



St Kieran's Parish – Osborne Park

Eighteen Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

3rd August 2025

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: **Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21–23**

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity! For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

The Word of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Ps 89:3–6, 12–14, 17**

Response: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge

You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. **R.**

You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning in the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. **R.**

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us give success to the work of our hands. **R**

SECOND READING: **Colossians 3:1–5, 9-11**

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him. That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed,

which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and, in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

The Word of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **Mt 5:3**

Alléluia, alléluia !

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alléluia !

GOSPEL: **Luke 12:13-21**

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs. Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to, do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say, to my soul: 'My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time.'" But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So, it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'"

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PARISH SCHEDULE	
SATURDAY	
8:00am	Mass
6:30pm	Mass
7:30pm	Mass (longer liturgy)
SUNDAY	
8.00am	Mass
9:00am	Mass
10:15am	Mass (Italian)
11.15am	Mass (Brazilian-every 2 nd Sunday)
TUESDAY	
8:00am	Mass
WEDNESDAY	
8:00am	Mass
THURSDAY	
7:30am	Adoration
8:00am	Mass
FRIDAY	
8:00am	Mass
BAPTISM	
1 ST & 3 RD Sunday	11:15am/During any mass Or by appointment
CONFESSION	
Saturday 8:20am & 6:00pm/ by appointment	
WEDDINGS & FUNERALS	
By appointment	
PARISH CONTACTS	
Parish Priests	Fr. Wilson Donizzetti Fr. Oscar Aguilera Fr. Gionata Pagani
Parish Co-ordinator	Judith Tresham
Parish Secretary	Margaret Leonard Pat Richards
Safeguarding Officer	Rose Arto
Parish Hall bookings	Judith: 0437908793
PARISH OFFICE HOURS	
Monday & Wednesday	Closed
Tuesday	8.30am - 12.30pm
Thursday	12.30pm – 4:00pm
Friday	10.00am – 2:30pm
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MASS INTENTIONS		
Sat	6:30pm	
	7:30pm	
Sun	8:00am	Douglas Tresham (50 Yr Anniversary) Raymond Davids (14 Yr Anniversary)
	9:00am	Amorino Gesualdo (1 Yr Anniv) Giuseppe Letizia (28 Yrs RIP) John David Hay (1 Yr Anniv)
	10:15am	
	11:15am	
READERS		
Sat	6:30pm	Margot Harness
	7:30pm	Neocatechumenal Way
Sun	8:00am	Anne & Greg Diamond
	9:00am	Elizabeth Denkha and Zavier
	10:15am	Italian Mass
	11:15am	Brazilian Mass (2nd Sunday of the month)
SERVERS/ACOLYTE		
Sat	6:30pm	Connor, Rory, Michaela, Elyssa, Carlos & Gian Brad
	7:30pm	
Sun	8:00am	Joseph, Jonathan & Gebriel
	9:00am	Abigail, Ahinsa, Grace, Luke & Tess Eugene, Pedro & Brendon
	10:15am	Giovanni
CHILDREN'S LITURGY		
Sun	9.00am	Josie & Maria
HOSPITAL		
By appointment		

YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO OUR PARISH

Our Plan-giving is an essential part of the parish financial needs. Talk to either Phil, Eugene or Judith Tresham to know more about it and be part of our plan-giving. You can either contribute weekly or monthly through our parish online accounts. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Thank you!

The only things we take with us are what we have given away.

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23, Colossians 3:1-5,9-11, Lk 12:13-21

There is, running quietly beneath the readings today, a golden thread—thin as breath, strong as steel—a truth that startles kings and comforts beggars: *nothing here lasts*. Solomon, the architect of a golden age, had it all: wisdom unparalleled, riches amassed, a name echoing through the courts of the earth. And yet, in his twilight, the great man sighed: “*Vanity of vanities.*” It is the sigh of one who has tasted the world’s finest wine and found it bitter at the dregs. He had everything—and it slipped through his fingers like mist. In Christ’s parable, we meet a modern soul in ancient garb. Shrewd, practical, forward-looking. His barns grow fat, his plans are laid, his retirement secured. But then— “*This very night your soul is required of you.*” How dreadfully ironic: his barns are full, but he is empty. We are not so different. We too build barns—careers, reputations, securities of every kind. Not because they are evil, but because we are forgetful. We treat the temporary as if it were eternal, mistaking the inn along the way for the homeland itself. And when the journey ends, we are startled to find we never truly began. But let us not mistake sobriety for despair. The message is not that the world is evil—but that it is not enough. We are not called to despise the world, but to *wear it loosely*. To receive its gifts as travellers receive bread—gratefully, not greedily. The present moment—this fleeting, sacred now—is the only moment we can offer to God. And rightly received, it becomes luminous: a window into eternity. To live well now is not to chase pleasure, but to love rightly, give freely, serve humbly. In short: to echo Christ. St. Paul bids us lift our eyes—to seek the things above. Not as escape artists, but as those who finally see straight. Thrones crumble. Gold decays. But what lasts? *Love does*. A cup of water. A word of kindness. A hand held in suffering. These are the real wealth. And here lies the great reversal: **the only things we take with us are what we have given away**. So let us build—not barns, but souls. Let us store—not grain, but grace. And when the dusk of our own life falls, we shall not cry “*Vanity!*” but hear, instead, the voice of the Lord saying, “*Well done.*”

PARISH EVENTS

If you are unable to attend mass due to ill health and would like to receive communion at home, please contact **Eugene Tresham on 0420 936 988** to arrange.

