**Note: Please leave this on the ambo, thanks.**

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C**

**Introduction**

Good morning / evening we welcome our parishioners and visitors to Mary Immaculate Quakers Hill/Schofields Parish.

As we begin the cycle of the Sundays of the Year - the gospel reading from John tells the story of the ‘first sign’ worked by Jesus, in the presence of his disciples, in Cana in Galilee. This gospel is called a ‘book of signs’, put together so that the reader ‘may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God’, and believing this ‘have life through him’.

Our Mass will be celebrated today by:

**Saturday Vigil Mass:**

**Sunday Masses 7.30am:**

 **9.00am:**

 **10.30am:**

 **6.00pm:**

Please stand and join in singing the Entrance Hymn.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading

Is 62:1-5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

About Zion I will not be silent,

about Jerusalem I will not grow weary,

until her integrity shines out like the dawn

and her salvation flames like a torch.

The nations then will see your integrity,

all the kings your glory,

and you will be called by a new name,

one which the mouth of the Lord will confer.

You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord,

a princely diadem in the hand of your God;

no longer are you to be named ‘Forsaken’,

nor your land ‘Abandoned’,

but you shall be called ‘My Delight’

and your land ‘The Wedded’;

for the Lord takes delight in you

and your land will have its wedding.

Like a young man marrying a virgin,

so will the one who built you wed you,

and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride,

so will your God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 95:1-3. 7-10. R. v.3

(R.) Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,

sing to the Lord all the earth.

O sing to the Lord, bless his name. (R.)

2. Proclaim his help day by day,

tell among the nations his glory

and his wonders among all the peoples. (R.)

3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples,

give the Lord glory and power,

give the Lord the glory of his name. (R.)

4. Worship the Lord in his temple.

O earth, tremble before him.

Proclaim to the nations: ‘God is king.’

He will judge the peoples in fairness. (R.)

Second Reading

1 Cor 12:4-11

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

One and the same spirit distributes different gifts as he chooses.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

Gospel Acclamation

See 2 Thes 2:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel

to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn 2:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The first of the signs given by Jesus was at Cana in Galilee.

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, ‘They have no wine.’ Jesus said, ‘Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.’ His mother said to the servants, ‘Do whatever he tells you.’ There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews; each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, ‘Fill the jars with water,’ and they filled them to the brim. ‘Draw some out now’ he told them, ‘and take it to the steward.’ They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew – the steward called the bridegroom and said, ‘People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink, but you have kept the best wine till now.’

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

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**GENERAL INTERCESSION**

**Priest:** Let us pray to the Father to make us worthy of being his beloved children. Let us remember in a special way the children of this nation and around the world.

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** For the Church: may she never lose the spirit of a child and so live with the spirit of friendship, freedom, and openness.

We pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** For those who hold public office: may they care for all children, show them the beauty of life, and guide them to the respect of laws.

We pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** For those who are sick, depressed, and elderly: may they always trust in the providence of the Father, like a child trusting his parents.

We pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** For those preparing to be married – that couples may delight in each other and know the giftedness of one another.

We pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** For those who have died recently and those whose anniversary occurs at this time and those mentioned in our parish bulletin, May God’s merciful love shine on them and their loved ones left behind.

We pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader: Together we now pray the Prayer for the Parish
Community.**

**All:** God, our Father, bless this parish Mary Immaculate so that we
may love you more. Help the parents to be good examples to
the children and our youth to grow in love and strength as good
Christians.
Encircle our families with your loving care. To the sick grant
health, to the aged bring serenity and to those in sorrow joy.
May we grow stronger in faith and may our love for one another
become deeper in our daily living.

**Priest:** Father, hear the prayers of your children who trust in you. May your Word and the Eucharist be our support and our guide. Give us a childlike disposition, for your kingdom belongs to the little children. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen.