



ST. BEDE'S AND ST. JAMES'



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time –Year B Sunday 21st January 2018

St James' Church.

2 Woolley Street,
Glebe

Weekday Masses

Wednesday &
Friday: 9am
Sat: 8.30am

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5pm
Sunday: 9.30am
(Tongan Choir: 4th Sunday)

Confession (Reconciliation)

Saturday at 4pm (St. James)

Baptisms

2nd Sunday of the month at
12.15pm. Bookings required.

St Bede's Church

43 Pymont Street,
Pymont

Sunday Mass Times

8am and 11am

Baptisms

3rd Sunday of the month at
12.00 noon. Bookings required.

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Homily by Richard Leonard SJ

Seeing today's Gospel is set by the water's edge, this story seems appropriate. One day, three men were hiking and unexpectedly came upon a large raging river. They needed to get to the other side, but had no idea of how to do so. The first man prayed to God, 'Please God, give me the strength to cross this river.' In an instant God gave him big arms and strong legs, and he was able to swim across the river in about two hours, after almost drowning a couple of times.

Seeing this, the second man prayed to God, 'Please God, give me the strength and the resources to cross this river.' In an instant God gave him a rowboat and he was able to row across the river in about an hour, after almost capsizing the boat a couple of times.

The third man had seen how this worked out for the other two, so he also prayed to God saying, 'Please God, give me the strength and the resources ... and the intelligence ... to cross this river.' In an instant God turned him into a woman. She looked at the map, went upstream a couple of hundred metres, then walked across the bridge!

The three men's prayers were all about gaining something: strength, resources and intelligence. Today's readings are about gaining things too. Unlike the instant answer to the hikers' prayers, Jonah, Paul and Mark know real gain usually comes less dramatically and quickly, and involves letting go of something as much as it involves taking it on. In the Christian life this is called conversion, and it's at the centre of our life of faith. Christian conversion is not a once-in-a-lifetime moment. It can happen every day in a rich variety of ways. It involves a change in attitude as much as a change in lifestyle.

All three readings show a different facet of conversion. Jonah calls the Ninevites to social conversion. St Paul, who reveals a very strong expectation that the end of time is near, calls the people of Corinth to a conversion of mind. And through relating the call of Simon, Andrew, James and John, St Mark tells us about personal conversion.

These days we regularly hear God's call in personal terms. It's sometimes called 'me and God' theology. Modern hymns reflect it best. We regularly sing about how Jesus died 'for me', or that 'here I am Lord' or that 'I will follow you'. Individually these lines are all true, the problem is that they tend to play down the more ancient and biblical social dimensions of our call to conversion. In the Bible even though God and Jesus call people to conversion through personal relationships, there is no hint that this is where it stops. Every call leads to the wider community, to the people of Israel in the Old Testament, and out to the entire world in the New Testament.

Today's readings provide a litmus test for our conversion. If our faith has become a self-help club, where we talk about 'my' God, 'my' prayers, 'my' Church, 'my' Mass, we are in need of conversion. We don't need to leave God's personal love for us behind, we just need to see it as a necessary preparation for belonging to the people of God as we engage with the world at every level. We are challenged to reject the idea that it's me-and-God-against-the-world, and welcome in the idea that it's US-and-God-IN-the-world.

May this Eucharist give us the strength, resources and intelligence we need to be converted personally and socially again this Sunday.



WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

GISELE ROSE MACRI,
daughter of Daniel and Rebecca Macri.

CHARLIE CLEAL
daughter of Joel and Claire Cleal.

Baptised at St Bede's Pymont

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PALMS ENCOUNTERS

Palms Encounters are ethically run group tours that provide participants with authentic, hard to come by experiences. The tours have been carefully designed to give you an insight into the daily life of people of another culture, an understanding of sustainable approaches to reducing poverty, and an insight into the life and work of Palms development volunteers.

**Palms
Australia**

We still have **limited places** available for our next trip to **Timor-Leste 11-23 March** if you book by **5pm Thursday 25 January**. Please contact Palms on 02 9560 5333 or see www.palms.org.au/encounters

CATHOLICCARE PARENTING HUB

With the school holidays in full swing, CatholicCare's parenting hub provides useful articles with tips to help you manage the ups and downs. Simply visit catholiccare.org and look for the Parenting Hub icon. Our parenting counsellors are also available 7 days a week by calling Parent Line NSW on **1300 1300 52**. CatholicCare Sydney wishes everyone a very Happy New Year.

