

16th Sunday Ordinary Time (b) 21st July 2024

Caring Foundation Sunday

Introduction

*leader: Greet the people and name the Sunday of the Year (see above)
Acknowledge visitors and welcome them.
Remind everyone about refreshments at the end of Mass ????
Announce the theme of the liturgy (see next)*

Theme – HUNGERING FOR GOD'S REALM

*leader: After completing one stage of their task,
the disciples gather around Jesus
to assess what they have accomplished.
Jesus invites them to, "Come away... rest a while."
People are coming from everywhere,
even arriving ahead of the disciples
at the place where they were going.
When Jesus sees the crowds approaching, eager to hear him,
he had compassion for them.
Sensitive to the people who are, "like sheep without a shepherd",
Jesus began to teach them many things.*

(Announce the opening hymn:)

Greeting

*presider: Ki te ingoa o te Matua, ✠ o te Tamaiti, o te Wairua Tapu: /
In the name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit:
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose table we share,
be with us:*

or

*Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord,
be with you all:*

*all: **And with your spirit.***

Penitential Rite *Invitation to Repentance*

either (confer with the Projectionist beforehand if you choose the: 'I confess'.)

*leader: Gathered together in Christ, let us ask forgiveness with
confidence, for God is gentle and compassionate.*

*all: **I confess: . . .***

and/or

*leader: We gather to praise God in Jesus Christ.
He is our Good Shepherd,
who gathers us together to hear his Word
and to share his Eucharist.*

Let us prepare to welcome the Word of God:

leader: Lord, Jesus, You came to save those who were lost:

- (pause) - Lord, have mercy:

all: **Lord, have mercy:**

leader: *You are kind and full of compassion: - (pause) - Christ, have mercy:*

all: **Christ, have mercy:**

leader: *In Your death You have reconciled us to the Father:*

- (pause) - Lord, have mercy:

all: **Lord, have mercy:**

leader: *May almighty God, cleanse us of our sins and through the celebration of this Eucharist make us worthy to sit at the table of the kingdom.*

all: **Amen**

GLORIA invitation

either

leader: *With peoples everywhere, let us glorify our God in joyful song.*

or

leader: *Let us sing the praises of the Lord, the God who made us, whose glory is from age to age.*

Opening Prayer

leader: *(Kia inoi tatou / Let us pray: ...) Compassionate God, from far and near You gather Your Church into one. Safeguard the unity of Your flock through the teaching of Christ the Shepherd, that all Your scattered children may find in him the guidance and nourishment they seek. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ:*

all: **Amen.**

Introduction to the first reading: *(Jeremiah 23 : 1 – 6)*

leader: *One of the most radical texts in the Scriptures occurs in Jeremiah. The prophet poses the question; 'What makes a leader?' He answers his own question by referring to Josiah, affirming that he was indeed a true leader. What made Josiah so, was that he practised justice and righteousness in his care of the poor.*

Introduction to the second reading: *(Ephesians 2 : 13 – 18)*

leader: *In the letter of Paul, there's a reference to the temple divisions. These were the human expression of the hostility, or enmity, that had to be dealt with if there was going to be true liberation for the disciples of Jesus. Jesus is the One who reconciles the existing hostility.*

Gospel Acclamation:

all: **Alleluia! Alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!**

Introduction to the gospel reading: *(Mark 6 : 30 – 34)*

leader: *The crowd are seeking 'a shepherd'; a guide or leader. We may speculate about what Jesus taught by considering the report of what followed that evening. Most likely he spoke about the reigning of God and that his*

followers' need to multiply their giving of themselves. Later, the crowd will share a meal of bread and fish:

Homily Notes (presider)

