

# 28th Sunday in Ordinary time - Year C

## 12th - 13th October 2019

**First Reading:** Kings 5:14-17

*Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.*

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child. Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

The Word of the Lord

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 97

R/ The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

**Second Reading:** Timothy 2:8-13

*If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.*

Remember the Good News that I carry, 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it. Here is a saying that you can rely on: If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him. If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.

The Word of the Lord

**Gospel Acclamation:** 1 Thess 5:18

**Alleluia, alleluia!** For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.

**Alleluia!**

**Gospel:** Luke 17:11-19

*It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.*

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

The Gospel of the Lord

### **Sacred Heart Parish Prayer**

**Loving God, we honour the heart of Jesus, your beloved Son. We remember how he opened his heart in love to all people. Open our own heart to receive the gifts that continue to flow so richly from the heart of Christ, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.**

**May the Lord grant us grateful and compassionate hearts!**

**May the Lord grant us Samaritan hearts! May he open our eyes and ears to recognise the prophetic presence of Samaritans by our sides - those who come from beyond our religious denomination or political allegiance and who show us true Christian attitudes at work!**



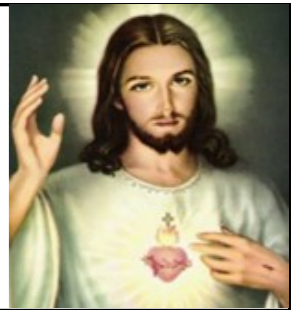
# Sacred Heart Parish

## Preston

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**Office Hours:**

Tues to Fri: 10.00am - 12.30pm

**Parish Priest:**

Fr Jan Szweda, SVD

**Priest in Residence:**

Fr Ennio Mantovani SVD

**Parish Office:** Cristina Agius

**School Principal:** Mark Tierney

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Belinda Cooney: 0433 579 640

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Sharron Kotz: 0449 103 943

**Child Safety Committee:**

Belinda Cooney, Rebecca Cooney,

Teresa Dang, Kay Dufty, Robert

Dullard, Mary Harb, Sharron Kotz,

Pauline O'Day, Fr Jan Szweda

**Parish Council Members:**

Catherine Zanatta (chairperson),

Kay Dufty (secretary), Tony Eley,

Gerard Grant, Ophelia Swai,

Anisasio (Pauline) Veamatahau,

Mark Tierney, Ben Fortuna, Solo-

mon Konchakara, Natalie Baran

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:**

Pauline O'Day (President)

Ph: 9484 2445

### **Parish Mass Schedule**

**Weekend Masses:**

**Saturday:** 6:00pm

**Sunday:** 9:00am (Italian),

10:30 am, 6:00 pm

**Weekday Masses:**

**Monday to Friday:** 9.10am

**Healing Mass:** 1st Thursday of

the month at 1.30pm

**Devotional Practices:**

**Adoration of the Blessed**

**Sacrament:** Wednesday after

9.10am Mass

**Holy Rosary:** Thursday (Eng) &

Friday (Italian) after 9.10am Mass

**Legion of Mary:** Thursday

7.30pm, in the Presbytery

**Reconciliation:**

Weekdays: 30 minutes before

Mass or by appointment

**Baptisms & Weddings:**

By appointment only

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### Extraordinary Mission Month

### Baptised and Sent:

### The Church of Christ on Mission in the World



Daily life can be overwhelming. There are so many issues at play in these beautiful and troubled worlds of Australia, the church and beyond. And this is before we face our personal challenges. The worries of life can crowd in on us, causing our anxiety levels to rise. We may even feel as though we are unnoticed. When we listen to this

week's gospel story, we can imagine how the lepers must have felt: like the outcasts of their society, the ones who were not seen, the ones who carried the burden of their condition. They are aware of their own needs, and something in Jesus encourages them to call out. Perhaps this is because they knew that Jesus saw them. That Jesus heard their cries. That Jesus could respond to them. Perhaps this gospel is an invitation to us to remember the close connection between invitation, faith and hope; to remember that it all starts with an encounter, and that we will all respond differently to the invitation, depending on how ready we are to meet Jesus.

In reflecting on the joy of encountering Jesus, Pope Francis notes: 'I never tire of repeating those words of Benedict XVI which take us to the very heart of the Gospel: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction" (*Evangeliium Gaudium*, §7).

