



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

Twenty third Sunday in Ordinary Time, 3-4 September 2022

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HAPPY FATHERS' DAY!

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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Holy Spirit Parish
Celebrating 50 years of Faith, Family & Friendship

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PLEASE NOTE NEW PHONE DETAILS FOR HOLY SPIRIT PARISH OFFICE: 70369395

Email: ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au

Please contact us via the new phone number or email if you have any enquiries.

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST— RECENTLY DECEASED: Henry Maurice North-Coombes (Dominic's brother)

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Elena Kasso, Guido Favretto, Paolo Uliana, Pamela Rowe, Barbara Quinn, Gerard Dornom, Oliver Clayton, Bill Basile, Barbara Prowse, Robert Currie, Arternio Marasigan Snr. & Arternio Marasigan Jnr. John Coutts, Pat Hollis and Severino Bettiol

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK: Ben Lobo, Angela Damora, Warren Darbyshire, Stella & family, Pauline Curlis, Sean Hill, Valerie Mason, Paul Sanderson, Adrian Ness, Dennis Price, John Hogan, Eve Foreman, Michael Brown, Carol Vallance, Sinead Dalton, Chris Neate, Edna Danelutti, Lyn Read, Tyler (4yo having surgery), Helen, Justine

Readings this week: Wisdon 9:13-18; Philemon 9-10,12-17; Luke 14:25-33

The Word, Spirit Magazine and "Spirit Extra" are available online at www.holyspiritparish.org.au

Holy Spirit Parish Vision

At Holy Spirit Parish, we are an inviting community inspired by the Holy Spirit; welcoming everyone to worship, grow, belong and serve together as Disciples of Christ.





Holy Spirit is a child safe parish. At Holy Spirit we hold the care, safety and well being of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

The Word: Please note in order to get the Parish email distributed each week, submissions for the word need to be received by 2pm Thursday. Thank you, Jenny.

EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK—5th-11th September 2022

MONDAY

TUESDAY

9.15-10.00 am Meditation, Holy Spirit Chapel
7.30 pm Fete Committee Meeting, Mary Bresnan Room
8.00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group, Holy Spirit Chapel

WEDNESDAY

9.15 am Grade 3/4 Class Mass, Holy Spirit CHURCH
7.00 pm Rosary via Zoom
7.30 pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, Mary Bresnan Room

THURSDAY

7.30pm Choir Holy Spirit Chapel

FRIDAY

9.15 am Mass followed by Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet, Holy Spirit Chapel

SATURDAY

6.00 pm Vigil Mass, Holy Spirit Church
ALPHA/Holy Spirit Day, Holy Spirit Chapel and Parish House

SUNDAY

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9.00 am Mass, Holy Spirit Church
4.00-5.00 pm High Spirits, Mary Bresnan Room
5.00 pm Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel
7.30-9.00 pm ALPHA Meeting via Zoom
ST VINCENT DE PAUL \$2.00 COLLECTION WEEKEND

HOLY SPIRIT ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 10th-11th September 2022

Web: www.cam.org.au/ringwoodnorth/Parish-Groups/Parish-Rosters

Mass Coordinators:

6.00 pm: Dominic North-Coombes 9.00 am: Bernadette Loughron 5.00 pm: Volunteer

Lectors:

6.00 pm: Volunteer pls 9.00 am: Sharon Hipwell 5.00 pm: Volunteer

Welcomers:

6.00 pm: Marita North-Coombes 9.00 am: Don Schroder and Tina Toomey

Tea and Coffee:

9.00 am: Nola Ryan and Norma Brown

Holy Spirit Web Site - www.holyspiritparish.org.au:

Stay in touch with our parish website.

- "News, Events": ref menu
- "How we stay connected", online resources such as Masses, Prayers, Newsletters, Next Zoom: ref home page



HOLY SPIRIT PARISH ZOOM ROSARY

Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm—Meeting ID: 631 950 8706 Passcode: 2p7ssZ

Hosted by Ambrose & Philomena Cornelio

Prayer requests may be emailed to Ambrose: acornelio@connecteast.com.au for inclusion weekly.