GUIDED SILENT RETREAT

"Walk with me", this Lent, through a guided silent retreat given by the Verbum Dei Missionaries:

Sunday 11th February 9.30am - 3pm. It will be held at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville and cost \$30. Please BYO lunch as no food will be provided. For more information contact Kylie 0403453620 or verbumdeisydney@gmail.com

CATHOLIC MINDFULNESS WORKSHOP

THIS ASH WEDNESDAY: Join Catholic USA psychologist, Dr Gregory Bottaro at his workshop where he will teach you new skills to help support the people in your communities. Gain more peace in your life by trusting God, letting go and becoming more present with his Mindfulness strategy.

When: Wednesday, February 14 **Where:** Notre Dame University, Broadway Campus **Cost:** \$100 **Register:** www.rom.org.au

FOOTPRINTS OF JESUS PILGRIMAGE MAY 2018

The 16-day pilgrimage departing on 16th of May, 2018, features Petra, Mt. Nebo, Bethlehem, Jericho, Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, Dead Sea, Masada, Nazareth, Caesarea Philippi, for an all-inclusive New Year offer of \$5,490. To avail the early bird offer you can reserve your seats with an initial deposit of \$500. This offer ends on 31st of January, 2018. For further details or any queries please feel free to call Magi Pilgrimages on 03 8562 2246 or email: pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au

DEVOTIONS TO HONOUR OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Mass and Blessing of the Sick will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, Earlwood, on Sunday the 11 February 2018 (behind Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Earlwood), entrance via St. James Avenue, Earlwood, commencing with recitation of the Rosary at 2:30 p.m. followed by Mass and the Blessing of the Sick at 3:00 p.m. The Principal celebrant will be Bishop Anthony Randazzo.

POSITIONS VACANT

Manager, Mission & Outreach.

Permanent full-time position. Lewisham-based. For further information please contact Anthony Spata at REACH Human Resources, on [0402 210 055](tel:0402210055). Applications close 26 January 2018.

Housekeeper

St Francis Xavier Lurnea, Presbytery and office.

5 - 8 hours a week Days and times negotiable. Cleaning & cooking required. Experience preferred

Applications Close: Friday 2 February 2018 Please contact Mary-Ann on 9607 8760 or admin@sfxlurnea.org.au

ST VINCENT'S COLLEGE POTTS POINT

Celebrating their 160th Anniversary in 2018. The College, Ex-Students Union and the Foundation are working together to document their rich history and conduct the Vinnies Census of Alumnae and Community. All former students, staff and families are invited and encouraged to participate and spread the word. www.vinniescensus.nsw.edu.au



Readers for next Sunday, 28th January 2018

	St. James'	St. Bede's	St. James'	St. Bede's
	5pm	8am	9:30am	11am
First Reader	Alday Family	Dominic Maunsell	Politoni Family	Antonia Budriah
Second Reader	Alday Family	Ron Gattone	Politoni Family	Liz Yambao

Please pray for the sick:

Elizabeth Fletcher, Neave Mackey, Anne Owens, Patricia O'Leary, John Jones, Gillian Ellis, John & June Ebert, Debbie Julius, Archbishop Anthony, Fran Campisi, Irene Malin, Fr. Michael Walsh, Bp Geoffrey Robinson, Kate Mara, Leslee Hoad-Mara, Lee Tillam, Noreen Hayes, Kay White, family members, parishioners, friends.

Please pray for the deceased:

Norma Fisher, Eileen Casey, Allan White, Georgia Hoad, Hazel O'Connor, Peter Walsh, Sam Tinman, Maria Lo, Sean & Pat Flanagan, Frank & Melina Galluzzo, O'Connor family members & all the faithful departed Parishioners.

If you would like to add names to the "pray for the sick" or "pray for the deceased" lists, please contact the office. Please note that any names added for an anniversary to the pray for the deceased will remain for 4 weeks.

