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# FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 68:14. 17. 30-31. 33-

34. 36-37. R. see v.33

# (R.) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

- 1. This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour. In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails:
  Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)
  2. As for me in my poverty and pain let your help, O God, lift me up.
  I will praise God's name with a song; I will glorify him with thanksgiving. (R.)
  3. The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains. (R.)
- 4. For God will bring help to Zion and rebuild the cities of Judah.
  The sons of his servants shall inherit it; those who love his name shall dwell there. (R.)

# **SECOND READING**: Colossians 1:15-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians All things were created through him and for him. Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers –all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed,

and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: John 6:63. 68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

made peace by his death on the cross.

### **GOSPEL:** Luke 10:25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

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#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday - 5pm SPP Goulburn

5pm Taralga

Sunday - 8am (OLOF), 10 am (SPP)

9am (Crookwell)

Binda - 10.30am (1st Sunday)
Marulan - 8.30am (2nd Sun)
Tarago - 8.30am (3rd Sun)
Bungonia: 7pm, Thurs Rosary

#### **CONFESSIONS**

SPP: 11.30 -12 (Wed /Thurs/Fri), Sat 4.15pm

OLOF: Sat. 9.30am -10am Taralga: 4.30pm (1st Sat) Crookwell: 8.30am (2nd Sun)

#### **ADORATION & BENEDICTION**

SPP 11am Fridays

Holy Hour: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 5.30pm OLOF

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday - 5pm (OLOF),

Wed, Thurs, Fri - 12 noon (SPP)

Friday- 9.30am St Mary's Crookwell

Sat - 9am (OLOF)

<u>Mass Offerings</u>: Please send to office, or central collection boxes.

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## **MISSON CALENDAR DATES**

July 16: Taralga Prayer Group 10am Convent

July 16: Baptism Evening 7.30 Spp Presbytery

July 30: Ex- St Joseph's students & friends K&GZ 10.15

AUG 1: Friday Parish Survey Closed.

AUG 2: COUPLES FOR CHRIST 1st Session

AUG 2: Women's Morning Tea Workers Club: 10.30am

AUG 3: St Joseph's School Mass, Children's Liturgy

AUG 3: Parish Morning Tea

AUG 6: RCIA info night 6pm SPP Presbytery

AUG 9: SPP Regular Tour Open day 11am

AUG 9: Mary McKillop Coastal Pilgrimage Tour

#### **REFLECTION**

God's mandate seems straightforward: 'Love the Lord with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength and all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' But what does this mean practically, in our everyday lives? Jesus provides the example of the good Samaritan to demonstrate what loving our neighbour looks like. In our own lives, on any given day, we could be walking down the street and come across a person on the sidewalk, lying on a piece of cardboard, with a notice in front requesting money or assistance. What do we do? What can we do? What would Jesus do? In that moment we can bend down and ask the person 'How can I help?' We can concretely demonstrate that 'we see you' and know that you are worthy of care and attention. Such acts demonstrate concretely, God's love and concern toward others. We see you. We love you. We're here for you. Just as God is always here for us.

God's Word Daily Reflection 2025





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# SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM-CONFIRMATION

**Enrolment: AUGUST** 

\*\*\*ALTAR SERVER INDUCTION COURSE TO BE RUN IN FIRST WEEKS OF TERM 3\*\*\*

SRE- Special Religious Education teachers desired! Please apply at the office!

#### **MQA**

Pruning Party:
Please join us to trim the
Greenery at Sts Peter and
Paul's Presbytery. The
roses and other very fine
garden plants need some
TLC after the deep freeze.
Please join us for an hour
or on Saturday July 12th
from 9.30am -12pm.
Light refreshments served

# **Crookwell Morning tea:**

The Crookwell morning tea for July the 9th will be run at the usual time of 10.30 at Ensemble. As of August, the event will return, fully heated with temporal and spiritual heat, to the Parish meeting room.

# **Surveys** the link to access the survey is:

https://docs.google.com/ forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfVcfN XUkjuY06wOZReGIhP1mut fNO0gquONIpMi76ruWQk 4g/formResponse

Please continue to contribute the wonderful feedback. The cut off is strictly Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> August.

