

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

6 JULY 2025

PEACE TO THIS HOUSE. The book of the prophet Isaiah concludes with the promise that God will send peace flowing like a river on all the nations. Today's Gospel reminds us that missionaries are always needed to bring this peace to others. May the peace of Christ dwell in our hearts. May the people we meet experience through us the peace referred to in the Jewish greeting, 'Shalom! Peace be with you!'

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 47:10-11

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
P. Lord Jesus, you have revealed yourself as the way to the Father: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You have poured out on your people the Spirit of truth: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the Good Shepherd, leading us to eternal life: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

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. / Amen.

COLLECT

P. O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Isa 66:10-14

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her! That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts. For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations. At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted. At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20. R. v. 1

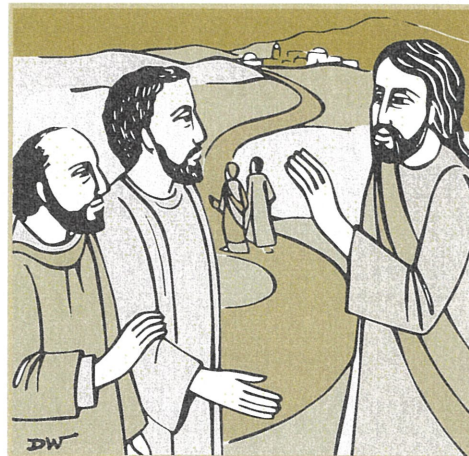
R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth, / O sing to the glory of his name. / O render him glorious praise. / Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! **R.**

2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow; / shall sing to you, sing to your name!' / Come and see the works of God, / tremendous his deeds among men. **R.**

3. He turned the sea into dry land, / they passed through the river dry-shod. / Let our joy then be in him; / he rules for ever by his might. **R.**

4. Come and hear, all who fear God. / I will tell what he did for my soul. / Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer / nor withhold his love from me. **R.**



SECOND READING

Gal 6:14-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

The marks I carry on my body are those of Jesus Christ.

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Col 3:15,16

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Your peace will rest upon him.

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on

the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. May this oblation dedicated to your name purify us, O Lord, and day by day bring our conduct closer to the life of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

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

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ps 33:9

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, having been replenished by such great gifts, we may gain the prize of salvation and never cease to praise you. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

MISSIONARIES OF CHRIST

If I ever travel overseas and don't know anyone at the place to which I am going, I search the internet for accommodation. There are many apps to assist. Experiencing a welcome and a sense of hospitality when I finally arrive is such a gift.

Luke's Gospel addressees are missionaries. They are moving around the Greco-Roman world, probably around Asia Minor (today's Turkey), committed to preaching about Jesus. They would be relying on local hospitality. Today's Gospel plugs right into this situation and Jesus offers Luke's missionaries wisdom: Go with a colleague, don't be alone, there will be times when they will experience hardship even rejection and feel like 'lambs among wolves', travel lightly as their mission for the Kingdom is urgent, offer peace to households that are hospitable, receive what is offered from them, and stay present to those who are open, don't become itinerant, moving 'from house to house' and offer God's gift of healing.

While Jesus speaks this wisdom to Luke's missionary audience of the late first century CE, it applies equally to us in our faith communities and parishes today seeking to discern our futures with a synodal spirit. Today's Gospel invites us to be concerned about those around us. We, too, are called to announce: 'The kingdom of God is very near to you!'

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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WELCOME TO ST GREGORY THE GREAT—DONCASTER

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time/ C

5/6 July 2025

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MASS TIMES:

St Greg's: Sat Vigil 6.00pm; Sun 9.00am, 10.30am & 5.00pm; Wed & Fri 9.00am

Holy Rosary: Every Wednesday after the 9.00AM Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Wednesday and Friday following the 9.00AM Mass

CHILDREN LITURGY: Sunday mornings @ 10.30am

Reconciliation: Saturdays 9.30-11.00am (or by appointment or before/after any Mass but allow time)

Anointing of the Sick before/after any Mass or by appointment

St Kevin's: Sat Vigil 5.30pm; Sun 8.30am, 10.00am; Tue & Thurs 9.15am

Hygiene: An essential part of our everyday lives — always, forever, please be careful and caring.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Deut 30:10-14, Ps 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37,

