



WELCOME TO ST MARYS PARISH

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The Living Word

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

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First Reading Wis 7:7-11

In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came
to me.

I esteemed her more than sceptres and
thrones;

compared with her, I held riches as
nothing.

I reckoned no priceless stone to be her
peer,

for compared with her, all gold is a pinch
of sand,

and beside her silver ranks as mud.

I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,

since her radiance never sleeps.

In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14

(R.) *Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing for joy!*

1. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger forever?
Show pity to your servants. (R.)
2. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew
misfortune. (R.)
3. Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading Heb 4:12-13

*The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions
of the heart.*

The word of God is something alive and
active; it cuts like any double-edged sword
but more finely: it can slip through the place
where the soul is divided from the spirit,
or joints from the marrow; it can judge the
secret emotions and thoughts. No created
thing can hide from him; everything is
uncovered and open to the eyes of the one
to whom we must give account of ourselves.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!*

Gospel Mk 10:17-30

or (shorter form Mk 10:17-27)

Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when
a man ran up, knelt before him and put
this question to him, 'Good master, what
must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus
said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No
one is good but God alone. You know the
commandments: You must not kill; You
must not commit adultery; You must not
steal; You must not bring false witness; You
must not defraud; Honour your father and
mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have
kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus
looked steadily at him and loved him, and
he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and
sell everything you own and give the money
to the poor, and you will have treasure in
heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face
fell at these words and he went away sad,
for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples,
'How hard it is for those who have riches to
enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples
were astounded by these words, but Jesus
insisted, 'My children,' he said to them,
'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!
It is easier for a camel to pass through
the eye of a needle than for a rich man to
enter the kingdom of God.' They were more
astonished than ever. 'In that case' they
said to one another, 'who can be saved?'
Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said,
'it is impossible, but not for God: because
everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked
him. 'We have left everything and followed
you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there
is no one who has left house, brothers,
sisters, father, children or land for my sake
and for the sake of the gospel who will not
be repaid a hundred times over, houses,
brothers, sisters, mothers, children and
land – not without persecutions – now in
this present time and, in the world to come,
eternal life.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The man in this story is described (at
the end) as a man of great wealth, so
that when Jesus says 'There is one
thing you lack', it would have got his
attention. But he learnt to his shock
that what he lacked was the big-
heartedness which would enable him
to give up the security and status and
power which came with his
possessions.

Jesus was not satisfied with the
wealthy man's minimalist agenda of
keeping the commandments. He is
just as dissatisfied with us. We each
know what is holding us back from
being a wholehearted follower of Jesus
Christ. At some stage in our lives, we
have known, or know now, or will
know, what it is we are hanging onto:
the one thing we cannot, will not, give
up, the one thing that is so much part
of our personality we cannot imagine
what it would be like to get rid of it.

There is only one thing that can give
you, give me, the courage and trust
that is needed. In this Gospel story,
and the only time in Mark, it says:
'Jesus looked steadily at him and
loved him.' This is not the glare of the
critical eye but similar to the gaze of a
parent on a newborn child, envisaging
and encouraging a beautiful future for
that child.

We could take a moment to pray,
'Lord, I know there is something I must
give up to enable me to follow you
more nearly. Give me the courage
which can only come from knowing
that you gaze steadily at me and love
me.'

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ST MARY'S PARISH MOTTO

“Reaching out to each other
- growing together in love”

St Mary's Mooroopna acknowledge the Yorta Yorta Nation and the Aboriginal people who have walked this land for thousands of years

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Sat Vigil 6.30pm
Sunday 10.00am

RECONCILIATION

10.30am to 11.00am Saturday

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Mon 11/10	Mass	6.00pm
Tues 12/10	Holy Hour Exposition	5.00pm
	Mass	6.00pm
Wed 13/10	Mass	6.00pm
Thur 14/10	Mass	6.00pm
Frid 15/10	Mass	10.00am

PLEASE NOTE—If and when we are able to open up the church again, you will be required to register by emailing or phoning the parish office on 5825 2034. or phoning Mavis Murphy on 5825 2719

PARISH / SCHOOL NEWS

EASY WORSHIP

Sat 9th October Sarah Richards
Sun 10th October AM Carroll

Sat 16th October Liz Donnelly
Sat 17th October AM Carroll

Where would we be without the Irish ?

Mrs Murphy “I don't think my husband has been faithful to me.”

Mrs O'Toole “Why is that ?”

“Me last child doesn't look anything like him !!”



PLENARY COUNCIL

It's 'Our' Plenary Council!

The first assembly of a Plenary Council of the Catholic Church in Australia is underway. Join us every day, as we follow the work of the Council, and as we pray to the Holy Spirit to guide the deep listening, prayer and discernment which is at the heart of what is unfolding. Our God is the ‘God of Surprises’, leading us forward, even when the way ahead is not yet clear to us.

Daily Mass streamed at 9:30 a.m.

Every day of the First Assembly of the Plenary Council Mass will be streamed at 9:30 a.m., but of course you can watch any time that suits you. If you missed the Opening Mass celebrated by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe, or Mass celebrated by Bishop Shane on Monday you can still watch it on the Plenary Website.

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>

Plenary Council Prayer

God of infinite love and compassion.....

