



St. DOMINICS PARISH

# THE DOMINICAN

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**St Dominic's Parish**  
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## St DOMINIC'S PARISH CHURCH – Mass Times

Sadly, the introduction of Stage 4 Restrictions in response to the public health crisis means that the church is still closed for all public liturgies till further notice.

There will be a streamed Mass from the church at **11am Sunday, and at noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays** until the restrictions are eased. Be sure that we are still praying, and praying for you.

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*The Parish office will be closed till further notice. You can continue to contact the Parish staff and priests at the phone number 9912 6870 or via email [secretary@stdominics.org.au](mailto:secretary@stdominics.org.au).*

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**PARISH OFFICE:** Manuela Brambilla **9912 6870 X310**

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## PARISH CALENDAR: 16<sup>th</sup>— 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2020

Sun 16<sup>th</sup> **20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Tue 18<sup>th</sup> **9:45am** Exercise classes—online

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> **2:00pm** PPC meeting—online

Thu 20<sup>th</sup> **St Bernard**

**9:30am** Exercise classes—online

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> **St Pius X**

Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> **The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> **21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Deadline for Bulletin: **10.00am Thursday**

## A MOTHER WITH GREAT FAITH



Jesus went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Perhaps he needed some time to himself, so he moved towards non-Jewish areas. But Jesus and his disciples were not going to get any rest there because a woman from the district approached Jesus, crying aloud and pleading for help. She was not a Jew, but a Canaanite, which means that she would have been regarded by the Jews as an outsider, and as ritually unclean. Yet she proved to be one of the most attractive characters in the gospel. Her anxious cries are not for herself but for her daughter who is sick.

What did Jesus respond to her? Nothing – absolutely nothing: 'But he answered her not a word'. How could Jesus appear so indifferent to the genuine anguish of another human being? We don't know reason why Jesus said nothing.

Moreover, his disciples didn't want anything to do with this woman, an outsider of their religion. They came and urged Jesus, saying, 'Give her what she wants, because she is shouting after us'. But he didn't turn her away. This indicates that he knew what was in her heart. Surely, he knew her desperation and knew that she wasn't about to give up. Instead, he began a dialogue that would eventually lead to spiritual growth for both the disciples and the woman. He didn't give in to the disciples' request and he clearly wanted to draw the woman into further conversation. He did so in a way that will engage the inquisitive nature of all the characters in the story.

By saying, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel,' Jesus meant, 'You're not included. You are an outsider.' But the woman didn't give up; she implored, "Lord, help me." It's strange to our ears to hear Jesus' answer for a second time, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' What a seemingly cruel and seemingly humiliating reply; not even to address her pain but to suggest that she is somehow less than human, no better than a dog searching for scraps from the table.

Once again, the woman wasn't prepared to give up and replied: 'Yes, sir, but even the house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their masters' table.' As a Gentile, she might not deserve sharing a meal, but there must be some food, or rather grace, that should not be wasted. The mother's persistence was finally vindicated, and her daughter was healed.

Fr Peter Toan Nguyen OP, PP

## ST DOMINIC'S IS A CHILD SAFE PARISH

*At St Dominic's we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.*

## PASTORAL SERVICES

**PRAYERS WRITERS:** 23 August Tania Wilson

### COLLECTION STATISTICS

Ave	Thanksgiving	Dom Priests	Loose
<b>July</b>	\$3,854.75	\$167.00	\$ 143.38

**DOMINICARE** In this time of social distancing and home isolation for older members of our Parish Community it is timely to draw your attention to a phone number that appears each week on the front of the Dominican, namely that of Dominiccare. Dominiccare has been part of the parish for decades and is simply a chance for people to help out a fellow parishioner with little tasks like lifts, shopping, nursing home visits and even changing light bulbs. If you are in need of help, we will do our best to find someone to help out. Leave us a message on 0481 296547 or call the Parish office at 9912 6870 ext. 3.

