

We Respond

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (or a hymn) Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 125)

ANTIPHON: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

RESPONSE: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

LECTOR: When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. **R.**

LECTOR: The heathens themselves said: "What marvels the Lord worked for them!" What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. **R.**

LECTOR: Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. **R.**

LECTOR: They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing; they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (or a hymn) We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

Or

Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, as a fragrant offering to God.

TODAY'S READINGS Jeremiah 31:7-9; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52

NEXT WEEK (31st Sunday Year B) Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 12:28-34

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Praying for 'faithful' eyes



24 October 2021 30th Sunday, Year B

How often in life do we find among a group of people, for example family members facing a crisis or drama, that different members see and interpret the situation so very differently. Indeed, different family members can have diametrically opposed views on what is happening before their very eyes. They don't see the same thing! Seemingly, some don't or can't see!

We see this same phenomenon over and over again in the gospel accounts of Jesus' life. So many people witnessed the miracles that he worked, observed the life that he lived, and heard the teachings that he gave, and yet only some really saw.

In fact, Jesus is surrounded by blindness. The scribes and Pharisees saw him as flouting the religious authorities and traditions they held dear. They saw, and yet they didn't see! Some disciples saw and followed him for a while, but then drifted away. They didn't get it! Even the closest disciples didn't really get what they saw in Jesus. James and his brother John, for example, implored Jesus to place them at his side in his kingdom.

Today's gospel is a classic example. Towards the end of Jesus' public ministry, many people flocked around Jesus, keen to see what he was doing, but it is only the blind beggar Bartimeus who truly sees Jesus. Hearing from people in the crowd that "Jesus of Nazareth" was passing by,

Bartimeus calls out, "Jesus, son of David" (a messianic title, indicating that Bartimeus recognises Jesus as the longed-for Messiah). Blind though Bartimeus is, he is the one person in the story who actually sees who Jesus really is! He is physically blind but he sees with 20/20 spiritual vision!

Jesus then calls Bartimeus to him and asks, "What do you want me to do for you?" Bartimeus replies, "Master, I want to see." Jesus then heals him and tells him that his faith has saved him. Bartimeus then follows Jesus. He becomes a disciple. He walks the talk. He lives his faith.

But the people observing all this, all sighted people, didn't know they were blind. We too are often blind and don't know it. We can be blinded by fear or by injury or hurt. We can be blinded by preoccupation with material possessions or status, for example. We can really struggle, especially in hard times, to hold onto our faith in God and trust in God's love and care for us.

The story of Bartimeus reminds us that, though we might not see it, we are all in need of healing, of sight, and of faith. Jesus asks each of us: What do you want me to do for you? Like Bartimeus, let us pray, "Lord, I want to see." We pray for the eyes of faith to see who Jesus really is and to follow him ever more closely and faithfully.

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CURRENT PARISH NEWS

WEEK START SUN OCT 24, 2021

30TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

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Sat @ 9am, 6pm

Sun @ 6.30am, 8.30am

Mon - Fri (incl) @ 6.30am

MASS ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS ~ 9am

Reconciliation Sat 5.30pm or by appt.

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FYI Regina Caeli delivers newsletters to those who find themselves isolated and unable to visit parish.



No Children's Church during Sacrament preparation.



Stay home if you are unwell



Check-in via mobile on arrival



Use provided hand sanitiser on entry



Keep 1.5m from others



Wear a face mask



Coming Oct-Nov 2021

- 23/24 Sacrament Prep 2
- Catholic Mission Appeal
- 28 No Morning Mass at 6.30am
- 28 Sacrament Prep 3 - tbc
- 29 Happy Hour in the hall 4pm
- Nov 1 Reconciliation Ceremony

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Rosary: Our Parish is in the name of our Blessed Mother, Regina Caeli, Queen of Heaven. October is dedicated to the Rosary. During this month, before w/e Masses we will say one decade of rosary. **23/24 Oct:** For an end of the present pandemic.



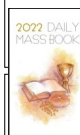
A'bp Mark: We once thought of some countries as "mission" countries & others countries, like Australia, as "non-mission" countries. Now every country is "mission" territory as we move through this change of era when the Church is to be rebuilt in new ways. Still, there are some parts of the world where the Good News of Jesus has not been heard at all or heard only as the faintest whisper. Hence we celebrate each year in October, World Mission month. This focuses us on the need to pass on to others the Good News we have received from Jesus - to all people, wherever they are, but especially to those who are most needy. So many live in a world where there seems to be only bad news. This is not what God wants, & that's why we can't just shrug our shoulders & look away. Catholic Mission focuses on specific projects, like the home for vulnerable mothers & babies in Bangkok run by Good Shepherd Sisters. Here we see that spreading the Good News of Jesus isn't just a matter of words. It has to become action; & our financial support makes that action possible. That's why each October we have the Mission Sunday collection. It's a call to understand more deeply that our Baptism makes us all missionaries in one way or another. I commend this year's collection to your generosity & work of Catholic Mission to your prayer.

