



THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

20 OCTOBER 2024

FIRST READING

Isa 53:10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs and have long life.

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM

Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22. R. v. 22

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

1. The word of the Lord. is faithful / and all his works to be trusted. / The Lord loves justice and right / and fills the earth with his love. R.

2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, / on those who hope in his love, / to rescue their souls from death, / to keep them alive in famine. R.

3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. / The Lord is our help and our shield. / May your love be upon us, O Lord, / as we place all our hope in you. R.

SECOND READING

Heb 4:14-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of



feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mk 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 10:35-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it

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ST JOSEPH'S, ELSTERNWICK

71 Orrong Road, Elsternwick, VIC 3185

Mass

Friday 10:00am, Saturday 6:30pm and Sunday 10:30am

Reconciliation

Friday after Mass, Saturday 6:00pm

Thanksgiving & Special Collections - 2 weeks

Church: \$TBA Presbytery: \$TBA

Special Collection: -

Next Week's Roster

Lector - Saturday: E* Ambrose

Lector - Sunday: P Donohue

Counters: M Beaumont & E Ambrose

HOLY CROSS, CAULFIELD SOUTH

707 Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield South 3162

Mass

Thursday 10:00am and Sunday 9:00am

Reconciliation

Thursday after Mass

Thanksgiving & Special Collections - 2 weeks

Church: \$TBA Presbytery: \$TBA

Special Collection: -

Next Week's Roster

Lector: A Powell

ST ANTHONY'S, GLEN HUNTLY

74, Grange Road, Glen Huntly 3163

In Residence: Fr Pat Jackson SAC, Br Lindsay Rust SAC

Mass

Monday - Saturday 9:15am

Saturday 6:00pm

Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm

Reconciliation

30-minutes before all Masses & Saturday 9:45-10:10am

Upcoming Week's Liturgical Calendar

Sun 27 Oct: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our New Parish Website

Both St Joseph's and Holy Cross Parishes now have their own website.

St Joseph's: www.melbcatholic.org/elsternwick

Holy Cross: www.melbcatholic.org/caulfieldsouth

Although we are partnered parishes, we will, for the time being maintain two separate websites. Most information will be replicated.

When you visit our website, you can **subscribe** to our weekly News Bulletin via the 'News' tab, or contact the Parish Office to register.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (cf. Ps16:6, 8)

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (cf. Ps 32:18-19)

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who are ill: **Richard Grant, Paulette Dobbin, Eamonn Whelan, Tony Messina, Steve Genge & family, Jenny, John Tempny**

Recently Deceased: -

Death Anniversary & Remembrance: **Bill Tomaselli**

Special Collection - World Mission Sunday

Hearts on Fire
FEET ON THE MOVE

This weekend, His Holiness Pope Francis invites people around the world to come together in celebration of World Mission Sunday.

This annual event serves as a poignant reminder of the life-giving work carried out by missionaries in Australia and across the globe.

With the theme "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move," Pope Francis reminds us that the missionary spirit resides within the hearts of all individuals.

Please be generous in helping communities in need to flourish by supporting grassroots projects, including healthcare, education, and spiritual care.

Thanksgiving Envelopes Ready For Collection

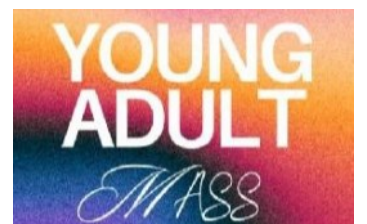
You can now collect your Thanksgiving Envelopes from the Church Foyer if you have registered to receive them.

Please note that you will only receive envelopes from November 2024 until end June 2025.

A new batch with dates starting July 2025 will be printed closer to time.

Mass Hosted by Young Adults

The Young Adults (ages 18-35) of all three Parishes will host the 5pm Sunday Mass at St Anthony's Church on 20th October 2024.



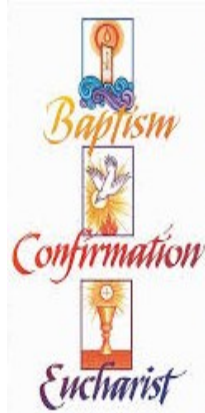
Mass will be followed by Fellowship (and light snacks).

Please extend an invitation to all youth and young adults you know to come along.

Commissioning of Ministers to the Sick

The Ministers of Holy Communion to the Sick and Elderly will be commissioned at the weekend Masses at both our Parishes on 26 and 27 October.