PARKING REMINDER

Please be aware when parking your cars. Don’t obstruct the neighbour’s driveways and lawns on Tyler Street and adjacent streets in the area. We need to make sure we don’t affect the safety and visibility for all involved in our community. Park Safe! Drive Safe!

PARISHIONER REGISTER

Parishioners are invited to fill in the pledge card to register as parishioner or to be part of parish plan giving program. Completed cards can be deposited into the deposit box provided. If you prefer to use the envelope system, this week is the last week to collect the envelope set.

PARISH MORNING TEA ON SUNDAY 3RD AUGUST AFTER 9AM MASS

Everyone is invited to join in the Parish Morning Tea. Please come in to have a cup of Tea/Coffee and catch up with fellow parishioners or welcome new parishioners.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR PARISH FUNDRAISING GROUP

The Parish Fundraising group is looking for more volunteers to join the team. You can be a good helper, an adviser, or bring some good ideas to the team. Anyone interested in joining the group is welcome. For more information, please contact Judith.

PARISH FUNDRAISING FOOD FAIR ON SUNDAY AUGUST 10TH

Please support our upcoming Parish Fundraising Food Fair, come along with your families and friends to enjoy the variety of food. Come celebrate your special occasion with your family and friends at our food fair. Cakes for special occasions can be organised if ordered ahead. Contact Judith for more information.

LITURGIA DELLA PAROLA

PRIMA LETTURA

Qo 1,2; 2, 21-23

Vanità delle vanità, dice Qoèlet, vanità delle vanità: tutto è vanità. Chi ha lavorato con sapienza, con scienza e con successo dovrà poi lasciare la sua parte a un altro che non vi ha per nulla faticato. Anche questo è vanità e un grande male. Infatti, quale profitto viene all'uomo da tutta la sua fatica e dalle preoccupazioni del suo cuore, con cui si affanna sotto il sole? Tutti i suoi giorni non sono che dolori e fastidi penosi; neppure di notte il suo cuore riposa. Anche questo è vanità!

Parola di Dio

A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Sal 89

Signore, sei stato per noi un rifugio di generazione in generazione.

Tu fai ritornare l'uomo in polvere, quando dici: «Ritornate, figli dell'uomo». Mille anni, ai tuoi occhi, sono come il giorno di ieri che è passato, come un turno di veglia nella notte. **R.**

Tu li sommergi: sono come un sogno al mattino, come l'erba che germoglia; al mattino fiorisce e germoglia, alla sera è falciata e secca. **R.**

Insegnaci a contare i nostri giorni e acquisteremo un cuore saggio. Ritorna, Signore: fino a quando? Abbi pietà dei tuoi servi! **R.**

Saziaci al mattino con il tuo amore: esulteremo e gioiremo per tutti i nostri giorni. Sia su di noi la dolcezza del Signore, nostro Dio: rendi salda per noi l'opera delle nostre mani, l'opera delle nostre mani rendi salda. **R.**

SECONDA LETTURA

Col 3,1-5.9-11

Fratelli, se siete risorti con Cristo, cercate le cose di lassù, dove è Cristo, seduto alla destra di Dio; rivolgete il pensiero alle cose di lassù, non a quelle della terra. Voi infatti siete morti e la vostra vita è nascosta con Cristo in Dio! Quando Cristo, vostra vita, sarà manifestato, allora anche voi apparirete con lui nella gloria. Fate morire dunque ciò che appartiene alla terra: impurità, immoralità, passioni, desideri cattivi e quella cupidigia che è

idolatria. Non dite menzogne gli uni agli altri: vi siete svestiti dell'uomo vecchio con le sue azioni e avete rivestito il nuovo, che si rinnova per una piena conoscenza, ad immagine di Colui che lo ha creato. Qui non vi è Greco o Giudeo, circoncisione o incirconcisione, barbaro, Scita, schiavo, libero, ma Cristo è tutto e in tutti.

Parola di Dio

A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, Alleluia

Beati i poveri in spirito, perché di essi è il regno dei cieli.

Alleluia!

VANGELO

Lc 12, 13-21

In quel tempo, uno della folla disse a Gesù: «Maestro, di' a mio fratello che divida con me l'eredità». Ma egli rispose: «O uomo, chi mi ha costituito giudice o mediatore sopra di voi?». E disse loro: «Fate attenzione e tenetevi lontani da ogni cupidigia perché, anche se uno è nell'abbondanza, la sua vita non dipende da ciò che egli possiede». Poi disse loro una parabola: «La campagna di un uomo ricco aveva dato un raccolto abbondante. Egli ragionava tra sé: "Che farò, poiché non ho dove mettere i miei raccolti? Farò così – disse –: demolirò i miei magazzini e ne costruirò altri più grandi e vi raccoglierò tutto il grano e i miei beni. Poi dirò a me stesso: Anima mia, hai a disposizione molti beni, per molti anni; riposati, mangia, bevi e divertiti!". Ma Dio gli disse: "Stolto, questa notte stessa ti sarà richiesta la tua vita. E quello che hai preparato, di chi sarà?". Così è di chi accumula tesori per sé e non si arricchisce presso Dio».

Parola del Signore

A: Lode a Te, o Cristo.