



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B Cycle I

10 October 2021



Opening Up

AT LAST we can open up again, even if with some limitations. From Monday the Church will be open from 9.30am-4pm (courtyard side door). While we cannot yet have Masses, people can come into the Church for private prayer. Hopefully Masses will resume shortly, with the conditions of masks, checking in QR code and 4 square metre separation. These conditions may change, so please stay tuned.

During the week we celebrated a couple of important feasts: St Francis of Assisi and Our Lady of the Rosary. Both these are powerful reminders to us that our personal faith journey is one in the company of very powerful people. The feast of Our Lady of the Rosary came from the miraculous victory of the Christian fleet at the Battle of Lepanto. It was the Rosary that initiated God's intervention to save Christian Europe. The Rosary has often been called the "Gospel on our knees". This is because as we pray the various mysteries of the Rosary we meditate on the enormous truths of our faith from the Annunciation to Mary of her Son: the Messiah; right through our salvation history to our eventual destiny in Heaven with Jesus as our Brother and Mary our Queen in the ever presence of our loving Father. St Francis of Assisi reminds us that life's journey is not only about this world, but is a journey where we look after each other as family travelling to our eternal destiny. Truly, our Faith makes sense of our lives even in difficult times. Both Mary and Francis faced enormous challenges, physical and spiritual, but their trust in God's providence rather than material success makes them great role models for us with today's challenges.

Another great event for our Parish is in the upcoming Confirmation of our children. Parents, with the tremendous cooperation of our School staff have been preparing for the Sacrament through the internet. It has been challenging, but Parents have risen to the occasion and been able to follow the Programme from home. The actual date of Confirmation is still to be settled, but this is just a reminder that the families of the candidates are in our prayers as the classes continue on line. Thankfully, despite the restrictions, Parents, Teachers and Children have taken this important step in the journey of Faith: they are not alone, we travel with them.

Looking forward to shortly seeing you again filling our Parish Church. How resilient is our wonderful Faith.

Fr Bill



Bay Connect

Regular opportunities to connect

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<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/our-faith/prayer-resources/bay-connect>



This Week

St Teresa of Jesus
15 October



CatholicCare

Keeping Seniors connected and active.

www.catholiccaredb.org.au/aged-care/memory-innovations-centre or call (02) 9488 2659.



Confirmation Candidates

Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates as they prepare online for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

New Vision

Jesus offered the young man the new vision of his Gospel which was far superior to the personal vision of the young man. Jesus loved the young man yet he did not compromise the vision of his Kingdom. Though Jesus was impressed by his diligence in obeying the commandments, he was more concerned about leading him to lasting values of life. The rich young man had very noble intentions, but his reluctance to part with his money put him in diametrically opposing attitudes with the Gospel. His dilemma in parting with material possessions reveals his feelings of security which these possessions gave him. He failed to place his absolute trust in God's ability to keep him safe. God wants our undivided heart. One who loves anything more than God is not worthy of his Kingdom.

God's Word Fr Vincent Carmelbhavan SSP

The Wealth of God

Today Jesus presents the journey of life one ought to follow, and the radical demands of the kingdom. The minimum requirement to receive eternal life is to observe the Commandments. The second requirement is to strengthen one's relationship with God and with others; it is equivalent to making God the centre of one's life and to depend upon him totally. One of the elements which blocks our growth in relationship with God and others is attachment to material wealth. Excessive desire for material possessions and the yearning for God cannot go together because "You cannot serve both God and money" (Mt 6:24). God is the true wealth of human beings. We are rich in relationship with God. Hence, it is necessary to strengthen one's participation in the life of God by using one's possessions and positions for the good of all.

After having suggested certain plans of action, Jesus affirms the difficulty or rather the impossibility of attaining this kingdom through human merit (cf Mk 10:27); participation in the life of God is a gift offered by God to whomever he pleases. Jesus also makes a promise of a reward for those who follow him radically, i.e., those who leave house, relations, possessions for the sake of the Gospel. The reward is a "hundredfold."

God's Word Fr Devasia Joseph SSP

Generous Enough

One day an Australian man came and made a substantial donation. But as he did this he said, "This is something external. Now I want to give something of myself." He now comes regularly to the house of the dying to shave the sick men and to converse with them. This man gives not only his money but also his time. He could have spent it on himself, but what he wants is to give himself.

I often ask for gifts that have nothing to do with money. There are always things one can get. What I desire is the presence of the donor, for him to touch those to whom he gives, for him to smile at them, to pay attention to them.

If our poor die of hunger, it is not because God does not care for them. Rather, it is because neither you nor I are generous enough. It is because we are not instruments of love in the hands of God. We do not recognise Christ when once again he appears to us in the hungry man, in the lonely woman, in the child who is looking for a place to get warm. Sometimes the rich seem very willing to share in their own way, but it is a pity that they never give to the point of feeling that they are in need.

No Greater Love Mother Teresa

Full of God's Law

If the Christian is full of God's law which warns and teaches him to despise the world and its allurements, wealth and honours, and all that prevents him from loving God, he will never fail, no matter what adversities may befall him; he will endure everything steadfastly and perseveringly; he will readily forgive offenses and give thanks to God for all things. Always look ahead without troubling too much in reflecting on the dangers you see at a distance. Let Satan wage war either directly by his evil promptings, or indirectly by means of the world and our own corrupt nature... it doesn't matter, for he can achieve nothing against your soul, which Jesus has now clasped to himself and sustains in a mysterious manner.

