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God chooses ordinary people and confers on them an extraordinary responsibility. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. Most of the apostles were fishermen. Paul was a tentmaker. Christians today are mechanics and clerks, teachers and engineers, doctors and housekeepers. These are all people following ordinary trades or professions, but what they do in them is truly remarkable. They touch minds and hearts and souls, and they heal them. They instruct and comfort people, and they help to drive out the demons that possess them. They participate in very ordinary ways in the extraordinary establishment of the reign of God.

Jesus inaugurated the reign of God on earth. He chose disciples and sent them out to continue the work that he had begun, to preach his gospel and, through healings and exorcisms, to conquer the forces of evil that threatened that reign. And now we have been called; in him we have been chosen, in all of our brokenness and vulnerability. The task to which we have been called is awe-inspiring, and every spiritual blessing in the heavens has been bestowed upon us so that we will be able to accomplish it. If we allow Christ's saving power to take possession of us, we too will further his prophetic ministry. We will bring the saving grace of God to the world that is terrified and that writhes in pain; we will bring it to those places where healing is needed and where demons still hold sway. We will bring all things under the headship of Christ.

Gospel Acclamation See Eph 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 6:7-13

He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

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First Reading Am 7:12-15

Go, prophesy to my people.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores; but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people.
His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (R.)
3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

Second Reading Eph 1:3-14
or shorter form Eph 1:3-10

Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual

blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth. And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK

Max Symington

RECENTLY DECEASED

Angelo Taranto, Dave Falzon

ANNIVERSARIES

Aniela Swiatek, Pietro Santopoli, Paul Sparks, Pascal & Lola Attard, Maria Carni, Antonio Morena, Giovanni & Victoria Camerano, Connie Xuereb

BAPTISMS AT ST PETER'S

12noon – Sunday, 21st July 2024

Evie Principato

Autumn Rose Xerri

Please pray for these children & their families.

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FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Thursday 11th July St Benedict

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – Good

Works

Do you need a helping hand? St Vincent de Paul Society volunteers are committed to providing people with access to the resources and support they need to overcome personal hardship. If you require assistance, please phone their Welfare Assistance Line on free call 1800 305 330 Monday to Friday (except for public holidays). This service is free and confidential.

PARISH NEWS

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or do you know someone who is? Are you a person in search of the meaning of life? Are you a Christian wishing to find out more about the Catholic Church? Are you a Catholic looking for an adult appreciation of your faith? The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is the normal process by which the Catholic Church welcomes new members, and we **will walk with you on your journey of discovery.** This journey of discovery begins with a time of discernment and **Enquiry**, continues through a period of **Catechumenate**, reaches its highpoint at the celebration of **Easter**, and concludes with a period of further deepening of and living the Christian faith. There will be a series of **Enquiry Nights** for those interested in learning more about becoming a Catholic. They will take place on **Tuesdays 16th, 23rd & 30th July at 7.30pm, in the Parish Centre Meeting Room.** For further info, please contact Mrs Teresa Paradowski on 9337 3103, or contact the Parish Office.

ATTENTION: PARISHIONERS PARKING IN CHURCH GROUNDS FOR MORNING MASS
Please note that as Term 3 of the school year commences on Monday 15th July, there will not be parking available in the church grounds for those attending the 9.15am Morning Mass. Be aware also that there are currently works taking place at the Overland Reserve Car Park. Please obey the 40kph speed limit and car parking signage around the neighbouring streets.

SEMINARY ENQUIRY DAY - INVITATION

Young men interested in a vocation to the priesthood or would like to hear more about a vocation, are invited to join Archbishop Peter Comensoli at a Seminary Enquiry Day at Corpus Christi College, 180 Drummond Street, Carlton on Saturday, 10th August from 10.45am-3.30pm. Lunch provided. RSVP by 2/8/24 at vocations@cam.org.au
Please speak with Father Anil if you have any questions.

ST. PETER'S EAST KEILOR

PARISH PRAYER

God our Father,
your parish family of St. Peter's, East Keilor,
thanks you for the faith we share.

Make us a people who cares for one another,
and has a genuine concern for the wider community.

Help parents to give good example;
give children the grace of love and respect;
fill our youth with wisdom, hope and vision.

Their leadership is the future of our Church and Nation.

To our sick grant health;
to those of advancing years serenity,
and to those in sorrow your peace and joy.

Father, deepen our love and strengthen our faith.

Jesus, nourish us with your word and eucharist.

Holy Spirit, direct us in all we do and help us to say always:

'Lord, it is good for us to be here.'
Amen.

ST PETER'S SOCIAL CLUB

Meets Wednesdays in the Parish Centre from 10.00am until approximately 1.30pm. **New members are always welcome.** Come for a friendly cuppa and chat, bingo and occasional outings. BYO lunch. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions.

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MASS TIMES

Weekend Mass Times:

9.15am Saturday Morning Mass

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass

8.30am & 10.30am & 5.00pm Sunday Masses

Weekday Mass Times:

9.15am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction)

RECONCILIATION

9.45am Saturday; 5.30pm Saturday

(Please let the Priest know you would like to make your Confession)

ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

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Commences Monday 15th July

The Parish of St Peter's, Keilor East and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community.