Col 1:15-20, Lk 10:25-37

BAPTISMS: Please ring the Parish Office for bookings

ST GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL:

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PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS:

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CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP:

Wednesdays at 9.45am in the church meeting room

Contact Paola Cheng 0415 280 216

CORNERSTONE YOUTH GROUP: 3rd Fridays of the month 7.00pm-9.00pm

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: 4th Fridays 7.15pm—9.30pm

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE: 3rd Mondays

7.00pm in the School Parish Room

ST GREGORY'S TENNIS CLUB: Membership enquiries:

Gianna Alessio (President) 0438 410 506

Please pray for: Those who are **sick** at this time including Monia Iaconi, Martin Stanbury, Shirley Loo, Bob Ulehla, Carmel Aloj, Anthony Tang, Bishop Terry Curtin, Madelaine Fitzpatrick, Malia Sekeme, Thelma Peacock, Don Pavone, John Reid, Alan Benn, Helen Ong, Joseph Yeo, Michael Angelo Yambao, Meredith Barnes, Yuet-Sim Chow, Jason Shum, Siv Cuasay

and for those who died recently

and for those whose anniversaries occur about now Antonio & Rosaria Devincintis, Eustachio & Elina Coia, John Boxshall, Ida Molinari, Rev. Austin Cooper OMI, Florence Henderson, Ernest Balnaves, Marcia Standish, Fr Bernie Maxwell OP



Words from the desk of the PP:

Thank You – even more!!

I said thank you last week, but thank you again. Your care for me and celebrating my vocation to the priesthood has touched me deeply and affirmed my calling in ways I didn't expect. Thank you to everyone who helped make the various celebrations in parish and school such wonderful moments of grace for me, and I hope, for you.

Retreats:

I am required to go on retreat annually (in addition to spiritual direction, ministry supervision and holidays). We try to have some sort of brief staff retreat each year.

These times are times to spend allowing God time and not filling the time with words/our prayers.

This is something everyone should seek to do – even if it is one of the afternoon retreats that can be found. Or time you make yourself.

Please, let me know if you'd be interested in some sort of Parish Retreat. Maybe a Saturday going somewhere. Or a couple of evenings during the week. Call or email the office or catch me and chat with me.

Safeguarding Culture:

I don't have any idea what went wrong in the Point Cook child care centre we heard about in the news – how could these terrible abuses occur. Clearly most of the problem lies with a perpetrator. But ... something more happened, it would seem to me from afar that the safeguarding culture of the site failed – somehow.

It is that culture of safeguarding which we are putting such a big effort into in Doncaster and Templestowe Parishes. I know it can seem as though we are just doing paperwork with checks and codes of conduct and training but surrounding those legal necessities is our culture.

I try to make clear and hope I succeed in making it clear that it is you and I, all of us, being sensibly aware of children and the situations surrounding them. You and I seek to ensure situations don't arise where children are alone with one adult or otherwise unsafe.

Thank you for all the efforts you are putting in – thank you to the Safeguarding team across Doncaster and Templestowe (David, Ana, Gianna, Margaret, Marcello, Gabee, Natalie, Paul).

Congratulations on the progress we have made in compliance but even more so in our culture. I now have people who come to me or to Ana or to David and comment on things that could be improved with how we prepare for and execute events. Thank you.

Peter's Pence: My apologies. Last weekend I said that the Peter's Pence collection goes entirely to charitable needs funded by the pope. I now find that in fact the funds are also used to help the works of the various departments (dicasteries) of the Vatican – the groups which help the Pope lead the Roman Catholic Church. The money still all goes to spreading the Good News.

God bless, Fr Charles



Fr Charles' Prayer Intention for this week:

For those who live with hearing loss: that they will be supported by the Holy Spirit as the world becomes harder for them to understand and decipher and for others that we seek to support them in the complexities of hearing loss.

