



# THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-NINETH 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



# OUR LADY of MT CARMEL PARISH BULLETIN

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### REFLECTION:

#### Determines

### Decisions

#### Destinations.

Something very strange happens every day you travel home. Every few seconds you are faced with a potential life changing opportunity, yet you move on without being aware that this decision exists. Every time you approach a street intersection or a side street you are presented with a choice. Each road could open up adventures or broaden your vision of the world. By driving straight ahead you choose to sacrifice a world of unknown delights. You leave behind so much in your desire to reach your destination. It is all about the destination. As you travel home your one desire is to get home as quickly as possible. You travel with your eyes blinded at the options because your one desire is to reach your destination as efficiently as possible. There is a simple rule to life that our decisions are determined by our destination. When presented with a range of opportunities we decide what is good according to whether it will bring us to our chosen destination. If your perceived destination is pleasure, you will naturally make decisions that will bring you pleasure no matter what the costs. Whereas if your destination is the happiness of others, you will naturally make decisions that are of self-sacrifices. If you spend a lot of time fighting with temptation perhaps you

should reflect upon what you are really wanting in life. In our minds we know that the virtuous life is the right option but deep within our hearts we are often desiring something else. We will inevitably make our decisions based upon where our heart wants to go. Some need to be aware of what is going on deep within us. Perhaps this is why the first thing that Jesus says in John's gospel is 'What are you looking for?'

**DISCERNMENT RETREAT:** Join us for a Vocations Discernment weekend retreat to help guide God's call for your life. Fr Joseph Laundry, 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).

### ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY 2024 – MASS:

The 2024 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday will be held on **Sunday 20 October**, St Mary's Cathedral as follows; 4.45pm Smoking Ceremony followed by Mass at 5pm. Bishop Don Sproxtton will be the Main Celebrant. It is a celebration of the gifts that Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander peoples bring to the Catholic church in Australia. For more information, contact Donella Brown: 08 9328 7529 or [donella.brown@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:donella.brown@perthcatholic.org.au).

### CEWA CATECHIST SERVICE INFORMATION SESSION - CATECHIST TRAINING FOR 2025:

Have you thought about becoming a Parish Catechist? The Catechist Service will be hosting an information session for anyone interested in training as a Catechist in 2025. Come and learn about the formation you will receive to support you in this important ministry. **Wednesday 30 October**, 9.30am to 12.30pm, Catholic Education Centre, 50 Ruislip Street, West Leederville. Morning tea will be provided. Contact Rae Webb by email [catechist@cewa.edu.au](mailto:catechist@cewa.edu.au), or 08 9380 1624 to **register by Tuesday 22 October 2024**.

### 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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**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 19 to 25 October 2024**  
**Saturday 19 October**  
**9am:** Maria Kalat (Anniversary)  
**6pm Mass:** Intention of Donor  
**Sunday 20 October**  
**7.30am Mass:** For the People  
**9am Mass:** Alberto Giglia (Anniversary), Calogero & Nunziata Blogna (Anniversary)  
**Tuesday 22 October**  
**9am Mass:** Dianne De Olival (RIP) & Maria Da Silva (RIP)  
**Wednesday 23 October**  
**9am Mass:** Intention of Donor  
**1.15pm Funeral Mass**  
**Thursday 24 October**  
**9am Mass:** Donor's Deceased Family  
**Friday 25 October**  
**9am Mass:** Bernice Luecke (RIP)  
**10.30am Mass** at Hilton Park Aged Care  
**1.30pm Funeral Mass**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** 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:** 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 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 FOR THE SYNOD:** We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is

right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

**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.



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**