Parish Database Update Please remember to advise the parish staff of any changes to phone and email details so we can update our database via email to Ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au or phone 7036 9395 Thank you.

Collection Notice For information on the Parish's policies regarding information collection and privacy please refer to: www.holyspiritparish.org.au/Collection-Notice

As restrictions continue to ease, we are happy to advise that the chapel will be open for private prayer during office hours. Parishioners are also welcome to drop in for a cuppa & chat after morning Masses on Wednesday & Fridays.

Charismatic Prayer Group Tuesdays @ 8pm in the Holy Spirit Chapel for prayer, praise and worship and fellowship. If interested, contact Jacek on 0490 884 914 or Ann on 0437 127 326.

Tuesday Meditation Tuesdays @ 9:15am in the Holy Spirit Chapel (not during school holidays). Please contact Len on 0401 519 727 if you have queries.

CENTERING PRAYER MEDITATION

Held fortnightly on a Thursday night at 5.45 pm in the Holy Spirit Chapel for 30 minutes. Please contact Kathy on 0425 852 208 for any further information. All are welcome for a very relaxing, peaceful and short meditation.

CAN YOU HELP? A lady in our Parish, who does not drive, is seeking a lift to and from Sunday 9am Mass. She lives on Wonga Road, near the roundabout at Waranwood Road. If you are able to assist, please contact the Parish office on 7036 9395 and we will forward her details on to you. It would be a lovely gesture to help out one of our Parishioners who would love to attend Sunday mass but it is just a little too far for her to walk. Thank you

winter shelter

We have been delighted to be welcoming a number of guests each Friday night for the last few weeks at Holy Spirit. The guests have expressed gratitude for the food, the company (no one much wants to talk to homeless people in the street) and the warm, safe bed.

A huge, big thank you to everyone for supporting the program by volunteering, cooking and providing donations. We couldn't do it without you. It is a really special program to be a part of and we are blessed that it is able to be run at our Parish.

We are very happy to say we now have enough non-perishable foods and our cooking rosters are all filled. Again, thank you for your generosity.

Areas where we could still use help with are: -

Assistance with laundry (we have to wash the all the bed linen once a week, and at this time of year, it is a bit to get through)

-Shopping – anyone interested in buying bread, ham and fruit and dropping it in to the hall kitchen on Friday afternoons?

– we've got some funding, but just need someone with some time.

The LifeConnect team invite you to join us this World Suicide Prevention Day in support of suicide prevention, remembering lost loved ones and for the survivors of suicide.

On average in Australia 9 people die by suicide each day. The theme for this year's event continues to be *Creating Hope Through Action* and we would love to see you as we walk for suicide awareness and in remembrance of those who have lost their lives to suicide.

We invite you to light a candle with us, share in a minute of silence, and be guided in a short practice of mindfulness followed by tea and coffee.

When: Saturday 10 September, 10am-12:30pm

Where: Ringwood Lake Park Sound shell; 172 Maroondah Highway, Ringwood

Register here: <https://wspd2022.eventbrite.com.au>

If you have any queries or concerns please contact lifecconnect@neaminational.org.au.

This event is proudly supported by Maroondah City Council



All parishioners are invited to a **Mass of Anointing** followed by light lunch on Wednesday 21st September at 11am in the Church.

Please note: 9:15am Mass will not be celebrated in the chapel on that day.

For catering purposes, we will need to know numbers. Please fill in the sign up sheet on the word table or contact the Parish Office:
ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au or 70369395 by Friday 16th September.