As we navigate the turbulence and uncertainty of the pandemic, hold us close.

When the light of hope at the end of the tunnel flickers and grows dim, give us courage to meet the constant challenges.

Give strength and patience to our brothers and sisters in Shepparton as they face yet another hurdle. Walk with them in this difficult time and give them peace in their anxiety. When we cannot physically be with each other, let us find ways to be your loving presence to them.

We entrust to you the families and communities affected by Coronavirus, wherever they may be. Be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation and console those who are alone in our communities across the Diocese.

Bless the medical staff who care for those affected with Covid and strengthen them with your Spirit.

We offer our prayer to you Lord, in faith and trust.

Amen



**OCTOBER IS THE
MONTH OF THE HOLY
ROSARY.**

2021 Bendigo Marian Festival,

Sunday, 10th October,

1.00pm Holy Mass, main Celebrant Bishop Shane
2.00pm Marian Devotions Stephen Bolling

Because of Covid restrictions, it is unlikely this will be able to be celebrated at Sacred Heart Cathedral, however, you are invited to participate in Mass, Consecration and Devotions online.



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will Triumph”

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We can't welcome you back just yet, but hopefully it won't be too long and, as always, we must obey the rules.

- You **MUST** check in on arrival. QR code and manual registration is available
- You **MUST** sanitise your hands on arrival
- You **MUST** wear your face mask except when receiving holy communion
- You **MUST** maintain social distancing of 1 person or family every 4 square metres



Parishioners Lockdown Projects

Yours truly has been busy during the last few weeks. Only at the Pyes would you rush in to Provincial just prior to lockdown commencing, pay full price for a beautiful new French Provincial chair, and then set about wrecking it because you wanted a different colour !!



There were many problems along the way, but I have a wonderful handyman neighbor who loves a challenge and together Bob and I worked it out !

So after about 40 hours of good old fashioned team work, we finally got there.



No, not taking orders, and not giving up my day job just yet !

Oh and last years lockdown project was this hand knitted Knee rug **Brenda**

Ready for Renewal—Not reinvention

One mechanism for renewal is a Plenary Council. It's defined as a national church gathering to settle common pastoral action for the increase of faith, the renewal of morals and the observance of church discipline.

The last such council in Australia was 84 years ago. Who could have imagined then the technological, sociological and ideological changes that were coming ? Or the changes in the church after the Vatican Council of the 1960s and in the culture after the sexual revolution ?

The Fifth Plenary Council of Australia, which began on Sunday, has been long prepared for through submissions, sociological research, listening sessions, discernment groups, documents and prayer. The council members must sift through all this while attending to the experiences of 5.3 million Australian Catholics, and others of goodwill, most of whom made no formal contributions but all of whom matter.

So the church must explore new opportunities while remaining faithful to its identity as the people of God inspired by the Gospel of Jesus and served by the hierarchy, alert to the challenges and opportunities, graces and limitations particular to our time and place. It must listen to what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Quote Apocalypse of St. John.

Special collection For St Mary's Catholic Church, MANUS ISLAND

Many of you would remember Fr. Paul Sireh who says mass for us from time to time. Fr Paul is from Manus Island and retains a strong connection to his homeland.

"Our worship community desperately needs a bigger and better liturgical worship space due to a growing congregation. There are about five devotional groups in the village and there is no prayer space for them

A new church has been designed by volunteer architect Mr Jesse Mowbray and estimated cost is around K300,000, \$150,000 Australian Dollars.

Mr Repe Buks, a local professional carpenter and builder is nominated to lead the construction and the goal is to raise funds over the next six months so that work can begin in the new year. So far generous donations and fund raising events such as Wheelbarrow Push Appeal, Bingo and Coffee Sale has raised around K110,000 (\$45,000 Australian.)

This collection will take place as soon as we are able to offer mass again

and if you wish to make a donation electronically, the money will go directly into Fr Paul's Account for transfer later

**Name of project—Deribat Church Project
BSB 083-230 Account No 502821976**



Readings for
this week:

Wisdom 7:7-11
Hebrews 4:12-13
Mark 10:17-30



Readings for
next week:

Isaiah 53:10-11
Hebrews 4:14-16
Mark 10:35-45

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Sick List: Graeme Weir, Noreen & Pauline Griffith, Julie Pollard, Fr Owen Doyle, Cherie Mammone, Jim McIntyre, Dominic & Theresa DeMaio, Gerard Murphy (brother of Kevin) Pat Treacy, Bernadette Dickason Sr Alphonse RSM

Recently Deceased : Catherine Phillips **Anniversaries :** Maria Iacano, Greg Appleton

ALTAR HELPERS 9th October Not required 16th October Connie Young, Angela Strangio

BINGO Not allowed under current Victorian Government restrictions

9th & 10th October	COMMENTOR	READER	SPECIAL MINISTER	OFFERTORY
6:30 pm	Peter Stein	Helen Betson	Michelle Hicks	Annette Rau
10.00 am	Liz Donnelly	Inez Raleigh	Cecily Dumaresq	Leo & Brenda Pye
16th & 17th October				
6:30 pm	Marie O'Meara	Imelda Valolia	Angelo Conti	TBA
10.00 am	Margaret Campbell	Liz Turk	Rob O'Meara	TBA