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16 February  
2020

6th Sunday In  
Ordinary Time

Year A

**Entrance Antiphon:** Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

**First Reading:** *A reading from the book of Sirach (15:15-20)*

If you wish, you can keep the commandments, to behave faithfully is within your power. He has set fire and water before you; put out your hand to whichever you prefer. Man has life and death before him; whichever a man likes better will be given him. For vast is the wisdom of the Lord; he is almighty and all-seeing. His eyes are on those who fear him, he notes every action of man. He never commanded anyone to be godless, he has given no one permission to sin.

**Responsorial Psalm:** (Ps. 118)

**R. Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!**

- They are happy whose life is blameless, who follow God's law! They are happy those who do his will, seeking him with all their hearts. **(R)**
- You have laid down your precepts to be obeyed with care. May my footsteps be firm to obey your statutes. **(R)**
- Bless your servant and I shall live and obey your word. Open my eyes that I may consider the wonders of your law. **(R)**
- Teach me the demands of your statutes and I will keep them to the end. Train me to observe your law, to keep it with my heart. **(R)**

**Second Reading:** *A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (2:6-10)*

We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him. These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** *A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (5:17-37)*

Do Jesus said to his disciples: Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish them but to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not one dot, one little stroke, shall disappear from the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven: but the man who keeps them and teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven. You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court. If a man calls his brother 'Fool' he will answer for it before the Sanhedrin; and if a man calls him 'Renegade' he will answer for it in hell fire. So then, if you are bringing your offering to the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, go and be reconciled with your brother first, and then come back and present your offering. Come to terms with your opponent in good time while you are still on the way to the court with him, or he may hand you over to the judge and the judge to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. I tell you solemnly, you will not get out till you have paid the last penny. You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye should cause you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body thrown into hell. And if your right hand should cause you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body go to hell. It has also been said: Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a writ of dismissal. But I say this to you: everyone who divorces his wife, except for the case of fornication, makes her an adulteress; and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery. Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all, either by heaven, since that is God's throne; or by the earth, since that is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, since that is the city of the great king. Do not swear by your own head either; since you cannot turn a single hair white or black. All you need say is 'Yes' if you mean yes, 'No' if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one

**Memorial Acclamation:** When we eat this bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

**Communion Antiphon:** They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday 15 February 2020, 6:30pm**

- For the soul of Joseph Pham and all abandoned souls.

**Sunday 16 February 2020, 9:00am**

- Thanksgiving Mass- Ronilla Shane.
- For the soul of Bob Zasun on the 7th Anniversary of his death.

**Note: Mass intentions envelopes & notices for bulletin are to be submitted/emailed to the office by Wednesday 6pm.**

## PASTORAL CORNER

God's decision to give us free choice is very challenging because we can choose evil as well as good. Jesus warns us not only to avoid the extremes of evil, like murder, but also to avoid the little steps, like anger, that can take us down the wrong path.

It is really difficult to deal with the kind of feelings that can lead to wrong doing. Leaving your gift at the altar because you are still angry and going back to sort out disagreements with your family is a very demanding challenge. What memories do you have of arguments and hassles as your family is getting ready to go to Mass, especially if you need to leave early because you are leading Children's Liturgy? How does this affect your readiness for ministry? For Eucharist?

How do you reconcile or make peace?

### PRAYER OF ST. EMILIE

St. Emilie, Good and generous labourer of the Gospel. You who were attentive to the call of the Spirit in the church and reached out to all peoples regardless of religion, race or colour, give us this spirit to reach out in love, so as to reveal by our lives the infinite love of the Father for all humanity. ***St. Emilie, pray for us. AMEN***

### PARISH MASS & PRAYER SCHEDULE

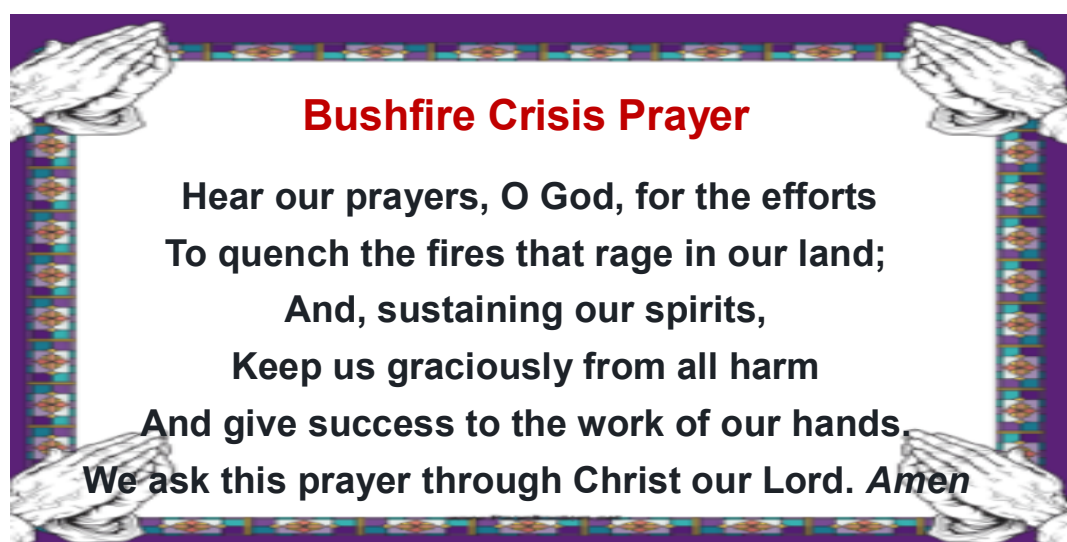
**Weekend Mass:** Sat: 6.30pm Sun: 7.15am, 9am & 5pm