Perhaps this week we are invited to reflect on how we encounter others. How are we able to invite people to an encounter with God, an encounter with Jesus, through their encounter with us?

As so often, Luke's gospel compels us also to confront the human tendency to categorise and place labels on people. Here one who is doubly marginal – by reason of his illness, by reason of his ethnic background – shows himself more disposed to really know God and so experience salvation. The episode is not just about the healing of an afflicted person. For all else involved, including ourselves, it is a summons to conversion.



**Extraordinary Mission Month  
October 2019: 'Baptised and sent'**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Extraordinary Mission Month**



In this second week of the Extraordinary Missionary Month, we are invited to pray with three of the great saints of the Catholic tradition: St Teresa of Jesus (Tuesday), St Ignatius of Antioch (Thursday) and St Luke the Evangelist (Friday). Robert Ellsberg writes that each saint 'is a living Gospel. They have all, in some partial way, embodied—literally incarnated—the challenge of faith in their time and place, and so opened a path that others might follow' (Robert Ellsberg, 'Meet the Famous Franciscan Saints', St Anthony Messenger, 25 September 2017). May we, too, rise to the challenge of our time and place, and continue to invite people into the mission of Jesus.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word**

Parents are most welcome. Very young children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Term 4 Children's Liturgy** will run every Sunday morning from 13<sup>th</sup> October to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December (except 20<sup>th</sup> October and 3<sup>rd</sup> November).



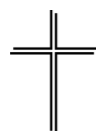
**Home Visits**

If you would like Fr Jan to visit you or your family at home, please let us know by filling in a little card which can be found in the church foyer and hand it to Fr Jan or Deacon Toub. Thank you.

**Dates to Remember**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October:** Mission Sunday

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October:** Parish Dinner Dance



**Mission Sunday Collection**

Next weekend, at His Holiness Pope Francis' invitation, Catholics in parishes all over the world will be asked to contribute to a special collection for the Pontifical Mission Societies (PMS)—his official charity for overseas mission—during World Mission Sunday. Envelopes for making your contribution will be distributed in the pews.

**Last Week's Collection: 06/10/19**

1st Collection for our Church: \$1059.40  
2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$581.90  
*Thank you for your kind generosity!*



**Prayer for the Extraordinary Month of Mission**

Heavenly Father,  
when your only begotten Son Jesus Christ rose from the dead,  
He commissioned His followers to 'go and make disciples of all nations' and you remind us that through our Baptism we are made sharers in the mission of the Church.  
Empower us by the gifts of the Holy Spirit to be courageous and zealous in bearing witness to the Gospel, so that the mission entrusted to the Church, which is still very far from completion, may find new and efficacious expressions that bring life and light to the world.  
Help us make it possible for all peoples to experience the saving love and mercy of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
One God, forever and ever. Amen.

**Sacred Heart - 105 Years On...Dinner Dance**

**Tickets sales closing soon!**



**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2019:  
7pm - Midnight**

**Sacred Heart Hall  
Band: 'Sentimental Journey';  
Raffle/Trivia/Lucky Seat Prizes**

**Cost: Adults \$35, Pensioners/Concession \$25,  
Children 5-12 years \$15, Children under 5 are free.**  
Soft Drinks provided, BYO Alcohol

**We must know numbers by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October.**

Mary 0422 891 324 or Jennifer 0416 010 203

\*Volunteers welcomed to assist with hall preparation, food service on the evening and welcoming of guests. Please leave your name with a committee member after mass.

**Ordination of Deacon Toub (Anthony)**

Deacon Anthony Anisong Chanthavong, SVD will be ordained a priest on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at St Paschal's Chapel, 100 Albi-on Road, Box Hill, Vic 3128, at 10 am, by Archbishop Peter Comensoli.



Fr Anthony will celebrate his Solemn Thanksgiving Mass on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November at Sacred Heart Preston, at 6pm.



**Please Pray the Holy Rosary with Us**

This weekend after every Mass you are invited to pray the Holy Rosary on the feast of Our Lady of Fatima. The Blessed Virgin Mary is venerated under this title following apparitions to three shepherd children — Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco — in Portugal in 1917. The message of Fatima includes a call to conversion of heart, repentance from sin and a dedication to the Blessed Virgin Mary, especially through praying the Rosary.

