St Madeleine Sophie Barat Parish

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10 October 2021 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Wisdom 7:7-11 Hebrews 4:12-13 Mark 10:17-30

'TREASURE IN HEAVEN' DOES NOT COME CHEAP...

A couple came before Jesus: "Good teacher, we have raised two beautiful children. We cared for them, taught them, and loved them through all the twists and turns of childhood. We got them through college, and they are now on their own. What must we do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus looked at the couple and loved them. He said to them, "Go, use your new freedom to help other families struggling with all the issues you struggled with. Be a source of wisdom and guidance for them as they raise their families. Then come, follow me." And the couple's faces fell because their flight to the Bahamas was beginning to board.



The CEO of a large corporation came before Jesus: "Good teacher, my company employs hundreds of people. We conduct our business honestly and ethically. We meticulously keep every employment, safety, and environmental regulation - even though it costs us a lot of money. What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus looked at the CEO and loved him. He said to him, "Go, redirect the greater share of your profits to providing for your employees. Take the lead in the responsible care of the environment by businesses like yours. Make your company a model of ethical advertising and consumer protection. Then come, follow me." The CEO's face fell because he knew this would never fly with his board.

A politician came before Jesus: "Good teacher, I serve my district 24-7. I listen to the voters and act in their best interests. I've been a dependable and consistent vote for policies and programs that will guarantee the future of our city and state. What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus looked at the politician and loved him. He said to him, "Go, support an initiative that will be unpopular with your voters, that may cost you your office, but will benefit the poor, the powerless, the vulnerable. Then come, follow me." And the politician's face fell because it was an election year.



A teenager came before Jesus: "Good teacher, I study hard in school. I get good grades. I have a part-time job after school. I'm on the basketball team and play in the band. I try to be a good daughter and sister. I'm working hard to get into a good college. What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus looked at the teen and loved her. "Go, befriend the student in your school who is alone. Give your mom and dad a break by taking on some responsibility around the house. Give time to a charitable work of your church or community service agency. Then come, follow me." And the teenager's face fell because her schedule was full. (Source: A Sampler Connections)

The reply of Jesus to the young lad of the gospel was a shock not only for him but also for the disciples. Why? The Jewish community believed that material wealth and prosperity were signs of God's blessings. Jesus seems to turn that ideology and belief upside down and declared that true religion consisted in one's sharing of his blessings with others rather than hoarding them and getting inordinately attached to them. Perhaps we may have got our own easy assumptions about wealth and riches which are challenged today by the gospel of Jesus. The challenge of Jesus raises questions about the real basis of our security and hopes.

Yes, Jesus asks everything of us as the cost of being his disciple. Jesus invites all of us to enlarge our hearts and to be surprised by grace, and to take a risk above what we have been doing as his believers and be transformed. To become a disciple of Christ means, a reordering of our priorities, a restructuring of our days to make time for the things of God. May we return to God the gifts he has given us in order to embrace eternity in the time to come!

Does the gospel astonish us, frighten us, or challenge us? Are we able to comprehend the message of Jesus this Sunday?

God's blessings,

Fr. Fince



Enjoy Your New Adventure

Sharyll, congratulations on your recent full-time job! We know you will enjoy the new job with the same passion and dedication you have displayed here in the parish for a very short time. We wish and pray that you will continue to succeed in this new phase of your professional career.

Anastasia (Anna) will be taking the position of the parish secretary from October 11, 2021. May I request our parishioners to make her welcome and render your cooperation in her efforts to serve our parish!

