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14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR B

A THOUGHT FROM FR BENNETH FOR THIS WEEK

Sometimes we know people so well that we miss God calling out to us through them. "That's my mum; she's *supposed* to say that."

"I don't care what Jack says; I know *all about* him!"

Friends and family. They make stupid mistakes. They sometimes say one thing and do another. They're very ordinary – sometimes even irritating. Is it hard to believe that God might be working through them to teach or help us?

In the scripture, prophets were people God chose to challenge, advise, or comfort ordinary people and rulers. Many people in Nazareth couldn't imagine that God had chosen this man Jesus, this man they watched grow into a local carpenter. They thought they knew all about him already. So their minds were closed when he began his ministry. Sadly, the Gospel tells us that their closed minds limited Jesus' power to help them.

Do our closed minds about some people limit God's power to improve our lives?

It can be hard to remember that God uses ordinary people, everyday folks in our lives to do extraordinary things for us. Parents aren't perfect. But watch and listen closely this week for evidence that God is teaching you through them. This week, look closely at family members, or at friends you've known for years. When you drop your expectations or prejudices about them, you might see God challenging or helping you in ways you'd never expect. And don't be discouraged when a friend, co-worker, or teammate writes off your advice or ignores your help; that doesn't mean God isn't *trying* to use you.

God still chooses prophets, but many are rejected by those who know them best. When was I last surprised by an insight or action by someone about whom I thought I knew everything?

Please remember to bring your children to Mass over the holidays. If you are not within the parish during the holidays, find a nearby parish and take them to Mass on Sundays.

Fr. Benneth will be escorting and hosting a "A Journey of Faith" tour to the Holy Land—Israel from 20th February to 5th March 2019. Fr. Benneth invites all parishioners to join him! Flyers for the tour including more details are available in the foyer.

Thank you to all our volunteers who gave their time and talents for our Parish this past week.

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We need the help of a locksmith at the Parish Office, can any parishioners contact us if you can help us out or know of someone who can assist?
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Our parish recognises the Bunurong people, who are the custodians of the Boon Wurrung land on which we worship.



REFLECTIONS—14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me, ‘Son of man, I am sending you...’” EZEKIEL 2:2-3

God asks each of us to do some special work for Him. He gives us the resources we need to do His work. However, do we listen to God when He calls? Do we get up on our feet and use our talent to do the work He asks of us? Remember, God doesn't call the equipped, he equips the called.

NEW PARISH ROSTERS

LECTORS (READERS) - please collect an updated roster as names have been added.

If any new readers would like a copy of Break Open The Word, these are \$20 each. Please let us know ASAP so we can order in the next fortnight.

COLLECTION LAST WEEK

Thanksgiving Income \$5,277.00 + Loose \$778.00 **Total = \$6,055.00**
Thank you to all parishioners who help to support our parish each week.



Gold Coin Collection July 2018 = \$207.00

\$27,116.00
\$ 8,660.00
Balance

Gold Coin Collections Oct 12—Jun 18
 Donations received Oct 12—Jun 18
= \$14,224.00

Fundraising Campaign

We have raised **\$8,772.00** to date which will go towards our air-conditioning and our new organ.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY RAFFLE

St. Vinnies Christmas Hamper Committee will sell tickets for their raffle at all Masses this weekend to provide hampers to local families at Christmas.

Ticket prices are \$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5. All the fantastic prizes are on display in the foyer.



St. Vinnie's Committee Meeting

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 11th July at 7.30pm at the Parish Centre.

SHAC Meeting

Next meeting will be held on Thursday 12th July at 7.30pm at the Parish Centre.

The article "Sleepless in Seaford" which is an interview of Kevin Vaughan from the SHAC appears in the July issue of *Melbourne Catholic*. We will share the link as soon as it is available.

MASS TIMES

Monday 9th—Sunday 15th July

Tuesday 6.00pm	Mass
Wednesday 9.30am	Mass at Holy Family Hall
Thursday 9.00am	Mass at St. Joachim's School
Thursday 6.00pm	Mass
Friday 9.15am	Mass
Friday 10.00am	Expositions until Midday
Saturday 9.00am	Mass
Saturday 5.00pm	Rosary Prayers
Saturday 6.00pm	Mass
Sunday 8.30am	Mass
Sunday 10.00am	Mass

THIS WEEK'S CHOIR:

*We warmly welcome
 St Michael's Choir at 8.30am & 10.00am Mass.*

*We thank them for their Ministry
 and volunteering their time.*

Please pray for our sick:

Brendan Canavan, Judy Bartosy, Alilia Navarro, Alice Feeney, Francis Gallego, Destiny Weir, Elaine Hoy, David Myall, Rosemary Sleddon, John Rowell, Willoughby Newport, Armando Macaraeg, Judy Wardale, & Nicholas X.



OFFICE CLOSURE

Our office will be closed on Tuesday 10th July.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B

1st reading:	Amos 7:12-15
Responsorial Psalm:	Ps 84:9-14
2nd reading:	Ephesians 1:3-14
Gospel:	Mark 6:7-13