Padre Pio's Words of Hope Eileen Dunn Bertanzetti

Be a Witness

Are you called to serve as a witness to your faith? If you have ever thought about becoming a catechist, now is a good time to respond and make an enquiry. CCD is offering Zoom training in Term 4 to upskill new catechists and helpers to enable them to teach, or assist an experienced catechist, in one of our public schools in 2022. Check out: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hDIDhBQGTbA> or contact Alison Newell on 0424 737 911 or your Parish Catechist Coordinator Leanne, via the Parish Office on 4332 2216.

Annual Public Square Rosary

Join us in this nation-wide crusade. This year our Annual Public Square Rosary will be held on 16 October at 4.00pm at the Bayview Avenue Fountain (next to the original Commonwealth Bank). At this stage gatherings will still be limited to the double-vaccinated only. 20 people only may gather outdoors observing 2 square metre rule at that time. Please contact Pauline Fowler if you will be attending on 4332 9888.

Please Note

Ordination Invitation

You are invited to participate in the livestream of the Ordination of Deacons Sam French, Roger Delmonte and Aldrin Valdehueza to the Order of Presbyters on Monday 18 October 11:30am. The invitation also includes livestreams of the Masses of Thanksgiving for each of the new priests in the days following: Tuesday 19 October 11am Rev Fr Roger Delmonte and 7pm Rev Fr Aldrin Valdehueza, Friday 22 October 6pm Rev Fr Samuel French. Go to www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination for all livestreams.

2021 Abraham Conference

'Women Leaders in the Abrahamic Traditions: Role Models for Our Time.' Three speakers will recover some of the lost traditions of inspiring women leaders, highlighting the contribution and the difference they made in their time. Sunday 10 October 2:30-4:00pm via Zoom. Register at: <https://events.humanitix.com/2021-abraham-conference>

Webinar: Unlocking Parishes During the Unknown

Kevin Bailey, director of Divine Renovation Australasia, will be joined by the Alpha Australia in a Catholic Context team to share stories, resources and tips and tricks to contribute to your parish in a time where the unexpected is expected. Thursday 14 October 7-8pm. Register at: <https://www.divinerenovation.org/events>



Mass

Livestreamed

Sunday mornings
at 9:30am:

[www.youtube.com/
user/cathnews](http://www.youtube.com/user/cathnews)

or at other times:
[www.youtube.com/c/
MassforYouatHome](http://www.youtube.com/c/MassforYouatHome)



Offices Reopen

The Parish Offices
reopen this Monday
for fully vaccinated
only at present.

Hours:
9:30am to 4:30pm.



World Mission
Month

Catholic Mission
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essential mission
works in countries
like Thailand.

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Young Catholic men
are invited to
discover where God
might be leading
them. Go to:
[www.bbcatholic.org.
au/our-faith/
vocations/joseph-
house](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/our-faith/vocations/joseph-house)

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Mass & Devotions Return at 80% Fully Vaccinated Opening

Sunday Masses Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 9:30am

Weekday Masses Monday - Thursday 9:00am Friday 11:45am Saturday 9:00am

Reconciliations Saturdays 9:30-10am & 4-4:30pm

Liturgy of the Hours Saturday 8:40am **Rosary** Monday-Thursday 8:35am Friday 11:20am Saturday 9:30am

Cenacle Wednesday 9:30am

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Wisdom 7:7-11

Hebrews 4:12-13

Mark 10:17-30

Entrance Antiphon: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

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

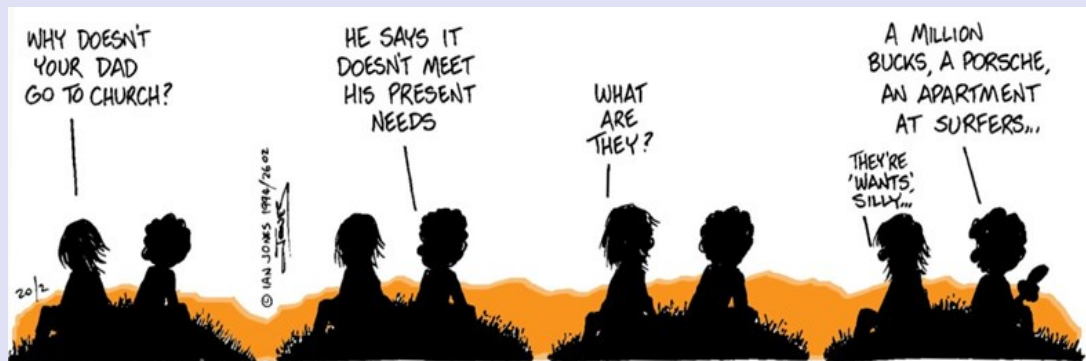
Keep Us In Your Prayers *There is no gift more precious than prayer - Fr Benedict Groeschel*

Recently Deceased: Kevin Fletcher, Fr John Miller.

Remembrances: Pat Smith, Marie Powell, Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Sick: Fr Vincent (Covid - in hospital in India), Fr Shaju's mother (Covid), Michael Clarke, Bonnie Chamberlain, Luna Allen, Helen Garnsey, Rove Varman, Carmel Cramsie, Simone Moffitt, Karen Stone, Leo Lowe, Betty Lamont, Pauline Fowler, Abigail Holt, Leo O'Meara, Peter O'Grady, Linda Read, Antoinette Grech, Tanya Doorn, David Drinan, Kelly Will and all those suffering from Covid-19 and long term illnesses.

Pearly Gates Revisited



Our Lady of the Rosary

GIFT CENTRE

For all your devotional needs...

Back Soon!

The Gift Centre will soon be again open each weekend before and after the 5pm Saturday and 9:30am Sunday Masses, in the foyer of the Church.

If you could help in the Gift Centre at any of the Masses please let us know at the parish office.

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