LORD, My God, I called to you for help and you healed me. Psalm 30:2



On the Journey this week. Fr Mark De Battista in the Gospel reflection explains why Jesus makes such a strong point on being a disciple and asks have I considered what it's going to cost me to really do this? Mother Hilda on using God's SAT NAV system for our life's journey. Plus, Fr Anthony Crook explores why belonging to a faith community is so good for our mental health and general well-being, Trish McCarthy asks are you doing too much, then it's time to take time out to be still, and Fr Dave Callaghan on the two things that seem to be universal, love seeks to be known and love seeks union, and more great music! Visit www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime.

'Interludes of Your Making - Spiritual Journalling' (via Zoom), Saturday 10 September 2022, 10am-3pm (AEST). You are invited to step aside for a personal interlude - a day to be supported as you quietly listen to your heart and allow the Spirit within to lead you gently forward. Through intervals of creative expression and private reflection, individuals can foster new ways of attuning, sensing and articulating inner experiences. Playful use of mixed media expands the contemplative attentiveness. A focused process facilitates a gentle unfolding of self-understanding and meaning. Spiritual journalling will enable participants to notice emerging possibilities, capture otherwise fleeting insights and ponder a path of growth and change. This is a private, companioned journey with no necessity to share. You can enter into your process at your own pace. No art experience is necessary. The outcome will be fresh awareness of your inner self. Led by Margaret Trainor, qualified in spiritual direction and art therapy. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost \$60. Book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne, email secretary@heartoflife.melbourne, or tel (03) 9890 1101.



Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

- Bookshop Manager - Permanent Full Time
- World Youth Day (WYD) Coordinator
- Parish Animation Consultant

Catholic Development Fund

- Account Executive, Client Services
- Events Coordinator
- Integration Engineer
- Risk & Compliance Analyst
- Relationship Manager
- Account Executive, Bunbury

Parish Positions

- Bookkeeper - St Peter Apostle Mission Parish
- Senior Pastoral Associate - St Mary's Parish Greensborough
- OSHC Program Coordinator - Hoppers Crossing Parish
- Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC) Educator – Hoppers Crossing Parish
- Parish Secretary - St Dominic's Parish
- Parish Manager - St Dominic's Parish
- Parish Secretary - St Mary's Parish, Castlemaine
- Pastoral Associate - St. Clement of Rome Parish, Bulleen
- Parish Secretary – St Bernard's Parish, Belmont
- Parish Pastoral Worker - St Bernard's Parish, Belmont

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Human Resources at hadmin@cam.org.au



SOUL INSPIRED

AN EXHIBITION CELEBRATING LIFE

When: Tuesday 13th September - Thursday 29th September 2022

Time: Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm. Phone 9895 8888 for weekend hours