Please keep our sick and elderly in your prayers.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Fr Pat Jackson & Team started the first RCIA session on Saturday 19 October. Sessions will run from 4:00 pm - 5:15 pm every Saturday at St Joseph's Presbytery, Elsternwick.

If you know of anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, please contact Fr Pat, Fr Leenus or our Parish Offices.

Annual Spring Plant Sale at St Anthony's

Next Sunday 27th October

You can help right now. Come along to the St Anthony's Parish House on Saturday 26th October at 10 am or 2 pm to help move the plants over to the Padua Pavilion.

Have you plants to donate but can't bring them up to the church? We can also collect. We would be grateful for donations of cakes, biscuits and slices. Please make sure all items are marked with the ingredients and date of preparation and drop them off at the Parish House or directly to the stall on Sunday.

For more information please ring the Parish House 94016336 and leave a message for Veronica.

Tell your family and friends to come along.

All Souls Day - Saturday 2 November



Mass at St Anthony's: 9:15am

Mass at Holy Cross: 10:00am

A book will be placed on the altar rail in front of Our Lady's statue. Please write the names of your deceased family and friends to be prayed for on All Souls' Day.

Envelopes for the November offering for Masses for the faithful departed are available in the church foyers. These can be placed in the weekend collections.

November is a special time to pray for the dead. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead by visiting a church on 2 November and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed.

Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the Pope's intentions.

Spiritual Retreats at Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, East Melbourne

The Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre will begin a series of reflection nights and retreats commencing with a Reflection Day focusing on the central theme of the Year of Jubilee 2025 on Monday 28 October (9:30am—3:15pm)

Hearing the Audacious Call to be Pilgrims of Hope facilitated by Mark Walsh. The day will include times of contemplation using scripture and times of prayer.
www.mmhc.org.au/spiritual-retreat

Venue: Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, 362 Albert Street, East Melbourne.

Before you criticise someone, walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you do criticise them, you're a mile away, and you have their shoes.



From 25th September to 3rd November you're invited to take part in an international campaign against abortion.

For 40 days, volunteers fast and pray from home or near a Melbourne abortion facility.

For details of location and other information, visit www.40daysforlife.com/en/melbourne.

Your donations are gratefully accepted and will go to local pregnancy support 40 Days for Life Melbourne BSB: 063 167 ACC: 11053337

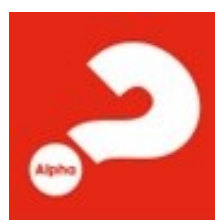
Travelling Christmas Crib



There are 7 travelling Cribbs seeking a stop over for 2 days at family homes in the Parishes and Schools of St Anthony's, St Joseph's and Holy Cross commencing 1st December until Christmas Eve.

A timetable will be available for booking the Crib. Representatives of each Parish and School will meet together shortly.

Alpha Catholic Conference - November 8-9



A national two-day Catholic Conference that seeks to equip and empower leaders to explore Alpha as a catalyst for intergenerational renewal.

For more details and to register, visit www.everygenerationconference.com.au

The Combined Societies of Mary

Prayers for World Peace
Sunday 10th November
Holy Cross Church
707 Glenhuntly Road Caulfield South
1.30pm Adoration, Prayers, Holy Mass

Inquiries: Joy Hunt 95092207, www.combinedsocietiesofmary.com

you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them, 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

Shorter form: 10:42-45

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Breaking Open the Word

BEING SERVANT AND SLAVE

Our first reading is from the fourth 'servant song' or poem of Isaiah. The imagery of the suffering servant is juxtaposed with 'the Son of Man [who] came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as ransom for many.' Just prior to today's Gospel reading, there was the third passion prediction. Jesus and the disciples are on the way to Jerusalem toward his passion and death. James and John, sons of Zebedee, open the scene. They were among the first called by Jesus and they are among the closest of his companions. What might we think would be on their minds? How taken aback will we be when they come to Jesus and say: 'we want you to do for us whatever we ask.' They are looking for their reward in places of esteem and honour. The brothers failure to understand angers the other ten.

Jesus makes clear that their orientation and that of anyone who wishes to be great is to be servant. This is their lesson and ours. Still today this is countercultural. In our Church we are invited to walk the way in synodality: praying together, listening deeply to one another, listening to the Spirit, walking together in the Spirit, asking what we are called to do, not only what Jesus will do for us. How will we be servant to one another, walking together in humility, this week?

Dr Rosemary Canavan