The Basilica of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Parish of Fremantle



Solemn Mass for the Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 11th & 12th 2021

WELCOME

Life is a journey. Jesus on his journey with his disciples to Jerusalem asked two important questions: 'Who do people say I am?' And 'who do you say I am?' Jesus asked these two important questions in the region of Caesarea Philippi. "This place is known for its pagan worship, identified at one time with the Canaanite god Baal and later with the Greek nature god Pan. Herod the Great built a marble temple there in honour of Caesar Augustus, who was considered a god. Herod's son Philip, who ruled the region at the time of Jesus, enlarged the city and renamed it Caesarea in honour of the emperor, adding his own name to distinguish it from Caesarea on the Mediterranean coast." (Healy, Mary. p.160).

In this journey the disciples will learn that to share in Jesus' glory is by first following him on the way of the cross. Jesus for the first time tells his disciples about his future Passion, Death and Resurrection.

When Jesus asked, 'who do you say I am?' Simon Peter said that you are the Son of God. It is purely an experience of Peter with Jesus. It is important to note that Peter's confession of faith took place in a region that had been devoted to the veneration of false gods. Even though the circumstances in which he lived did not have a proper understanding of Jesus, Peter said you are the Christ. As soon as Jesus heard Peter saying, 'you are the Christ' Jesus as a good teacher appreciates him. But this appreciation did not last long.

When Jesus spoke about his vocation to be a suffering Messiah who will lay down his life for his people—and the disciples' vocation to follow in his footsteps, Peter started to remonstrate with Jesus. But, turning and seeing his disciples, Jesus rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' (Mk 8:32-33).

A while ago Peter had a great appreciation from Christ, for his profession of faith; 'You are the Christ.' But the moment Peter failed to comprehend the full plan of his heavenly father Jesus said, 'Get behind me, Satan!

Yes, we all like to follow the glorious Jesus. Jesus through his life has taught us that no one achieves glory through a shortcut; but only by daily living the gospel values, and by embracing the daily cross of one's life. Amen.

> Fr. John Sebastian OMI Rector and Parish Priest

Today's Mass Setting is the Mass of Creation by Mauty Haugen. The Postlude for today will be J. S Bach's Fantasia in G minor BWV 542.

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PRELUDEmusic is played as the congregation gathersPROCESSIONAL HYMN | O JESUS I HAVE PROMISED

O Jesus, I have promised To serve thee to the end; Be thou forever near me, My Master and my friend; I shall not fear the battle If thou art by my side, Nor wander from the pathway If thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near: I see the sights that dazzle, The tempting sounds I hear. My foes are ever near me, Around me and within; But, Jesus, draw thou nearer, And shield my soul from sin. O let me hear thee speaking In accents clear and still, Above the storms of passion, The murmurs of self-will. O speak to reassure me, To hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised To all who follow thee That where thou art in glory There shall thy servant be. And, Jesus, I have promised To serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, My Master and my friend.

INTRODUCTORY RITE

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. All: Amen.

The Lord be with you **All: And with your spirit.**

PENTENTIAL RITE

Lord, Have Mercy Christ ,Have Mercy Lord ,Have Mercy

Kyrie - eleison Christe - eleison Kyrie - eleison

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, God the Father almighty. Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son. O 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 sit at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are holy. You alone are the Lord. You alone, Jesus Christ, are most high. With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

All: Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:5-9

I offered my back to those who struck me.

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who will dare to condemn me?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

114(116):1-6,8-9

R: I will walk before the Lord, in the Land of the Living

THE SECOND READING

James 2:14-18:

If good works do not go with it, faith is quite dead

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please stand

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

THE GOSPEL

Mark 8:27-35

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Son of Man is destined to suffer grievously

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated

LITURGY OF THE WORD

HOMILY

Please stand

THE CREED

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; the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall 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.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Lord, hear us

All: Lord, Hear Our Prayer

Please be seated

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST OFFERTORY HYMN | MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me; Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be. O who am I, That for my sake My Lord should take Frail flesh, and die?

He came from His blest throne Salvation to bestow; But men made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would know: But oh, my Friend, My Friend indeed, Who at my need His life did spend.

Sometimes they strew His way, And His sweet praises sing; Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King: Then "Crucify!" Is all their breath, And for His death They thirst and cry. They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, The Prince of life they slay. Yet cheerful He To suffering goes, That He His foes From thence might free.

In life, no house, no home My Lord on earth might have; In death, no friendly tomb, But what a stranger gave. What may I say? Heav'n was His home; But mine the tomb Wherein He lay.

Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine; Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine. This is my Friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend.

Please stand

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just**

SANCTUS

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 *Please kneel*

EUCHARISTIC ACLAMATION

We Proclaim your death, O Lord And profess your resurrection until you come again

GREAT AMEN

Amen!

Please stand

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Please exchange peace in a safe manor

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Please Kneel

COMMUNION

During communion the communion chant or reflective music maybe sung or played

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Loving Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. THANKSGIVING HYMN | AT THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING

> At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King, who has washed us in the tide flowing from his pierced side; praise we him whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine, gives his body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword; Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread; with sincerity and love eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from the sky, pow'rs of hell beneath thee lie; death is conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light: hymns of glory and of praise, risen Lord, to thee we raise; holy Father, praise to thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

RECESSIONAL HYMN | PRAISE TO THE HOLIEST IN THE HEIGHT

Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise: in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God! When all was sin and shame, a second Adam to the fight and to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood, which did in Adam fail, should strive afresh against the foe, should strive and should prevail;

And that a higher gift than grace should flesh and blood refine, God's presence and his very self, and essence all-divine.

O generous love! that he, who smote in Man for man the foe, the double agony in Man for man should undergo;

ORGAN POSTLUDE

You are invited to stay and enjoy the organ postlude. If you choose to leave, please do so quietly. Thank you