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13th October 2019

28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

2 Kings 5:14-17

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Luke 17:11-19

One of the lepers, realising that he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine?"

Luke 17: 11-19

The Nine Other Stories

So where were the other nine lepers who had been healed?

One of the now-clean lepers went off to build a new life for himself. He busied himself seeking work, a new place to live, putting down roots for himself and, maybe someday, a family. Work, work, work became the driving force of his life.

But another one of the lepers was immediately overcome with fear and worry – *What do I do now? I can no longer beg. I must find work. But I have no skills, I've never learned how to do anything. Who will hire me? How will I survive?* So worried and fearful was the once unclean leper for his future that he was paralysed from doing anything and remained huddled at the gate.

Still another leper, realising that he was now clean, wanted revenge on the many passers-by who laughed at him, ignored him, and inflicted so many cruelties and indignities on him because of his illness. *They will pay for what they did to me*, he vowed.

But one of the lepers, finally freed from his sufferings, ran as far away from the place as he could. All he wanted to do was forget his old life -- and everyone and everything about it. He tried to make himself deaf to the cries of the suffering of others, but he could never run away far enough not to hear them.

And, of course, there was one leper who went out and celebrated – and celebrated and celebrated. His newfound joy lasted as long as the wine did. Once the wine and the camaraderie that comes with it disappeared, he had to face a new life. And he found himself completely lost and alone.

There was one leper who didn't believe he was made clean. Why would anyone – least of all God – want to do this for the likes of him? There had to be a catch. So he just waited and waited for his leprosy to return. In his own mind and spirit, he was never healed.

And so the nine lepers went their separate ways. But without a sense of gratitude for the miracle they had experienced, the miracle didn't last very long -- their fears, their angers, their repressions, their scepticism, their misplaced hopes and values just made them lepers all over again.

For no other reason than for love so deep we cannot begin to fathom it, God has breathed his life into us. The only fitting response we can make is to stand humbly before God in quiet, humble thanks. Such a sense of gratitude can transform cynicism and despair into optimism and hope and make whatever good we do experiences of grace. But too often we let our obsessions with money and fame, our worries and fears, our disappointments and hurts overwhelm that spirit of gratitude. Like the Samaritan who gives thanks for the miracle that has taken place, we, too, can be transformed by such joyful gratitude to God once we realise that, in Christ, we have been "made whole," "made clean," "restored" to completeness in his hope and love.

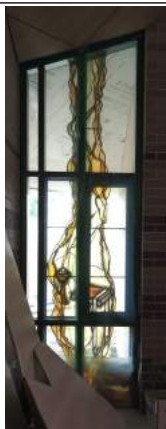


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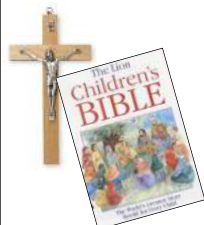
6 WEEKS TO GO!



The Dedication Mass of the new church will be held on 24th November 2019, the Feast of Christ the King, beginning with a procession from the current church at 9:30am.

There will be no 8am Mass so everyone can be part of this joyous occasion.

Please contact the parish office—96542260—regarding your pledge.
Thank you for your generosity!



PIETY STALL MOVING SALE
this Sunday, 13th October.

2020 Columban Calendars
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Please come to our next
Men's Breakfast on
Saturday, 19th October,
8:30am in the
St Joseph Centre.
"Why I Became Catholic" by Brendan Ford



Social Justice @ St Mads

Next week, October 16, we celebrate **World Food Day** which is a day of action dedicated to tackling global hunger. We commit to eradicating worldwide hunger, which is Sustainable Development Goal SDG 2.

In our lives we can help projects that give food security:

- Help your local Food Bank.
- Help our food appeals at Christmas for House of Welcome and Jesuit Refugee Service.

"Aspire not to have more but to be more."
- Archbishop Oscar Romero

~Sue Martin




CAKE & SWEETS FUNDRAISER!!!!

We are having a cake/sweets fundraiser for our new church next week—Saturday the 19th and Sunday the 20th of October.

If you are able to donate cakes and sweets to sell, please call or text Lita on 0410341550.

And for the non-bakers, it's your lucky weekend to stock up on yummy treats!



Interested in becoming a Catholic?
Or know someone who is?

Please come to the **INFORMATION SESSION for the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** on **23rd October, Wednesday, 7pm, St Joseph Centre** (Feel free to ring the office—96542260—for any questions)


Choir Practice For the Dedication Mass

All are welcome to join! Come to ANY of these rehearsals.

Wednesday, 16 October – 7-8pm
Tuesday, 22 October – 7:30-8:30pm
Sunday, 27 October – 9-9:45am
Thursday, 31 October – 7-8pm
Wednesday, 6 November – 7-8pm
Tuesday, 12 November – 7-8:30pm in the new church
Sunday, 17 November – 9-9:45am
Thursday, 21 November – 7-8:30pm in the new church



BAPTISM PREPARATION:
The next **Baptism** preparation session will be on Saturday, **2nd November** at **4:30-5:30pm** at St Joseph Centre.
To book, please call the parish office on 96542260. Thank you.



LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:
1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$ 1171
2nd Collection (for Parish) Envelopes = \$ 1353
Loose = \$ 956.25
Credit cards/Direct Debit ave weekly = \$2107
TOTAL = \$ 4416.25 (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!


PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS:

For the recently deceased
Dudley Heiler, Howard Langham, Maria Agatha Dias

For the dearly departed
Dan Doyle, May Qualter, Lenard Meryment, John de la Hoyde, Phyllis de la Hoyde and their deceased family and friends, Roberta Alumios, Giovanni Cristaldi, Orazia Cristaldi, Santo Cristaldi, Salvatori Campo

For healing of the sick
Lara Sawaya, Candida Irugalbandra, Sheila Cañabano, 10-mo old Florence Smith, Gregory Borg, Maria Peach, Paul Byrne, Andy, Patrick Breen, Jacqueline Kelly, Maria, Tricia, Rob, Michael Foley, Samuel Abella, 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 Biford Beattie, Giuseppi Grasso, Faye Willing, Annabelle, Patrick, Ben Eberand, Callum Goracz, Patrick Griffiths, Catherine Bourke, Tina, Marie, Joe, and Charles Vencyel

Special prayers for Joan Carroll



We will have Communion Services on Tuesday—Thursday next week at 9:15am. There will be NO MASSES on these days.



As a community, we will be praying for the students who will be sitting their HSC exams beginning 17th October. Please write the names of the HSC students you would like us to pray for in the book provided in the foyer.

Fourteen Parishioners journeyed with Sr Grace from *Invisible to Invincible*, during a mini-retreat on Tuesday 24th September. This was a spiritual journey through each stage of our lives, as we discovered insight into God's presence Past, Present & Future. Surrendering our whole selves to Him in prayer and love.

We hope for further follow ups, in the new year, to centre our prayer and commune with each other over lunch. (Three people had to leave early, before pic taken)

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HOLY WISDOM (25 - 27 OCTOBER 2019) AT JAMBEROO ABBEY

A weekend retreat where we will take a walk in the fields of Holy Wisdom. We will explore the wisdom figure of Hokhmah (Sophia) and some related wisdom teachings of Jesus. The retreat will be in the wisdom contemplative tradition, combining some sharing with meditation, silence and reflection. (Details on poster in the foyer.)

ALPHA PROGRAM WEEKEND TRAINING: 8 - 10 NOVEMBER

The Pastoral Planning Office is running a training course in the Alpha Catholic program at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. A sample Alpha evening will be held on Friday 8 November from 7pm to 9pm, before full-day training sessions on Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 November. Morning and afternoon tea and lunch will be provided. To register, and for more information, please contact Lisa in the Pastoral Planning Office on 8838 3497 or lisa.bright@parracatholic.org

POSITIONS VACANT

>Parish Coordinator of Ministries (part-time) - Parish of Richmond

>Volunteers - CatholicCare Mamre Creche

[More details at: parracatholic.org/employment](http://parracatholic.org/employment)

>Mission Coordinator (Part-time) - Sisters of Mercy Parramatta

For more details, please contact Anthony Spata at REACH Human Resources, on 0402 210 055.

GERMAN CATHEDRALS AND OBERAMMERGAU PILGRIMAGE 2020

Fr Chris Dixon is leading a pilgrimage titled "German Cathedral Pilgrimage and the Passion Play at Oberammergau", for 13 days leaving 25th August 2020 and returning 6th September 2020. For more information and further details, contact Fr Chris at annangrove@hotmail.com

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

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

- ◇ Sydneysiders Ignited by their faith
- ◇ Tony Randazzo: Pope Francis appoints new Broken Bay Bishop
- ◇ Amazing nuns on the run
- ◇ Snapshot of Catholic Sydney
- ◇ Movie review: Rambo: Last Blood
- ◇ A Saint of our times: Cardinal John Henry Newman

An abyss of blessings must draw forth an abyss of gratitude, fidelity and love.

-St Madeleine Sophie

PARISH VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

Welcomers Coordinator:

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

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THIS WEEKEND		5:30pm Sat	8:00am	10:00am	5:30pm
	WELCOMERS	Trish Keating	Fran & Rocco Scardino	Jenny & Peter Firkins	Nicole Foxall & Joseph Spina
	ACOLYTE	Luke Martin		Phyllis Hannah	Sam Ursino
	READERS	Paul Cashman Mary Sammut	Catherine Diekman Bill Dowers	Ann & Mark Lee	Simmy Cesamolo
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Colleen Dunlop Marie Coddington	Tricia Spencer Kathy White	Sandra Tabone Adriana Kennedy	Selina Calleia Jason Hatcher
	JUN MINISTERS	Tara & Sam Coddington		Christopher Kang Kerstin Grima	Thomas Foxall Thomas Barker
	MUSICIANS	Lisa J	Joan & David	Merle & Doug	Youth Group
	COUNTERS	Sandra Tabone & Zakia Touma		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
FLOWERS	Vince & Miranda Luca, arr'd by Rita Vumbaca		ALTAR LINEN	Catherine Diekman	

19/20 OCT	WELCOMERS	Judith Gauci	Maria & Steve Fry	Zakia Touma	Joseph Spina
	ACOLYTE	Len Gauci	Steve Fry	Jhun Javier	Sam Ursino
	READERS	Pat Waters Robert Gerometta	Eileen Sherlock Maree McNeil	Rosanna Ceroli Adriana Kennedy	Janelle & Stephen Bawden
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Berenice Hart-Gerometta Judith Gauci	Nuri Wardrop Lorraine Ewer		Marian Piper Janelle Bawden
	JUN MINISTERS	Monica & Dom Bruggeling	Patrick McNeil	James Whittle	Josh Fogarty Sara Sawaya
	MUSICIANS	NO MUSICIANS	Joan & David	Bobby, Mark, and JMJ	Youth Group
	COUNTERS	John Hourigan and Kay Brooks		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY
	FLOWERS	Vince & Miranda Luca, arr'd by Mari & Maureen		ALTAR LINEN	Catherine Diekman