

**First Reading:** *Isaiah 5:1-7*

***The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.***

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend has a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Response: ***The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.***

**Second Reading:** *Philippians 4:6-9*

***Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.***

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

**Gospel:** *Matthew 21:33-43*

***He leased his vineyard to other farmers.***

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

**Next Week's Readings:**

**First Reading:**  
*Is 25:6-10*

**Second Reading:**  
*Phil 4:12-14*

**Gospel:**  
*Mt 22:1-14*

**October 4, 2020 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"The stone the builders rejected has become the corner stone..." - Matthew 21:42  
Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens. Living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others in today's society. For example, saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is sign that God is alive and well!  
(Accessed on September 29, 2020 from <https://www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weekly-bible-reflections>)



**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 4 October 2020**

**October, Month of the Rosary....**

It's October! Can you believe it? By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th. The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary every day.

The Rosary will bring great peace and holiness to our life. Daily recitation of the Rosary will help us get to know our Mother better. By connected in a deeper way with Mary, we will in turn draw closer to Jesus. When we look at each mystery of the Rosary, we reflect upon different aspects of Jesus' life through the eyes of His mother. Because the Rosary was given to us by Mary, it is very powerful. And of course, Our Lady of Fatima said, "Pray the Rosary daily." There have been many miracles associated with praying the Rosary.

The Rosary is one of the most powerful weapons that we have against Satan. It will help to ward off temptations. Through Mary and her Magnificat, her "yes" to God, we had Our Lord Jesus Christ become flesh. Through Him we have our salvation, if we choose to accept it. This is how powerful the Rosary is. St. Francis de Sales, the great master of the spiritual life, wrote, "The greatest method of prayer is praying the Rosary." St. John Paul the II said "With the Rosary, the Christian people sit at the school of Mary and are led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love. Through the Rosary, the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer". Pope Francis says "the Rosary is the prayer that always accompanies my life: it is also the prayer of simple people and saints...it is the prayer of my heart".

Our Blessed Mother herself has asked us in her apparitions to pray the rosary daily for the conversion of sinners and of the world. As we pray it, we are not only praising the Blessed Virgin Mary with the words of the angel Gabriel but we are also petitioning the Father to hear us while at the same time we have the opportunity to reflect upon the events of the life of our Lord Jesus. Let us make a commitment to pray the Rosary every day – and keep it. The best way to celebrate the month of the Holy Rosary is, of course, to pray the rosary daily. **"THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS THE ROSARY TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER!"**

Blessings,

Fr Dantus Thottathil.

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## Parish Information

### Quote of the Day:

**Don't look for big things,  
Just do small things with  
Great love.  
St. Mother Teresa.**

### Mass Times

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| <p><b>Tuesday 06/10</b><br/><b>6:00pm</b><br/>Mass at Manly</p> <p><b>Wednesday 07/10</b><br/><b>9:00am</b><br/>Rosary and Mass at Manly</p> <p><b>Saturday 10/10 5:00pm</b><br/>Vigil Mass at Manly</p> | <p><b>Sunday 11/10</b><br/><b>7:00am</b><br/>Mass at Gumdale</p> <p><b>9:30am</b><br/>Mass at Manly</p> <p><b>Reconciliation:</b><br/>By appointment only.</p> |
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### SAFEGUARDING AND STOPLINE

#### Archdiocesan Safeguarding Officer is:

Les Sellwood: 0401 235 739

**STOPLINE Contact:** [A0B@stopline.com.au](mailto:A0B@stopline.com.au)

*This Parish is Child Safety Aware and also complies with Australian Privacy Laws. A copy of the Child Safety and Protection of Vulnerable Adults policy is situated in the foyer of the church.*

### Parish Office Closure:

The parish office will be closed on **Monday 5 October 2020** due to the Queen's Birthday public holiday.

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Les Sellwood (Chair), Bruce Corrie,  
Helen McNamara, Paola Nunez, Maria Jones,  
Pam Chapman, Julia McLean

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:** Karen Booker, Michael Gibbings, Mary Schmidt, Joyce Starkey, Pat Wilson, Sandra Wilson, Maddie Bell, Sr Teresa Geraghty, Mary Forrester, Krystyna Kelly, Sheila Petersen, Richard Pook, Violet Maureen Phillips, Ash Dean, Dennis Patterson, Carmen Phairs, Irene Gavrila, Rosa Maria Santos, Dawn O'Sullivan, Leon and Roz Thomas, Maura Poots, Angela Geraghty, Hugo Callan, Joan Francis, Angela de Weger, Terry Coles, Margaret Brennan, Ted Chapman, Leslee O'Connell, Katherine Pickering, Stacie Stonier, Val Steeden, Mitchell Sweet, Barbara Peet