- *In the first reading from the prophet Jeremiah, new leadership is vital to God's rescue plan. New leaders are part of the prophet's promise. For a battered, but not hopeless people, King Jehoiakin's evilness stands in total contrast to his father Josiah's righteousness. It is Josiah who proved to be the true leader.*
- *In the letter of Paul to the Ephesians, there is a reference to the temple divisions. These were the human expression of the hostility that had to be dealt with if there was going to be true liberation for the disciples of Jesus. Jesus is the One who reconciles.*
- *In the gospel passage, the crowd are seeking a 'shepherd' or leader. We may speculate about what Jesus taught by considering the report of what followed that evening. Most likely he spoke about the realm of God and the need for his followers to multiply their giving of themselves.*
- *Later, the crowd will share a meal of bread and fish. The crowd want a lead. Jesus instructs them that sharing, co-operating and giving of themselves is the way to achieve God's realm in our world.*
- *In our Eucharistic liturgy, the Word of God leads into our sacramental sharing of food. Like the crowds attracted to Jesus and hungering to hear his teaching, in our liturgy we stand on the threshold of God's realm. The moment of worship in faith, when the Word of God is heard and internalised in the food of the Eucharist, can transform us, our neighbourhood and our world.*
- *Jesus led his disciples to share bread with those who hungered for the Bread of Life (vv.36-44). The early community of disciples continued the practice of sharing Word and Eucharist in their practice of telling of Jesus' practice by their practice and sharing their resources with those in need.*
- *In the absence of his person, the action of sharing what they are is all we present disciples of Jesus have. In the absence of Jesus' person, the actions of disciples restore a basic equality between rich and poor so that the differences between rich and poor are destroyed!*
- *Today that means everyone has a contribution to make to the welfare of all. Such an economy would be different to our present economy. But it would be a very good economy!*

Creed / Statement of Faith

Intercessions - 16th Week Ordinary Time [Sun 21st July – Sat 27th July 2024]*invitation to pray:*

leader: *Friends, through Jesus Christ, in the holy Spirit, we have access to the Father. Let us pray to the Father for the Christian community and for the needs of the whole human family:*

1: *For leaders in the Church; may they proclaim the compassion of Christ in their service of God's people: - (pause) - God of Compassion, hear us:*

all: **God of Compassion, hear us.**

2: *For leaders in government; that they may reflect Jesus' sensitivity to the needs of people. May they honour and respect the needy by developing practical policies to restore their dignity when it has been diminished or abused: - (pause) – God of Fairness, hear us:*

all: **God of Fairness, hear us.**

3: *On this Caring Sunday – that the Caring Foundation of the Auckland Diocese is generously supported, enabling them in their work for our communities: - (pause) – Healer of our Brokenness, hear us:*

all: **Healer of our Brokenness, hear us.**

4: *For us who worship here; that we share in God's strategy to transform our world through our love for others: - (pause) - God of Love, hear us:*

all: **God of Love, hear us.**

5: *For the health of all who believe in You, including:*

Mangawhai: **Matteo Gray, Petronella Brom, Lorna Bocock, Geraldine Choromanski, Judy Perry, Veronica Grigg, Margaret Rissman, Roselle & Owen McGrane, Richard Henry, Bob Walters, Colleen Griffith, John Zacwinskis, Anne Griffith, Teresa McCarthy, Tom Ryan, Kathy Brokliss (Hokianga), Lee McCarthy,**

Maungaturoto: **Trevor Brljevich, Tony Ruiterman, Bill Lewis, Beverly Simons, Bob & Julia Bland, Adolph Layec, Rose Plunkett, Tony Plunkett, . .**

Wellsford: **Dallas Colville, Alec Colville, Lucille Jenneker, Wilma Jansen, Gerard McCurran, Iris Barrow, Lagi Sands, Tim Emberson, Theresa Graham, . . .**

May they have the comfort of Christ's presence to relieve their distress, remove their fears, give them peace, and restore their health:

- (pause) - God of Well-being, hear us:

all: **God of Well-being, hear us.**

6: *For those who have died: **June Bycroft,** And those whose anniversaries occur about now: **Susan Tomas, Russell Orr, Harietta Edwards, Fred Preece, Joseph Moors, Ross Tomas, Trevor McCurran, . . .** Number them among Your saints: - (pause) - God of New Life, hear us:*

all: **God of New Life, hear us.**

Concluding Prayer:

leader: God of graciousness, give answers to our prayers in Your great kindness, through Christ our Lord:

*all: **Amen***

(If no priest, the lay leader introduces Lord's Prayer.)

