

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

20th - 21st October 2018

First Reading: Is 53:10-11

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, and have long life.

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering. If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over, he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22

R/ Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Second Reading: Heb 4:14-16

Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation: Mk 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia! The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. **Alleluia!**

Gospel: Mk 10:35-45

The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them: 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Pope Francis: The fact that we are not in this world by our own choice makes us sense that there is an initiative that precedes us and makes us exist. Each one of us is called to reflect on this fact: "I am a mission on this Earth; that is the reason why I am here in this world" ([Evangelii Gaudium, 273](#))

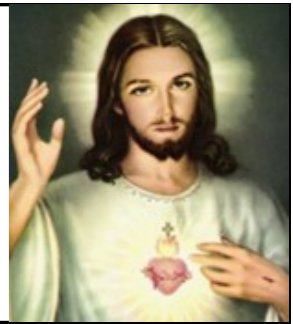


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WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: 20th - 21st October 2018

'Together with young people let us bring the Gospel to all.'

Anyone who reads the gospel of Mark thoughtfully will notice that on one hand we encounter Jesus as a figure of power: he rebukes demons, calms the sea and teaches with authority – not of his own but as God's anointed one – as steward of God's Love for the world. On the other hand he steadfastly renounces the use of power. He calls himself a servant and insists that whoever among his disciples is to be first, "must become slave to all."

We see in Jesus that being a servant is not about subservience, but being strong for others even in the face of death. He impressed people because he was a person of integrity, identifying with their suffering and treating them with compassion and respect.

Jesus' disciples missed the point of what discipleship according to Jesus was about. They were asking for positions of leadership and authority - the kind recognised in political and social worlds - as a reward for supporting Jesus' mission. But according to Jesus, "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant...for the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and give his life for all."

In simple terms, the Gospel calls on us as contemporary followers of Jesus, to reject a life-path that leads to power and superiority – be that in the Church, in business, educational roles or in our everyday relationships and personal encounters. So often it is in day to day human relationships that we see the way of Jesus lived out. This service shines forth in parents sharing the nursing of a sick child, in a friend or chaplain sitting quietly by the bedside of a dying neighbour: it shines in those in our local and parish communities, who give their time and possessions to seek out and respond to the needs of the most isolated and disadvantaged, or who give support to others who do. All are expressions of Jesus' call to serve not to be served – be it family, parish or the community of Global humanity...

Today is Mission Sunday, and such service is at the heart of the Church's Mission.

The theme of the willing servant matches the missionary ideal perfectly. Today as we pray for those who work near and far afield and discern ways to support their missions of service, we might take to heart the message of Pope Francis that life itself is our shared mission and in meeting, serving and alleviating the suffering of our human family, we proclaim Christ Jesus to the world. Thus:

Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that she or he has encountered the love of God in Christ Jesus; we no longer say that we are 'disciples' and 'missionaries' but rather that we are always "Missionary Disciples." (Pope Francis Evangelii Gaudium)

So, let's do it!!!



Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday
10.00am - 12.30pm

Parish Priest:

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(Pauline) Veamatahau, Mark

Tierney, Timothy Nolan,

Fr Jan Szweda SVD

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

(English) & 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



Parish Stewardship Program

Welcome to the first weekend of our Parish Stewardship Program.

The Program recognises that 'Parishes are the Heartbeat of the Church' and will challenge us to reflect on what it means to be part of our parish family here at Sacred Heart. This is an important time for our Parish as we embark on a total Parish renewal and we encourage you to be actively involved – read the materials, listen to the speakers and follow the Program on the parish website and our parish Facebook. Reflect, pray about and discuss the themes and topics with your family, friends and fellow parishioners.

This weekend we will hear from member of the Stewardship Program Leadership Team. They will introduce a special message of welcome from the Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Melbourne, Monsignor Greg Bennet. Today at Mass there will also be Program Brochures and Parish Groups & Ministries forms distributed. You may have already received your copies by email and copies can also be viewed and downloaded from the parish website.

PARISH 'OUR FUTURE' FORUM

A reminder that all parishioners are warmly invited to a special event as part of the Program – the **Future Forums to be held at two different times: Wednesday 7 November at 10.00am (after Mass) or 7.00pm in the Church.** It will be a great opportunity to hear about our recent achievements and contribute to our future plans. It will also be a great opportunity to share quality time with fellow parishioners. All parishioners are welcome.

Dates to Remember

20th/21st October - 17th/18th November:

Parish Stewardship Program

Thursday 1st November: All Saint's Day

Friday 2nd November: All Soul's Day



Welcome!

This weekend through Baptism we welcome: **Vivian LIU** into our Parish family

Last Week's Collection: 14/10/18

1st Collection for our Church: \$1209.65
2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$723.60
Donation for Flowers: \$50

Thank you for your kind generosity!



