

Thank you so much to everyone for a wonderful time and celebration of Blessing as we worshiped, commissioned Vestry, and inducted me as Rector. The feeling of the whole day was on of Grace, welcome and warmth. The food and fellowship after the service was very inviting. These are the signs of the Spirit, they are an indicator of individual and community health. Our eldest son Liam also would like to express his
 thanks for being made to feel as part of the wider Christian family by Bp Dixie and all who gathered. Our youngest son Elijah has remained in Australia as he discerns whether to come to Manila, he is likely to visit in October.

Today's reading of Jesus encounter with the Samaritan women at the water well reflects the character of Jesus and therefore the character of who we are called to imitate likewise in such a diverse multicultural part of the world. When people come seeking water, whether to drink for the body or drink for the soul, it is offered. Many people of the New Testament time would have ignored this women. When she encounters Jesus she is accepted and blessed. This is the good news we carry too. It is the life giving water of love of neighbors and God from where all good beginnings begin and end.

If you would like a pastoral visit Deacon Mary and I would be happy to come to you, or if you prefer meet at the Rectory. Also if you know of someone who is sick or in need the same applies. Just let Claire in the office know and we will arrange a time to meet.

Love and prayers.
Fr. Peter