Fr. Vince

SUSPENSION OF MASSES AND SACRAMENTS

All public Masses & Sacraments are temporarily suspended due to the current lockdown. Join us for live streamed mass at 9am (Tues—Fri) and 10am on Sunday https://www.facebook.com/St-Madeleines-Masses-113377783718546/



Join us as we journey together to implement the Laudato Si Platform in our community. Meet for prayer, reflection, action. When: Monthly beginning 14 October Time: 7-8pm on Zoom atm

Register: Register in advance for this meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0odu-qrjsuH91VZr5CINoFUVfZx9hdrwVn ID: 895 1620 0459 More info: Sue 0432 716 577. Careyanne 0438 791 813 To get started reading, you can find a free PDF version of Laudato Si' here: https://

w2.vatican.va/content/dam/francesco/pdf/encyclicals/documents/papafrancesco 20150524 enciclica-laudato-si en.pdf





SUNDAY GOSPEL

Come join us via Zoom on Tuesday mornings at 10.30am for an hour to pray and discuss the coming Sunday's gospel. If you would like to know more about the gospels, what it can mean to your life, pray with others, or just make new friends we would love you to join us. For more info and Zoom details contact Careyanne on 0438 791 813 or careyannemoylan@hotmail.com



ZOOM ROSARY CHANGE, EXTRA ONE NIGHT 'The family that prays together stays together"

We invite parishioners and others to join us to pray the Rosary asking our loving Mother Mary to intercede for the suffering humanity due to the pandemic. Join us on Zoom on Mondays at 7 pm Meeting ID: 840 2707 2956 and Thursdays at

9:45am Meeting ID: 884 0505 6508 If you have any special intention in offering the rosary contact Lidia 0400372561 or Kay 0429965858

SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST MADS

This past week YCS (Young Christian Students) at St Luke's Catholic College planned a Q&A night for our community to connect & discuss the correlation between our environment and our mental health.



Sr Elizabeth Young RSM, working in the Wilcannia-Forbes Diocese, shares a project that arises from her prayer and discernment, called 'Liturgy on the Margins.' To engage with her vision, read her reflection and project description. www.liturgyonthemargins.org

14 November is World Day of Prayer for the Poor. The theme of the Fifth Annual World Day of the Poor is "The Poor will Always Be With You." The Laudato Si' Action Platform will begin offering Laudato Si' Planning Guides on World Day of the Poor <u>https://</u> laudatosiactionplatform.org/ Looking forward to growing our St Mads Laudato Si' Circle, a monthly gathering to explore living Laudato Si'

PARISH VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

Music Coordinators: Alexandra Mifsud, Selina Calleia & Joan Sattler

Junior Ministers Coordinator: Maree McNeil Children's Liturgy Coordinator: Deb Rankin Baptism Preparation: Angelique Easton RCIA Coordinator: Steve Fry

Playgroup Coordinator: SRE Coordinator: Maureen Jones Friendship Group: Jenny Puleo Ministry to the Nursing Homes Coordinator: Suzanne Kingston-Hunt Adult Faith Formation: Careyanne Moylan

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. We continue to pay off the loan towards the construction of our beautiful church. May we ask of your generous contribution towards the upkeep of the parish with its various incidental expenses. You can drop off the envelopes at the parish office or you can do it electronically to:-

Kenthurst Catholic Church Account Name BSB 067950

Account Number: 00000388 Please, include your name and envelope number in the reference description or simply state 'donation' if you have not joined the Planned Giving Program. You can specify if it is for the first collection (to the diocese for the maintenance of clergy) or second collection (for the upkeep of the parish). Your good will and support are very much appreciated.

ST MADS CARE GROUP

Our parish is a community gathered to worship God, bring His light to the world and care for his body. We have responded to this by creating the St Mads Care

Group whose mission is "to bring Christ's light through giving hope and service to others." Our aim is to "provide to members of our parish

practical support and care such as meals, transport, shopping and assistance". If you are interested in joining us, would be willing to cook an occasional meal for those in need or know of anyone who needs assistance, please contact us through Bernadette, 0418 248 256

ST MADS BOOK CLUB



This work revises, restructures, edits, augments, and develops the early works into a single coherent case for belief. It does not shy away from the biggest challenges to faith inside and outside of the Church but outlines a contemporary and accessible response to the issues that confront and sometimes confound

believers today. 27 October 2021, 7.30pm. To join our Zoom group, email careyannemoylan@hotmail.com

PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS:

For recently deceased

Aureen Dunn, Filonila Cruz, Sr.Mary Conway, Fatima Lizi, Engracia Corpuz, Barry McBride, Doris Jacobs, Kevin Cook, Joseph Galea, India, Fr Peter Caruana, Fran Sanders, Edith Irwin, Jim Shipley, Philomena Beresford, Lenard Gauci, Maureen McCartney, Romano Bandiera.

