

Thoughts on the Daily Word

5th Week of Lent. Saturday 12th April. Readings: Ezekiel 37:21-28; Psalm: Jeremiah 31:10-13; John 11:45-56.

The last day before we hit Holy Week. Today's Word seems to sum up most of the journey that began such a long time ago. Building a people, a nation, a community is what it has been all about. A gathering together of all the scattered and homeless people of the world. What an incredible vision and purpose. It continues the vision presented from Advent and Christmas and built up in the day-to-day stories of Ordinary Time. The cost of this vision becomes clear as we hear today the High Priest saying that one man has to die for all. That one is each one of us as we follow the footsteps of Jesus. That dying is giving ourselves to the task of making Christ's mission real in our world. It sums up the testing time that Lent provides for us to realise our Baptismal calling.