GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

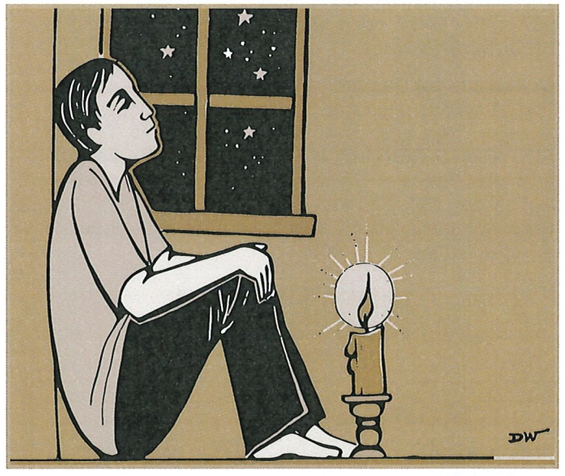
GOSPEL Mk 13:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**



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Breaking Open the Word

THE SAVING WORD

THE COMING OF GOD

Today is the first Sunday of the new Liturgical Year. From now until the last Sunday before Advent next year our focus will be on the Gospel of Mark. The earliest of our four Gospels, Mark was written around the 70s CE to followers of Jesus living in Rome at a time of upheaval, suffering and internal divisions. These themes will emerge and be addressed by Mark's Jesus in the year that unfolds.

Today our Gospel theme seamlessly links to the final Gospel reading from Matthew last Sunday. It is about spiritual alertness amid what is occurring to Jesus' disciples. While Mark is explicitly addressing Greco-Roman followers of Jesus of the first century CE, these words are for us, too, as we await the coming or 'advent' of God. This coming occurs daily. We also look for God's coming and presence in tragic global events and in times of personal upheaval and sadness.

In this first week, we are invited to 'stay awake', not to become spiritually dulled or overwhelmed by what preoccupies our lives. Mark registers the classic times of day in which the disciple is called to alertness: evening, midnight, cockcrow and dawn. Significantly, these words lead into the final story of Mark's Gospel: the story of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. In a strange way today's Gospel orients us to the holiest week of the liturgical year, Holy Week in 2027.

Fr Michael Trainor

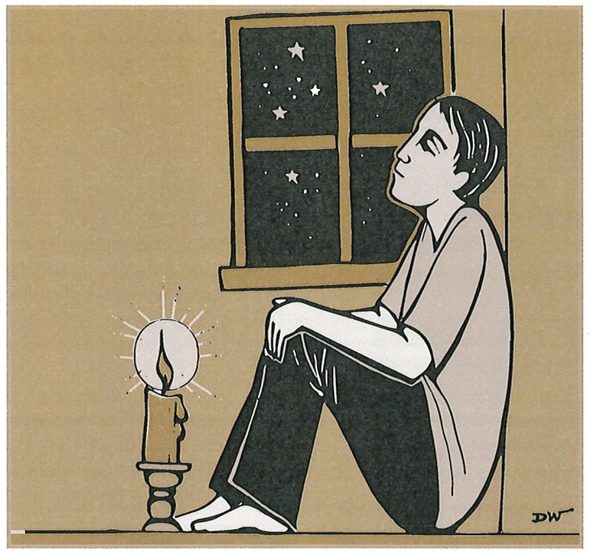
FIRST READING Isa 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Oh, that you would tear the heavens apart and come down.

You, Lord, yourself are our Father,
Our Redeemer is your ancient name.
Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways
and harden our hearts against fearing you?
Return, for the sake of your servants,
the tribes of your inheritance.
Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down — at your Presence the mountains would melt.
No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this for those who trust him.
You guide those who act with integrity
and keep your ways in mind.
You were angry when we were sinners;
we had long been rebels against you.
We were all like men unclean,
all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing.
We have all withered like leaves
and our sins blew us away like the wind.
No one invoked your name
or roused himself to catch hold of you.
For you hid your face from us
and gave us up to the power of our sins.
And yet, Lord, you are our Father;
we the clay, you the potter,
we are all the work of your hand.

