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15th September 2019

24th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-32

**Your vision will become clear only when you can look into your own heart.
Who looks outside, dreams; who looks inside, awakes.” – Carl Jung**



The sequence of losing, finding and celebrating is not uncommon to us. We all have experiences of being upset and frustrated in losing something, such as car keys or our mobile phones or eyeglasses. We search and look for them until we find them, and there is a sense of relief and even joy when we find them. Naturally we share the joy of finding what had been lost. The experience of loss is extended to the wide spectrum of life: loss of a valued creature; loss of the means of survival; loss of an adult child's respect and presence; loss of human dignity and loss of sense of belonging to one another, etc. The gospel challenges us to look for ways and means of finding the lost and make our living worthwhile.

Commenting on the gospel of this Sunday, Sr. Veronica Lawson RSM says, that all three parables invite us into an encounter with a God who seeks and 'saves' what is lost. The parables are prefaced by an account of the criticism Jesus endured for hosting 'the lost', the toll collectors and 'sinners'. The critics are those who consider themselves 'righteous'. They have no room in their hearts for compassion or forgiveness on the one hand, and no capacity

on the other to accept the goodness of a prophet who acts in ways that cut across their expectations". No single image can contain the compassionate, loving God presented in these parables. The invitation to the believing community is to find ways of opening our hearts and the hearts of the unforgiving in our world to God's action of seeking and saving the lost—here and now, not simply in the afterlife".

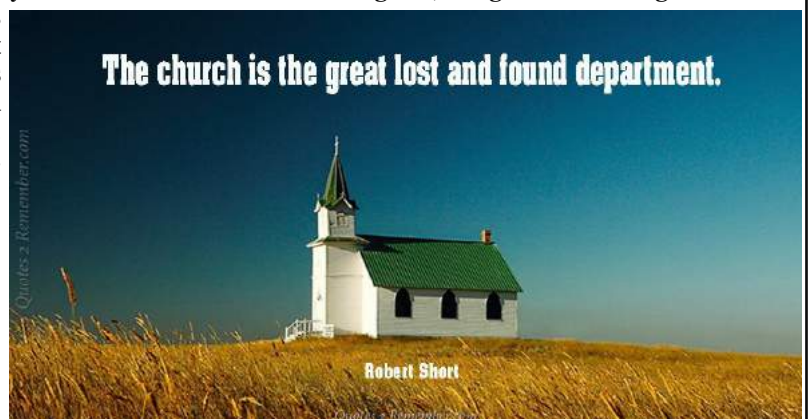
Stories to reflect:

- *In her novel Five for Sorrow, Ten for Joy, author Rumer Godden tells an intriguing tale. The heroine of the story is Lise an English army girl who falls on hard times and becomes a prostitute after the liberation of Paris in World War II. Within a short time, she becomes the leading Madame in one of Paris' smartest brothels owned by a man named Patrice. But Patrice soon tires of Madame Lise as his mistress and she is humiliated. In trying to help a younger prostitute escape from the same fate she suffered, Lise shoots and kills Patrice. So she is sent to prison where she meets the French Dominican Sisters of Bethanie. This is a Community dedicated to serving whores, drug addicts and vagrants; some of the sisters were once themselves such unfortunates. Lise becomes one of the Sisters of Bethanie. -Sister Lise is a prototype of the lost sheep and the lost coin in today's gospel, reminding us that God's grace is greater than our sins. (Albert Cylwicki in 'His Word Resounds')*
- *There is a story told about two brothers who were convicted of stealing sheep. They were each branded on the forehead with the letters 'ST' – Sheep Thief. One brother immediately ran away from the area and attempted to build a new life in a foreign land. Even there, people asked him about the strange letters on his forehead. He wandered restlessly and eventually, unable to bear the stigma, took his own life. The other brother took a different approach. He said to himself, "I can't run away from the fact that I stole sheep. But I will stay here and win back the respect of my neighbours and villagers." As the years passed, he built a reputation of integrity for himself. One day, a stranger saw the old man with the letters branded on his forehead. He asked a citizen of the town what the letters stood for. The villager replied, "It happened a great while ago. I've forgotten the particulars, but I think the letters are an abbreviation of 'Saint'. (John Rose in 'John's Sunday Homilies')*

Congratulations to all the children who receive the body and blood of Christ for the first time in the Sacrament of the Eucharist these two weekends. Thanks to the Sacramental Team and the parents who have prepared the children for this joyful day. St John Bosco has said, "We do not go to Holy Communion because we are good; we go to become good". The communion time always reminds us that no one is perfect and that "communion is not for perfect people but for hungry people" (Greg Boyle). I hope that the parents make it a point to be a part of the community on weekend celebrations to receive the precious gift the Eucharist, that we may grow together in the goodness of the Lord as a community.