Opening: Thursday 15th September 5 pm - 7 pm

Artist Talk: Sunday 18 September 2pm - 4pm

Where: Box Hill Community Arts Centre, 470 Station Street, Box Hill

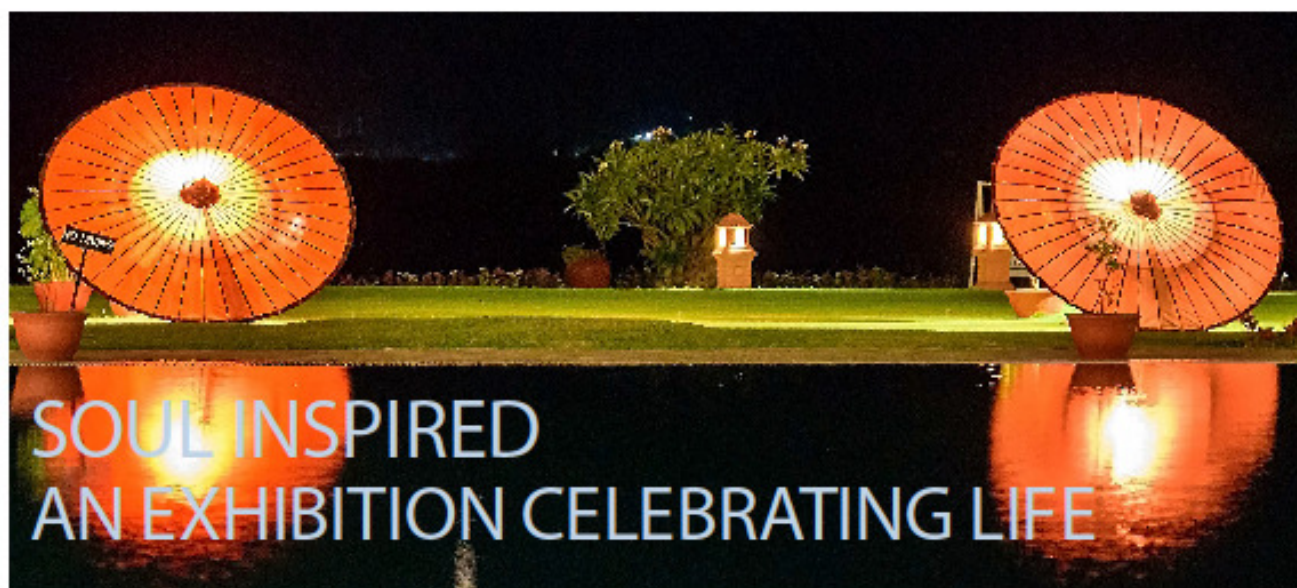
Inspired expressions of our life and the world around us, born out of COVID seclusions, celebrating resilience and courage in appreciation of our Ringwood North community, as part of the Holy Spirit Parish 50th anniversary.

The idea for this exhibition was to give artists of all ages and abilities an opportunity to exhibit their work as a means of diversion and healing and to celebrate the courage of artists.



**BOX HILL
COMMUNITY
ARTS CENTRE**

470 Station Street, Box Hill VIC 3128
Phone: 9895 8888
Email: boxhill@boxhillcommunityartscentre.org.au
Website: www.bhac.com.au



Inner Healing & Forgiveness through Meditation on Jesus

(Prayer & Meditation through gentle postures and breathing in the Holy Spirit, heals body, mind and soul.)

Gospel of John 17:11; "Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me..."

Retreat begins at 5.30pm on Friday 16th Sept. and concludes at 4.30pm on Saturday 17th of Sept.

Guided by Fr. Gilbert Carlo SVD

Contact: At 22 Woodvale Road,

Boronia, Victoria 3155. RSVP Tel: 0424202191 or Email: gilbertcarlo@gmail.com



Embrace the Call to Global Mission

Palms Australia American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Zambia are requesting Australian Catholics to live in and share their skills with parish communities. Embrace one of these [Mission opportunities abroad](#) and mentor those with little other opportunity. You will be well prepared and supported by Palms Australia who have engaged Australian Catholics in this mission since 1961.

[Enquire online](#) or Ph: 0422 742 567 and [Register](#) for a Webinar on **Saturday September 24th at 11:30am** where you can talk directly with Veronica Lawson who is mentoring teachers in Pago Pago, American Samoa now. Or visit others already engaged in Mission with Palms on our [13-day Encounter Tour to Timor-Leste from October 16th to 28th](#)



OUR FETE NEEDS YOU!

The Holy Spirit Community Fete is once again happening on
Saturday 8th October 2022 after a 2 year break.

The Committee are looking for volunteers to assist with the following stalls:

- Trash n Treasure
- Books
- Clothes and
- general helpers on the day.

If you are available to help this community event we would love for you to call or text Adam Stone on 0421423665 or click on the following link -

<https://signup.zone/holyspiritfete-2022>

We sincerely thank you for your help and look forward to another very successful Fete!!



RAFFLE TICKETS!!

Fete raffle tickets are ready for collection from the back of the Church for those on the fete distribution list. If anyone would like to receive books, there is a sign-up sheet on the table or you can contact the Parish House on 7036 9395 or via email:

holyspiritparish@cam.org.au You can also purchase individual tickets from the back of the church. Tickets stubs and monies can be returned to the clearly marked box.