### **PARISH AND PRIESTS CONTRIBUTIONS**

Parishioners who normally contribute to the Parish Stewardship with envelopes and others who wish to contribute to the Parish may do so by either bank transfer (EFT) or by setting up a credit card direct debit. If you wish to use EFT please contact the Parish Office by phone or by email and you will be sent the Parish's bank details. If you wish to set up a credit card direct debit, you should contact the Parish Office and you will be sent a form to be completed. Any questions please ring 9912 6870 or email [secretary@stdominics.org.au](mailto:secretary@stdominics.org.au)

If you wish to contribute to the Priests as well you can do it by EFT (ring the Parish Office) or sending an email to [bursar@op.org.au](mailto:bursar@op.org.au).

**NEW PARISHIONERS** are invited to complete the Membership Form available on our website <http://www.stdominics.org.au/>. Completed form can be returned to the Parish Office by email at [secretary@stdominics.org.au](mailto:secretary@stdominics.org.au) or dropped into the Parish letterbox, which is situated in the front of the Church.

## **WE PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Brigitta Johnson, Sr M. Clemens Torres, Sr M. Gabriela Fiesco Cuellar

**For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

**THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:** Mandy, Ilena Wilson, Shirley Kennedy, Alina Kobylanski, Barbara Dunstan, Sarah Cumming, Yvette van den Driesen, Patricia McInnes, Kathleen Conlan, Martin Blake, Grace Dunn, Michael Taveira, Grazyna Van Egmond, Victoria D'Astoli, Ken Petersen, Patricia Mooney, Joe Markham, Albert Mahoney, Sr Julie Thomas CSB, Ann Stewart, John Meehan, Baby Gracie Bresolin, Janet Hudin, John Carroll, Fr Karl Emerick OP, Joy Patrick, Annette Fleming, Arden Nelson **and those visited by St. Vincent de Paul Society this week.**

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	16 <sup>th</sup> Aug	11:00am	<i>For the People of the Parish</i>
Mon	17 <sup>th</sup> Aug	7:00am	<i>Dominican Vocations</i>
Tue	18 <sup>th</sup> Aug	7:00am	<i>Friends of suffering souls</i>
Wed	19 <sup>th</sup> Aug	12:00pm	<i>Marjorie June Whelan</i>
Thu	20 <sup>th</sup> Aug	7:00am	<i>Barry Fitzgerald</i>
Fri	21 <sup>st</sup> Aug	7:00am	<i>Deceased Dominicans</i>

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### **Our PERPETUAL REMEMBRANCE BOOK**

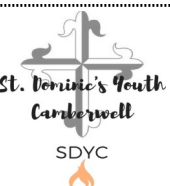
for the month of August is available on our website

<http://www.stdominics.org.au> to remind us  
to pray for those mentioned

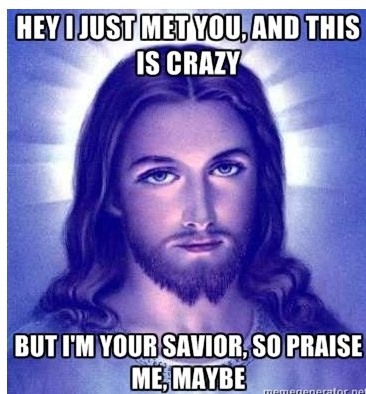


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the whole world and every single soul."*  
St Maximilian Maria Kolbe



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## **A PRAYER DURING A PANDEMIC**

### **FOR THOSE WHO CARE FOR THE SICK**

Father of mercies,  
we thank you for all who care for the sick.  
When they diagnose, give them patience.  
When they protect the vulnerable,  
give them your protection.  
When they work to heal, give them strength.  
When they comfort, give them consolation.  
When they are tired, give them rest.  
When they are discouraged, bring them your hope.  
May we welcome and respect them  
as we support one another in this time of trial.

## 20th SUNDAY YEAR A—REFLECTION



fact that the majority of the Jewish people had failed to recognise Jesus as its Messiah.

