



**St Madeleine**  
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**20th January 2019**

Second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 62: 1-5

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

John 2:1-11

## **“Jesus didn't come to show us how powerful God is - he came to show us how powerful we are!”**

*A pilgrim returning from Lourdes tried to smuggle an extra bottle of Vodka through the green channel at the customs, but was stopped. “What is this?” asked the customs officer. “It is just a bottle of holy water,” declared the pilgrim. The customs officer took a good swig from the bottle, then said, “It tastes more like Vodka to me.” “Amazing,” said the pilgrim, “another miracle!”*

—John Pichappilly in *‘The Table of the Word’*



The miracle in Cana (Sunday's Gospel) is the story of a wedding feast on the brink of disaster. It features an intriguing interaction between Jesus and his mother and provides the setting for our Lord's first public miracle. This miracle is a concrete reminder of God's delight in us. It is a symbol of the covenant that binds us—an eternal bond cemented—not by guilt or by threats, or by fear, but unconditional love.

“The human side of the gospel today is the huge need of a young couple on the best day of their lives. Jesus hears of their need and the result is the wine for the wedding, but more so, it is the promise of the fullness of God. We look for the fullness of life in money, food, sex, travel, security, reputation—none last. Only the simplest joys of life really satisfy in the end, like the joy of love, the thrill of friendship, the caring in family and the ways we enjoy the goodness of creation. *A man asked once in the hospice at the end of his life -‘what is happiness?’ ‘Find happiness now’ was his answer—‘be satisfied, be grateful, for what you have, for what you have received, for what God has given you.’* There is a fullness of life in being happy with who I am, what I have... and asking God for what he knows I need.

No matter what our age, we can do good for others, we can share the graces of life and the soul can grow. That's what I hope can happen for me as life goes on. In any group of people, some look happy and some look miserable. The happiest are not always the ones who had or are having the easiest life. They are the ones who have found peace with themselves, others and God. Because of the gift of the fullness of God in ‘new wine’, we always have a home, here and after – in the heart of our God in Jesus Christ now and for eternity”- Donal Neary S.J.

*There is a story of some people who were travelling on a raft off the coast of Brazil. They were perishing of thirst, for as you know, ocean water is undrinkable. What they did not know, however, was that the water they were floating over was fresh water. A nearby river was coming into the sea with such force that it went out for a couple of miles, so they had fresh water right there where they were. But they had no idea that they were floating on fresh water.*

*“In the same way, we are surrounded with love, joy, and happiness, but we fail to realize it.” -Anthony De Mello*

There are people and families with empty jars of basic needs—love, respect, and acceptance and so on. Perhaps, in great faith and love we can lead them to Jesus by reaching out to them.



**God's blessings,**

**Fr. Vince**

**Update**



**Construction is progressing well!**  
 Have a look from the primary school demountables behind the present Mass Centre.  
 If you are interested in pledging an item or contributing financial assistance for the new church, please ring the office—96542260—to have a chat with Fr Vince, or send an email to stmads@yahoo.com.au  
 Thank you for your generosity!

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:**

**1st Collection** (for Diocese) = \$ 1371.55  
**2nd Collection** (for Parish) **Envelopes** = \$ 1656; **Loose** = \$ 829.75  
**Credit cards/Direct Debit** ave weekly = \$2107  
**TOTAL** = \$ 4592.75 (target = \$5577)

If you donate to the parish and have recently changed your credit card, please phone the parish office on 96542260. **Thank you for your generosity!**

**PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS:**

**For the recently deceased**

Gloria Gotauco, Hayley Gangemi

**For the dearly departed**

Estela & Alfonso Juanengo, Deceased of the Pintado family, deceased of the Cartwright family, Marcello Pellizzon and family, Ubaldo Turcato and family, Francesco & Filomena Corcoglioniti, Caterina Musso, Ivan Ceccato, James Leo Houston, Michael I Dunnion, Frenk Piperata, Domenico Piperata, Annino Piperata, Setna & Jim Mulvihill, Helena & Joseph Culligan the deceased of the Mulvihill and Culligan families, and Karen Draddy

**For healing of the sick**

Jacqueline Kelly, 4-mo old Florence Smith, Maria, Tricia, Rob, Michael Foley, Trish Takahashi, Samuel Abella, Doris Mendoza Quiroz, Harper Grace, Margaret Collison, Margaret Gaudry, Anis Nicholas, Peter Balnaves, June, Dorothy Green, Pat D, Neil Rogers, Karen Bligh, Marlon Sabellano Alumios, Desmond Grogan, Louise, Vanessa, Ben Johnson, Cathy Voss, Mary Madden, John Donnelly, Louise Lambert, Charlie, Frank Tabone, John Lippman, Sarah Bilford Beattie, Giuseppe Grasso, Faye Willing, Annabelle, Patrick, Ben Eberand, Callum Goracz, Patrick Griffiths, Catherine Bourke, Christy Sherlock, Tina, Marie, Joe, and Charles Vencyel