**A Time to Celebrate: Mission Day Mass**

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October, all Parishes across the world. Celebrated on this day across the globe in Catholic Parishes everywhere. This year in his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis writes:

*'People in love never stand still: they are drawn out of themselves; they are attracted and attract others in turn, they give themselves to others and build relationships that are life-giving. As far as God's love is concerned, no one is useless or insignificant. Each of us is a mission to the world, for each of us is the fruit of God's love.'*



**Handel's Messiah: St Patrick's Cathedral**

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 7pm  
This concert will feature Baroque Ensemble SONARE and Vocal Ensemble CANTUS NOVESIA from Germany, under the direction of Joachim Neugart, Director of Music at the cathedral in Neuss, Germany.

**Tickets:** \$20 (no concessions). Children under 15 free  
**Bookings:** <https://www.trybooking.com/BFXGN>

**One Million children Praying the Rosary**



Aid to the Church in Need

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. **ACN AUSTRALIA** ly Rosary. *Aid to the Church in Need* (ACN) is hosting a prayer campaign on 18 October titled: "One Million Children Praying the Rosary." The prayer initiative invites teachers, priests, parents and grandparents to pray the rosary together with children for peace and unity around the world. If you would like to participate information and resources can be found online at: [www.millionkidspraying.org](http://www.millionkidspraying.org).

**Pledge to Pray**

I invite you to 'pledge a prayer' for vocations at: [www.pledgetoprayer.com.au](http://www.pledgetoprayer.com.au). This site is dedicated to encouraging prayer for vocations in Australia, particularly in the lead up to ACYF in Perth in December this year.

Fr David Cartwright and Fr Nicholas Pearce  
Melbourne Vocations Team

**Roster for weekend of 19<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

	Readers	Ministers
<b>Sat 6.00pm</b>	Marlene Vergou	Barbara Fitzgerald
<b>Sun 9.00am (Italian)</b>	Tamburrini M.	Capobianco A. Ilardi L.
<b>Sun 10.30am</b>	Ophelia Swai Catherine Zanatta	George Mc Brien
<b>Sun 6.00pm</b>	Mariana Jurjevic Damian Casamento	Sharron Kotz

**WE PRAY FOR:**

The elderly and the sick  
**Brian Donnellon, Maria Santa Lucia, Irene Navascues, Dale O'Keefe, Rosie Poter, Lidia Razzi, Raul Reinal & Ercolina Zoppi**



Those who have died recently  
**Aileen Agnes Brady & Flora Galante**

We Commemorate  
**Bruno Cristini, Carlo Cristini & Cosimo Oppedisano**

O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen.

If parishioners would like a name to continue on the prayer list for the Sick and Elderly, please advise the Parish Office on 9480 3398. Thank you

**Like to Meet People of other Rites/Faiths?**

Are you interested to have dialogue with people of other Christian rites, denominations or other faiths? Please express interest if you would like to meet once a month, for about 2 hours, to hear about rites and faiths of those other than Roman Catholic. It is an opportunity to ask questions that will enrich knowledge and appreciation for people of other rites/faiths. If so, please sign a sheet available in the church foyer. Thank you.

**Liturgical Ministers Roster**

The next Readers and Ministers roster is in preparation from this week. Please contact Pauline on 9484 4225 or at [pauline.oday@optusnet.com.au](mailto:pauline.oday@optusnet.com.au) before next weekend.



**Christian Life Program - Empowering the Family**

We cordially invite you to a series of inspiring talks about living in the Christian faith.

**When:** 6 Sundays starting 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Oct, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019.

**Time:** 1pm - 4pm  
**Where:** St. Damian's Parish (Dunlop Room), 5 Settlement Rd, Bundoora  
This event is FREE. Kids activities and afternoon tea. Bring your family and friends!  
For information, please call or text:  
Bing & Candy Robles: 0435 759 148;  
Mike & Faye Santos: 0413 713 973 or  
Raymond & Julie Garcia: 0404 618 591

**Cleaning Roster:  
Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019  
Pauline/Michael**

*Thank you for your help!*