In last Sunday's reading Paul acknowledged Israel's election, calling and the gifts bestowed on it by God: "To them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs," and he dramatically concluded "from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah." In today's reading Paul affirms God's enduring faithfulness to Israel, "God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice."

Vatican II drew on these texts to seek to repair the bonds between Jews and Catholics. It also turned to another text of Paul found in this section of his letter, to acknowledge the continuity between the Jewish people and the Catholic Church, his horticultural image of grafting a branch of a wild olive vine, the Gentile converts to Christianity, onto a cultivated olive vine, the Jewish people. Thus the Council spoke of the "sustenance [we Christians have received] from the root of that well-cultivated olive tree [the Jewish people] onto which have been grafted the wild shoots, the Gentiles."

Paul appealed to this image to describe Israel's future, explaining that God had permitted Israel's failure to recognise its Messiah so as to draw from it the good of the Gentiles coming to believe in Jesus, their being grafted onto the cultivated olive vine. Concerning the future of the Jewish people, Paul states "I want you to understand this mystery: a hardening has come upon part of Israel, until the full number of the Gentiles has come in. And so all Israel will be saved." Paul speaks of Israel being grafted back onto the olive vine.

There remains discontinuity between the Jewish people and the Church. As one theologian, himself a convert from Judaism, has said, "The Church is entirely Christocentric, and thus it immensely exceeds the horizons of ancient Israel." Our acknowledging God's enduring faithfulness to Israel is of the greatest importance not only for Catholic and Jewish on-going dialogue but also because the view that the Jewish people has been abandoned by God is linked to, and has driven, anti-semitism.

*Fr David Willis OP*

### ECUMENICAL JOURNEY AT ST DOMINIC'S

#### We pray for our fellow Christians



Christ prayed in his farewell discourse that 'all may be one' (John 17:21). As part of our commitment to ecumenism at St Dominic's, we are a member of the Canterbury Council of Churches. We pray in particular this month for the community at St Paul's Anglican Church in Highfield Road and their Vicar the Revd Rachel McDougall.

## JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP NOTES

### Social Justice Statement on Mental Health: Social Justice Sunday is 30 August 2020

The Bishops invite us all: "to reject stigmatisation, to work for the transformation of social determinants of mental ill-health, and to call for policies and service provision that meets the needs of the poorest and most marginalised members of our community."

They ask us to reflect: "on the experience of First Nations people and communities, asylum seekers and refugees, people who are homeless and those who are in prison."

Take up their invitation, especially at this critical time for everyone.

Australian Bishops [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au)

**EXERCISE CLASSES** have resumed but in a different way. As the Parish centre is closed Amanda is conducting her classes online through Zoom. You are more than welcome to join the chair-based classes on Tuesdays at 9.45am or the active adults classes on Thursdays at 9.30am If you wish to join one of these classes or both of them please call **Amanda at 0410 685 224 or [acubit@bigpond.net.au](mailto:acubit@bigpond.net.au)** and she will send you the invitation. What you need is a computer/tablet, a towel, drink bottle, a chair preferably without arm rests, a cushion a couple of weights (two cans of soup or equivalent or milk cartons filled with liquid or half full depending on your strength). All are welcome.



**CATHOLICCARE SUNDAY APPEAL** This weekend is the CatholicCare Sunday Appeal. Donations from our parish will help CatholicCare to support the most vulnerable people in our community. **Please donate to CatholicCare**

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**PARISH RESOURCES** Parishioners who don't have internet access and prefer to stay at home can receive the Dominican or other parish resources by contacting the parish office at 9912 6870 or via email [secretary@stdominics.org.au](mailto:secretary@stdominics.org.au) and someone will drop them in your mailbox.



## PROPER OF THE MASS: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

### Entrance Antiphon

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than thousand elsewhere.

### Responsorial Psalm

O God, Let all the nations praise you!

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom, and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

### Communion Antiphon

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

### Today's Readings

(20th Ord, Year A) Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Psalm 66; Romans 11:3-15, 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28

### Next Week's Readings

(21st Ord, Year A) Isaiah 22:19-23; Psalm 137; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20

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