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21st October 2018

29th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Isaiah 53:10-11
Hebrews 4:14-16
Mark 10:35-45

"Greatness is a lot of small things done well everyday"

Every one of us wants to be somebody great: to be a great soccer player, to be a great doctor, a great teacher, a great farmer, a great scholar, a great singer or a great pastor; to be a great father and a great mum etc... Just the desire or wishful thinking alone is not sufficient...one has to do something towards achieving it. Since the dawn of history, human beings have been trying to move up the scale of greatness. Most of the time, greatness is always equated with power, position, wealth, name and fame. In the light of this, today's word offers myriad ways of becoming great. Jesus spells out a unique way in today's gospel to become great: "not puffing oneself up, but by accepting some deflation. Not by talking about oneself, but by listening to the other person. Not by using others, but by allowing oneself to be used". In a word, by becoming a servant as a humble service is the nurse of greatness.

If we look at the enduring examples of greatness, we see that the Lord is right. Alexander was a remarkable leader because he stood by his men in battle. Albert the Great was an intellectual giant because he disciplined himself to study. Beethoven was a master composer because he struggled long hours to get the right note. Martin Luther was a great reformer because he persisted in spite of opposition. Newly-canonized Archbishop Romero was great because he was ready to stand against the corrupt leaders and die for his people. Mother Teresa was great because she was able to give up the security of her convent life and open herself to the poorest of the poor. Mahatma Gandhi was great because he worked for freedom for his people and died practicing non-violence as a form of protest (Fr. Jude Botelho).



Canonisation: 14 October 2018

St Oscar Romero

Jesus is great and a loving God because of his selfless service and love towards the bruised humanity even to the extent of offering himself on the cross. In our human history, we know of great people who conquered the world but they had no friends.... Jesus founded his empire on pure love and at this hour millions would die for him.... He has won the hearts of men, a task a conqueror can't do" It is very clear that in being a humble servant, one can climb the ladder of greatness. Whatever the status we are in at present, even the least we do to others in sincere and genuine love will make us great in the sight of God.



A big clock in the Church's steeple struck the hour of noon with twelve loud and resonant gongs. At this a little wrist watch down below looked up at the big clock and protested, "You think you are bigger and better than us, don't you? I wish you could have a good look at yourself and see how clumsy your hands are and how course your voice is." Without showing annoyance, the big clock calmly said to the wrist watch, "Why don't you come up here, little brother, because I have something to show you." And that's just what the wrist watch did -he climbed the stairs to the steeple to meet the big clock. Once up there, the big clock said to the wrist watch, "Little brother, the man down there wants to know the time. Can you please tell it to him?" "You know I couldn't do that" answered the wrist watch sheepishly. "I know you can't, but I can," explained the big clock. "But when you are down there, you can tell him the time, so that your master does not need to look up to me. But for those who do not have a wrist watch, I am the only one they can turn to. So little brother remember this - each of us has a job to do; to tell people the time. You do it in your way, and I do it in mine. And when we do that, we show people that we are equal and brothers as well." (Anonymous)

We don't become great by making a million dollars nor by being crowd pullers but by our humble service to others in our capacity. Do you want to be great?

God's blessings, Fr. Vince



- ◇ Thank you for supporting this weekend's CAKE & CRAFT Fundraiser.
- ◇ Thank you also for heeding God's call to become more involved in our community. We will collate the ministry forms and someone will get in touch with you shortly.
- ◇ PEW UPDATE: 37 of the 46 pews have been pledged! We just have 9 to go!
- ◇ In the coming weeks, we will let you know of more items that we are hoping to acquire for the new church.
- ◇ If you have any questions about the construction, please feel free to ring Angelo Roia on 98991948, or email the construction committee: stmadsconstruction@gmail.com



Next weekend(27/28 Oct) our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission World Appeal. This year we are invited to consider how we can answer Pope Francis' call to be a part of mission, and how we can support mission globally. Please come prepared next weekend to give generously.

Free call: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/youaremission



You are invited to the next



*on Saturday, 10th November,
 8:30–10:30am at the St Joseph Centre.
 Listen to guest speaker, Amanda Ladelle,
 share her experiences in Cambodia.
 Sign-up sheets in the foyer.*

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$ 1270.20
2nd Collection (for Parish) **Envelopes** = \$ 1361.15
Loose = \$ 948.65
Credit cards/Direct Debit ave weekly = \$2107
TOTAL = \$ 4416.80 (target = \$5577)

If you donate to the parish and have recently changed your credit card, please phone the parish office on 96542260.
Thank you for your generosity!

BAPTISM PREPARATION:

The next **Baptism** preparation session will be on Saturday, **3rd November** at **4:30-5:30pm** at the St Joseph Centre.
 To book, please call the parish office on 96542260.



