reflection on the Gospel**



In the second temptation Jesus is offered glory if he worships Satan. Jesus replies with a quotation that refers to the weakness of the Israelites when they worshipped other deities. Jesus, on the other hand, remains firm in his commitment to the one God. Finally, Satan tempts Jesus to jump from the highest point of the Temple in Jerusalem and again Jesus in response quotes from Deuteronomy alluding to the time when the Israelites provoked God at Massah by doubting that God was with them and caring for them. In every case the Israelites failed God while Jesus passes with flying colours. Luke is pointing to Jesus as the divinely anointed messiah of Israel who will overcome evil in establishing the reign of God.

Both Matthew and Luke are reflecting a tradition that grew up in early Christianity about the temptations of Christ. The tradition has stylised the temptations presenting them in the classic three and relating them in theological fashion to Jesus' messianic mission. That Jesus had a conversation with the Satan is quite unlikely, but that is not the point. Matthew and Luke are giving us a richly symbolic narrative that is a literary way of showing how Jesus wins out in the face of temptation where the Israelites under Moses in the desert failed the test. Putting theology aside for a moment we can appreciate how the human Jesus withdrew into the desert to work out his next move.

He was certainly driven by the Spirit to recognise a prophetic call. His question was, do I take the plunge and work publicly as a prophet and risk being vilified and persecuted, like John and all the prophets of the past, or do I just settle back in Nazareth in anonymity and safety? This was a dramatic turning point in his life, at age 32 or so. The desert experience was clearly a time of prayer and discernment. We know that Jesus not only went ahead and took the risk but did so with a passion that was expressed in deep commitment to the divine call. He braced himself for the times when he would be lonely, misunderstood even by his closest friends, criticised and persecuted. Jesus exemplified the truth of another of Meister Eckhart's wise remarks: *The price of inaction is far greater than the cost of making a mistake*. Courage and commitment relying on God's infinite compassion assured Jesus that he would be metaphorically borne up by angels and sheltered under the wings of the Most High. Am I driven to inaction by fear and anxiety, or am I prepared to take a risk?

(Laurie Woods, 2022)