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**24 February
2019
7th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year C**

Entrance Antiphon:

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

First Reading: A reading from the first book of Samuel (26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23)

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph. So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him. Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them. David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

Responsorial Psalm: (Ps.102)

R. The Lord is kind and merciful

- *My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. (R)*
- *It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. (R)*
- *The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repays us according to our faults. (R)*
- *As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. (R)*

Second Reading: A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians (15:45-49)

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (6:27-38)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect! Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. 'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

The Memorial Acclamation:

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

Communion Antiphon:

I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 23 February, 6:30pm

- Mass offered for John & Sumi on their Anniversary
- For the soul of Joseph Pham and all abandoned souls.

Sunday, 24 February, 7:15am

- For the souls of Wilma & Albert D'Cruz and for Francis Marcellus on the 2nd anniversary of her death.

Sunday, 24 February, 9:00am

- For the souls of Joe, Charlie, Audrey & Ros on the anniversary of their death.

Sunday, 24 February, 5:00pm

- For the soul of Mel Lewis on the anniversary of his death.

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

Pastoral Corner

Today's Gospel continues on from that of last week. By providing practical details of how we are to behave, it contains the most challenging and difficult concept of Christian living for us to live out – love for those who are against us, and forgiveness of those who hurt us. The Beatitudes call us to a radical reversal of response to situations in our life – a response that turns our human nature upside down. God's way is a complete reversal to the world's way! Followers of Jesus must act in these ways precisely because they are the ways of God. Can you think of an experience you had of being misjudged or wronged? How did you feel? How did your attitude affect your response to the situation?

During this week, reflect on the words of the "Our Father" and pray for someone who has mistreated you in some way.

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

Ash Wednesday - 6 March 2019: Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of our Lenten journey towards Easter. There will be 2 Masses; one at 9am with the School and another at 6pm. Please remember to bring your last year's palms this weekend (February 23/24) which will be burnt to make the ashes for this year's Ash Wednesday. Please bring in the palms latest Sunday 24 February.

Stations of the Cross: As is our Parish tradition, every Friday during Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross after the 6pm Mass.

St Emilie's Parish Sacramental Program Enrolments for 2019: 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 this year. Enrolment Forms are now available in the church foyer for parents to enrol their children in the Sacramental Program. This applies to children at St Emilie's Primary School and children attending the Parish RE Program After School Classes. The dates for the Commitment Masses are also on the board for your information. Children making Sacraments are expected to attend one of these Masses. For enquiries phone 0404 325 900, or email lharkins@iinet.net.au . Lyn Harkins, St Emilie's Parish Sacramental Program

St Emilie's 2019 RE Program After School Classes; have resumed and are held from 4pm to 5pm in the Hall opposite the church. However, enrolments can still be taken. For enquiries, phone Lyn Harkins 0404 325 900 or email lharkins@iinet.net.au.

Shalom Family Television Network: Shalom TV is a new 24/7 commercial-free, HD, Catholic, family entertainment channel that reaches out to the world with the truth and peace that can only be found in Jesus Christ. For more info visit shalomworld.org

World Day of Prayer 2019 for Slovenia: Thornlie Baptist Church is the host church this year for the World Day of Prayer in our region. The WDP is an Ecumenical Service and Christians from other Churches in the region will be coming together to celebrate the service. The service has been prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee in Slovenia and the theme is "Come Everything is Ready". St Emilie's community has been part of this service for many years and we invite all parishioners to come along on Friday, 1st March at 7.30pm to Thornlie Baptist Church, Wynyard St, Thornlie and join together in worship. A light supper will be served afterwards. For further enquiries, contact Lyn Harkins on 0404 325 900 or email lharkins@iinet.net.au

Burswood Outing; on Monday 25 February. Come and enjoy a few hours of fellowship and a scrumptious lunch. 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 per person. Please be at the church grounds at 9.45am. Return approximately 3.00pm.

Win a 55" TV: We thank each of you for your un-ending generosity towards the parish fund-raising for the presbytery and office building project that is ongoing. To win a 55" TV, simply fill out your details in the church foyer. The lucky winner will be drawn on the 24th of February after the 5pm mass. Proudly sponsored by CONTENT LIVING (LLOYD REGO M 0456635768, lloyd@contentliving.com.au).

Youth Ministry: Information about the Youth Ministry and their current activities are in the foyer. For more info email youthstemilies@gmail.com, or contact Christian (0413894535) or Lauren (0414998043).

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).

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