# Catholic Parishes of St. Andrew's Malabar & St. Agnes' Matraville

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## SUNDAY MASSES Malabar

Vigil Sat. 5pm Sunday 9am

Weekday Masses: 9.10am Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat RECONCILIATION:

> Sat 4pm – 4.30pm Also available by appointment.

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## SUNDAY MASSES Matraville

Vigil Sat. 5.30pm Sunday 10am

Weekday Masses: 7 am Tues, Wed, Fri 9.10am Thurs RECONCILIATION: Sat. 4pm to 4.30pm at Malabar.

School: 9311 1995

## 14<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

Please pray for the Faithful Departed:

**Recently deceased:** Jim Tomlinson, and all who have died from the Covid-19 infection.

**Anniversary**: Robert and Helena Dwyer, Daisy Joseph, Jenny Moy, Moyah Buckley, Dr Ralph Baccash, Yolande & Robert Aquilina, Lydia & Joe Bujeya, Marie & Fawzi Absi,



Please reflect on the Scripture readings on the other side of this bulletin. You are invited to read the reflections by Fr Paul on our website.

Please pray for those infected with COVID-19 and all those who are sick.

## Please keep the spatial distance of 1.5 metres at all times.

ie. When seated, standing and when walking.
(Family members may sit closer to each other)

## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council invitation: "We are inviting everyone around Australia- and the world- to join un us on 5 July 2020, as we come 'Together in the Spirit' to celebrate the gifts of spirituality and culture."

#### Please Tell Others

Many parishioners are still not aware that masses are now being celebrated in our parishes.

Please pass on the following information either by phoning, texting, emails or putting the bulletin in their letter boxes.

### Increase of numbers allowed at our Masses

However, in keeping with Government regulations, <u>from 1<sup>st</sup> July</u> we are limited to

## 85 people at each Mass at Matraville and 100 at Malabar

Please: Those who are unwell or at high risk should not attend.

During this time of limited numbers, you are **most welcome** to attend a **weekday mass** if unable to attend on the weekend.

Weekday masses: 9.10am on Tues., Wed., Fri. and Sat. at Malabar.
7am on Tues, Wed, and Fri at Matraville
We also have 9.10am Mass on Thurs. at Matraville.

Please use the disinfectant every time on your way in.

#### PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES for St. Andrew's

Please pick up your new set of envelopes at the back of the church. A few have a different number so please check name and address.

You are encouraged to stay in or join the Planned Giving Program even if you will not be claiming a tax deduction.

## Sincere thanks to those who have continued their Financial Support

If you wish to help, you can make a direct deposit into our bank account:

Matraville – St Agnes BSB: 062 784 Account: 0496 5001 Malabar – St Andrew BSB: 062 784 Account: 0428 5001

or place cash/cheque into an envelope and mark it 'for Malabar' or 'for Matraville' and for security, please place into brass slot beside front door of MALABAR Presbytery only.

No Saturday morning mass at Matraville until further notice.

Please read the Archbishop's latest Pastoral Letter on the Archdiocesan website.

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#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

cf. Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia! / Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, / you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. / Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL

Mt 11:25-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

I am gentle and humble of heart.

Jesus exclaimed, '1 bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

#### The Gospel of the Lord.



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## Reflections Gospel



# THE SAVING WORD

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#### TRUE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD

Today's Gospel records a moment of joyful intimacy between Jesus and his heavenly Father. Jesus rejoices because he senses that he has managed to share with his disciples something of his own knowledge of God.

The 'knowledge' of which Jesus speaks goes well beyond knowing a great deal *about* another person. He has in mind the Semitic sense of 'knowing' that flows from deep intimacy. Such knowledge is not gained by learning or study about God. It is a gift that comes to those who set aside any claim to expertise and adopt before God the simplicity of a child.

Jesus goes on to present himself as one who has come to lift humanity's burdens, including but not confined to the burden of sin. In contrast to the interpretations of the Mosaic law given by the scribes and Pharisees (cf. Matt 23:4), his yoke is 'easy' and his burden 'light'. The ease and lightness do not stem from a lowering of standards but from the fact that mercy and love, rather than precise legal perfection, have become the supreme criterion. Twice in Matthew's Gospel Jesus quotes the prophet Hosea to this effect: 'What I (God) want is mercy, not sacrifice' (Hos 6:6; see Matt 9:13; 12:7; also 23:23).

The heart of that ease and lightness is the knowledge of which he spoke earlier. To those who worship God as a distant and fearful potentate religious rules and requirements can indeed appear burdensome. This ought not be the case for those who truly know the God Jesus reveals.

Brendan Byrne, SJ

#### FIRST READING

Zech 9:9-10

A reading from the prophet Zechariah See how humbly your king comes to you!

The Lord says this:

'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion!
Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!
See now, your king comes to you;
he is victorious, he is triumphant,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will banish chariots from Ephraim
and horses from Jerusalem;
the bow of war will be banished.
He will proclaim peace for the nations.
His empire shall stretch from sea to sea,
from the River to the ends of the earth.'

The word of the Lord.

#### **RESP PSALM**

Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14. R. v. 1

## R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. ( or Alleluia!)

- 1. I will give you glory, O God my King, / I will bless your name for ever. / I will bless you day after day / and praise your name for ever. R.
- 2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, / slow to anger, abounding in love. / How good is the Lord to all, / compassionate to all his creatures. R.
- **3**. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,/ and your friends shall repeat their blessing. / They shall speak of the glory of your reign / and declare your might, O God. **R**.
- 4. The Lord is faithful in all his words / and loving in all his deeds. / The Lord supports all who fall / and raises all who are bowed down. R.



#### **SECOND READING**

Rom 8:9, 11-13

## A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

■ The word of the Lord.