**For a name to be included in the 'Prayer for our Sick' list, the Privacy Act now requires the personal permission of the nominee or a close relative.**

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Gertrude Anderson, John Brian, Judith Brennan, Kathleen Carter, Peter Carter, David Cootes, Edna Dillon, Val Fagan, Bernard Foster, Alan Gill, Cecily Graham, Frank Grainger, Luigi Gregori, Luzette Hageraats, Gilda Hankins, Victoria Hardy, Maureen Harrison, Margaret Harrison, Annie Horswill, Keith Joseph Imeson, Andrew Jones, Michael Kearney, Mary Laracy, Diane Larkins, Lance Lawes, Pat Little, Margaret Murphy, Margaret McIntosh, Peter McIndoe, Lisa Orford (Argent), Jessie Platt, Clem Raine, John Ryan, Florence Schmid, Paul Skillender, Leo Smith, Ray Tranter, Josephine van Daalen, Bob Ward, Madge Wiese.

### COVID-19 UPDATE

From the Archdiocese: 'The Chief Medical Officer has expressed confidence in organisations with COVID Safe plans and at this stage parishes following the [Industry Plan for Places of Worship](#) can continue to hold acts of worship with no additional operating restrictions.' Bishop Ken Howell

Our Parish operates under the COVID safe plan and we can continue to celebrate mass following these guidelines.

#### Mass celebrations at St. John Vianney's:

Mass bookings for **55** people can be made.

To book please visit <https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/sjv?embed=1>.

If you require assistance for bookings, please contact the parish office on 3131 2610 or email us at [manly@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:manly@bne.catholic.net.au)

#### Mass Celebrations at St. Jude's:

We are currently able to celebrate with **20** people in attendance with social distancing in place.

To book please contact: Helen McNamara via phone 0403 193 625 or e-mail: [Imac11@optusnet.com.au](mailto:Imac11@optusnet.com.au)

### Announcements

**Tuesday Night Mass:** From Tuesday the 6th of October 2020, we will be recommencing mass on a Tuesday evening at 6:00pm. No bookings are required for this mass.

#### Expressions of Interest Required:

We are currently seeking expressions of interest from anyone who wishes to join our Parish Finance Committee. If you are interested in joining the Finance Committee. Please contact the parish office on 3131 2610 or email: [manly@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:manly@bne.catholic.net.au). Thank you.

#### Bishops Of Queensland Election Statement

Catholic Social Teachings prompt us to consider the Common Good and to pay particular attention to those who are vulnerable, marginalised, or who often 'fall through the cracks'. As we grapple with the challenges of a COVID world, the Catholic Bishops of Queensland have called Catholics to consider Catholic Social Teaching as they prepare to participate in the Queensland State Election on October 31.

For more information about Catholic Social Teaching and to find out more about the issues you might reflect on when you cast your vote visit <https://bit.ly/3mhPzY3>

### Important Information Regarding Mass Bookings

Bookings for masses in November will commence on Monday October 12 at 9:00am and be released in two week intervals.

All bookings that are made from now on have been limited to one seat per booking, this is to allow for a simplified contact tracing system to be put into place.

If you are a family or booking multiple seats you will be required to book one seat for each person attending, using their details. **PLEASE NOTE** that in order for the contact tracing pages to be pre-filled with your details you need to ensure that the full details are being inputted this includes full first and last names. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter and thank you to everyone already assisting with this.

In the event that you have made a booking and can no longer attend mass we ask that you please cancel your booking, this can be done using the booking confirmation you receive via email, the option to cancel is located at the bottom.

If you have any questions please contact the parish office on 3131 2610 or email: [manly@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:manly@bne.catholic.net.au)

### Call For Volunteers

The parish is in need of volunteers for weekend masses. If you would like to help with the following duties and are not already a volunteer in our parish please go to the following link to register as a volunteer: <http://archbne.org/welcome> and we will be in contact with you. If you are already a volunteer within our parish and would like to assist please contact the parish office on 3131 2610 or email: [manly@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:manly@bne.catholic.net.au). Full training is provided to all volunteers.

#### Sacristan duties, Readers, Ministers of Communion, Altar Serving, Screen Operators, Hospitality, Counters and Choir and musicians.

*The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.*

Please note that some of these duties are currently not undertaken due to COVID-19 restrictions. We would like to thank you in anticipation.