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Mon & Tues 9.00 - 11.00am
Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm

24 October 2021 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Colin Constable; Lorraine Reilly; Joan Maizey; Kevin Doolan;

Deceased: Robert Baldwin; Frank Scanlon;
Anniversary: Ron Banwick; Edna Guiney; Irene Rich; Thora Sulton; Pamela Howard; Allen McNamara; Patricia Sanders; Eunice McGrath; Elsie Perry; Patsy O'Donnell; Ivy Crossman; Francis Scanlon; Bill Murphy; Fred Taylor; Cherie McNamara; Em Press; Tom Conroy; Hilton Baker; May Raymond; Chystal McLennan; Raymond Baker; Lila McInerney; Gregory Guiney; Ineen Sippel; John Smith; Barbara McNamara; John White; Neida Curran; Rene Meert; Josephine Perkins; Robert Baldwin; Joyce Doolan; Bill Law; Frank Moore; Cecile 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:

Mavis Burraston; Bishop Bill Wright; Peter Piggot; Mary Smith; Pat Reidy; Paul Murphy; Craig Lawrence; Ivy Taylor; Di Dillon; Michael Hausfeld; Sister Pat Bartley; Lisa Brown; Ray Lamb of Gunnedah; Les Ward; David Seiler; Rita Looney; Fr John Willis; Clare Crane; Bill Gleeson; Billy Goodwin; Ross Turton; Gavin Sewell; Ian Gallagher; Fiona Nolan; Gail Martin; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lucy Giggli; Father Pat O'Neill; Tom Sanderson; Colleen Hyatt; Michael McCormick; Dan O'Donnell; Marie Dalton; Jack Dunn; Colin Gallagher; Andrew McManus; Joan Greentree; Rosalynn Chan; all the members of the Parish who are ill.

Other Intentions: Stesha Pauline Calambro

Roster

30/10/2021 R: W Rheinberger
31/10/2021 R: P Perkins
C: J Daniels & C Taylor

Coming Events

Sun 31 Mass at Willow Tree at 7.30am followed by Morning Tea
Sun 31 Mass at Carroona at 11.15am
Nov 1 All Saints Day
Nov 2 All Souls Day - Mass at the Cemetery at 8.00am - bring your own chair
Nov 2 All Souls Day - Mass at Werris Creek at 10.30am in the Church

November Mass Offerings - please remember to have masses offered for your deceased Relatives and Friends during the month of November, envelopes are at the back of the Church. All Souls Day mass at the Cemetery at 8.00am please bring your own chair.
Mass at Werris Creek at 10.30am in the Church.



Catholic Mission Australia This world Mission Month, we invite you to accept Pope Francis' invitation to take action and be missionary disciples by supporting Church-run programs such as the Kindergarten Centre run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand. The Kindergarten provides children from poor and disadvantaged backgrounds with the opportunity to access early childhood education which, although not compulsory in Thailand, helps children to excel when they start their primary education. On behalf of St Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters, I would like to thank you for your generosity towards the children, and I encourage you to keep these children in your prayers, that through their education they can create bright futures for themselves and break free from the cycle of poverty.



This week Catholic Mission will share the story of Kusa* and how, through the Kindergarten Centre run by Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters, he and many other children living in poverty are able to access education that they would otherwise be unable to afford. **This program gives children a head start on their education, giving them opportunity to break free from the cycle of poverty - but it cannot continue without support of people like you.** Please give generously today to help continue this incredible program by using the appeal envelopes, going online at catholicmission.org.au/education. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world. **Envelopes are at the back of the Church.** * name altered to protect identity

Josephite Calendars Order your 2022 Josephite Calendar containing inspirational quotes from Mary MacKillop and Fr Tenison Woods. A great gift to family and friends. Cost is \$9.00. Please write your name on the sheet attached and leave your money in the box. Many thanks.

Raffle: the voucher is a Tamarang Service Center voucher that can be used for anything there - not only petrol. Tickets are \$1.00 each. Will be drawn at our next Morning Tea, date to be advised.

