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**CONGRATULATIONS
ON OUR NEW CARDINAL**

Bishop Mykola Bychok

Pope Francis has nominated Melbourne's Bishop Mykola Bychok, Head of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Sts Peter and Paul, as one of 21 new cardinals to be created at a consistory in Rome on 8 December 2024.

Bishop Bychok's elevation to the College of Cardinals is not only a moment of great joy for Ukrainian Catholics in Australia and Oceania, but also marks an important milestone for the broader Australian Church.



UPCOMING HOLY DAYS:

- Tues 15th: ST THERESA OF AVILA
- Thurs 17th: ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH
- Fri 18th: ST LUKE EVANGELIST

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

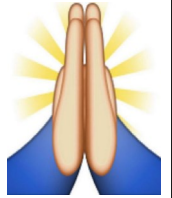
Sunday 20th: WORLD MISSION
SUNDAY

UPCOMING EVENTS

Teddy Bears Picnic
Sunday 20th October after 11am Mass

WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS

Pray for the sick and their Carers: Tony Formosa, Betty Corke, Fiona Rush, Aaron Eastley, Bruce Reekie, Val Carr, Evan Senn, Adeline Lyn Tilden, Angela Turner, Poala Solvy, Kathleen Rose, Barbara Seymour, Barbara Hent, Gai Beveridge, Barbara Hunt, Dr Ron Fitzgerald, James Tokarczyk, Sarah-Jane Sharp, Rita Fordyce, George Cerolini, Anne Hosemans, Michael Kesik, Jane Payne, Peter Clark, Barbra Solech, Grazyna Novak, Rob Turner, Fred Verna, Margaret Raynor, Margaret Wall, James O'Meara and Paul Girolami.



Recent Deaths: Maureen Williams

Death Anniversaries: Richard Allen

Funeral service information: Maureen Williams Thursday 17th October 11:30am

Video Sunday 9am Mass:

LIVESTREAMING: <https://vimeo.com/event/4638129>

Or go to website to copy link: <https://www.melbcatholic.org/mornington>

ALSO: at our regular YouTube link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCW8lyzEMe20DLyOppts0Fw/videos>

Mass Times:

- Weekdays: Tues to Saturday 9:15am
- Saturday night: 6 pm
- Sunday: 9am, 11am
- Anointing/Healing Mass: 9:15am [1st Friday of each Month]

YOUTH MASS: 2nd & 4th Sunday each Month 5pm.

HOLY HOUR / ADORATION:

- Every Friday after 9:15 Mass
- 1st Saturdays each month after 9:15am Mass
- 3:30pm 2nd & 4th Sundays

RECONCILIATION:

After 9:15am Mass: Wed & Saturday

YOUTH GROUPS: QUINN'S PLACE:
Year 7+ Friday's 5pm-9pm Community House & Hall

ENCOUNTER: Youth Group: Primary school age 3pm-4:45pm before Youth Mass 2nd & 4th Sundays of each Month. Community House

St Macartan's Primary School Newsletter:

Week 10 Term 2: 20 September

Padua Newsletter:

Edition 6: 13th September



TO DONATE TO OUR CHURCH ACCOUNT & FOR THANKSGIVING:

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First Reading

Wisdom 7:7-11

A reading from the book of Wisdom

In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,
and beside her silver ranks as mud.
I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14

(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing for joy!

1. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger forever?
Show pity to your servants. (R.)
2. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune. (R.)
3. Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:12-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 10:17-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

Communion Antiphon.

Cf Psalm 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS

Sunday 20 October 2024, 11am St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne

Couples and their families are invited to join the annual Archdiocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass. Couples who register and are celebrating the following anniversaries – 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th or 40 years and above – will receive a commemorative certificate.

Please register by Sunday 13 October: <https://trybooking.com/CVMFG>

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from the perspective of the Disciples

'What about us?' Peter cried. The disciples were staggered that Jesus could turn away the rich man so easily and declare how difficult it is to enter into the kingdom of God. They suddenly see themselves in the shoes of the rich man: what more do they have to do? They've left their homes and families to traipse after Jesus, believing that this sacrifice would be enough to assure them a place in the kingdom, and suddenly they are faced with doubts. Has it all been worth it? Jesus reminds them that if they have followed him for all the right reasons then their reward is assured.

