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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YEAR B, 28 & 29 SEPTEMBER 2024

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MASS TIMES

- ♦ **Tues-Fri:** 9:00am
- ♦ **Saturday:** 5:00pm
6.30pm Vietnamese
- ♦ **Sunday:** 8:45am, 10:00am,
6:00pm
12:00pm Vietnamese

Other Masses

- 1st & 2nd Sun. Sudanese Mass 3pm
- 3rd Sun. Samoan Mass - 2.00pm
- 4th Sun. Filipino Mass - 3.00pm

Day Light Saving begins

At 2am on the first Sunday in October when clocks are put forward one hour.

Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour later on **6th October, 2024** than the day before. There will be more light in the evening.

Saturday Masses will be moved back to 6pm start, commencing Saturday 12th October 2024.

THE LIVING WORD

First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29

If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets!

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 18(19):8,10,12-14

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.

The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.
So in them your servant finds

instruction;

great reward is in their keeping. But who can detect all his errors?

From hidden faults acquit me.

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

From presumption restrain your servant

and let it not rule me.

Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin.

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Second Reading: James 5:1-6

The Lord hears the cries of those you have cheated

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

Do not stop anyone from working a miracle in my name

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Sometimes we act and speak as though we humans have the monopoly on access to the power of God even if, in fact, we have no such monopoly. In today's gospel Jesus seems to be telling his disciples that God works through people of good will, irrespective of whether they are on the edge ("not one of us") or at the centre of the kingdom of God movement. Much the same message is found in the first reading from the Book of Numbers which has Joshua trying, on somewhat tenuous grounds, to exclude two men from prophesying.

Moses does not take Joshua's advice. On the contrary, he prays that the Spirit of God might "rest on" and, by implication, work through all of God's people. Both the gospel passage and the reading from Numbers seem to be warning against attempts to control or domesticate the Spirit of God. The second part of the gospel reading (9:42-48) brings a dramatic change of mood as it takes up the issue of scandalising the "little ones". The reference to "little ones" marks a return to the scene in the latter part of last week's gospel reading where Jesus takes a little child in his arms and instructs his disciples.

The horror of harming the little ones is dramatized in a series of sayings that challenge the most vivid of imaginations. These sayings are hardly intended to be taken literally. Cutting off offending

limbs only deals with the symptoms. It may, however, offer some solace to those little ones who have suffered "scandal" or worse to know that there is no stronger condemnation in the gospels than that reserved for those who bring harm to children and to vulnerable others. We are impelled to do everything in our power to heal the hurts of the past and to create conditions that ensure the protection and safety of our children. We are likewise impelled to heal the hurts affecting tiny creatures like the bees that are so crucial for life in our common home.

The provision of secure and affordable housing for vulnerable families is one possible response to today's gospel challenge. The restoration of habitat where fire has ravaged the land is yet another response. As we move into the final week of the Season of Creation (September 1-October 4), we recall the 2021 theme, "A Home for All". Every creature needs a home. The escalating cost of housing and of rental properties has accelerated the problem of homelessness in the human community. The climate crisis has accelerated the loss of habitat for countless other species. To take up the challenge of addressing homelessness is to accept the invitation of Pope Francis to live the eighth work of mercy. It involves imagination and industry. It means visualising new possibilities and engaging in "daily gestures" that have the potential to bring life to the "little ones" of this world, the human and the other-than-human.

By Sr. Veronica Lawson rsm

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERN ABOUT CLIMATE CRISIS



Image Source:

<https://bcparent.ca/childrens-book-climate-change/>

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In recent research findings conducted by the International Renewable Energy Agency, 84% of young people were concerned about the climate crisis around the globe. Dr Cristina Finocchi Mahne, an advisory board member of Fordham's Gabelli School of Business in New York and Professor at the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart in Milan, mentioned this during an interview at an event of Laudato Si in Rome recently. It was a high-level event promoting energy conversion. Another speaker at the event was Fr Enzo Fortunato who spoke about the world's responsi-

bility to the next generation and prompted this question to the audience: *"What future we will give our children?"* As climate crisis continues to be a large part of the world's problem today, we must do our part in our local context to promote any environmental activities that move toward carbon neutrality. It is one small way we can prepare this world for our future generation.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

How do we recognise Christ working in others when they are different from us?