Stewardship Program Prayer

Lord, we thank you for calling us to be your Church. Through our Baptism we are called to service and to witness.

In the Eucharist we sustain and strengthen that call. By serving others we follow your example and proclaim our beliefs.

By our Christian generosity we demonstrate our love and care.

Lord, help us always to worship you as you deserve, to grow in faith and service

and to give without counting the cost.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Blessing of the School Administrative Area and Learning Space

A major refurbishment of our Sacred Heart School was completed. Next Sunday, 28th October, at the 10.30am Mass we will celebrate the Opening and Blessing of the administrative area and new learning space. Right after Mass, everyone is cordially invited to the School for the blessing which will be followed by light refreshments.



Thinking of Becoming a Catholic?

If you are or you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic and joining the Catholic Church; or if you are a Christian baptised in another Church but want to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church, please contact Father Jan after Mass or at the parish Office. A 'Come and See' gathering will be held before the end of October at a time suitable for those interested.

This weekend 20th & 21st October, there is a special collection for:

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday 2018: "Together with young people, let us bring the Gospel to all"

World Mission Sunday is the one Sunday in the year when the entire global Church comes together in support of mission. And all the donations from these worldwide Masses go entirely to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor.

World Mission Sunday is our chance to show love and solidarity to our family in faith overseas. Through our prayers, we support missionaries everywhere in spreading the Good News. And by donating we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

National Apology

On Monday 22nd October at 11am, the Prime Minister of Australia will deliver the National Apology to Victims and Survivors of Institutional Child Sexual Abuse at Parliament House in Canberra. The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse has been a painful and difficult time for the people of God as so many stories of unimaginable abuse perpetrated by some priests, religious and lay people have been revealed. The National Apology provides an opportunity for us to remember and recall these stories and to pray for healing and atonement. We also acknowledge the courage of those who appeared before the Royal Commission to tell their stories. In addition, we recognise the work that has been undertaken and continues to be done to shape a culture of accountability and trust to enable us to protect all children and vulnerable adults.

Those who are able are invited to spend a minute in silence at 11am on Monday as a sign that we stand with all those who have been hurt and abused and that we pray for them, their families and friends and all who have been affected by abuse.

The words of Sunday's Entrance Antiphon may help with this:

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; Turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me. (Ps 16:6, 8)

Plenary 2020: Start Now



The PPC invites all individual Catholics to log onto <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/> to WATCH, LISTEN, READ AND HAVE YOUR SAY. This is an opportunity to write a response to this question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" and "what question do you have for the Catholic Church in Australia today?" Submit your thoughts directly to the National Plenary Planning Team or place it in the special box at the back of the church. PLEASE GET INVOLVED & BE PART OF THE CHURCH YOU WISH FOR!



CatholicCare Sunday Appeal 2018

Thank you for your generous response to our Sunday Appeal, which is helping us to build brighter futures for Victorians, especially for the next generation. In results to hand so far, we have received over \$245,000 from 181 parishes. This is a wonderful result – and heart-warming proof of the generosity of the Catholic community whose donations will allow CatholicCare to support many more families across the state. Jeff Wild, Community Engagement Coordinator | CatholicCare

WE PRAY FOR:

The elderly and the sick
Theresa Bittar, Margaret Doyle, Irene Navascues, Veronica Parkes & Yvonne Tierney



Those recommended to our prayers

Giuseppe Bassalacqua

O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Widening the Door of Hope

A Response to the Victorian Assisted Dying Legislation

Date: Tuesday 20th November 2018,

Time: 7.30pm start, 7.00pm light refreshments

Venue: Mercy Theatre, Australian Catholic University, 115 Victoria Parade Fitzroy (enter via Young St)

Orators: Assoc. Prof. Natasha Michael, Director, Palliative Medicine, Cabrini Health, University of Notre Dame, Sydney School of Medicine

Dr Stephen Parnis, Former Vice-President AMA, Emergency Physician, St. Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne

RSVP / Inquiries: by Monday 12th November 2018 justice@cam.org.au or (03) 9926 5727

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Bible Study: Gospel of Mark, The Person of Jesus

When: 6th November - 11th December (Tues - 6 wks)

Where: Sacred Heart Church, Preston

Time: 7.30pm - 9pm

By: Fr. Phuong Vu, SVD



Cleaning Roster: Saturday 27th October 2018



Pauline/Volunteer

Thank you for your help!

Roster for weekend of 27th - 28th October 2018

	Readers	Ministers
Sat 6.00pm	Mary Harb Marlene Vergou	Peter Bourke Terry Murphy
Sun 9.00am (Italian)	Capobianco A. Iardi L.	Capobianco A. Gugliotti A.
Sun 10.30am	Marilene Fortuna Judeline Wadhvani	George Mc Brien Tony Eley
Sun 6.00pm	John Plum Tim Rankin	Margaret Rankin