Gospel Reflection

Jesus reminds us in this gospel that to join him in bringing about the reign of God requires absolute commitment and a willingness to give up that which is most precious to us. The rich man who approached Jesus was genuine in his desire to fulfil all the requirements of the Law to attain eternal life. Jesus quoted to him all the commandments that deal with right relationships with others. The man is able to tick these off and assure Jesus that he has been doing this since childhood – a pretty big claim in the first place! Then Jesus 'looked steadily at him and loved him' – he looked on him with the eyes of love; the eyes that see to the heart of a person, and in that look knew what was most important to the man. Jesus could tell by his dress no doubt that the man was wealthy and so it is this aspect of

the man's life that Jesus chooses to challenge him about. This gospel shouldn't necessarily be read as a condemnation of wealth – rather, it is the man's inability to surrender his wealth that Jesus challenges. Jesus sees to the heart of the man and asks if he is willing to give up that which is most important in his life. The man is unable to do what Jesus asks of him and goes away sad. Why sad? He's sad because he knows that he has been tested and failed. He knows that what he genuinely desired was within his reach but he needed to let go of his position, his status, his wealth, to be able to grasp what he desired in both hands.

Volunteering - Something we can all do.

This week we are asking for more volunteers for this ministry group. Join our **Choirs** (6pm or 9am or 11am) and be active in leading others in singing and enjoying their worship experience.

We need you!

So, if you would like to help. Contact the office:

5975 2200

Thank you



'I am close to you,' says Pope to martyred flock in the Holy Land

Marking one year from the Hamas attacks on Israel that plunged the Holy Land into all-out war, Pope Francis addresses a letter to the Catholics of the region decrying the "shameful inability of the international community and powerful countries to put an end to the war" and expressing his closeness to those who "suffer the devastation which the powerful impose on others."

By Linda Bordoni

In a letter dated 7 October 2024, one year from the "sad day" when the lighting "of the fuse of hatred (...) that exploded in a spiral of violence," Pope Francis reaches out to the Catholics of the Holy Land "as blood and tears are still being shed." "I am thinking of you and praying for you," the Pope says, decrying "the shameful inability of the international community and the most powerful countries to silence the weapons and put an end to the tragedy of war." He notes that "Anger is growing, along with the desire for revenge, while it seems that few people care about what is most needed and what is most desired: dialogue and peace." "War is a defeat," he reiterates, "Weapons do not build the future but destroy it, violence never brings peace. History proves this, yet years and years of conflict seem to have taught us nothing."

A defenceless flock loved by God

Thanking the "small, defenceless flock" who dwells in the Holy Land "thirsting for peace" for wanting to remain in their lands, praying and loving despite everything, he describes Holy Land Catholics as "a seed loved by God."

He encourages them to find a way to bear fruit and give life, without letting themselves be engulfed by the darkness that surrounds them.

"Planted in your sacred lands, become sprouts of hope, because the light of faith leads you to testify to love amid words of hatred, to encounter amid growing confrontation, to unity amid increasing hostility," he writes. And saying he writes "with the heart of a father", to his children, who are "today experiencing a real martyrdom, the Pope asks them to sow "seeds of peace amid the winter of war," and be "witnesses to the power of a non-violent peace."



Gratitude to those who assist those suffering in war

Finally, the Pope has words of thanks for the "sons and daughters of peace," for those, who, throughout the world, assist those who suffer, and for the bishops and priests "who bring God's consolation to those who feel alone and abandoned."

"Dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, I bless you and embrace you with heartfelt affection. May Our Lady, Queen of Peace, watch over you. May Saint Joseph, Patron of the Church, protect you."

And I want to add - as I was reminded by a parishioner with a beautiful soul, that we remember the children and babies, the real innocents in this war that have been murdered! Thank God they are safe with Him.

Fr Geoff



2024 PUBLIC ROSARY

“Public prayer is more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy, and the Church, guided by the Holy Spirit, has always advocated it in times of disasters and general distress.”