**Weekday Mass:** Tues-Fri: 6pm

**Wednesday morning Mass:** 9am (Except 1<sup>st</sup> Wed, at 8am)

**Adoration & Rosary:** Tue: 9 - 10am

**Legion Of Mary:** Every Wed after Morning Mass



**Welcome:** This weekend we welcome into our Parish a **new Assistant Priest Fr Victor Manuel Lujano**. Let us all make him welcome and support him with our prayers as he begins his ministry at St Emilie's.

**Ash Wednesday** is on 26 February 2020. As is our practice the blessed palms from last year's Palm Sunday will be burnt to make the ashes. Please bring your palms from last Palm Sunday and leave them in the foyer by Sunday 16 February.

**Ash Wednesday Masses:** There will be a School Mass at 9am to which ALL are welcome and the usual Mass in the evening at 6.00 pm.

#### **Rite of Election:**

**WHEN** Thursday 5th March 2020

**WHERE** St Mary's Cathedral

**TIME** 7.30pm

The Rite of Election is a defining Liturgical Rite of the RCIA process. The Church makes its 'election' of those Catechumens who are preparing to take part in the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter. It also welcomes Baptised candidates who have already been chosen (elected) and now are publicly stating their readiness to receive the Sacraments at Easter. Your presence is significant as it will offer the catechumens and candidates and those who have journeyed with them, your reassurance and the support of the whole parish community.

**2020 St Emilie's Parish RE Program Classes** are now running on Tuesdays, from 4pm -5pm at St Emilie's. Though the classes have started you are still welcome to enrol your children. Just bring them along and we can get them started. Fees are \$25 per child or \$35 for two or more children with an additional fee for Sacraments. Cash or cheque only. All stationary & resources are supplied. For newly enrolled children we require a copy of their Baptismal Certificate. Enquiries Lyn Harkins on 0404 325 900 or email lharkins@iinet.net.au.

**Burswood Outing on Monday 24/02/2020:** All parishioners who would like to come along should please register their interest with Mary at the Piety stall or phone Des Lewis on 0422 340 574. Cost is \$10 P/P. Please be at the church grounds at 9.45 am. Return approximately 3PM.

**St Emilie's Parish 2020 Sacramental Program Enrolments:** A reminder to all Parish parents, who have children making either the **Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation, Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion** or **Sacrament of Confirmation** in 2020, Enrolment Forms are available in the church foyer for parents to enrol their children in the Sacramental Program. This applies to children at St Emilie's Catholic Primary School and children attending the Parish RE Program After School Classes.

**Commitment Masses for Children making a Sacrament :** Children making a Sacrament are also required to attend a Commitment Mass. If you missed this weekend, you can attend next weekend **22nd & 23rd Feb** at either **6.30pm, 7.15am, 9am or 5pm** Mass. No need to register which Mass you will come to, choose a Mass and tick off your child's name from the Register in the Foyer when you arrive. If you haven't returned your Enrolment Form you can bring that to your Commitment Mass too. Enquiries phone Lyn Harkins on 0404 325 900, or email lharkins@iinet.net.au.

**Receiving Communion from the Chalice:** The recent outbreak of the Coronavirus is raising some concern within our community especially with regard to the reception of Holy Communion from the Chalice. While there has not yet been any official statement issued by the Archbishop's Office, we have been advised that Parishioners should make their own decision as to whether they drink from the Chalice or not. As a general rule, please note that anyone who thinks they have the flu, a cold or cold sores might, at any given time, consider not drinking from the chalice out of concern for others. (Fr. Jean-Noël MARIE)



### ***World Day of Prayer Service Friday 6th March, 7.30pm at St Emilie's***

This year we are hosting the World Day of Prayer in our region. Please come and join with Christians from other Churches who will be coming together at St Emilie's to celebrate this non-denominational service prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Zimbabwe

***"Rise! Take your Mat and walk!"***

We invite the African members of our community to come wearing your wonderful colourful clothing to add to the event. A light supper will be served afterwards, and if you're able, we would love you to bring along a plate of finger food. Queries please contact Veronica 0423 644 800 rob-nron@optusnet.com.au or Lyn Harkins 0404 325 900 lharkins@iinet.net.au



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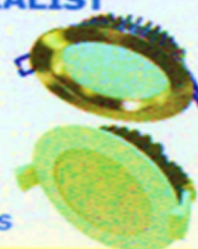


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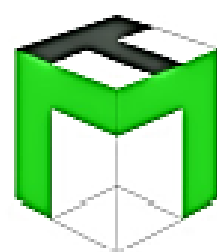
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