God's blessings,

Fr Vince



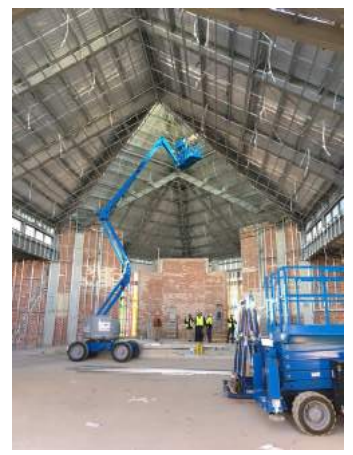
Inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit and the Gospel, St Madeleine Sophie Barat Parish, a community of faith and service, strives to be a witness for Christ's love far and wide, reflecting the humility and wisdom of St Madeleine, the Patroness of the parish.



Thank you to everyone who has given donations for the new church building.

We are calling on everyone who pledged various amounts or items for the new church. Please contact the parish office (96542260) to get the parish bank details. Thank you for your generosity!

The Blessing of the new church will be held on 24th November 2019, 10am on the Feast of Christ the King!



Social Justice @ St Mads

Last Friday marked the twelfth anniversary of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. One way we can respect these rights is to become aware of our local Darug language, in this the Year of Indigenous Languages. The Darug language dictionary was published by John Kohen from Macquarie University in 1990. For a copy of the dictionary, please email sue@kcj.net.au.

"Ngubaty biana wiana"
meaning love to father and mother.



September 29th will be a tree planting opportunity at our Earthkin Landcare site at Marymount David Rd Castle Hill.

~Sue Martin

BAPTISM PREPARATION:

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



FROM INVISIBLE TO INVINCIBLE

Embracing God's gift of years
A WORKSHOP WITH THE FEEL OF A MINI-RETREAT
(for the over 50s)

Tuesday, 24th September, 10am-1pm
at the St Joseph Centre

LIMITED TO 15 PARTICIPANTS

(a light lunch will be provided)

to book, please email: careyannemoylan@hotmail.com
or ring 0438 791 813

VOLUNTEER CLEANERS FOR THE NEW CHURCH!!!



We would like to start organising cleaning rosters for the new church—mostly to do dusting and wiping.

If you can spare an hour or so on a Saturday morning once a month, please write your name on the sheet in the foyer.



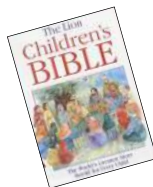
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COME AND SEE OUR PIETY STALL IN THE CHURCH FOYER!



Beautiful items are available at our piety stall for First Communion, Baptism, Confirmation, even anniversaries and birthdays!

The stall is open after the 8am and 10am Sunday Masses, and during sacrament preparation sessions!



LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$ 1440.05

2nd Collection (for Parish) **Envelopes** = \$ 1694
Loose = \$ 980.55

Credit cards/Direct Debit ave weekly = \$2107
TOTAL = \$ 4781.55 (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!

St Mads Book Club

All are welcome to join the Book Club. Our next book, a non-fiction, will be **The Jesuit Guide to (Almost) Everything** by James Martin. (Booktopia \$22.35). Next get together SJC, 7pm, Tuesday 1st October. Careyanne 0438791813



PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS:

For the recently deceased

Patrick McGirr, Cecilia Villanueva, Sr Ellen Conway, John Fenech, Barry Bowden, Margaret Holden, Laurie Patterson, and Peter Kelly (Co Monaghan, Ireland)

For the dearly departed

James Mulvihill and the deceased of the Mulvihill and Culligan families, Lawrence, Patricia Barbagallo, Fred Barbagallo, Grace Corpuz, Alfonso Juanengo, Giovanni Scarpin, Giulia Russo, Domenica Scarpin, Fulvio Russo, Eduardo Piccoli, Michele Vaccarella, and Keith Byrne

For healing of the sick

Candida Irugalandra, 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 Bilford Beattie, Giuseppe Grasso, Faye Willing, Annabelle, Patrick, Ben Eberand, Callum Goracz, Patrick Griffiths, Catherine Bourke, Tina, Marie, Joe, and Charles Vencyel

Special prayers for Joan Carroll



PLENARY 2020 - National Theme for Discernment #3

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is **prayerful and Eucharistic**? The fruits of what is discerned during this time will help shape the agenda of the first session of Plenary Council in October 2020.



This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared how deeply they treasured the Eucharist and the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church. There was a call for **stronger and more engaging preaching**, with an emphasis on the Word of God and **connection to daily life**, some seeking a **uniquely Australian expression of prayer and Eucharistic celebration**, drawing from the **wisdom and rituals of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people** and also bringing together the many **migrant communities** which make up the Church in Australia. There were many divergent expressions of ways in which people and communities encounter God through their experiences of **prayer, music and liturgy, and a desire for catechesis, training and formation** for those in ministries related to these.

More information can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/themereports>

What Will Be Your Legacy of Faith, Hope and Charity?

As God's stewards, we're entrusted to use the gifts we are given wisely for the greater good of our family, our faith community and God's kingdom. A gift in your Will is an enduring way to give thanks to God and share your blessings beyond your lifetime.