Please continue to welcome, pray and support our candidates & their families for Sacrament preparation this weekend.



RECENTLY DECEASED:

FAITH COLLINS, MARIE DUNN, , DAWN GRIGSON, WAYNE HOUGHTON, **BERNIE O'CONNOR**, GRACE OGILVIE, ANGELA PARKER, KAREN RODDA, MAUREEN THORNTON, **ANNIVERSARIES JACK & JOY MCNAMARA, PAT, JACK & MICK O'CONNOR, LEO & GAY RYAN, IVAN, NANCY & STEPHEN GARRETT, DIANE MCNAMARA, GLORIA & ANNE-MARIE MCMAHON, TOM STERNFELDT, SOPHIE GARRETT ORGAN DONOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS:** Joshua Chester, Pat Cochrane, Veronica & Cathy Comiskey, Claire Cotter, Neil Cremin, Brian & Thera Harding, Paul Heathwood, Allaura Hows, Quinn Johnston, Kath Keogh, **Maureen Langridge**, Nicky Logan, Paddy Logan, Trish McConnell, Fr Ron Mollison, **John Mulcahy**, Michael Mulcahy, Marie-Louise O'Brien, Pam O'Reilly, Peter Owen, Peter Reid, John Rutherford, Wal & Joyce Smith,



Lester Steen, Marie Taylor, Nathaniel Williams, Pat Weir, Zelina & family.



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For we CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING about what we have SEEN & HEARD
In two weeks, Catholic Mission will share with us the powerful story of "Chura", a mother who found her way to the Mother and Babies Home, run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, during a desperate time in her life. The Good Shepherd Sisters' mission is to promote the dignity and human rights of all, especially women and children; but they can only do that with support from people like you. Please come with an open and generous heart.
World Mission Sunday Appeal Oct 23 & 24
Free call: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/thailand

A'bp Mark reflects after completion of the first assembly of historic **Plenary Council**, it's been more than 80 years since Catholic Church in Australia has come together like this, with lay women & men & clergy discussing the future of our Church. It was an extraordinary week. We felt everything from weary to grateful, intrigued & even slightly surprised. We will have a second assembly next year. The facilitator of my small group had been a midwife & she likened what we were doing to childbirth. The process is slow, painful & messy but wonderfully fruitful & joyful as the baby is born. May our Church come to know the fruitfulness & joy which the Holy Spirit brings, because nothing is impossible for God. Amen.

Welcome to Brisbane East Deanery Planning Meeting-Mass-brekkie at Regina Caeli Nov 13, 9am on site @ parish. Let's get thinking Deanery.

PROCESSIONAL DEIDRE BROWNE COME AS YOU ARE

V1 Come as you are, that's how I want you. Come as you are, feel quite at home. Close to my heart, loved and forgiven; come as you are, why stand alone?
V2 No need to fear, love sets no limits. No need to fear, love never ends. Don't run away shamed and disheartened. Rest in my love, trust me again.

OFFERTORY J MAHER WOMAN OF THE SACRED HEART

V1 In you our flesh he had to come, You grounded him upon our earth. Your feet that walked, your womb that held, Your pain that brought this love to birth. The Sacred Heart of him you held Can grieve and grow within the space Of patient love and listening; A mother's choice o' mystic's grace.

COMMUNION INSTRUMENTAL

REFLECTION C LANDRY HAIL MARY: GENTLE WOMAN

Intro: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of death. Amen.
Refrain: Gentle woman, quiet light, morning star, so strong and bright, gentle Mother, peaceful love, teach us wisdom; teach us love.

V1 You were chosen by the Father; you were chosen for the Son. You were chosen from all women and for woman, shining one. R/-

RECESSIONAL J L BELL THE SUMMONS

V1 Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, Will you let my name be known, Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Please note this week **no Thursday morning Mass at 6.30am** & it **Show Public Holiday on Friday Oct 29** hence Mass is 9am. To feel we are celebrating the "Show" anyone who is available is welcome to join in for drinks at 4pm in the parish hall. A plate of nibbles is appreciated but drinks available. (left-overs from Fr John's farewell)