Tickets are great value at just \$2.00 each and there are wonderful prizes on offer:

1st Prize \$1,500 Eastland Voucher

2nd Prize \$750 JB HiFi Voucher

3rd Prize \$500 Bunnings Voucher

4th Prize \$349 Haier 126L Bar Fridge Donated by Swan Air Cooling

5th Prize \$250 Flower Pot Florist Voucher

We thank you for your support of our community fete.



**Saturday 8th
October
10am - 5pm**

ALL DAY RIDE WRISTBANDS

\$50.00



EXCLUSIVE TO HOLY SPIRIT, ST ANNE'S & ST GERARDS FAMILIES
NO Wristband sales on the day. Wristband pickup on Fete Day.

SATURDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2022

10am - 5pm

ALL DAY

RIDE WRISTBAND - ORDER FORM

ALL WRISTBANDS

\$ 50.00

Tickets will be available to be purchased through the Tote System
from now till Thursday 15th of September 2022

All order forms along with any money should be placed in the "FETE
Letterbox" above the Tote OR Purchased after school outside the
computer room from 3rd of October 2022 till 7th of October 2022.

On Fete day, tickets will be replaced with a coloured wristband, which can be
collected after 9.30am from the fete information booth

Simply print out and return the slip below addressed to : Holy Spirit Fete
NO LATER THAN THURSDAY 15th September 2022!!!

THIS REMITTANCE MUST BE RETURNED WITH PAYMENT (CHQ, CASH, CC DETAILS)

NAME: CLASS:

NUMBER OF WRISTBANDS TOTAL ENCLOSED \$

*** Please make cheques out to Holy Spirit Fete.

CARD NUMBER

EXPIRY CSV:

NAME ON CARD:

EMAIL: Please provide email to receive receipt
of payment





DONATIONS

Fete Day: Saturday 8th of October 2022

We are now accepting donations for the following Stalls for the fete:

Trash n Treasure

Strictly NO Electrical or Furniture or Large Items

Books

Toys

Clothes

Please assist our volunteers by separating items by AGE and GENDER.

RULE OF THUMB : If you would not give the item to your best friend in its current condition then please DO NOT bring it.

Any items that are unsellable we have to pay for disposal which means less money for our School & Parish.

Items can be dropped into the Green Containers located along the rear fence of Parish House. Each stall is labelled so please drop in the correct area.

Please note all our wonderful Volunteers need to sort out and organize these donations prior to Fete Day and having these items sorted this way will help enormously.

Thank you
Fete Committee

We sincerely thank you for your help and look forward to another very successful Fete!!



HOLY SPIRIT FETE

SPONSORS 2022

Support our sponsors next time you require a professional service.

Support the community that supports our Parish & School.

Accountant	DMG Gridley CPA	9735 5205
Air Conditioning	Swan Air Cooling	0415 389 757
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Blinds	RobCam Blinds	0417 377 890
Builder	Roclar	9873 4111
Car Wash	ProShine Car Wash	0432 585 052
Computer IT Services	Stuff That Works	1300 133 611
Commercial Electrical	Ecotech	0415 828 677
Electrician	VoltPro	1300 865 877
Financial Planning	Hamilton Morello	9890 1100
Legal	Hutchinson Legal	9870 9870
Locksmith	Frontline Locksmiths	0402 254 777
Mechanic	Bosch Car Service Ringwood	9879 4559
Osteopathy	Maroondah Osteopathy and Sportscare	9876 5815
Mortgage Broker	The Loan Room	1300 030 298
Pest Control	Mick Holden Pest Control	0403 303 144
Photography	Belinda Lee Photography	0422 549 715
Plumber	Mark Leonard Plumbing	9876 6789
Podiatrist	Footlab+	9870 1301
Printer	Minuteman Press Mitcham /Nunawading	9873 2888
Travel Agent	Catherine Stone Travel	0425 850 059
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THE
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Celebrating
YEARS
50

The Parish of St Gerard & St Anne
is celebrating (a little late) its 50th Anniversary

Please Join Us!