Baptisms are held on the 4th Sunday of each month at 11:20am, or within a 10am Mass on the other Sundays.

JUNIOR ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING



If you are in Year 3 or higher and have received your First Holy Communion, you can train to be a Junior Altar Server.

Sessions will be on:

**8th November, Thursday, at 3:45
 OR**

11th November, Sunday, at 4:30

***Forms are available in the foyer!**



2019 Columban Art calendars are now available in the **Piety Stall** for \$9 each!
 You can now also buy **Majellan Christmas cards** for \$7 a pack!

For special orders, please feel free to ring Sandra Tabone—0413272400

**CASUAL POSITION
 at the St Madeleine's Parish Office**

We are in need of an admin assistant to work in the office 5 hours a fortnight, with opportunity to increase in the future. The role will involve data entry, bookkeeping, and preparing resources.

Candidates must have above-average computer skills, ideally experienced in MYOB and Microsoft Office—Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher.

Please submit the applications to Fr Vince by email: vsvince85@gmail.com or at the office.
 Applications close on 24th October.

PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS:

For the recently deceased

Teresa Marascio and Belen Valladores

For the dearly departed

Marcello Pellizzon, Ubaldo Turcato and families, Rose McArdle, Maryanne D'Anastasi, Leonard Meryment, Filomena & Francesco Carcogliioniti, Caterina Musso, Frenk Piperata, Toto Piperata, Sr Eufrasia Caruana, May Qualter, Roberta Sabellano Alumios, Frederick Salmon, Aldo Joseph Tallon, Charles James Bradley, Feliciana and Benito Sabellano, and Teresa Maguire



For healing of the sick

Michael Foley, Trish Takahashi, Samuel Abella, Doris Mendoza Quiroz, Harper Grace, Margaret Collison, Margaret Gaudry, Anis Nicholas, Peter Balnaves, June, Dorothy Green, Pat D, Neil Rogers, Karen Bligh, Marlon Sabellano Alumios, Desmond Grogan, Louise, Vanessa, Ben Johnson, Cathy Voss, Mary Madden, John Donnelly, Louise Lambert, Charlie, Frank Tabone, John Lippman, Sarah Bilford Beattie, Giuseppi Grasso, Faye Willing, Annabelle, Patrick, Ben Eberand, Callum Goracz, Patrick Griffiths, Catherine Bourke, Christy Sherlock, Tina, Marie, Joe, and Charles Vencyel

HOST FAMILY NEEDED!

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is looking for a volunteer host family for a 16-yr old girl from Italy who is currently attending Marian College. She is well-settled at the school, so we are hoping that someone from the community may be interested in hosting her from early November for 2-3 months or longer if possible.

She is outgoing and friendly and loves reading, music and dance. Together with her host family she would love to experience new activities, share Italian culture and simply be part of her host family's daily life. If you are interested in hosting her and would like to find out more details, please phone Tempel or Masako at the Student Exchange Office: **1300 135 331** or send an email to info@studentexchange.org.au.

Thank you very much for your help. <http://studentexchange.org.au>

OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND

OPEN DAY - WEDNESDAY 24 OCTOBER 2018

TANGARA School (Reception to Yr12) 10.00am-12.30pm,
Principal's Presentation 11.00 am ph:9680 4844
REDFIELD COLLEGE (K to Yr 12) 12.00pm to 2.30pm,
Headmaster's Talk 1.00pm ph:9651 0381

POSITIONS VACANT

Communications Officer – Diocese of Parramatta

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

Parish Secretary (part-time, maternity leave role)
– Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair

More details at: holyspiritstclair.com.au

Media and Community Liaison Officer –
Columban Centre for Christian-Muslim Relations
More details at: www.catholicjobsonline.com.au

LITURGY CONFERENCE 2018

Date: 10 November 2018. Keynote Speaker: Fr Peter Williams Vicar General from the Diocese of Parramatta. Tickets are now on sale.
For tickets and a full list of workshops go to parracatholic.org/liturgyconference2018. Cost \$30 - includes lunch.

LIFTED LIVE IN THE FORECOURT! 27 OCTOBER

Celebrate the close of the Year of Youth with Catholic Youth Parramatta, Bishop Vincent and over 1000 other youth and young adults in the St Patrick's Cathedral Precinct on Saturday 27 October from 7-10pm. There will be live music, food stalls, rides and entertainment. \$5 entry on arrival - <https://parracatholic.org/cyp-lifted-live/>

ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: 28 OCTOBER

All married couples are warmly invited to the 'Celebrating the Journey' Mass at 11am on Sunday 28 October 2018. Bishop Vincent Long will celebrate this Mass of blessing at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta and warmly invites you to join him for a photo and light lunch in the Parish Hall after Mass. Significant Wedding Anniversaries will be acknowledged with a certificate for 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 years and any year over 50 years. To register your attendance and number of family members attending please contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on email lmf@parracatholic.org or phone 02 8838 3460.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: 18 NOVEMBER

You are invited to our Christian Meditation Introduction and Renewal Days for 2018 at St Benedict's Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia on Sunday 18 November. Arrival time at the monastery is from 10am for a 10:30am start. Conclusion is around 3pm. Mass is celebrated at 2pm.