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FEAST OF THE ARCHANGELS (MICHAEL, GABRIEL, AND RAPHAEL) – 29TH SEPT – WHO ARE THEY?

The three Archangels - Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael - whose feast day is celebrated on 29th September in the Catholic Church, are the only angels named in Sacred Scripture. All three have important roles in the history of salvation which is associated with their special mission. Pope Francis in one of his morning meditations summed up the roles of these three Archangels: *“Michael defends us, Gabriel gives us the good news and Raphael takes us by the hand and walks with us; he helps us with the many things that occur along the journey”. We must ask Raphael to help us not to be tempted to take the wrong step, to take the wrong path.”*



Image Source: <https://www.earlychristians.org/the-archangels-michael-gabriel-and-raphael/>

VINNIES URGES AUSTRALIANS TO OPEN THEIR HEARTS TO ASYLUM-SEEKERS

(World Day of Migrants and Refugees on 29th Sept)



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“The Pope is greatly concerned about the treatment of asylum-seekers and refugees worldwide. Our response should be, as he says, ‘to meet and assist the person who knocks on our door, hungry, thirsty, an outsider, naked, sick and imprisoned’. These were the words of Mark Gaetani who is the current President of St Vincent De Paul National Society in Australia. The society is also urging all Australians to open their hearts and assist those who come to Australia seeking refuge from violence and persecution in their home countries. On this Sunday, as we remember all migrants and refugees around the world, may we also be inspired to extend our solidarity with them in whatever way can. We pray that God’s hands be upon them and guide them to a safe destination where they can rebuild their lives once again in a permanent and safe home.

Put together by Fr. Robin Lomangkok CSsR

menALIVE Men’s Weekend

Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th

October 2024

CRC Cafeteria—28 College Street

Caroline Springs

PROGRAM

Saturday & 5th October

8:00am - 9:00pm

Sunday 6th October

8:30am—1:30pm

(including Mass @ 12:30pm)

The menALIVE Men’s Weekend is an opportunity for men to explore what makes them feel fully alive.

Enquires:

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ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN WEEKEND 5&6 OCTOBER

The 2024 Archbishop's Campaign is now underway, and we ask everyone to consider a pledge to support the vital ministries of our Archdiocese. These ministries are outlined in the Campaign brochure which you will find in your pew and in the foyer today. Gifts of \$2 or more are tax-deductible. Tax-deductible donations go to the Archbishop's Charitable Fund which supports the Corpus Christi College Building Fund, the Priests Retirement Foundation, John Pierce Centre, Melbourne Overseas Mission, University of Divinity Building Fund as well as Catholic community agencies and service organisations through annual grants. Non-tax-deductible donations go to the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund and support seminarian formation and evangelization ministries. Please review the campaign material and prayerfully consider pledging a recurring monthly gift to help us continue to strengthen the Christian faith and address the needs of God's people. Tear-off pledge cards are attached to the campaign envelopes in the church. You can also make a gift online at melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign or via the QR codes on the campaign materials. I invite you to give generously to this important campaign.



**Anointing Mass next Friday
the 4th October 2024 @ 9am
here at Holy Eucharist
Church. All are Welcome!**

CHURCH CLEANING

Week starting 2nd October 2024
Group 3 - Lily, Margaret, Cathy,
Wendy & Shannon

READERS/COMMENTATOR/ COORDINATOR/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Tues 9:00 AM, 01-10-24

Reader Xuan Duong
Eucharistic Min. Monica Lomen

Wed 9:00 AM, 02-10-24

Reader Salve Nidea
Eucharistic Min. Carmen Camilleri

Thurs 9:00 AM, 03-10-24

Reader: Shirley Krizmanic
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Fri 9:00 AM, 04-10-24

