

# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

30 August 2020

## SENTENCE

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for whoever loves another has fulfilled the law.

## COLLECT

Go before us, O Lord, and further us with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and, by your mercy, enjoy everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## READINGS

A reading from the prophecy of Jeremiah:

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me,  
and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.

In your forbearance do not take me away;  
know that on your account I suffer insult.

Your words were found, and I ate them,  
and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart;  
for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts.

I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice;  
under the weight of your hand I sat alone,  
for you had filled me with indignation.

Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed?  
Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

Therefore thus says the Lord:

If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me.

If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,  
you shall serve as my mouth.

It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them.



*'with Jesus we are community'  
'with God liberating the poor'  
'I am with you'  
'Jesus fought for life'*

And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

*Jeremiah 15:15-21*

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

We say the verses from Psalm 26:1-8 alternately:

To you, O Lord, I call; my rock, do not refuse to hear me, for if you are silent to me, I shall be like those who go down to the Pit.

**Hear the voice of my supplication as I cry to you for help,  
as I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.**

Do not drag me away with the wicked, with those who are workers of evil, who speak peace with their neighbours, while mischief is in their hearts.

**Repay them according to their work, and according to the evil of their deeds; repay them according to the work of their hands; render them their due reward.**

Because they do not regard the works of the Lord, or the work of his hands, he will break them down and build them up no more.

**Blessed be the Lord, for he has heard the sound of my pleadings.**

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts; so I am helped, and my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

**The Lord is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed.**

*Psalm 28:1-8*

A reading from Paul's letter to the Christians in Rome:

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room

for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

*Romans 12.9-21*

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

**Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

*Matthew 16.21-28*

This is the Gospel of the Lord, **praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

## PRAYERS

**Anglican Church:** Pray for the United Church of South India (Bp Dharmaraj Rasalam); Diocese of Melbourne (Abp Philip Freier, Asst Bps Paul Barker, Bradly Billings, Genieve Blackwell, Kate Prowd, Clergy & People); Trinity Grammar School (Adrian Farrer, Principal; Matt Campbell, James Hale, Chaplains); St Paul's Frankston (Claudia Mauracher).

**For the Parish:** Give thanks for the different churches on the Surf Coast: the congregations of St Aidan's, Transfiguration, and St Luke's, for the Uniting Church, Salvation Army, Baptists, Catholics, City on a Hill (Surfcoast) and Elevate Church; and pray that we may recognise and affirm that we are all sisters and brothers together in the one Church, the body of Christ.

**For the sick & in need:** Keiran & Paul, Gail Lubie, Sally Newson, Joan B, John Bell, Deirdre B, Jane M, Boris & Maie Z, Peter & Tricia Cannon, Judy B, David T, Pauline R, Ken F, Elizabeth N and those known to us in need of our prayers.

**Community of the sick:** Don, Alec Baker, Fiona Tunley, Jenny Stewart

This community are those who need ongoing prayers for strength, courage, and peace of heart, mind and soul as they journey onwards.

### Year's mind

*1st Muriel Rathmill (2015)  
3rd Joan Tarn (2017), Keith Heller  
(1988)*

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

*30th Janette Muller  
2nd Ray Woods*