

LITURGIA DELLA PAROLA

Prima Lettura Ger 20, 7-9

Mi hai sedotto, Signore, e io mi sono lasciato sedurre; mi hai fatto violenza e hai prevalso. Sono diventato oggetto di derisione ogni giorno; ognuno si beffa di me. Quando parlo, devo gridare, devo urlare: «Violenza! Oppressione!». Così la parola del Signore è diventata per me causa di vergogna e di scherno tutto il giorno. Mi dicevo: «Non penserò più a lui, non parlerò più nel suo nome!». Ma nel mio cuore c’era come un fuoco ardente, trattenuto nelle mie ossa; mi sforzavo di contenerlo, ma non potevo.

Parola di Dio A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE Sal 62

Ha sete di Te, Signore, l’anima mia.

O Dio, Tu sei il mio Dio, dall’aurora io ti cerco, ha sete di Te l’anima mia, desidera Te la mia carne in terra arida, assetata, senz’acqua. R.

Così nel santuario ti ho contemplato, guardando la Tua potenza e la Tua gloria. Poiché il Tuo amore vale più della vita, le mie labbra canteranno la Tua lode. R.

Così ti benedirò per tutta la vita: nel Tuo nome alzerò le mie mani. Come saziato dai cibi migliori, con labbra gioiose ti loderà la mia bocca. R.

Quando penso a Te che sei stato il mio aiuto, esulto di gioia all’ombra delle Tue ali. A Te si stringe l’anima mia: la Tua destra mi sostiene. R.

SECONDA LETTURA Rm 12,1-2

Fratelli, vi esorto, per la misericordia di Dio, a offrire i vostri corpi come sacrificio vivente, santo e gradito a Dio; è questo il vostro culto spirituale.

Non conformatevi a questo mondo, ma lasciatevi trasformare rinnovando il vostro modo di pensare, per poter discernere la volontà di Dio, ciò che è buono, a Lui gradito e perfetto.

Parola di Dio A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Il Padre del Signore nostro Gesù Cristo illumini gli occhi del nostro cuore per farci comprendere a quale speranza ci ha chiamati.

Alleluia!

VANGELO Mt 16,21-27

In quel tempo, Gesù cominciò a spiegare ai suoi discepoli che doveva andare a Gerusalemme e soffrire molto da parte degli anziani, dei capi dei sacerdoti e degli scribi, e venire ucciso e risorgere il terzo giorno.Pietro lo prese in disparte e si mise a rimproverarlo dicendo: «Dio non voglia, Signore; questo non ti accadrà mai». Ma egli, voltandosi, disse a Pietro: «Va’ dietro a me, Satana! Tu mi sei di scandalo, perché non pensi secondo Dio, ma secondo gli uomini!». Allora Gesù disse ai suoi discepoli: «Se qualcuno vuole venire dietro a me, rinneghi se stesso, prenda la sua croce e mi segua. Perché chi vuole salvare la propria vita, la perderà; ma chi perderà la propria vita per causa mia, la troverà. Infatti quale vantaggio avrà un uomo se guadagnerà il mondo intero, ma perderà la propria vita? O che cosa un uomo potrà dare in cambio della propri avita? Perché il Figlio dell’uomo sta per venire nella gloria del Padre suo, con i suoi angeli, e allora renderà a ciascuno secondo le sue azioni».

Parola del Signore A: Lode a Te, O Cristo.



St Kieran - Osborne Park Parish

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A
30th August 2026 – Confirmations Commitment Mass

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Jeremiah 20:7-9

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughingstock, everybody’s butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: ‘Violence and ruin!’ The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, ‘I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name anymore. ‘Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it.

The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 62:2-6, 8-9 R. v.2

Response: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. R.

So, I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. R.

So, I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet; my mouth shall praise you with joy. R.

For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings, I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. R.

SECOND READING: Romans 12:1-2

Think of God’s mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Eph 1 :17, 18

Alléluia, Alléluia ! 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. Alléluia !

GOSPEL Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. ‘Heaven preserve you, Lord,’ he said, ‘this must not happen to you.’ But he turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God’s way but man’s.’ Then Jesus said to his disciples, ‘If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life? ‘For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.’

