



# OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B Cycle II

20 October 2024



## Human Perspective

**I**t is surprising to note that the disciples, even after having lived with Jesus and after having listened to his teachings, continue to think and behave only from a human perspective. James and John, despite the teaching of Jesus to renounce everything and to follow him, seek places of privilege and prestige in his kingdom; the other disciples, notwithstanding the repeated exhortation of Jesus to love without conditions, perhaps wanting these positions for themselves, express their anger and angst against James and John. Hence, the episode narrated in the Gospel of today invites us to transcend our old ways of thinking and to grow in virtues which are in tune with the Gospel.

Taking advantage of the situation, Jesus imparts important lessons to his disciples on leadership and discipleship. According to the teachings of Jesus, leadership and discipleship involve suffering and service. No disciple can come to 'glory' without taking part in the passion and death of Jesus. The leader is a brother or a sister among brothers and sisters. The image of Jesus' washing of the feet represents better the image of Christian leadership. Leadership is not for self-gratification. Positions of authority are not a privilege; to consider it as privilege is a wrong conception which instead of washing the feet, washes the hand. Jesus is the perfect example of leadership and discipleship who has come not to be served but to serve.

*God's Word Fr Devasia Joseph SSP*

## Is Anybody Listening?

**J**esus must have wondered at times whether anyone was really hearing what he had to say. Here we have two of the group closest to him expressing their desire to share in the glories of his leadership. When the other disciples heard this request of James and John they were indignant - perhaps because they didn't have the same idea first! None of them seemed to understand that Jesus' message was about focusing on the needs of others, listening to them and leading by empowering and uplifting. Unlike the Roman style of leadership of the time, Jesus was not on about using power to lord it over others or to give favours and status. His was a revolutionary way of leading, submitting his own life to sacrificial service under the will of God and giving his life freely out of service for others. Although he was God's son, he knew that he had to drink from the cup of suffering. Could the disciples do likewise and be servant leaders? Could I?

*God's Word Sr Carmel Jones rsj*



## World Mission Day

On this day we thank our Missionary Priest and Deacon who have come from their homes to bring the Good News to us in Australia: Fr Joshi and Rev Rosan!



## Nursing Home Mass

Mass and Anointing will be held at Bupa Bateau Bay on Tuesday at 10am.



## Maronite Mass

The Maronite Divine Liturgy will be celebrated in our Church starting this Sunday evening at 5pm. Enquiries: Fr Yuhanna Azize 0435 764 824.



## Christian Meditation Group

All are welcome to join us in the Benedictine style of meditation each Friday from 10:30-11:30am in the Reynolds Room.

## Use Words If You Have To

Today is World Mission Day. For many of us the idea of a World Day of anything may be so vague as to have little meaning. If you look on the internet, you'll find dozens of World Days for any number of odd things. There's a World Hypnotism Day and a World Introvert Day, which sounds like a contradiction in terms, a World Sleep Day and a World Porridge Day. Perhaps one we might all relate to, a World Smile Day, is the first Friday of October and happened to fall this year on the fourth, which is also the feast of St Francis of Assisi, who would make anyone smile.

But World Mission Day calls us to some deeper thoughts. Jesus sent his disciples to bring his Good News to the ends of the earth. We can pray for those missionaries who go to so many places to do just that. And we can pray, too, for our brothers and sisters who have heard the Good News and have thriving parishes where they show the love of Jesus to others. And as we are a part of the world, the Mission Day applies to us as well. Our mission is to show that same love of Jesus to the people around us who don't know it or haven't seen it.

Some of us are worried that we're not very good with words and we can't explain things. When a mother looks at her baby, words mean nothing between them, but the love is evident. We can take courage in a saying attributed to St Francis, "Preach the Gospel at all times: use words if you have to."

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## Missing the Point

There was a missionary priest, Fr John, who began his homily at Mass by asking the congregation to imagine they are members of a selection panel interviewing job applicants to help a young rabbi from Nazareth.

The first applicant is a big fellow named Simon who is a bit clumsy and ill at ease. Someone says, "Open a window, there's a strong smell of fish". Simon goes out and is crossed off the list. A furtive-looking fellow comes in: he's Matthew, a tax collector and collaborator with the Romans, so he's no good either. As Matthew goes out there's shouting and the sound of blows in the corridor. A wild-eyed man comes in, sheathing a knife he just drew in a vain attack on Matthew. This fellow is called Simon the Zealot and he wants to fight the Romans. Clearly, he's too unstable for the job. Then into the interview room comes a fiery little lady with two hulking sons, the mother demanding executive jobs for her boys. And so on with the rest of the applicants; we reject them all but one. He has good qualifications and is called Mr Iscariot.