- Saint Louis de Montford

SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER

10AM (AFTER 9.15 AM MASS)

Once again, St Macartan's Parish is joining over 400 Parishes around Australia in praying the Rosary. This is our third year in uniting with the rest of Australia in the prayer Our Blessed Mother has asked for.

Chairs will be set up in the rose Memorial garden under Our Lady's Statue.

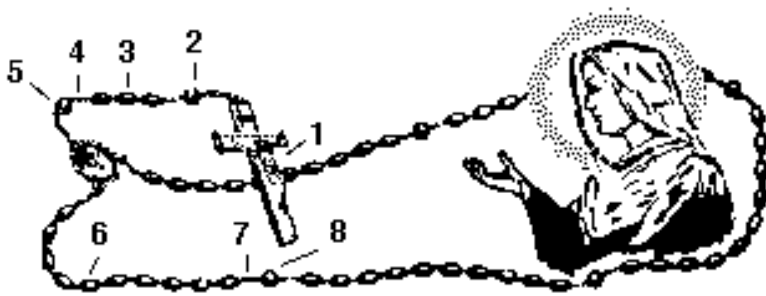
Should the weather be a problem, we shall pray in the Church.

Please invite a friend and join us in prayer.

The sharing of a plate over morning tea will bring the special time to conclusion.



The steps to praying the Rosary are:



- ◇ Make the Sign of the Cross and pray the “Apostles’ Creed”
- ◇ Pray the “Our Father”
- ◇ Pray three “Hail Marys” for Faith, Hope, and Charity
- ◇ Pray the “Glory Be”
- ◇ Announce the First Mystery and then pray the “Our Father”
- ◇ Pray ten “Hail Marys” while meditating on the Mystery
- ◇ Pray the “Glory Be” (Optional: Pray the “O My Jesus” prayer requested by Mary at Fatima)
- ◇ Announce the Next Mystery; then pray the “Our Father” and repeat these steps (6 through 8) as you continue through the remaining Mysteries.
- ◇ Pray the closing prayers: the “Hail Holy Queen” and “Final Prayer”
- ◇ Make the “Sign of the Cross”

Pope Saint John Paul II suggested the recitation of the Rosary as follows:

Monday	JOYFUL
Tuesday	SORROWFUL
Wednesday	GLORIOUS
Thursday	LUMINOUS
Friday	SORROWFUL
Saturday	JOYFUL
Sundays of Advent and Christmas	JOYFUL
Sundays of Lent	SORROWFUL
Other Sundays	GLORIOUS



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WHO IS RCIA FOR?

- Adults & Youth who are not baptised.
- Adults & Youth who are already baptised in another Christian Church.
- Non-practising Catholics who wish to renew their faith.

Where do you begin?

At the Parish of St Macartan's Mornington, new sessions begin with an **information night.**

There is no obligation – come and find out more:

Thursday 24th October

7:00pm in the Church Hall, 10 Drake Street, (under Palm Tree) next to the Community House

Classes will be held each **Thursday** 7pm-8:15pm

or ring the Parish office on 5975 2200 or Email: mornington@cam.org.au



Jokes of The Week



#1: “Oh Lord, hit him again!” The parish church was badly in need of repair. So the pastor called a special meeting to raise funds. At the assembly, the pastor explained the need of an emergency fund for plastering the roof and supporting pillars and for carrying out other items of repair. He invited the congregation to pledge contributions. After a brief pause, Mr. Murphy, the richest man in the parish, volunteered to give 50 dollars. Just as he sat down, a hunk of plaster fell from the ceiling on his head. He jumped up, looked terribly startled and said: “I meant to say 500 dollars.” The congregation stood silent and stunned. Then a lone voice cried out from the back: “Oh Lord, hit him again!”