For the dearly departed

Giovanni Scarpin (30th anniversary), Giuseppina Scarpin, Giulia and Fulvio Russo, Eduardo and Maria Piccoli, Maria Battaia, Domenica Scarpin

For healing of the sick

Margaret Doyle, Josh Kennedy, David Parslow, Maureen Burke, Imelda Pellison, Jasminka Medak, Murphy Family, Kerry Rogers, Michael O'Conner, Joe Fuda, Keith Dawson, Aura Krakowszky, Nancy Anne Kazzi, Vince Luca, Kylie Baker, Lara Sawaya, Sheila Cañabano, Candida Irugalbandra, Florence Smith, Gregory Borg, Maria Peach, Paul Byrne, Andy, Patrick Breen, Jacqueline Kelly, Tricia, Michael Foley, Samuel Abella, Harper Grace, Pat D, Anis Nicholas, Margaret Collison, Margaret Gaudry, Dorothy Green, Neil Rogers, Karen Bligh, Desmond Grogan, Louise, Vanessa, Ben Johnson, Cathy Voss, Mary Madden, John Donnelly, Louise Lambert, Charlie, Frank Tabone, John Lippman, Giuseppi Grasso, Sarah Bilford Beattie, Patrick, Faye Willing, Ben Eberand, Callum Goracz, Patrick Griffiths, Catherine Bourke, Tina, Marie, Joe, and Charles Vencyel.

*If you would like someone to be included among these requests, please let us know by email, phone call, or by dropping a note in the locked box outside the parish office.

Property Maintenance Manager: Rick Jones Piety Stall: Sandra Tabone Altar Linen Coordinator: Catherine Diekman Parish Council Chair: Patrick Tuttle Finance Committee Chair: Aaron Cauchi Welcomers Coordinator:



PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Rev Vincent Savarimuthu

Parish Secretaries: Sharyll Netto Susie Lee

Sacramental Coordinator Sandra De Nardi

St Madeleine's Primary School Phone: 9654 6751 Principal: Mrs Barbara Young

Marian College Phone: 9654 6700 Principal: Mrs Jayne Campbell

PARISH SERVICES

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5.30pm Sunday 8:00am, 10:00 am, 5.30pm

> Children's Liturgy TBA

Weekday Masses 9:15 - Tuesdays to Fridays

9:45—10:15 Fridays - Adoration **Prayer Group:** Wednesdays after the

9.15 am Mass Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm

Baptisms: Every Sunday at 11:20 (Must make a booking) Weddings: By appointment

Saint of the Day : Saint John XXIII Feast Day : October 11

Although few people had as great an impact on the 20th century as Pope John XXIII, he avoided the limelight as much as possible. Indeed, one writer has noted that his "ordinariness" seems one of his most remarkable qualities.



The firstborn son of a farming family in Sotto il Monte, near Bergamo in northern Italy, Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was always proud of his down-to-earth roots. In Bergamo's diocesan seminary, he joined the Secular Franciscan Order. After his ordination in 1904, Fr. Roncalli returned to Rome for canon law studies. He soon worked as his bishop's secretary, Church history teacher in the seminary, and as publisher of the diocesan paper. His service as a stretcher-bearer for the Italian army during World War I gave him a firsthand knowledge of war. In 1921, Fr. Roncalli was made national director in Italy of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. He also found time to teach patristics at a seminary in the Eternal City. In 1925, he became a papal diplomat, serving first in Bulgaria, then in Turkey, and finally in France. During World War II, he became well acquainted with Orthodox Church leaders. With the help of Germany's ambassador to Turkey, Archbishop Roncalli helped save an estimated 24,000 Jewish people. Named a cardinal and appointed patriarch of Venice in 1953, he was finally a residential bishop. A month short of - con't-Source: https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-john-xxiii