GRIEF TO GRACE – HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE

This is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held May 26 – 31 2019. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griefftoaceaus.org.au or phone 0478599241. For more information visit www.griefftoaceaus.org

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest:

Rev Vincent Savarimuthu

Parish Secretary:

Lisa Echevarria

Sacramental Coordinator

Sally Coppini

St Madeleine's Primary School

Phone: 9654 6751

Principal: Mrs Jeanette Black

Marian College

Phone: 9654 6700

Principal: Mrs Jayne Campbell

PARISH SERVICES

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.30pm

(Eucharistic Adoration at 4:45)
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00 am, 5.30pm

Children's Liturgy

10am Mass during School terms

Weekday Masses

9:15 - Tuesdays to Fridays

Playgroup – Tue 9:00am
at St Joseph Centre during school terms

Prayer Group: Wednesdays after the
9.15 am Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm

Baptisms: Every 4th Sunday at 11:20,
or during 10am Masses

Weddings: By appointment

THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY
THE CHURCH. ALL OF IT.

Issues of The Catholic Weekly
are available in the foyer
for \$2 each.

- ◇ Two new saints:
Martyred Archbishop and
heroic Pop
- ◇ A passion for history:
Author writes on Pius XII
and the Jews
- ◇ Monica Doumit: Ruddock
report– Straw Man
- ◇ Conservatives must unite:
Mark Latham

Courage and confidence! I cannot
repeat this war-cry too often.
We should make it our support in
our life of conflict.

-St Madeleine Sophie

PARISH VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

Welcomers Coordinator: Amira Campo

Music Coordinator: Alexandra Mifsud

Junior Ministers Coordinator: Maree McNeil

Children's Liturgy Coordinator: Deb Rankin

Baptism Preparation: Angelique Easton

RCIA Coordinator: Steve Fry

Playgroup Coordinator: Grainne Barker

SRE Coordinator: Maureen Jones

Friendship Group: Jenny Puleo

Ministry to the Nursing Homes Coordinator:

Peter Balnaves/Suzanne Kingston-Hunt

Adult Faith Formation: Careyanne Moylan

Property Maintenance Manager: Angelo Roia

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THIS WEEKEND	WELCOMERS	Judith Gauci	Maria & Steve Fry	Amira & John Campo	Joseph Spina
	ACOLYTE	Len Gauci	Steve Fry	Jhun Javier	Sam Ursino
	READERS	Pat Waters Robert Gerometta	Eileen Sherlock Catherine Diekman	Rosanna Ceroli Adriana Kennedy	Janelle & Stephen Bawden
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Berenice Hart-Gerometta Judith Gauci	Nuri Wardrop Lorraine Ewer	Phillys Hannah	Lesley Gangemi Janelle Bawden
	JUN MINISTERS	Monica & Dom Bruggeling Annabelle Rogers		Luke Masiello James Whittle	Josh Fogarty Sara Sawaya
	MUSICIANS	Bev & Pat	Joan & David	Bobby, Matt, and JMJ	Youth Group
	COUNTERS	(23 Oct) John Hourigan and Kay Brooks		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Deb Rankin
	FLOWERS	Vince Luca, arr'd by Mari Gregory & Maureen Meryment		ALTAR LINEN	Jan Parslow
27/28 OCT	WELCOMERS	Dianne Millington	Carmel & Mike O'Connell	Jenny & Steve Mayhew	Helen Ross
	ACOLYTE	John Puleo		Neil John	Jhun Javier
	READERS	Colleen Dunlop	Nigel Saunders Kay Brooks	Jacqui Nisbet Careyanne Moylan	Trish Maidens Patrick Tuttle
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Trish Keating Dianne Millington	Frances Sanders	Ann & Mark Lee	Gael Carpani Bev Hermens
	JUN MINISTERS	Brosnan Leahy			Clarissa Vumbaca James Barker
	MUSICIANS	Bev & Pat	Joan & David	Mark & Matt	Youth Group
	COUNTERS	(30 Oct) Paul Vella and Belle Craig		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	
	FLOWERS	Vince Luca arr'd by Joy Rogers & Carmel Heinrich		ALTAR LINEN	Jan Parslow