St Gregory's is committed to growing a Child Safety Culture with Love

THIS WEEK

Sat 6.00pm
 Sun 9.00am
 Sun 10.30am
 Sun 5.00pm

LECTORS

Joseph and Lorna Philip
 Philip Dunlop, Greg Lesmana
 Erin Djukiadmojo, Jonathan Gunawan
 Enza Scaffidi, Nat de Silva

CARE OF THE CHURCH: Mary Wilson**MONEY COUNTERS:** Lina & Don Pavone**NEXT WEEK 12/13 July****LECTORS**

Sat 6.00pm Cathy & Noel McClelland
 Sun 9.00am Tony Nimmo
 Sun 10.30am Tony Ting, Sauro Antonelli
 Sun 5.00pm Dot Haynes, Mary Tonti-Filippini

CARE OF THE CHURCH: Phil Handang**MONEY COUNTERS:** Surin Fernando, Josie Masters**COMMUNION MINISTERS**

Robert & Dianne McHugh
 Margaret Wallace
 Rob Rukavina, Dai Sim
 Seleana Ng

MORNING TEA: N/A**Offertory****FLOWERS:** Connie Amalfi**COMMUNION MINISTERS**

Iris O'Farrell, Moira White
 Mary Stocco
 Lucy Giardino, Maggie Yong
 Judy Ablaza, Margaret O'Donnell

MORNING TEA: Max & Tyler**FLOWERS:** Geraldina Donato
Mary Piccoli

For those who are **Coeliac**, we can provide low gluten (<20 ppm) hosts or a separate chalice. Please let the priest or sacristan know your need.

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Mass Celebration with Archbishop Tony Ireland Sunday, 13th July | 10:30 AM Mass at St Greg's

As Archbishop Tony prepares to take up his new role as the Archbishop of Hobart, Tasmania, we come together as a parish family to celebrate his ministry and offer our prayers and blessings for this next chapter of his journey.

This Mass is a beautiful opportunity for us to show our support and gratitude for him, and to surround him with our prayers as he steps into this important calling.



St Vincent de Paul Society

good works

2025 VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Each year at about this time we ask you, the parishioners of St Gregory the Great Parish, to donate to the St Vincent de Paul Winter appeal. Inspired by the joy of the Gospels and our Catholic social teachings, this is something you can do that will really make a difference to people in need.

As we enter this winter your commitment to help people who are experiencing disadvantage, poverty and homelessness is very much needed and appreciated. Requests for assistance have increased this year as the cost of living has impacted everyone but especially those who might normally manage on a small income. If you are able to contribute to the Vinnies Winter Appeal, you may do so in one of the following ways:

- donate online by visiting vinnies.org.au - Donors can allocate donations to St Gregory the Great, Doncaster, by putting the conference name in the comments field. The direct link to our Conference specific fundraising page is: <https://my.fundraiseforvinniesvic.org.au/vinnies-winter-appeal-2025/doncaster-conference>
- Use the QR Code to link to our Conference specific fundraising page: Receipts will be automatically emailed out to donors.
- donate over the phone using a credit card by calling 13 18 12 - Donors can allocate donations to St Gregory the Great, Doncaster, by giving the name of the conference over the phone.
- There will be a second collection on July 19th and 20th where you can make a donation using one of the Vinnies envelopes or placing cash in the Vinnies Winter Appeal Donation Box at the back of the church.

This year the appeal will take place on the weekend of July 19th & 20th

Members of our Conference will be available after each of the Masses to answer any questions about the Vinnies and their work. Thank you.

**New Ways of Giving—****Thank you for your generosity and continuous support!****Scan and Give**

Scan this code with your phone camera and donate directly to our church. Choose Payment for Church Donations. Follow the instructions – it's simple and secure.

Give by Contactless

Use our Eftpos Machine located in the church Narthex. You can donate with: a debit or credit card. Follow the instructions – it's simple and secure.

FOR YEAR 6-10

11 July 2025, Friday
 7pm-9pm

CORNERSTONE YOUTH GROUP

Come grow in faith and walk with God alongside an amazing and fun community! You can experience exciting activities, meaningful conversations and the chance to build lasting friendships!

Don't miss out – come along and be part of this incredible journey!

CONTACT DETAILS:

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 A SAINT FOR THE DIGITAL AGE**

SPEAKERS EVENING WITH MR. DAMIAN HOWARDMonday, 21st July 2025 6.30PM

St Gregory the Great Doncaster

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email: doncaster@cam.org.au or sign up sheet in the church narthex



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