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ON-LINE DIOCESAN TRAINING COURSE: SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS Could I please request everyone who has a particular role in the parish to participate in the **Mandatory** Safeguarding Training conducted via Zoom by the Diocesan Professional Standards Office. The training relates to two diocesan documents: "Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults" & "Code of Conduct for Caring for Children". The training aims to ensure that all those who work with children and persons in positions of responsibility in our Parish have read and understand the documents. I do appreciate your readiness to resume serving our Parish community once the Covid restrictions are eased. Please email Maria Kervin on <u>safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org</u> for training dates, registration and for Zoom meeting details - *Fr Vince*



Our Parish Winter Appeal will be held once the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted. In the meantime, those who love to contribute may do so by dropping in your contributions at our Parish Office

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	10 OCT 2021	17 OCT 2021
	Nigel Saunders Adriana Kennedy	Phillys Hannah Tony Hooper

KINDERGARTEN 2022

We are still accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2022 and welcome your application. Please check the school's website <u>www.stmadeleineskenthurst.catholic.edu.au</u> to download the application and forward it to the school office as soon as possible.

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call 8838 3441 or contact Tanya Guinn Aguinn epartacatholic.org for more bion

October IS World Mission Month

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In two weeks, Catholic Mission will share with us the powerful story of Churai*, a mother who found her way to the Mother and Babies Home, run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, during a desperate time in her life. The Good Shepherd Sisters' mission is to promote the dignity and human rights of all, especially women and children; but they can only do that with support from people like you.

Please come with an open and generous heart. *Name and images altered to protect identity

for Development

or call Christine on 02 9560 5333



www.catholicmission.org.au/thailand

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: That Catholic Shop is an exciting development of ACN Australia. It is a go-to shop for Catholic gifts and devotional items. From Sacramental gifts, statues, books, rosaries, Christmas items and more, there is something for everyone. The purchases you make at TCS go to support the work of Aid to the Church in Need to keep the faith alive in those places where it is most at risk. To browse our full range visit www.thatcatholicshop.com.



Volunteer in Australia and Overseas The Cagliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco We are seeking long term (6-12 month) volunteers for January 2022 to work with young people in our Salesian communities in Australia. When it is possible and safe to do so, we will recommence sending volunteers to work with disadvantaged young people in Salesian communities in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste & the Solomon Islands. Applications close 30 Oct 21. Visit www.cagliero.org.au



Positions Vacant

Human Resources Partner – Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited, Diocese of Parramatta Human Resources Manager – Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited, Diocese of Parramatta More details at: <u>parracatholic.org/employment</u>

Diocese of Parramatta COVID-19 update

Due to stay-at-home orders from the NSW Government, all church buildings, adoration chapels and other buildings used for prayer and religious services are closed. Public Masses have ceased. Many parishes around the Diocese are celebrating Masses online. For more information, please visit the Diocesan website www.parracatholic.org/covid19

'The Well' offers spiritual nourishment during lockdown

Need some inspiration and spiritual encouragement during lockdown? Why not check out The Well? The Diocese's 'on demand' streaming site has a tonne of video and prayer resources for you to explore and engage with during this difficult time. Check it out on www.thewell.org.au

Young people of the Diocese – we are with you

"I am with you always" – Matthew 28:20. The Diocese has launched a new website in response to the mental health crisis impacting our young people. The website <u>parracatholic.org/withyou</u> contains links and information about services that can help young people whose wellbeing is suffering. Please share widely with young people and their families.

Diocese of Parramatta launches Plenary Council resource website

A new website provides resources for parishioners in the Diocese of Parramatta to stay involved in the Plenary Council, which is exploring what the future of our Church should look like. The first assembly starts in October, so visit <u>parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/</u> to find a range of information, a Diocesan prayer and more.

Catholic Outlook book giveaway

You have a chance to win one of three copies of "Opening Doors: A Seeker's Reflections on the Rooms of Christian Living" by Kevin Treston. 'Opening Doors' has been described 'an easy read that asks hard questions', designed to help us create a better life and a better world. Entries are now open until Monday 11 October. Enter today via <u>catholicoutlook.org</u> and fill out the form under 'Book Giveaway'.