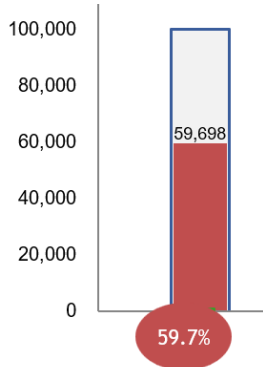
#2: Andrew Carnegie made millions in the steel industry. He also worked hard helping the poor and underprivileged. Once a socialist came to see him in his office and soon was railing against the injustice of Carnegie having so much money. In his view, wealth was meant to be divided equally. Carnegie asked his secretary for an assessment of everything he owned and at the same time looked up the figures on world population. He did a little arithmetic on a pad and then said to his secretary. “Give this gentleman 16 cents. That’s his share of my money.

#3: A wealthy older gentleman had just recently married a lovely young lady and was beginning to wonder whether she might have married him for his money. So, he asked her, “Tell me the truth: if I lost all my money, would you still love me?” She said reassuringly, “Oh honey, don’t be silly. Of course, I would still love you. And I’d miss you terribly.”

As conflict escalates in Middle East, Pope asks Mary to intercede



As fighting in the Middle East intensified and spread, Pope Francis turned to Mary, begging her to ‘intercede for our world in danger’. With members of the Synod of Bishops, pilgrims, ambassadors accredited to the Vatican and Catholics from the Diocese of Rome, the Pope led the recitation of the Rosary for Peace on 6 October at Rome’s Basilica of St Mary Major. The prayer service took place on the eve of the one-year anniversary of the deadly Hamas attack on Israel and Israel’s retaliation in Gaza.



ROOF RESTORATION - FUND RAISING

Currently you have donated

\$60, 889

**As Oliver Twist once said - "More Please!"
Yes, please continue to help get to \$100,000**

DONATE via the Parish website or using the details below:

Good Morning Parishioners/Visitors

Please be aware that the Christmas stock has arrived and is on a table outside the Gift Shop. There are various Nativity Sets including children's Nativities.

There are a variety of gifts to help with your Christmas shopping but you need to come and check out what we have made available.

Because of the enquiries we had last year about a larger sized Nativity, we made the decision this year to purchase one. It is beautiful and makes a real statement. For safety reasons it is in the Gift Shop straight ahead as you walk in. Pop in and check it out, its divine.

For those who are anxiously wanting *The Water Lantern* they have arrived in stock so they should be here within a week or so. If you want one it would be advisable to put your name down as we could only get 10.

We are already running low on Christmas Cards so more have been ordered.

The Columban Calendars are in stock.

Please support the Gift Shop. It is there for you and all visitors to St Macartans Parish.

Ann is on the mend and hoping to attend Mass on Sunday. I miss her terribly. All the best Ann for a speedy recovery.

PIETY  STALL

Graham and Trish

The Men's Night is on again on Thursday, the 17th October , at 5.00pm yes 5.00pm at the Community Centre.

All men are welcome and who knows what will happen. Will Frank ---- sing the Brisbane Club Song?

Will Fr. An reveal the AFL Club he PRAYS FOR ? Be there and enjoy the company of fellow parishioners.

Another item to remember, DONATION , as agreed at the last meeting, will now be \$3.00. Safe travelling