During Include a Charity Week, we invite you—after providing for your loved ones—to consider a gift in your Will to our Parish, Parramatta Catholic Foundation or a Catholic ministry. Even the most modest gift will significantly advance our Church's works of faith, hope and charity for future generations. **For information on remembering the Church in your Will: yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/giftsinwills**
Information brochures are also available in the foyer.

OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND

CATHOLIC CARE BLACKTOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD AID VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Blacktown Neighbour Aid, a program with CatholicCare, is looking for volunteers to support our senior clients in the Blacktown area to remain living independently in their own home. If you feel you would like to make a positive difference to other's lives in this way, please contact the Manager, Deb Woolcott on 0418 114 055 or email deb.woolcott@ccss.org.au.

IGNITE CONFERENCE: 3-6 OCTOBER, FREEMAN COLLEGE, BONNYRIGG

Streams for: Primary school children, High schoolers, Young Adults & Adults.
More info at: <https://igniteyouth.com/conference19>

LIFELINE GIANT BOOK FAIR

Lifeline is holding its annual Giant Book Fair at Oakhill College, Castle Hill on Friday 11 October, Saturday 12 October and Sunday 13 October from 9am to 5pm each day. The sale will include over 60,000 second hand books including quality novels, literature, history, study aids and many other categories, all at very attractive prices. Lifeline offers an important service to our community. In addition to our 131114 crisis support telephone service, we provide a range of suicide prevention counselling services. To assist us in maintaining this work, we rely heavily on the income received from our book fairs which are run entirely by volunteers.

ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: 27 OCTOBER

All married couples and their families are warmly invited to the Diocese of Parramatta's Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass and Lunch on Sunday 27 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. A light lunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow. Please register your names and numbers of years married, and the numbers attending the lunch by contacting the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 02 8838 3460 or email lmf@parracatholic.org.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL, PERTH: 7 - 11 DECEMBER 2019

Time is running out to register to join Bishop Vincent and Catholic Youth Parramatta at ACYF19 in Perth. ACYF19 is a biennial national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Bishops of Australia. If you are a school student that missed out on being selected, you can register to join a diocesan small group with a guardian. Free twin-share hotel accommodation is still available, but for a limited time. For more information and to register visit www.catholicyouthparramatta.org

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

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- ◇ Movie review: Blinded by the Light
- ◇ The gift of the Ordinariate

Go to the Heart of Jesus
and draw from it,
and when you need more,
go back to the Source
and draw again.

-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

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Peter Balnaves/Suzanne Kingston-Hunt

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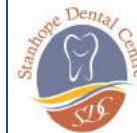
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| | | 5:30pm Sat | 8:00am | 10:00am | 5:30pm |
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| THIS WEEKEND | WELCOMERS | Judith Gauci | Maria & Steve Fry | Amira Campo | Joseph Spina |
| | ACOLYTE | Len Gauci | Steve Fry | Jhun Javier | Sam Ursino |
| | READERS | Paul Cashman | Eileen Sherlock Maree McNeil | Rosanna Ceroli Adriana Kennedy | Janelle & Stephen Bawden |
| | EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS | Colleen Dunlop Judith Gauci | Nuri Wardrop Lorraine Ewer | Bob Burke Sandra Tabone | Marian Piper Janelle Bawden |
| | JUN MINISTERS | Monica & Dom Bruggeling | Patrick McNeil | James Whittle | Sara Sawaya |
| | MUSICIANS | Bev & Pat | Joan & David | Bobby, Mark, and JMJ | Ruby & Pax |
| | COUNTERS | John Hourigan and Kay Brooks | | CHILDREN'S LITURGY | Kim Parslow |
| | FLOWERS | Nick Ceroli, arr'd by Mari Gregory & Maureen Meryment | | ALTAR LINEN | Vicky Hooper |
| 21/22 SEPT | WELCOMERS | Dianne Millington | Carmel & Mike O'Connell | Amira Campo | Helen Ross |
| | ACOLYTE | John Puleo | Darren McNeil | | Jhun Javier |
| | READERS | Colleen Dunlop Justin Kyngdon | Nigel Saunders Kay Brooks | Amira Campo Careyanne Moylan | Trish Maidens Patrick Tuttle |
| | EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS | Anne Kyngdon Jeanette Chalfant | Frances Sanders | Ann & Mark Lee | Tereza Barisic Trish Maidens |
| | JUN MINISTERS | Annabelle & Matilda Rogers Addison Bayly-Pike | Patrick McNeil | Lorena Campo | James Barker |
| | MUSICIANS | Bev & Pat | Joan & David | Merle & Doug | Youth Group |
| | COUNTERS | Paul Vella and Belle Craig | | CHILDREN'S LITURGY | Annamarie Duncan |
| | FLOWERS | Nick Ceroli, arr'd by Joy Rogers & Carmel Heinrich | | ALTAR LINEN | Marian Piper |