Prayer over the Gifts

*presider: (Kia inoi tatou / Let us pray: ...) O God,
You have fulfilled the many offerings of the Old Law
in the one, perfect sacrifice of the New.
Receive the gifts of Your servants
and bless them as You blessed the sacrifice of Abel,
so that what each of us has offered to Your honour and glory
may advance the salvation of all.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord:*

*all: **Amen***

Preface

presider: The Lord be with you.

*all: **And also with you.***

presider: Lift up your hearts.

*all: **We lift them up to the Lord.***

presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*all: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

*presider: It is truly right and just,
our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
Out of compassion for us sinners
Jesus humbled himself to be born of the Virgin.
By suffering on the cross, he freed us from unending death;
by rising from the dead, he gave us eternal life.
And so, with angels and archangels,
with all the heavenly host,
we proclaim Your glory
and join their unending chorus of praise:*

*all: **Holy holy holy!***

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER – II

Memorial Acclamation

(the Eucharistic Prayer ends with the great 'AMEN')

Introduction to the Lord's Prayer

either

*presider: With trust in God, who nourishes us in the hour of need,
let us pray as Jesus taught us:*

or

Let us pray for the coming of God's realm as Jesus taught us.

or

*The Father has forgiven us, let us forgive our neighbour from the heart
as we say:*

*all: **Our Father, . . .***

*presider: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil;
graciously grant peace in our days,
that by the help of Your mercy,
we may be always freed from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.*

*all: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours,
now and for ever. Amen.***

Sign of Peace

*presider: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:
'Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you'.
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church
and grant us the peace and unity of your Realm,
where you live, now and always:*

*all: **Amen.***

presider: The peace of the Lord be with you:

*all: **And with your spirit.***

presider: Let us offer each other a sign of peace:

Lamb of God

*all: **Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us (x2)
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.***

*presider: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,
who by the will of the Father
and the work of the Holy Spirit,
through your death gave life to the world;
free us by this your most holy Body and Blood
from all our sins and from every evil:
keep us always faithful to your commandments
and never let us be parted from you.*

*all: **Amen***

either

presider: Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of

the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

or

*presider: This is the bread come down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will never die.*

*This is the cup of eternal life;
whoever drinks of it will live forever:*

*all: **Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof,
but only say the Word and my soul shall be healed.***

Holy Communion

*presider: Ko te Tinana o te Karaiti:
(Ko nga Toto o te Karaiti:)*

Prayer after Communion

*presider: (Kia inoi tatou / Let us pray: ...) Lord,
remain close to the people
You have enriched with these heavenly mysteries,
and grant that we may pass from our former ways
to new life in the risen Christ.
We make our prayer in the name of Jesus, the Lord:*

*all: **Amen.**
(an opportunity for announcements/notices etc. . . .)*

Dismissal

*leader: We are sent; in the name of God,
Powerful and Everloving One;
we are sent in the name of Jesus,
Breaker-down of the barriers that divide us;
we are sent in the name of the holy Spirit,
Healer of our brokenness;
to live true to what we are
and worthy of the life we have been given;
to praise God as God deserves
in all that we do, until we gather again:*

*all: **Amen***

The Blessing

*presider: Kia whakapaingia koutou e te Atua kaha rawa,
e te Matua, ✠ e te Tamaiti e te Wairua Tapu. /
May the blessing of God, the Father, ✠ the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with us now and always:*

*all: **Amene***

leader: The Mass has ended, go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

*all: **Thanks be to God.***

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