Reader Helen Maddela
Eucharistic Min. Catherine Bartolo

Sat 5.00 PM, 05-10-24

Lit. Coordinator: Reno Attard
Commentator: Miriam Vella
Readers: Anthony Naidu
Wendy Forbes-Perera

Eucharistic Min. Carmen Camilleri
Violeta Montoro & Reno Attard

Sun 8.45 AM, 06-10-24

Lit. Coordinator Monica Lomen
Commentator: Shirley Krizmanic
Readers: Gerard Bennett
Mini Eddy

Eucharistic Min. Helen Maddela
Salve Nidea & Monica Lomen

Sun 10:00AM, 06-10-24

Lit. Coordinator: Taoete Afano
Commentator: Christine Pedroso
Readers: Samoan Choir
Samoan Choir

Eucharistic Min. Br. Tony Gatt
Rita Martin & Taoete Afano

Sun 6.00PM, 06-10-24

Lit. Coordinator Rod Lalunio
Commentator Xuan Duong
Readers: Larnie Mendoza
Lani Laririt

Eucharistic Min. Rod Lalunio
Lani Laririt & Xuan Duong

CHOIR GROUPS

Saturday 5th October 2024

♦ 5pm - Fernandes Choir

Sunday 6th October 2024

♦ 8.45am - Charlie Schembri

♦ 10.00am - Samoan Choir

♦ 6pm - Exxemos Choir

LET US PRAY FOR

The Sick

Marija Ivankovic, Fr. Peter Carrucan, Marlene Ferdinand, Pam Norris, Pauline Storace, Toni Antonowicz, Anna, Maria Kim, Yulette Tanner, Stella Sandle, Frank, Doris Carabott.

Recently Deceased

Roque Robas, Chris Kotsopoulos

Death Anniversaries

Dominic Kinh & Anne Marie Bui,
Vincent Chuc, Dominic Phuc, Dominc
Khat, Maria Tuan, Maria Kien, Maria
Moc, Jan Vala, Jan Danicek, Maria
Lojdova, Josephine Micallef & Family,
Mary, Charlie, Ally, Peter Spiteri &
Family, Ignatius, Esther, Joseph Borg &
Family, Laurance, Elizabeth Zarrafa &
Family, Tony Vella, Fred Sammut, Rita
Buhigar, Jessie Pace, Joseph Formosa,
Grazio(Horace)Camilleri, Maria Nguyen
Thi Dao, Hoang Family(Fanxico, Maria,
Maria & Teresa) & Nguyen Family
(Joseph, Anna & Maria), Nazareno &
Josephine Spiteri, Antonio Mifsud, Philip
Gauci, Joseph, Frank & John Xerri,
Cornelio Maddela, Joseph & Franc
Xiberras, Reno Cauchi, Maria Khong
Kim Duyen, Giuse Nguyen Ba Ky,
Mac-co Ngo Van Tinh, Lucia Huynh
Thi Kim Hue, Phero Ngo Minh Truong,
Maria Huynh Thi Thanh Kieu, Phero Le
Nghia, Matta Le Thi Linh, Phero Le
Quang Tuan, Theresa Nguyen Ngoc
Giang Thu, Dominico Le Ngoc Son,
Maria Tran Thi Huong, Mary Camilleri,
Richard & Connie Curmi, Iro & Jessie
Vella, Angela Chircop, Peter Disco,
Wayne Camilleri, Bartolo family, Brincat
& Galea family, Maria Vu Thi Yeu
Thuong, Duong Family, Do Family,
Vincent Duong Kham Su, Michael Al-
phonsus Schiller, Mollie Rice (Marie),
Raymond Abela and All Souls

SAFETY FOR ALL

Holy Eucharist Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Holy Eucharist parish respectfully acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we reside and worship.

VOCATION VIEW

Some people do not respond to God's call because they feel they are not worthy to do God's work. And they are not - nobody is! But still God calls. There is enough ministry for many more. Answer God's call.

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