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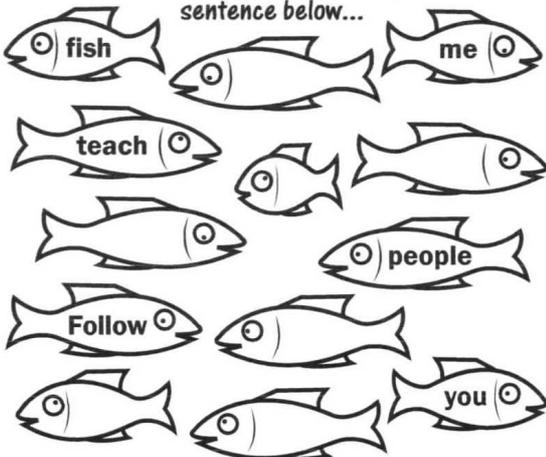
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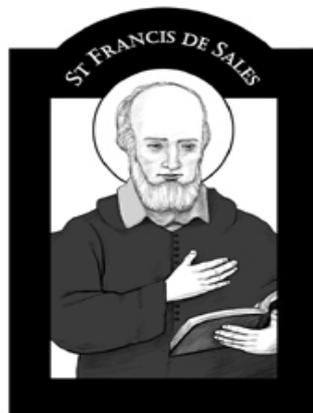
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Use the words in the fish to complete the sentence below...



_____ and I will _____
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St Francis de Sales was born in 1567 to the noble family of Count de Sales of Savoy.

After studying at university he was ordained a priest and in his first mission worked to convert the Calvinists of his native region. In 1602 he became the Bishop of Geneva and several years later formed the Order of the Visitation with the help of St Jane Frances de Chantal. St Francis de Sales' writings on devotional life are still widely read today and in the western church he is honoured as a Doctor of the Church. Pope Pius XI declared him to be patron saint of journalists.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
In his presence are majesty and
splendour, strength and honour in his
holy place.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace to people of good will. We praise
you, we bless you, we adore you, we
glorify you, we give you thanks for your
great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O
God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ,
Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of
God, Son of the Father, you take away
the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer; you are seated at the
right hand of the Father, have mercy on
us. For you alone are the Holy One, you
alone are the Lord, you alone are the
Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy
Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
direct our actions according to your
good pleasure, that in the name of your
beloved Son we may abound in good
works.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the
unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

Jonah 3:1-5. 10

The word of the Lord was addressed to
Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the
great city, and preach to them as I told
you to.' Jonah set out and went to
Nineveh in obedience to the word of the
Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great
beyond compare: it took three days to
cross it. Jonah went on into the city,
making a day's journey. He preached in
these words, 'Only forty days more and
Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And
the people of Nineveh believed in God;
they proclaimed a fast and put on
sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.
God saw their efforts to renounce their
evil behaviour. And God relented: he did
not inflict on them the disaster which he
had threatened.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Teach me your ways, O Lord.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Brothers, our time is growing short.
Those who have wives should live as
though they had none, and those who
mourn should live as though they had
nothing to mourn for; those who are
enjoying life should live as though
there were nothing to laugh about;
those whose life is buying things
should live as though they had nothing
of their own; and those who have to
deal with the world should not become
engrossed in it. I say this because the
world as we know it is passing away.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near:
believe the Good News!
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus
went into Galilee. There he proclaimed
the Good News from God. 'The time
has come' he said 'and the kingdom of
God is close at hand. Repent, and be-
lieve the Good News.'
As he was walking along by the Sea of
Galilee he saw Simon and his brother
Andrew casting a net in the lake – for
they were fishermen. And Jesus said to
them, 'Follow me and I will make you
into fishers of men.' And at once they
left their nets and followed him.
Going on a little further, he saw James
son of Zebedee and his brother John;
they too were in their boat, mending
their nets. He called them at once and,
leaving their father Zebedee in the
boat with the men he employed, they
went after him.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father
almighty, maker of heaven & earth,
of all things visible and invisible. I
believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God, born
of the Father before all ages. God
from God, Light from Light, true
God from true God, begotten, not
made, consubstantial with the
Father; through him all things were
made. For us men and for our
salvation he came down from
heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was
incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and
became man. For our sake he was
crucified under Pontius Pilate, he
suffered death and was buried, and
rose again on the third day in
accordance with the Scriptures. He
ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father. He
will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead and his
kingdom will have no end. I believe
in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the
giver of life, who proceeds from the
Father and the Son, who with the
Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through
the prophets. I believe in one, holy,
catholic and apostolic Church. I
confess one Baptism for the
forgiveness of sins and I look
forward to the resurrection of the
dead and the life of the world to
come. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept our offerings, O Lord,
we pray, and in sanctifying them
grant that they may profit us for
salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Look toward the Lord and be
radiant; let your faces not be
abashed.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that, receiving the grace by which
you bring us to new life, we may
always glory in your gift.
Through Christ our Lord.