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17 March 2019

2nd Sunday
of
Lent
Year C

Entrance Antiphon:

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

First Reading: A reading from the book of Genesis (15:5-12, 17-18)

Taking Abram outside, the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified. 'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off. Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms: 'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River'.

Responsorial Psalm: (Ps. 26)

R. The Lord is my light and salvation.

- *The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? (R)*
- *O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.' (R)*
- *It is your face O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. (R)*
- *I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! (R)*

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians (3:17-4:1)

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe. So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

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Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (9:28-36)

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

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

Communion Antiphon: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.



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Saturday, 16 March, 6:30pm

- For the soul of Joseph Pham and all abandoned souls

Sunday, 17 March, 7:15am

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Sunday, 17 March, 9:00am

Sunday, 17 March, 5:00pm

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Friday, 22 March, 6:00pm

- For the soul of Vincenzo Scali on the 2nd anniversary of his death.

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

PASTORAL CORNER

The Second Sunday of Lent celebrates ways that God's divine presence is revealed. Sometimes, like Peter, we can misunderstand our revelations. We have a need to withdraw at times for prayer and contemplation, yet it is not possible for us as Christians to remain forever on the mountain; we must come down and continue our journey. We leave the place of worship to start again on the road of everyday life with all its cares and concerns, but we carry with us the hope that is only possible through faith. This week let us ponder on just how we are able to listen to Jesus in today's world? How important is it to have times of quiet contemplation in our journeys? What priority do you place on providing for this? In what way do you balance prayer and action in your everyday life? Spend some extra time this week listening to Jesus through Scripture and prayer and reflect on what he is saying to you.

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 1st Wed at 8am)

Adoration & Rosary: Tue: 9 - 10am

Legion Of Mary: Every Wed after Morning Mass

Our Lenten Journey:

Lent is a blessed and joyful time when we prepare our hearts to fully receive the Risen Christ at Easter. **Lent** is also a time of prayer, fasting and abstinence. **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** are days of fast and abstinence. The **law of fasting** applies to people from **18 to 59 years old**. **Everyone aged 14 years and older is bound by the law of abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.**

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent after 6pm Mass.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): After the recent Rite of Election which was held at the Cathedral, our catechumens are now known as the 'Elect' and we pray for them as they prepare for Baptism and full communion with the Catholic Church this coming Easter. Over the next 3 Sundays of Lent, there will be the 'Scrutinies' when the Elect are invited to enter together with the entire community into a period of purification, conversion and deeper enlightenment. To facilitate this, from the Third Sunday of Lent, we will all engage with the Gospels of Year A as we reflect on the story of the Samaritan woman at the well and the following Sunday on the man born blind and finally on the Fifth Sunday of Lent on the raising of Lazarus from the dead.

Second Rite of Reconciliation at St Emilie's: We will celebrate the Second Rite of Reconciliation at St Emilie's on **Tuesday, 9 April at 7 pm**. There will be several Priests in attendance to hear your individual confession. This would be a blessed way to prepare our hearts for the celebration of Easter.

Cardinal Pell: Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB has issued a Pastoral Letter about recent events concerning Cardinal Pell. It can be found on the Archdiocesan website at perthcatholic.org.au. Paper copies are available in the church foyer.

Commitment Masses: As we start a new year, the children who have been enrolled into the Parish Sacramental Program together with their parents and sponsors will make their Commitment to enter fully into their baptismal promises, **during all the Masses on 16th & 17th March** as they prepare for their individual Sacraments throughout this year.

St Emilie's 2019 RE Program After School Classes: Refer to notice board for further details.



**Second Sunday of Lent
17th March 2019**



Tati lives in the remote forest of Indonesia. She is a mother of three who was earning an income working in a local rubber plantation. Since taking part in eco-tourism training with Caritas Australia and its partners, Tati can now afford to send her children to school. With new hope and commitment Tati aspires to a future free from poverty for her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help lift communities in Indonesia out of poverty, and give them hope to protect our common home.

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Prayers of Intercession

For our indigenous brothers and sisters in countries all over the world, that their traditional cultures are recognised and valued. May we support them to preserve and protect their cultures and our common home.

St. Emilie Charismatic Prayer Group: meets every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month in the mini school hall from 4.30pm to 6pm. For further details, contact **Lloyd Rego (0456635768)**, **Colin Santis (0420561350)** or **Sonia Pinto (0420841851)**.

Youth Ministry:

Sacramentum: 12 - 14 April: Join us for a weekend to rediscover what it really means to be a Catholic. **For young adults ages 22-35 on Friday 12 April 2019 6:30pm – 1:30pm Sunday 14 April 2019 at Point Walter Recreation & Conference Centre, 1 Stock Rd, Bicton WA 6157. RSVP by Sunday 31 March 2019.** See notice board for details.

Good Friday Stations of the Cross: 19 April: We're looking for youth in our parish to help during the Stations of the cross on the morning of Good Friday. If you would like to help, please contact the youth leaders.

Information about the Youth Ministry and their current activities are in the foyer. For more info, email youthstemilies@gmail.com, or contact **Christian (0413894535)** for Young Adults (18+) or **Louren (0414998043)** for Teens (12 - 17).

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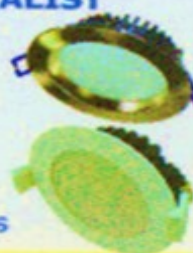
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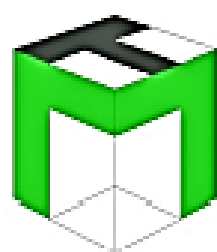
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