the Three Amigos

Mass Co-ordinators

6.00pm Carmel Coles 5975 3080

9.00am Clive Tucker 0421 772 563

11.00am Patricia Duryea 0418 139 599

5.00pm Marino Cassemento 0408 394 792

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 12/13 October 2024

6.00pm Readers Fay Murphy, Brian Scantlebury

Eucharistic Mins Christina Llopart, Alis Fisher

9.00am Readers Spencer Meier, Don Ziino

Eucharistic Mins John and Mary Lewis

11.00am Readers Esme Higgins, Terry Roberts

Eucharistic Mins Sue Fletcher, Sandra Barrett

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 19/20 October 2024

6.00pm Readers Carmel McGrath, Marlene Tesmann

Eucharistic Mins Tricia Hird, Fay Murphy

9.00am Readers Michael Kerr, Kathleen Ronchi

Eucharistic Mins Patricia Thomas, Michael Kerr

11.00am Readers John Rowe, Michael Harrison

Eucharistic Mins Bridie Sexton, Len Seal

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 26/27 October 2024

6.00pm Readers Brian Scantlebury, Louise Renshaw

Eucharistic Mins Joyce Ward, Michael Turner

9.00am Readers Don Ziino, Spencer Meier

Eucharistic Mins Joseph Thoppil, Frank Crea

11.00am Readers Gabriella Fialla, Trish Duryea

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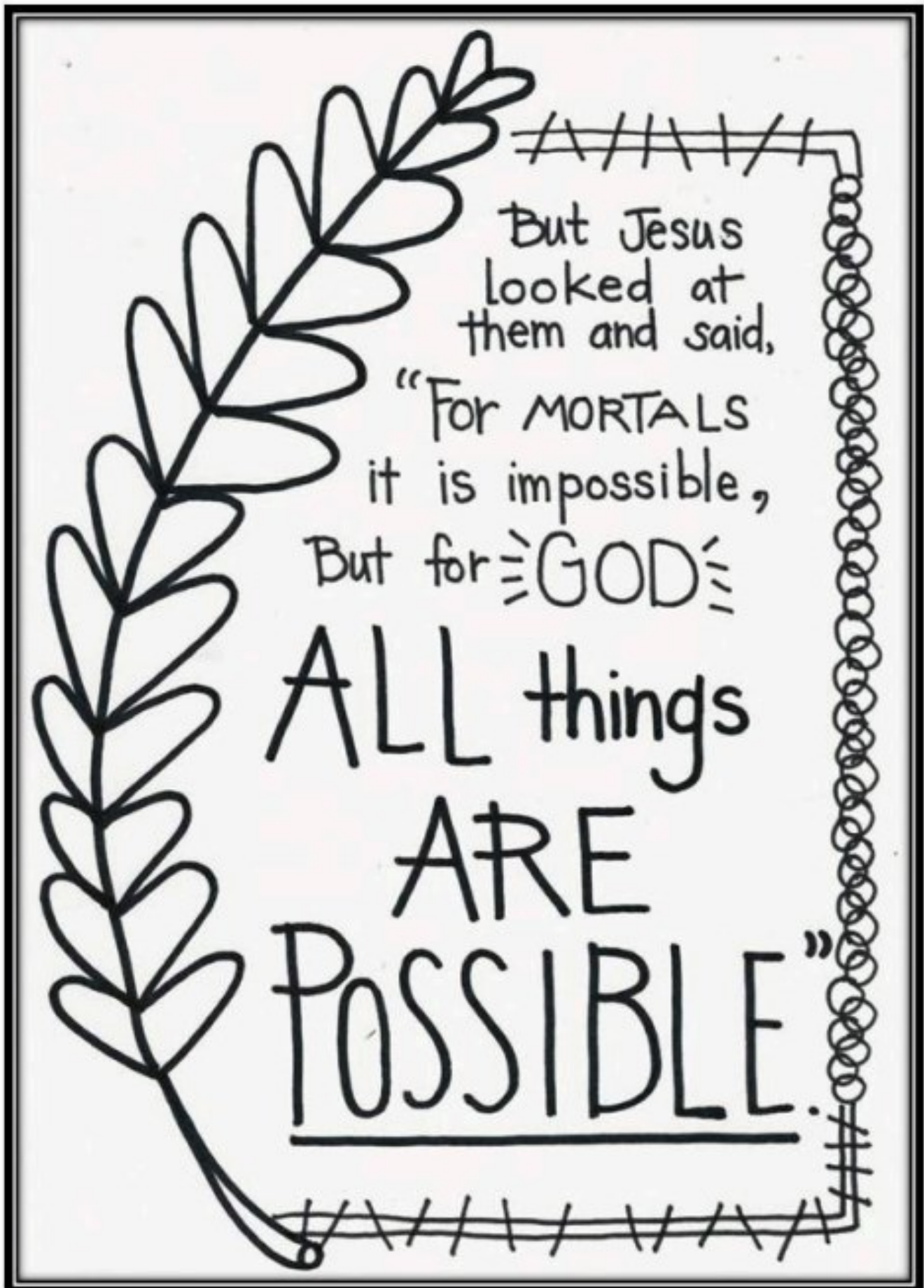
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