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 Priest	Fr. Wilson Donizzetti
	Fr. Oscar Aguilera
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Mass intentions		
Sat	6:30pm	Jim Altmann
	7:30pm	
Sun	8:00am	
	9.00am	Agatina Caminiti (1 month) Antonio Amoroso (1year) Leone Salleo (1 Yr. Anni Caterina Cardaciotto (1 year)
	10:15am	Anna Gorgone (1 Yr. Anniv.) Francesco Ferraloro (3 years) Alberto Leone Agnello Giovanna Arfuso
	11:15am	
Readers		
Sat	6:30pm	Kathy Stewart & Adriano Sanzone
	7:30pm	
Sun	8.00am	Anne & Greg Diamond
	9:00am	Ria & Risa Valder
	10:15am	Italian Mass
	11:15am	Brazilian Mass (2 nd Sunday of the month)
Servers/Acolyte		
Sat	6:30pm	Bella, Riccardo, Elyssa, Athena, Oliver & Carlos <i>Brad</i>
	7:30pm	<i>Seminarians</i>
	8.00am	Gabriel, Jacob & Jonathon <i>Eugene & Alex</i>
Sun	9:00am	Grace, Abigail & Phoebe <i>Brendon & Pedro</i>
	10:15am	<i>Giovanni</i>
Children’s Liturgy		
Sun	9.00am	Ruby & Ahinsa
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!

Matthew 16:21–27,

The Violence of Grace: Losing Life to Find It

The gospel of Matthew tells us something that we would rather not hear that the way to find our life is, strangely, to lose it. We are tempted to think that Jesus must mean something less severe. Surely, He means that we should lose only the inconvenient parts of ourselves, while keeping the respectable and agreeable remainder. But Jesus does not bargain with the self. He asks for it all.

Flannery O’Connor, a great thinker of our modern times, understood this severity. She distrusted a religion that made Jesus merely pleasant, a kind of divine gentleman with a golden heart. Such a Christ would never frighten us and therefore would never save us. For O’Connor, grace had to be violent because the human ego is so stubbornly alive. We do not surrender ourselves easily. We prefer to keep God at a comfortable distance while remaining masters of our own little kingdoms.

Peter makes this mistake. He loves Jesus, but he cannot imagine that Jesus must suffer. His love becomes, for a moment, a stumbling block. Peter wants a Christ without the cross. We are not so different. We too can become stumbling blocks when our plans, ambitions, comforts, or ideas of what God ought to do stand between us and God Himself.

O’Connor knew this struggle within herself. She prayed, “I do not know you God because I am in the way.” That may be one of the simplest descriptions of discipleship. The greatest obstacle between God and me may not be some terrible sin, but simply me—my pride, my plans, my desire to remain in control. This is why grace can feel violent. It tears away the illusions by which we have constructed our lives. One discovers charity only when one carefully protected identity is stripped away. In *our belief of Christ*, we are forced to see that our earthly virtues and social distinctions are not the treasures one imagines them to be.

The Cross therefore does not merely ask us to suffer; it asks us to SURRENDER. Christ must sometimes take from us the life we are desperately trying to preserve, so that He may give us the life we could never manufacture for ourselves. Perhaps this is the frightening mercy of the Gospel: God loves us too much to leave us comfortably ourselves. He must, in His grace, put the old self to death. And only then do we discover that losing our life was not the end of it, but the beginning.

COMMUNION AT HOME

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.

MUSICIANS

If you are interested in playing during mass, please contact Millie Stockbauer on 0487 701 526

Celebrating Fathers ‘Day -Parish Morning Tea

Sunday 6th September after 9 am Mass. Everyone is invited to join this Parish Morning Tea to celebrate Fathers' Day. Bring your dad along to celebrate on this special occasion.

Altar Server Training

Enrolment forms available for Children who have received their first Holy Communion and are interested in becoming an altar server.Training will be on Saturday 5th September 2026 at 10am.

Morning Tea today after 9am mass

All are invited to join Jocelyn and family.