



# THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

13 OCTOBER 2024

## FIRST READING

Wis 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.

■ The word of the Lord.

## 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 for ever? / 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

Heb 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.

■ The word of the Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

## GOSPEL

Mk 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



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### OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH HILTON

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### OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:** 9am – 3pm  
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### MINISTRY TEAM

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### REFLECTION: Remembering God.

There was once a wise person who asked God to teach him about prayer. ‘Certainly’ said God ‘I know just who I shall send you to’. God directed this sage to the home of a farmer. Every morning the farmer got up bowed to his little shrine, said the name of God and then went off to work. When he came home exhausted at night he would have his little supper, bow to his little shrine, say the name of God and go to bed. This went on day after day. Finally, the sage said to God ‘I don’t think this is working. I’m not learning anything here. Everyday this farmer gets up bows to his little shrine, says Your name then goes to work. Then he comes home, he has his little supper, bows to his little shrine, says Your name and goes to bed. There is nothing here.’ ‘Ok.’ God said ‘we shall try something else. I want you to get up tomorrow and fill the water can to the brim with milk and walk into the city. Then at night come back and remember milk is a precious commodity so I don’t want you to spill a drop.’ The sage went off and did what God asked. That night God was waiting for him. He said, ‘how did you go, did you pray?’ ‘Are you kidding!’ The sage replied. ‘I was so concerned about carrying that water can filled with milk and not spilling any of it. I couldn’t think anything else’ ‘Right’ said God. ‘Now consider the farmer. He is weighed down with concerns, family, finances, how to feed everyone, giving them a future, working hard but still he remembers me twice a day. You have a long way to go yet.’ The message I think of this story is clear. How often do you make a point of remembering God? What do you do to remember Him? My old grandmother used to stop every time

she left her house and then when she returned to the house, she would say a little prayer. That was her way of remembering God. You know what, God has got a lot on His plate. In fact, He has a very great deal on His plate but He still manages to remember you and me. My old grandmother used to stop say a prayer every time she left and returned to her house. It was her way of remembering God.

### SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION for all CHURCH WORKERS:

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has broadened the scope of safeguarding of children to include adults at risk. This induction provides an overview of the:

- Catholic Safeguarding Standards, Policies and Procedures.
- Understanding Abuse, Grooming and Prevention.
- Reporting of concerns.
- Role of the Safeguarding Officer.
- Collective Responsibility and Care...

ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) are to attend a 1-hour safeguarding induction. A church worker is **anyone** in the Archdiocese in **any role** – paid or voluntary. Please register for the upcoming session if you haven’t attended the induction in the last 3 years. The upcoming session is as follows: **Date:** Saturday, 19 October 2024. **Time:** 10-11 am. **Venue:** Our Lady of Fatima, 10 Foss Street, Palmyra. **Registration:** <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#online-training>.

**DISCERNMENT RETREAT:** Join us for a Vocations Discernment weekend retreat to help guide God’s call for your life. Fr Joseph Laundy, Vocations Director, invites men aged 18+ to join our Discernment Retreat from **18-20 October 2024** at St Charles Seminary, Guildford. This retreat offers spiritual

formation, vocation talks and more to help participants discern God’s call. Cost is \$50. Only 3 spots remain. To register call 9220 5901 or email [vocations.perthcatholic.org.au/discernment-retreat-2024](mailto:vocations.perthcatholic.org.au/discernment-retreat-2024).

### BJ HICKEY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN:

The Centre for Faith Enrichment is once again calling for applications to the **BJ Hickey Scholarship!** The scholarships are for Biblical studies of any length and at any level. You don’t need to be an academic – just someone with a desire to further their knowledge of Scripture and to help others with that knowledge. To access the scholarship application details and the new digital Scholarship Application Form, please visit the [Scholarships page](#) on the Centre for Faith Enrichment website: [www.cfe.org.au](http://www.cfe.org.au). Please note that applications close at **5pm on Friday, 1 November 2024**. These will be considered in November 2024 and applicants will be notified in December 2024. For all related enquiries, please email [cfe@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:cfe@perthcatholic.org.au) or call 9278 0261

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** Meet every Monday, except for public holidays, between 7 and 8 pm in the first meeting room to the left of the Church. New members are always welcome. Please contact Ian (President) on 0428 121 152 for further information.

### 2025 COLUMBAN CATHOLIC ART CALENDARS:

Are on sale for **\$10 each** from the Parish Office. The Columban Art Calendar is an iconic Catholic Calendar.



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**MASS TIMES WEEKENDS:** Saturday Vigil 6pm, Sunday 7.30am & 9am.