**PARISH TEAM**

**Parish Priest:**

Rev Vincent Savarimuthu

**Parish Secretary:**

Lisa Echevarria

**Sacramental Coordinator**

Sally Coppini

**St Madeleine's Primary School**

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Principal: Mrs Jayne Campbell

**PARISH SERVICES**

**Weekend Masses:**

Saturday 5.30pm

(Eucharistic Adoration at 4:45)

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00 am,

5.30pm

**Children's Liturgy**

10am Mass during School terms

**Weekday Masses**

9:15am - Tuesdays to Fridays

**Playgroup** –Tue 9:00am

at St Joseph Centre during school terms

**Prayer Group:** Wednesdays after the 9.15 am Mass

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 5.00pm

**Baptisms:** Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 11:20, or during 10am Masses

**Weddings:** By appointment

**PARISH VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS**

**Welcomers Coordinator:** Amira Campo

**Music Coordinator:** Alexandra Mifsud

**Junior Ministers Coordinator:** Maree McNeil

**Children's Liturgy Coordinator:** Deb Rankin

**Baptism Preparation:** Angelique Easton

**RCIA Coordinator:** Steve Fry

**Playgroup Coordinator:** Grainne Barker

**SRE Coordinator:** Maureen Jones

**Friendship Group:** Jenny Puleo

**Ministry to the Nursing Homes Coordinator:**

Peter Balnaves/Suzanne Kingston-Hunt

**Adult Faith Formation:** Careyanne Moylan

**Property Maintenance Manager:** Angelo Roia

**Piety Stall:** Sandra Tabone

**Altar Linen Coordinator:** Catherine Diekman

**Parish Council Chair:** Patrick Tuttle

**Finance Committee Chair:** Michael Parslow

<b>THIS WEEKEND</b>		5:30pm Sat	8:00am	10:00am	5:30pm
	<b>WELCOMERS</b>	Judith Gauci	Maria & Steve Fry	Jenny & Steve Mayhew	Joseph Spina
	<b>ACOLYTE</b>	Len Gauci	Steve Fry	Jhun Javier	Joe Touma
	<b>READERS</b>	Pat Waters Robert Gerometta	Gerry McArdle Anthony Hooper	Rosanna Ceroli Adriana Kennedy	Janelle & Stephen Bawden
	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	Berenice Hart-Gerometta Judith Gauci	Nuri Wardrop Lorraine Ewer	Jenny & Steve Mayhew	Marian Piper Janelle Bawden
	<b>JUN MINISTERS</b>	Monica & Dom Bruggeling		James Whittle	Josh Fogarty Sara Sawaya
	<b>MUSICIANS</b>	Bev & Pat	Joan & David	Bobby, Matt, and JMJ	Youth Group
	<b>COUNTERS</b>	(22 Jan) John Hourigan and Kay Brooks		<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</b>	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
<b>FLOWERS</b>	Dianne Bennett		<b>ALTAR LINEN</b>	Pat Brush	

<b>26/27 JANUARY</b>	<b>WELCOMERS</b>	Dianne Millington	Carmel & Mike O'Connell	Amira & John Campo	Helen Ross
	<b>ACOLYTE</b>	John Puleo	Darren McNeil	Neil John	Jhun Javier
	<b>READERS</b>	Colleen Dunlop Trish Keating	Nigel Saunders Kay Brooks	Amira Campo Careyanne Moylan	Trish Maidens Patrick Tuttle
	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	Trish Keating Dianne Millington	Frances Sanders Margaret Steele	Sandra Tabone Adriana Kennedy	Tereza Barisic Trish Maidens
	<b>JUN MINISTERS</b>	Annabelle & Matilda Rogers Addison Bayly-Pike	Patrick McNeil	Lorena Campo	James Barker
	<b>MUSICIANS</b>	Lisa J	Joan & David	Merle & Doug	Youth Group
	<b>COUNTERS</b>	(29 Jan) Paul Vella and Belle Craig		<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</b>	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
	<b>FLOWERS</b>	Linda Boffo-Pellizzer		<b>ALTAR LINEN</b>	Barbara Madafiglio

*We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners and Custodians of this country on which we worship*