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30th October 2022 - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died
Recently Deceased: Yvonne McNamara; Michael Murphy; Florence Annaeche; Patricia Njoku; Mariene Vannucci; Maria Concepts Vernon; John Nolan; Noel Leech; Joan Greentree;
Deceased:
Anniversary: Edna Guinery; Irene Rich; Thora Sutton; Pamela Howard; Allen McNamara; Patricia Sanders; Eunice McGrath; Elsie Perry; Patsy O'Donnell; Ivy Crossman; Francis Scanton; Bill Murphy; Colin Constable; Frederick Taylor; Cherie McNamara; Ernest Press; Tom Conroy; Hilton Baker; May Raymond; Chystal McLennan (Nee Charters); Raymond Baker; Lila McInerney; Gregory Guinery; Ineen Sippel; John Smith; Barbara McNamara; John White; Nelda Curran; Rene Meert; Josephine Perkins; Robert Baldwin; Joyce Doolan; Bill Law; Frank Moore; Ceciley Howard.
May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest in Peace. Amen.
And for those who are ill: Peter Bridge; Malcolm Lawson; Michatia, Lynn & Neil Sadler; Lorraine Guyer; Josie Norman; Kevin McNamara; Val & Graham Callaghan; Deb Foddy; Skye Evans; Leanne Young; Fran Wallace; Carole Scanton; Maureen Irvine; Chris George; Theo Gleeson; David Henry; Dawn & Colin Graham; Mary Smith; Billy Godden; Gail Martin; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lisa Brown; Clare Crane; Bill Gleeson; Lucy Gigli; David Bonsey (Anne Eason's Brother in law) **all the members of the Parish who are ill.**

Roster
5/11/22 R: W Rheinberger
6/11/22 R: S Meade
C: T & H Perkins
Flower/Altar Roster for November - R Harris

Coming Event

October The Month of Our Lady
Sun 30 Mass at Willow Tree at 7.30am with Morning Tea to follow
Sun 30 Mass at Carroona at 11.15am
Nov 1 All Saints - Mass at 9.30am at St Brigid's
Nov 2 All Souls - Mass at 8.00am at Quirindi Cemetery please bring a chair
Nov 2 All Souls - Mass at 11.00am at Werris Creek
Nov 3 On Thursdays St Vinnies Welfare Assistance will open from 11.00am to 2.00pm
Nov 20 - 25 Clergy Retreat for all the priests in the Diocese

Communion Antiphon You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord

November Mass Offerings
The month of November is almost upon us, a month that we call "The Month of All Souls". November is a special time of the year devoted by the Holy Mother Church to our beloved departed. During this month, the Church asks us to redouble our prayers and sacrifices for the remission of debt incurred by the faithful departed whose sins have already been pardoned. This rich tradition of our faith is deeply rooted in our understanding and belief around death and the promise of eternal life that we have received in Jesus Christ. This is a great act of love that we can do for those who have gone before us, marked with a sign of faith, a sign of love and communion in the communion of Saints. We are pleased to accept names of the deceased to be remembered at our altar during Holy Mass for the entire month of November. A modest donation is requested for Mass intentions at your discretion.

Eloura Masses the Mass at Eloura on Tuesday 8th November has been cancelled. The next mass will be Tuesday 13th December at 2.00pm. There will be no mass at St Brigid's on these days. In 2023 it will be the 2nd Tuesday of every 2nd month. All invited to attend.

Clergy Retreat All priests will be out of the Diocese on Sunday afternoon 20th November through to Friday 25th November. Please pray the priests of the Diocese at this time.

Last Chance to order a Josephite Calendars 2023
Opportunity will close after Mass this Sunday. Please add your name to the list provided in the foyer of the Church. Cost \$10 including postage.

Sick calls if you know of someone who is sick or in hospital and would like Father Kingsley to visit them. Please call Father at the presbytery on 67461133.

