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Mon & Tues 9.00 - 11.00am

Friday 9.00am - 12.00pm

3 October 2021 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Lorraine Reilly, Joan Maizey, Kevin Doolan.

Deceased:

Anniversary: Edna Guiney, Irene Rich, Thora Sutton, Pamela Howard, Allen McNamara, Patricia Sanders, Eunice McGrath, Elsie Perry, Patsy O'Donnell, Ivy Crossman, Francis Scanlon, Bill Murphy, Fred Taylor, Cherie McNamara, En Press, Tom Conroy, Hilton Baker, May Raymont, Chrystal McLennan, Raymond Baker, Lila McInerney, Gregory Guiney, Ineen Sippel, John Smith, Barbara McNamara, John White, Nelda Curran, Rene Meert, Josephine Perkins, Robert Baldwin, Joyce Doolan, Bill Law, Frank Moore, Cecily 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:

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 Sailer, Rila Looney, Fr John Willis, Clare Crane, Bill Gleeson, Billy Godden, Ros Turton, Gavin Sewell, Ian Gallagher, Fiona Nolan, Gail Martin, Wendy Brown, Sue Thomson, Lucy Giggil, Father Pat O'Neill, Tom Sanderson, Colleen Hyatt, Michael McCormick, Dan O'Donnell, Marie Dalton, Jack Dunn, Colin Gallagher, Andrew McManus, Joan Greenlee, Rosalynn Chan, all the members of the Parish who are ill.

Other Intentions: Stesha Pauline Calambro

Roster

9/10/2021 R: W Rheinberger
10/10/2021 R: D Kerikaan
C: J Daniels & K Sweep

Coming Events

Mon 4 No Mass today
Thurs 7 CWL Meeting in the Fr Stan Campbell Hall at 10.00am

Saints to Remember

St Francis of Assisi - Memorial - 4th
Our Lady of the Rosary - Solemnity - 7th
Sts Denis & John Leonardi - Memorial - 9th

CORONA VIRUS SAFE PRACTICES

1. Any person with co-morbidities and those over 70 years of age should exercise particular caution. In some cases it may be more appropriate for some individuals to attend a weekday Mass when there are less people present or to receive pastoral care from clergy in their home.
2. DO NOT ENTER if you are unwell, have fever or respiratory infection or have been to any COVID-19 hotspot area in the last 14 days.
3. Always check-in (QR code or manually) before entering the church.
4. Please observe physical distancing inside the Church, in the foyer and immediate surroundings.
5. Use hand sanitiser when entering and leaving the church. Always practice good hygiene.
6. Church bulletins are for single use only. Please take them with you when you leave.
7. After each Service, the pews, door handles and touchpoints are cleaned with disinfectants.
8. All are required to wear a facemask inside the church.
9. No singing allowed.
- 10.

Josephite Calendars Order your 2022 Josephite Calendar containing inspirational quotes from Mary Mackillop and Fr Tensison 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 will go in soon.

Catholic Mission Australia In three weeks, time, in celebration of World Mission Month, Catholic Mission will share with us about the Kindergarten Centre run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand. The Kindergarten provides vital early childhood education for disadvantaged children who would otherwise miss out, but it cannot continue without the generous support of people like you. We hope you will join us in supporting this incredibly life-changing program. Envelopes are at the back of the Church near the bulletins.

Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Patroness of our Diocese of Armidale, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under Your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger. O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Prayer to Patroness of Diocese

Our Lady Help of Christians Patroness of Australia

Our Lady of the Rosary Patroness of the Diocese of Armidale

Mother of God and Queen of the Angels, we fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding Cana. Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our Diocese, for our nation and for the world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your Son Jesus and all his holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness. For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust. May your Son deliver from all evil. Amen.



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A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

What God has joined together, no one must divide.

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

 The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word

CALLED TO RELATIONSHIP

Given the context in which we live where the breakdown of marriage is an ever increasing and painful reality, the readings for today call for us to examine anew the Christian foundations for marriage. The first reading in speaking of Adam's search for a helpmate and companion poignantly brings into relief the deep seated sense of incompleteness which is a part of the experience of each of us. The underlying truth is that it is by being in relationship with another, or others, that we can become most fully ourselves.

Jesus' authority as a teacher was being sorely tested by his opponents and they used the question of divorce as a means to discredit him. Without denying the authority of Moses Jesus takes his opponents back to the story of creation in order to show the dignity and purpose of marriage. There is no doubt that Jesus speaks powerfully regarding the value of marriage, but it is also critical to note that Jesus' reply does not pretend to cover all the situations that can befall a marriage, nor how to respond to them.

From now until the end of the year we will be following the letter to the Hebrews and paying particular attention to its reflection on the person of Jesus and his relationship to God and to us. Some of the images used in the letter are unfamiliar, and so it's important that the modern reader appreciate the belief that underpins them – that Jesus has shared in our experience, and so is able to be our leader and representative before God.

Christopher Monaghan CP

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THE SAVING WORD

FIRST READING

Gen 2:18-24

A reading from the book of Genesis.

They were two in one flesh.

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh!

This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

 The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 127, R. v. 5

R. May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord / and walk in his ways! / By the labour of your hands you shall eat. / You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

2. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine / in the heart of your house; / your children like shoots of the olive, / around your table. **R.**



3. Indeed thus shall be blessed / the man who fears the Lord. / May the Lord bless you from Zion / in a happy Jerusalem / all the days of your life! / May you see your children's children. / On Israel, peace! **R.**

SECOND READING

Heb 2:9-11

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

He who sanctifies and those who are sanctified have the same origin.

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

 The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Jn 4:12

Alléluia, alléluia!
If we love one another,
God will live in us in perfect love.
Alléluia!