■ **The word of the Lord.**



RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 79:2-3, 15-19

R. Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

1. O shepherd of Israel, hear us,/shine forth from your cherubim throne./O Lord, rouse up your might,/O Lord, come to our help. **R.**

2. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,/look down from heaven and see./Visit this vine and protect it,/the vine your right hand has planted. **R.**

3. May your hand be on the man you have chosen,/the man you have given your strength./And we shall never forsake you again:/give us life that we may call upon your name. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Cor 1:3-9

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

The revelation we looked for, Christ Jesus our Lord.

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

■ **The word of the Lord.**



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MASS TIMES
- **Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass**
- **Sun: 8.00am,10.00am,6.00pm**
- Tuesday: 5.30pm
- Wednesday: 8.45am
- Thursday - Saturday: 8.30am

1st Week of Advent YR B
29 Sun: 1st Sunday of Advent
30 Mon: No Mass
01 Dec Tues:
02 Wed: Weekday in Advent (Graduation Mass YR 6 ND School)
03 Thu: St Francis Xavier
04 Fri: Weekday in Advent
05 Sat: Weekday in Advent/ Vigil 2nd Sunday of Advent YR B

SACRAMENTS & PRAYERS
- Reconciliation: Sat 9am-9.30am
- Rosary: Sat 8am
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Fri 9am-5pm
- Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wed 6.00pm

For Baptisms & Weddings
Please call the Parish Office

PARISH FAITH FORMATION
- **Bible Studies:** Tuesday @6pm in the Parish Centre - All welcome.
- **RCIA:** Tuesday @7.00pm.
- **Children's RE/Sacrament Prep:** Thursday @ 4.30pm during school terms.

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WELCOME TO MASS! A very warm welcome to all, especially to new visitors. Remember to hand sanitise on entry, face masks are optional wear whilst in church. Thank you for your cooperation.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR B

COME LORD JESUS. The prophet Isaiah implored God to tear the heavens open and come down to save the people. God, however, did not come among us in such a dramatic way but in the humble form of Jesus of Nazareth. God continues to enter our lives in unexpected ways. If we are watchful for the presence of Christ in each day, we will recognise him when he comes in glory.

MASS COLLECTIONS

Dear Parishioners, the COVID-19 crisis has impacted our liturgies and church celebrations. However, we still want to provide you with spiritual support, and we must continue to pay the bills. Please continue your monetary support to the Parish. Sign up to our Planned Giving program or you can use direct debit (contact Parish Office for details). Thank you.

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS	First Collection EFT Details		Second Collection EFT Details	
	A/C Name:	Cloverdale Presbytery	**A/C Name:**	Cloverdale Parish
	BSB:	086 006	**BSB:**	086 006
	Account #:	140 608 771	**Account #:**	667 172 433
	Reference:	Name	**Reference:**	Name

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Mass	Acolyte	Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 5th Dec 6.00pm	Raven Ocanada		T Hanson C Joyce	C Nguyen M Jackson	M & M Coutinho J Santos
Sunday 6th Dec 8.00am	Sunil Rodrigues	S D'Castro	P Palmez M Smith	S D'Castro D Rodrigues	B Oshie
Sunday 6th Dec 10.00am	Oliver Perez	C Neville	J Branchi R Brown	T Seputro F Brown	Z Chong
Sunday 6th Dec 6.00pm	Dave Daguit		G Godfrey V Conier	P & J Pereyra	D Daguit

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Parish Events

Masses in the Parish
We are now into the Spring months and there are still many Viruses & Flu's/colds are in our community. It is your obligation to attend Mass on a Sunday. It is your right to exercise common sense. If you wish to wear a face mask while attending Mass, you are free to do so. Please hand sanitise as you are entering the church. However, if you are unwell or have a cold, please stay home until feeling better. ***Mass for you at home will be broadcast every Sunday at 6am on the Ten Network*** and multiple times during the week on Foxtel's Aurora (Channel 173).

Parish Donation QR Code
A QR Code has been set up for the parish to make it easier to make a donation. Scan the QR Code and follow the prompts. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Parish.