Closing of the Jubilee Year and Holy Door
The Clergy and parishioners of St Edward Parish South Tamworth invite you to a special Festival of God's love and forgiveness in giving thanks for the Diamond Jubilee (60th) of their parish. Wednesday 9th November 2022 at 5.00pm. Eucharistic Adoration with songs, prayers and guided meditation in the Taizé tradition. *The Immaculate Mission Team will lead the music and guided meditation. Priests will be available to hear confession for those who wish to go to Reconciliation.* 6.00pm Procession and Closing of the Holy Door. Free BBQ, kids games and live music. Under unusual conditions, a Plenary indulgence is available to all Catholic faithful who will participate in this event. For more information on the Plenary indulgence visit: <https://stedwardsparish.org.au/wp-content/uploads/sites/1209/2022/01/Primer-on-Plenary-Indulgence-Final.pdf>

St Vinnies Welfare Assistance is re-opening. Welfare Assistance will be every Thursday 11.00am to 2.00pm. Phone 0409 886 337 for an appointment.

The Parish of St Brigid Quirindi and the Catholic Diocese of Armidale are committed to the care and well-being and protection of children, young people, and people at risk in our community. Our message is that child protection and dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. Please parents/guardians, ensure that your children are accompanied when leaving the church during Mass to go to the toilet or for any reason.

Planned Giving \$417.00 + Loose \$0.00 = \$417.00

Planned Giving. Giving is an expression of our thankfulness and praise to God. It comes from a heart of worship that recognises everything we have and give already belongs to the Lord. Our ability to earn money is a gift from God. Returning a percentage of our treasure back to God is one way that we live our faith. Just like our family households, our parish community needs financial resources in order to operate, serve, and minister. God provides for these needs through you - **YOU ARE THE PARISH.**

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What return shall I make to the Lord, for all God has given me? Thank you for making a gift to support the important work of our parish. We sincerely appreciate your generosity!

Catholic Mission Australia
Thank you so much for your generous partnership with the life-changing mission programs like the establishment of the Deberely Goat Rearing Centre in Embibir, Ethiopia. Your gift is helping the Church and the local community work towards constructing the Centre, supplying feed and veterinary medication, and procuring goats to provide nutritious milk to help address problems like malnutrition in babies and children. Your gift also supports mission programs around the world that reach out and give life to those in most need.
Envelopes are still at the back of the church.

Raffle Tickets \$1.00. First Prize a Voucher Second Prize is a "Surprise". Don't miss out. Tickets are at the back of the church, write on both sides of the book and it will be drawn at Morning Tea soon.

Daily Mass Books Our orders for Daily Mass Books will close on 4 November. If you require a daily mass book, please write your name on the sheet at the back of the church. The cost will be \$20.00. Payment on receipt.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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First Collection 317.50

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

In 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia!
God loved the world so much, he gave
his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have
eternal life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 19:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Luke.

*The Son of Man came to seek out and to find that which
was lost.*

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood on his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word

SALVATION HAS COME

'Could God really love me?' All too often Christians labour under the burden and misapprehension that God's love and forgiveness must be earned or merited. Aware of their frailty and need for God's mercy there is the fear that God could not love them given the mistakes they've made. Sometimes there is a sense that while God might be gracious and forgiving for others, this would be too much to hope for themselves. The book of Wisdom reminds us that while God patiently longs for our repentance we are always loved because our very existence is proof of God's love for us.

As Paul writes to the Thessalonians, he sets out to calm their fears about the return of the Lord at the end of time. He encourages them with the knowledge that he always prays that they will become worthy of the call that they have received as Christians. Paul knew that none of us can ever earn our salvation, it is always God's free and loving gift. His concern was more that we would learn to respond generously and appropriately to the marvellous gift we have received.

Zacchaeus is a fine example of a generous response to the Lord's loving initiative. Experiencing Jesus' openness and love leads him to offer to give half his considerable wealth to the poor. This meeting with a known sinner provides Jesus with the opportunity to state the purpose of his life and mission - to seek out and save what was lost.

FIRST READING

Wis 11:22-12:2

A reading from the book of Wisdom

You have mercy on all things because you love everything that exists.

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground.

Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it.

And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you? You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all.

Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14, R. cf. v. 1

R. I will praise your name for ever, my King and my God.

1. I will give you glory, O God my King, / I will bless your name for ever. / I will bless you day after day / and praise your name for ever. **R.**

2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, / slow to anger, abounding in love. / How good is the Lord to all, / compassionate to all his

THE SAVING WORD

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3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, / and your friends shall repeat their blessing. / They shall speak of the glory of your reign / and declare your might, O God. **R.**

4. The Lord is faithful in all his words / and loving in all his deeds. / The Lord supports all who fall / and raises all who are bowed down. **R.**

SECOND READING

2 Thess 1:11-2:2

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

The name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him.

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

THE WORD OF THE LORD