Sunday 11 September 2022
10.30am Mass Celebration
and afterwards for High Tea

St Anne's Church
54 Knees Road Park Orchards VIC 3114

RSVP to St Anne's Parish Office
Phone: (03) 7064 3922
Email: parkorchards@cam.org.au

Reaching out in Prayer, Hospitality & Action

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

We trust in God's steadfast love and seeking His healing we bring these prayers for ourselves and our world.

We pray for the leaders of the Church; may they continue to grow in faith as they share the word of God with others.

Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

For our Holy Spirit Community; may our hearts and minds be open to receive Jesus' message of love and compassion for others.

Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

On this Father's Day, we pray and give thanks for all dads and grandads. May the abundant caring, joy and laughter they bring to their children and families grow stronger and deeper each and every day. We especially pray and think of those dads who are no longer with us. May we be thankful for their strong advice, wisdom, love and understanding that they shared with us.

Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for the people and victims of the devastating floods in Pakistan. May the world community come to their much sought after aid so they can begin the path to recovery and rebuild their shattered lives and homes.

Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died recently, Henry North-Coombes and for those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time: Elena Kasso, Guido Favretto, Paolo Uliana, Pamela Rowe, Barbara Quinn, Gerard Dornom, Oliver Clayton, Bill Basile, Barbara Prowse, Robert Currie, Arternio Marasigan (senior), Arternio Marasigan (Junior), John Coutts, Pat Hollis and Severino Bettiol.

May they rest in the loving arms and peace of Christ.

Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now 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.

St. Alphonsus Liguori



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:33

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples

FIRST READING

Wisdom 9.13-18

Who can discern what the Lord wills?

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

13 For who can learn the counsel of God?
Or who can discern what the Lord wills?
14 For the reasoning of mortals is worthless,
and our designs are likely to fail;
15 for a perishable body weighs down the soul,
and this earthy tent burdens the thoughtful mind.
16 We can hardly guess at what is on earth,
and what is at hand we find with labour;
but who has traced out what is in the heavens?
17 Who has learned your counsel,
unless you have given wisdom
and sent your holy spirit from on high?
18 And thus the paths of those on earth were set right,
and people were taught what pleases you,
and were saved by wisdom.

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 90.3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14+17 (R.1)

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

3 You turn us back to dust, and say,
"Turn back, you mortals."

4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past,
or like a watch in the night. **R.**

5 You sweep them away; they are like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning;

6 in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers. **R.**

12 So teach us to count our days
that we may gain a wise heart.

13 Turn, O Lord! How long?
Have compassion on your servants! **R.**

14 Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

17 Let the favour of the Lord our God be upon us,
and prosper for us the work of our hands. **R.**

SECOND READING

Philemon 9b-10, 12-17

*Take back Onesimus,
no longer as a slave but as a much beloved brother.*

A reading from the letter of Paul to Philemon.

9 I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus.

10 I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus,
whose father I have become during my imprisonment.

12 I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you.

13 I wanted to keep him with me,
so that he might be of service to me in your place
during my imprisonment for the gospel;

14 but I preferred to do nothing without your consent,
in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced.

15 Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while,
so that you might have him back forever,

16 no longer as a slave but more than a slave,
a beloved brother—

especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

17 So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me.

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMAT I O N

Alleluia, Alleluia

Let your face shine on your servant,
and teach me your laws.

Alleluia

GOSPEL

Luke 14.25-33

*None of you can become my disciple
if you do not give up all your possessions.*

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke.

25 Large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them,

26 "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother,
spouse and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple.

27 Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

28 "For which of you, intending to build a tower,
does not first sit down and estimate the cost,
to see whether he has enough to complete it?

29 Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish,
all who see it will begin to ridicule him,

30 saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.'

31 "Or what king, going out to wage war against another king,
will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand
to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand?

32 If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away,
he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace.

33 "So therefore, none of you can become my disciple
if you do not give up all your possessions."

The gospel of the Lord.