Daily Mass Books Order your 2022 Daily Mass Book by placing your name on the sheet at the back of the church. Cost to be advised, usually approximately \$20.00 each. Orders to go in next week.

Contact Details If you wish the bulletin to be emailed or delivered to you each week, or if you have a mobile phone and wish to be contacted when changes are made to COVID-19 Rules and Regulations, or Mass time changes, please contact Bern at the Presbytery 6746 1133 or email stbrigid3@bigpond.com. Thank you.

Prayer to St Joseph, Patron of the Holy Catholic Church
Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and defend us from every evil. Amen.

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.

Coronavirus Update

80% Reopening Roadmap Monday 18th October 2021

Now that the 80% fully vaccinated rate being reached, the requirements under the NSW Government roadmap have again changed.

Church Entry Requirements.

- Entry to Churches is open for both fully vaccinated and not fully vaccinated.
- QR Code check in is still required and an alternative written sign in option
- Social distancing is required at 4m2
- Masks are required inside the Church but not outside

Singing During Mass

- Singing is not permitted by congregants but there may be a solo singer if they are fully vaccinated or a choir of up to 10 people who are fully vaccinated and socially distanced from each other and are separated from the parishioners

Weddings & Funerals

- Attendance is unlimited but subject to density limits for the church based on the 4m2 rule **HOWEVER**, there is still a 5 guest limit for weddings and a 10 mourner limit for funerals if there are not fully vaccinated person present

Employees

- Staff and volunteers who are not fully vaccinated are to wear a mask at work
- Employees may continue to work from home, if reasonably practicable
- Mass Livestreaming
- Livestreaming the 10:00am Cathedral Parish Sunday Mass will not continue

Planned Giving \$486.00 + \$10.00 = \$496.00

First Collection \$273.90

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. 2 Tim 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,

and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 10:46-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Master, grant that I may see.

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man, 'Courage,' they said, 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabboni,' the blind man said to him, 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

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Breaking Open the Word

HEALING POWER OF FAITH

The exile was a brutal experience for the people of Israel. It was a moment of powerlessness, shame, and disgrace for them. Feeling abandoned by God and bearing the scars of the bitter siege which had preceded their defeat, they huddled together trying to understand how their world, and God's promise, had been turned upside down. Jeremiah who had warned the people of their impending fate can now finally proclaim a word of comfort and hope. They will be brought back to their land. Furthermore, the path God is making for them is not one just for the strong. The vulnerable, the blind and lame, and those in labour will be able to tread this path.

As Jesus makes his way to Jerusalem a blind man calls out for his help. For others on the road, this man is an intrusion and obstacle. But he is the one who demonstrates what it means to have faith in Jesus. As Jesus bravely and compassionately journeys to his death and resurrection it is the blind man who ironically has the eyes to see what is really happening – and the courage and faith to follow.

The compassion of Jesus for the blind man is in keeping with how the letter to the Hebrews sees Jesus' high priesthood. He is the one who offers sacrifices on our behalf, the one who heals our wounds and brings us back into relationship with God and with others. He deals with us gently and with sympathy knowing our vulnerability and weakness.

Christopher Monaghan CP



THE SAVING WORD

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

24 OCTOBER 2021

FIRST READING

Jer 31:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

I shall lead them back in mercy – both the blind and the lame.

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob!
Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:
'The Lord has saved his people,
the remnant of Israel!'

See, I will bring them back
from the land of the North
and gather them from the far ends of earth;
all of them: the blind and the lame,
women with child, women in labour:
a great company returning here.

They had left in tears,
I will comfort them as I lead them back;
I will guide them to streams of water,
by a smooth path where they will not stumble.
For I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 125. R. v. 3

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, / it seemed like a dream. / Then was our mouth filled with laughter, / on our lips there were songs. **R.**

2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels / the Lord worked for them!' / What marvels / the Lord worked for us! / Indeed we were glad. **R.**

3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage / as streams in dry land. / Those who are sowing in tears / will sing when they reap. **R.**



4. They go out, they go out, full of tears, / carrying seed for the sowing: / they come back, they come back, full of song, / carrying their sheaves. **R.**

SECOND READING

Heb 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

■ **The word of the Lord.**