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**RECONCILIATION - Saturday's:** 9.30-10am and 5.15-5.45pm or by appointment.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Wednesday 5.30 – 6.30pm & Friday 9.30 – 10.30am.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday 12 to 18 October 2024**

**Saturday 12 October**

**9.30am:** Funeral Liturgy (Service)

**6pm Mass:** Domenico Gentile & Cettina Tumburrino (RIP)

**Sunday 13 October**

**7.30am Mass:** For the People

**9am Mass:** Holy Souls

**Tuesday 15 October**

**9am Mass:** David Bockman (RIP)

**Wednesday 16 October**

**9am Mass:** Anna Jurica (MM)

**Thursday 17 October**

**9am Mass:** Emilio Jurica (MM)

**Friday 18 October**

**9am Mass:** Intention of Donor in Thanksgiving Madalena Correia

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

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS:** Christine Rhow, Veronica-Marie, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Martin-Joseph, Irwin

Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Damien-Ivan, Norma Elliott, Rudi Tassell, Steven, Davina, Zoe-Anne, Elisabetta Paddon, Edward Fortune, Kiara-Eve, Beatrice Fernandez, Lisa Bubb, Romilda Marinelli, Aaron LoCicero, Jacqueline Paul, Lou Collova, Anne & Justine Tonti, Greenville Paul, Christine Schwarten Henry, Fr Joseph Angelo, Fr Anibal Da Cunha, Peter Scanlan, June McGinnity, John Brackovich, Alison, Sofia, Rebecca, Fr Liam Keating SMA, Fr Francis Sundararajan, Fr Greg Carroll, Fr Wilson Donizzetti, Bill Watkins, Daniel DiMarco, Joshua Oorschot, Fr John Piumatti, Fr Don Kettle, Mila Hogan, Mara Ravlich, Fr Vittorio Ricciardi, Lloyd Smith, Tegan Colgan.

**PRAYER: Confronting Violence and Abuse. Loving God,** you made each of us in your image and likeness. Open our eyes to recognise one another as equals, replacing dominion and control, violence, and abuse, with mutuality, reciprocity, respect, and freedom. Help us to love like you. **Jesus Christ,** you rejected the use of religious traditions to justify violence. Teach us to unmask manipulations of our faith used to justify violent, abusive, or coercive behaviour. Teach us to be people who show tenderness, respect and care for others as you did. **Holy Spirit,** you are with us always, showing us the way. Move us to assist those who experience violence and abuse and support their call for justice. Empower us to hold perpetrators of violence and abuse responsible, encouraging them to change their behaviour. Amen.

**THANK YOU FROM CATHOLIC MISSION:** The amount donated by OLMC Hilton Parish for the 2024 Catholic Mission

Appeal was \$1,764. “Thank you for your generous response.” The amount raised will go towards helping our missionaries in Mongolia to provide safe haven and support for vulnerable people escaping domestic violence and homelessness.

**menALIVE – reCHARGE 24: Friday 1 November 6.30pm to Sunday 3 November 1.30pm,** 3B Piggery Lane, New Norcia. reCHARGE your faith in the company of like-minded men and enjoy some good old-fashioned Benedictine hospitality at the historic New Norcia Hostel. Catholic men are invited to gather to listen, reflect and share our journey of growth into the men we were made to be. Register at <https://app.tickets.org.au/MA/reCHARGE>. Further information contact Kim Metcalf 0414 537 023.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** Jesus you are the Good Shepherd who is always mindful of your Church. Watch over those who are Baptised in your name and grant peace and harmony to all families. We ask you to choose from the families of our Parish many priests, deacons, sisters and brothers who will gladly spend their lives making you known and loved.

**VOTIVE CANDLES:** Please be aware that Votive Candles are 30 Cents each. Thank you.

**HOLY TRINITY CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** Monday night's 7-9pm.

**LOST PROPERTY:** Dear Parishioners, please do not leave personal affects unattended during Mass and ensure that you collect all your items before leaving the church building.



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.'

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

*Shorter form: 10:17-27*

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# Breaking Open the Word

## 'FOR GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE'

Many of us find it impossible to see the eye of a needle and the previously discarded needle threader is once again an essential tool. Indeed, many no longer bother with sewing or darning. So, the idea of a camel squeezing its gangly legs and neck and robust body through a tiny aperture is just absurd, never mind impossible. But wait, could that 'eye of the needle' be an opening enabling passage among rock formations, offering a possibility akin to an Indiana Jones adventure in the desert? No, it's not.

If we begin with the wisdom of the first reading, 'I prayed, and understanding was given to me; I called on God, and the spirit of wisdom came to me' we have some perspective on today's Gospel. If we team this with the words of Hebrews 'the word of God is living and active' we take another step on the journey. The Gospel begins with Jesus proceeding on a journey and we might contemplate elements of synodality with prayer, calling on God and travelling with the spirit of wisdom on a journey. Any of us could be that person who seeks the answer to the question of eternal life. We all lead good lives. This person fails the discipleship request to sell everything and give the proceeds to the poor. Is entering the kingdom of God so impossible? No, 'for God all things are possible'. Our journey with God, in prayer and with the spirit of wisdom in the company of others on the mission to which we are called, is the way of life that leads to eternal life. Let's go!

**Dr Rosemary Canavan**