

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30pm

Sunday 9.3

9.30am 11.00am

Spanish Mass

12.30pm

Mon to Sat

10am

## Sacrament of Confession

Please see a Priest/Email/Call the Parish Office.

#### Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm (Lunch from 1.30pm to 2.30pm)

### Rosary

Every Wednesday after 10am Mass followed by Tea in the Founders Room.

#### Legion of Mary

Every Tuesday at 7pm in the library.

#### **Holy Hour**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month after 10am Mass. The hour will include Rosary, Litany of Our Lady, Divine Mercy and Benediction.

#### Saints Days

Tue 20<sup>th</sup> - St Apollinaris Wed 21<sup>st</sup> - St Lawrence of Brindisi

Thu 22<sup>nd</sup> -St Mary Magdalene Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> -St Bridget of Sweden

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16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 18<sup>th</sup> July 2021

**Sunday Reflection** - Holiday time approaches. Many look forward to a good break; they need time for rest; relaxation and solitude. In today's Gospel we find Jesus acknowledging this need for his Apostles - "you must come away to some lonely place and rest a while." In this we see the caring Jesus - Jesus is caring for the carers and trying to guard the value of rest and refreshment. But their escape into privacy does not succeed. The needy people foresee where they are aiming for and follow them. So, while holding the care of the Apostles in his heart, Jesus is confronted with the large mass of people in desperate need before him. His solution to the dilemma is predictable; "he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd." He recognizes their need is greater. In this episode we meet the kind and tender Jesus. We see the kind of person Jesus is, and the kind of God Jesus reveals. We see the tenderness of God for his people. Jesus is the good shepherd, who commits himself to attending to the needs of the flock. What a contrast with the shepherd leaders criticized by the prophet Jeremiah? They abandon the sheep and neglect their basic duties of caring for the flock entrusted to them; "you have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them". The good shepherd by contrast is prepared 'to put his life on the line' for the sake of the flock, because the sheep are always the Lord's sheep. Jesus shows us a compassionate and caring God, and he shows his Apostles and all of us, that he wants to establish a compassionate, caring Church, in touch with human need and ready to respond to the needs that emerge from suffering humanity.

**Covid 19 Precautions** – Owing to the continued possibility of infection, various precautions are still in place. These are aimed at ensuring maximum safety and peace of mind among those who worship and pray at our Servite Church. You must wear a face covering and we ask that you sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the Church.

**St Peregrine Mass** – This Healing Mass in honour of St. Peregrine will be celebrated on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm. At that Mass we pray for healing through the intercession of St. Peregrine for all Cancer Sufferers and all who are seriously ill. We hold all our sick brothers and sisters in prayer before the Lord.

#### **Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis**

It is with great joy we have received and welcome a First-Class Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis into our Parish Church. We know Carlo was Baptised in our Church, so through this Relic we re-establish contact with Him and rely on His Prayerful Presence in our midst.

This Relic will be on display in our Church after 10am Mass every Monday!

Blessed Carlo Pray for us.