Pilgrim Statues
If you wish to have one of *'Our Lady's* statues visit your home for a week, please contact Sandra Robinson on H: 9277 2872 or M: 0405 117 138***. 28th November 2026***
V Bennett U5/26 Fulham St Cloverdale & M J Lantis 173 Williamson Ave, Cloverdale.

Parish Thanksgiving Mass & Dinner
Thank you to all that attended the Mass & Dinner last Saturday evening. It was the parish's way of saying thankyou to all who volunteer their time and talents of the past 12 months. Thank you to Rudy for providing the entertainment and the Social/Fundraising Committee for the lovely food and organising the evening.

Parish Second Rite of Reconciliation - Advent 2026
Rivervale Parish will join with Cloverdale/Belmont/ Redcliffe Parish on ***Thursday 3rd December @ 6pm*** in Notre Dame Church for Reconciliation. There will be 5 Priests available. This will be a lovely way to prepare for Christmas.

SVDP (Vinnies) Christmas Appeal 2026
Collection boxes have been placed in the church for your donations of Pantry or Non-perishable Food Items / Christmas Food Items / Toiletries / School Supplies to help make hampers, which will be given to the Vinnies companions in the area. Closing date is Sun 13th Dec. Donations can also be left at the Parish Office.

Notre Dame School Year 6 Graduation
To be held ***Wednesday 2nd December @ 9am*** in the Church. Please note the change in Mass time for that day.

First Sunday of the month Morning Tea & Food Stall
Next Sunday, ***6th December*** in the Parish Centre after the 8am & 10am Masses. Light snack served for morning tea. Variety of delicious food items for sale also. A Gold Coin Donation towards morning tea would be greatly appreciated to help cover costs. All proceeds to the PBF.

Christmas Carols and Morning Tea
Come join us in the Parish Centre on ***Wednesday December 9th*** after the 8.45am Mass for Morning Tea & Christmas Carols presented by the Notre Dame School Choir.

Around the Archdiocese

Archbishop's Christmas Appeal for LifeLink
Not too late to place your donation for the LifeLink Appeal. You may choose to mail your gift in the reply-paid envelope provided or return your envelope and donation and place in the Second Collection until the end of November.

Notre Dame Community

Columban Calendars 2027
Will be available for sale, first weekend in December until sold out. $10.00 each. Limited stock get in early.

Upcoming Roadworks Wright Street
Roadworks have commenced for Wright St, between Belgravia St & Hardey Rd, and will continue for the next 10 weeks. Traffic management will be in place with road closures. This may not impact on the weekend Masses but be mindful that entering the church and carpark during weekday Masses may be a challenge. Easy access to the church, Belgravia St into Oswell St then into Gilroy Ave or Belgravia into Sydenham St, then right into Daly St.

Catechists Needed for 2027
Our parish is seeking **volunteer catechists** for the 2027 Religious Education Program and Sacramental Program. Classes are weekly during school terms.
No experience needed – training and support provided. Help share the joy of the Gospel with the next generation!
Interested? Contact Leonie at the Parish Office: Phone: 92774094 / Email: ndparish@bigpond.net.au or speak to Fr. Quynh after Mass.

Containers for Change
The parish has registered for the Containers for Change Scheme. Take your cans, bottles & plastics to 'TOMRA RECYCLING CENTRE' 41 - 43 Abernethy Rd Belmont (just past Wheeler St) scan the bar code and follow instructions. All monies will be paid into the 'Parish Building Fund Account'. Flyers available with all details on including the 'barcode' to scan.

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In Our Prayers…



In Memoriam
We commend to the Father's love all our faithful departed especially*: deceased members of Kim Nguyen's Family, Remo Lalli Cafini, Domenica Forni, Denzil DeVisser, John Xuan Lam Mai, all names that appear at the foot of the Altar and all souls in Purgatory.*

Parishioners who are unwell:
Deacon Al Atkinson, Myrna, Ranjit, Ravi Ratnayake, Marjorie Williams, Allan & Philomena Jones, Helen Bertola (Coverley), John Vuleta, Liz Mulder, Lena Kennedy, Marjorie Sandon, Sr Terri Emslie (Presentation Sr), Alecia Hamilton (Quain), John O'Rourke, Joyce Fardy & Victor Richards.