The lesson being we are poor judges and should leave it up to the Lord. He knows how and when and why we are chosen and for what purpose. We cannot choose our place in life any more than we can choose our place in heaven. We can only work for the good of all, and therefore for ourselves.

After Mass, as Fr John was greeting the people and feeling very pleased with himself, one of the parishioners stopped by him, sniffed, looked at his watch and said, "Thank goodness there were only twelve of them".

Fr John's proud bubble burst.

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## Night of Light

You are invited to our Night of Light on Thursday 31 October at 5:45pm in the Church grounds, for a BBQ, snacks, activities, games and prizes for the best Saint costumes! Halloween (All Hallows Eve), is the evening before the feast of All Saints, in which we celebrate the glory of God in his Saints. Make this a memorable night for your children - encourage them to dress as their favourite Saint or in white. Everyone else attending please wear something white as a reminder that this is a Night of Light! Make the Light shine on Halloween again! RSVP (free) by 27 October to 4332 2216.

## Parish Volunteers' Thank You

Fr Brian would like to thank all of our Parish Volunteers, from Readers to Cleaners, Choir to Bereavement Team, and all in between. Your hard work is appreciated and all you do to make this a great parish community. Come along on Friday 8 November at 5pm to the parish centre for drinks and nibblys. You know you deserve it! Please RSVP by Friday 1 November to the sheets on the church tables or call the parish office on 4332 2216.

## Family Mass

All families are warmly invited to attend our Family Mass next Saturday 26 October at 5pm. These Family Masses have proved to be very popular and children, parents, grandparents and parishioners are all welcome! Refreshments will be available after Mass in the parish hall. Please RSVP to the QR code or 4332 2216 for catering or enquiries.



## November Prayers for the Holy Souls

Anyone interested in praying for the Souls in Purgatory during November is most welcome to join us each Thursday at 2pm in the Church. For enquiries phone 0438 320 927 (Holy Souls Crusade Group).

## Our Public Square Rosary Team

Well done to our Public Square Rosary Crusaders who attended on a very blustery day, to stand up for the faith!



**Children's Week**  
Saturday 19 - Sunday 27 October  
2024

**National Children's Week** highlights that all children can participate in and make a valuable contribution to society and celebrates the right of children to enjoy childhood.



### Congratulations

to Ilaria Jones who is being Received into the Church this weekend! Welcome to you Ilaria!



### Central Coast Atrium

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is for 3-6 year olds Saturdays 9-10:30am. Call 0466 255 033 or centralcoastatrium@gmail.com

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Now on sale on the Church tables. \$2 to the poor box please.



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## Mass & Devotions

**Sunday Masses** Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 9:30am (11am at Reynolds Court) Maronite Mass 5pm.  
**Weekday Masses** Monday - Thursday 9:00am Friday 11:45am Saturday 9:00am  
**Reconciliations** Saturdays 9:30-10am and 4-4:30pm  
**Liturgy of the Hours** Saturday 8:40am **Rosary** Monday-Thursday 8:35am Friday 11:20am Saturday 9:30am  
**Cenacle Prayer Group** Wednesday 9:30am **Christian Meditation** Friday 10:30am-11:30am Reynolds Room

## 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday

**Isaiah 53:10-11**

**Hebrews 4:14-16**

**Mark 10:35-45**

**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.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!

**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.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Fr Vince Reddan, Terry Stapleton, Yvonne Woodrow, Eleanor Matthews, Bill Mahony, Rosemary Allen, Steven Whitehead.

**Anniversaries:** Vince Oliva, Celedonia Tatlonghari, Mario Galasso, Mary Rosewarne.

**Remembrances:** Pat Smith, Marie Powell, Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, Terence & Josephine Smith, Terry Howard, John Giutronich, Sam & Carmen Ghirxi, Martin Ghirxi, Charles Gatt, Simon Butcher and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**Families:** Moore & Langley.

**Sick:** Dino Gava, Margaret Ayres, Marilyn Wall, Pam Elliott, Glenda Way, Jacob McCarroll, Beau Davis, Max Leete, Frano Stitic, Jonah Langley, Anne Clancy, John McClement, Anne & Trish Knoke, Paul Smith, Emma Horton, Linda Read, Kelly Will and all with serious illness.

**Welcome Newly Baptised:** Maya Bannister, Hannah & William Jennings.

**Sacramental Programme:** Please pray for the 103 children and their families who are preparing for Confirmation.

## Pearly Gates Revisited



Our Lady of the Rosary

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## God's Word 2025

Anyone who would like to order the 2025 *God's Word* please let Leanne in the office or Gift Centre staff know.

The Gift Centre is open weekends before and after the 5pm Vigil Mass on Saturdays, and before and after the 9:30am Mass on Sundays.

**Enquiries 4332 2216**