

*We Respond*

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** (or a hymn) All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Ps 24)

**ANTIPHON:** Remember your mercies, O Lord.

**RESPONSE:** Remember your mercies, O Lord.

**LECTOR:** Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. **R.**

**LECTOR:** Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

**LECTOR:** The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** (or a hymn) Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Or

By this we came to know the love of God: that Christ laid down his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for one another.

**TODAY'S READINGS** Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32

**NEXT WEEK** (27th Sunday of Year A) Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 79; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43.

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your day with  
The Majellan*

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*Actions speak  
louder than  
words*



27 September 2020 26th Sunday Year A

Many parents today could empathise with the father asking each of his two sons to work in their vineyard. It is not an unreasonable request. Presumably their livelihood relies on the income from the vineyard, and the father speaks not harshly but with affection, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today."

Jesus does not explain the motivation of the two sons, but the defiance of the first son in initially refusing to work in the vineyard would have hurt his father. Jesus does not say why the son then 'thought better of it' and went to work. Perhaps it was seeing the pain on his father's face. The point for Jesus is that he changed his mind. The second son instantly agreed to his father's request but then reneged.

As St Matthew recounts, Jesus is telling this story in a contest with the chief priests and elders of the people who have challenged his authority to be teaching and acting as he does. So, he tells this story and asks them to decide who did the father's will. Of course they answered: the one who went to work in the vineyard. In words that must have outraged his opponents, Jesus declares: 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you'. At that time, tax collectors collaborated with the Roman authorities and made money for themselves

as well. They were socially despised and outside the Jewish law, like the prostitutes.

Yet these despised people were among those who heard and believed the message of John the Baptist, 'a pattern of true righteousness', while the chief priests and elders, the very ones who should have been most alert to the message of John, refused to accept him. They were like the second son who said he would go to the vineyard, but then refused. Jesus is declaring that God's loving embrace is available to everyone, especially those who feel most excluded.

This incident of Jesus arguing with these religious leaders also carries a warning for us today. We too can be deaf to the unexpected call of God. Moreover, Jesus insists that responding to the father's will is not just a matter of words, but of action. Actions speak louder than words.

So we pray that God will truly walk with us, and help us live with insightful concern for others, especially in this traumatic year that has included extensive bushfires, COVID-19 and economic distress for many. Let us also embrace the call of Pope Francis in his 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si'* to play our part in protecting our planet and environment, while striving for a more just world with social and economic systems that serve everyone well.

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**CURRENT PARISH NEWS**  
**WEEK START SUN SEPT 27, 2020**  
**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
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 WEDDINGS, FUNERALS & SACRAMENT OF  
 PENANCE PLEASE CONTACT PARISH OFFICE.**

**NEXT BAPTISM ENROLMENT TALK SUN OCT 4 AT 4PM  
 IN PARISH HALL. NO APPT NECESSARY!**

Sat ~ 9am, 6pm;

Sun ~ 6.30am & 8.30am

Mon & Wed ~ 6.30am;

Tues & Fri ~ 9am



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Weekend of Sept 19 & 20



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**REFLECTION:**

Google Social Justice Statement Aust. Bishops 2020  
**MENTAL HEALTH IN AUSTRALIA TODAY**

Key ideas from Part A of...

**THE MENTAL HEALTH OF OUR PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES**

*Understanding mental health can help us support our families, faith communities, workplaces and society. Young people can experience symptoms of ill health before age 25. Schooling, study, the workforce, housing and debt can provoke both withdrawals from family and friends, and risk-taking behaviours. Young people are vulnerable to suicide.*

*Older Australians may enjoy leisure, occupations, family & social life. However, declining health, social isolation, grief, financial issues, dependence on others and changing needs in housing can arouse mental health problems. People over 75 years receive low levels of mental health care.*

*In families, ante-natal & post-natal depression can impact on the health of mothers, routines & the care of a child, a joy notwithstanding.*

*Employment conditions can deprive families of valuable time together. Carers & unwell dependants may struggle on meagre income support. Domestic violence, the abuse of women, separation & divorce impact upon mental & emotional health in families.*