#### Crookwell Parish Volunteer Mee**t**ing

Each year we have one evening for people who have considered volunteering in our Parish.

This will be held next week in the School Hall at 5:30pm on

Wednesday 9 of this month (next wee Current volunteers are also encourage to attend to help answer questions and review required paperwork.

#### My beloved parishioners:

After 3 weeks of consultation with the community on the suggests 7.30am mass Wednesday and Thursday at OLOF. We received 70 feedback slips. Out of which 50 preferred the 7.30 am and 20 in favour of the 12 noon mass. This will take effect from the 1st September 2025.

Tue 5pm OLOF

Wed - Thurs 7.30am OLOF

Fri 11am Adoration and confession follow by 12noon mass SPP

Sat 9am OLOF

Hope this will suit many. Fr Michael

**Recently Deceased:** Ruth-Kirsten Read, Gordon McSorley, Shirley Evans, Margaret Cusack, Richard Robinson, Martin Stait, Eileen McCarthy (Ireland) Gravina Misfud, Dale Duvall, Luke Elvins, Connor Wilding -Skelly, Natalie Misfud,

**Anniversaries:** Anglela Garvina, James O'Rourke, Dulcie & Charles Millynn, Maxine Probert, Thelma Evans, Majorie Mackay, Roger Probert, Merryl Thistleton, Cheryl Anderson, Gloria MacDonald, Sam Cummins, Harry McLaughlin, Tony McLaughlin, Fred Lee, Roger Trompp, Anable, Coffey & Craicun Family Deceased,

**Prayers:** David Ojwang, John Murrell, Rosemary Hart, Patrick Hart, Dorothy & Winston Selmes, Ryan Cay, Rosemary Probert, Anne Gallagher, Ruth Read Sr, Anne McIntosh, , John Murrell, Baby Cora Berry, Christopher White, Leslie King, Dorothy Brewer

**Entrance Antiphon**: Cf Psalm 16:15 As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

**Communion Antiphon:** John 6:57 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

# Father Byrne's Sunday Message:

The lawyer questioning Jesus about inheriting eternal life is already an expert in the law and prophets and should know the answer. The priest and the Levite both pass by the man and choose to hold on to their own legal purity, possibly at the cost of the victim's life. It would have been easy enough for them to ritually cleanse themselves after helping such a person, but they do not value his life because their understanding of life has not been sufficiently shaped by the law and the prophets. This hardness of heart is what Jesus is up against.

We remember that Jesus says that you must be like a little child to enter the Kingdom of God (meaning, you can only enter the Kingdom if you receive it as a gift, just as children receive everything they have from their loving parents and do not earn anything). The Jews do not seem to appreciate that they have been given something much like the person lying in the ditch and are brought into adoption. Instead, they seem to believe that they have been chosen by God as his people, because they have merited their adoption, more than any other people, and not because he cares for them after seeing them lying in a ditch.

The Samaritan is portrayed as having the capacity of any human being; they act out of compassion. They are touched and moved by seeing this man. Just as we really must understand what make us identify with others, we must also understand what keeps us from others because we think we know them and end up caring less.

This whole story begs us to be opened and listen to your heart; allow yourself to be moved by the circumstances of others. The very persons who walk by are the ones who should have known the law but do not inherit eternal life. Jesus' story illustrates that those who are moved to care inherit eternal life and those who do not act do not inherit it. If you want eternal life, you must know and live out compassion by sensing the emotional reality of others.

"The road from Jerusalem to Jericho...turns out to be an image of human history; the half-dead man lying by the side of it is an image of humanity. Priest and Levite pass by; from earthly history alone, form its cultures and religions alone, no healing comes. If the assault victim is the image of Everyman, the Samaritan can only be the image of Jesus Christ. God himself, who for us is foreign and distant, has set out to take care of his wounded creature. God, though so remote from us, has made himself our neighbour in Jesus Christ. He pours oil and wine into our wounds, a gesture seen as an image of the healing gift of the sacraments, and he brings us to the inn, the Church, in which he arranges our care and also pays a deposit for the cost of that care" (Pope Benedict XVI, Jesus of Nazareth, Vol 1, p. 200-201).