*Crises: drought, bushfires & COVID-19 have provoked tumultuous upheavals in our communities.*

*Yet people have acted heroically to bring harmony & sustainability to all life.*

**May our society's shared experiences of both anxiety & goodwill help us remove the stigma & discrimination that has surrounded mental illness.**

**Please return envelopes as soon as possible.**

**We thank you for supporting initiatives of the Catholic Campaign** Link video to:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DE3U4WUWCxQ>

Our parish supports the Annual Catholic Campaign this year because we know how hard it has been for many in community. Through prayer & action, we can be a blessing to those in need. If you are able, please donate online at: <https://bit.ly/2QnUzvi>

**The 'New Norm'**

1. Sanitise your hands
  2. Sign In
  3. Sit on stickered seats only
  4. Sanitise your space with wipes on exit
  5. Social Distancing enforced (1person or family/4m<sup>2</sup>) limit 100p
- ♦ Only Priests to distribute Communion
  - ♦ Stay home if unwell
  - ♦ Sign of Peace spoken greeting only
  - ♦ Gifting boxes available at all doors;
  - ♦ Take newsletter home with you
  - ♦ No Hymn books used.



**RECENTLY DECEASED:** BART GAFFNEY, LUCY HOUGHTON, CECILY McMAHON, MARY TWOMEY, DOMINIC VU, PATRICIA ZEMEK

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

OLEK LAJOC, JACK & JOY McNAMARA, DIANE McNAMARA, SOPHIE GARRETT'S ORGAN DONOR, JACK & PAT O'CONNOR, LEO & GAY RYAN, IVAN, NANCY & STEPHEN GARRETT, GLORIA & ANNE-MARIE McMAHON, JOHN SCOTT, JACK & MARGARET ALTHAUS, KAZIMIERA LYP, HELEN SHAW

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Livestreamed Archdiocesan Multicultural Mass

**Archdiocesan Multicultural Mass**

Sun, 27 Sept at 2:30pm

Livestream link:

[archbne.org/bzw](http://archbne.org/bzw)

Main Celebrant:

Archbishop Mark Coleridge

Sunday, 27 September at 2:30pm  
 WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES



**World Day of Migrants & Refugees**  
*"Forced like Jesus Christ to flee"*

27 September 2020

**ENTRANCE**

**V1 Come! Live in the light!**

Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!  
 We are called to be light for the kingdom,  
 to live in the freedom of the city of God!

**R/. We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly, we are called to serve one another; to walk humbly with God!**

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**OFFERTORY 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.

**V4 Come as you are, that's how I love you.**

Come as you are, trust me again.  
 Nothing can change the love that I bear you.  
 All will be well, just come as you are.

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**COMMUNION HYMN**

**REFLECTION HYMN**

**V1 Will you give me your life forever?**

Will you carry my cross ev'ry day?  
 Will you walk in the light of my presence?  
 Will you follow the truth of my ways?

**R/. Will you love me as I have loved you?**

**Will you live with me the darkness as I die?  
 For the moon and the stars will be gone like the night,  
 and the sun will be shining on you.**

**V2 Like the purest of gold in the furnace,**

is your love strong enough to endure?  
 Does your faith carry on through the shadows?  
 Does it shine in the night for the world? **R/.**

**V3 Can you walk in the footprints of silence**

through the wilderness sands in the sun,  
 from the desert of doubt and temptation,  
 to the glorious mountain of fire? **R/.**

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**RECESSIONAL HYMN**

**R/. Sing a new song unto the Lord;**

**Let your song be sung from mountains high.  
 Sing a new song unto the Lord, Singing alleluia.**

**V1 Yahweh's people dance for joy.**

O come before the Lord.  
 And play for him on glad tambourines,  
 And let your trumpet sound. **R/.**

**V2 Rise, O children, from your sleep;**

Your Saviour now has come.  
 He has turned your sorrow to joy,  
 And filled your soul with song. **R/.**

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**WE ARE CALLED**



**HERE I AM LORD  
 WILL YOU LOVE ME**