



St John Vianney's Catholic Parish

embracing the worshipping communities of
Manly & Gumdale



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Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr B - 12 September 21

First Reading: Is 50:5-9 Second Reading: James 2:14-18 Gospel: Mk 8:27-35

Parish Weekly

Diary

Monday 13 Sept

Saint John Chrysostom
(M)

Tuesday 14 Sept

The Exhalation of the Holy
Cross (F)

6:00pm Mass at
Manly

Wednesday 15 Sept

Our Lady of Sorrows

9:00am Rosary at
Manly

9:30am Mass at
Manly

Thursday 16 Sept

Saints Cornelius and
Cyprian (M)

Friday 17 Sept

Saint Hildgard of Bingen
(OM)

Saint Robert Bellarmine
(OM)

Saturday 18 Sept

5:00pm Mass at
Manly

Sunday 19 Sept

Twenty Fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

7:00am Mass at
Gumdale

9:30am Mass at
Manly

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:30pm -
4:50pm

No bookings required.

Who is Christ for me?..

Throughout Mark's Gospel, we notice that it is describing a learning experience, first for the disciples of Jesus but also for the reader and listener. Knowing who Jesus is and what following Him means is something that the disciples did not grasp all at once. It was a gradual journey for them. Today's passage is immediately preceded by another healing story, this time that of a man who was blind. The interesting thing about this is that his blindness was healed in stages. That is exactly what was happening to the disciples and we see it clearly illustrated in today's story.

Here we have the first of the three predictions of Jesus about His imminent suffering, death and resurrection. As such it takes a turning point in this Gospel. Here we have Mark's carefully constructed theology of the cross which will evolve around His three passion predictions. Each passion prediction including this one has three parts. First, there is the prediction by Jesus of His suffering, death and resurrection. Second, there is the rejection and misunderstanding by the disciples regarding the preaching of Jesus. Third there is an instructive teaching by Jesus which stresses some theological aspect and the meaning of discipleship. Here in this phase, Jesus presents an important point, one which is very dear to His heart: that of knowledge.

The knowledge of God and the knowledge of Jesus Christ are important for us. Upon this knowledge depends our participation in the divine life. Who is Jesus for you - and what difference does He make in your life? Through the "eyes of faith" Peter discovered who Jesus truly was. To know Jesus Christ is to know the power of His victory on the cross where He defeated sin and conquered death through His resurrection. The Holy Spirit gives each of us the gifts and strength we need to live as sons and daughters of God. The Holy Spirit inspires faith to know the Lord Jesus personally as our Redeemer, and the power to faithfully live the Gospel, and the courage to witness to others the joy, truth, and freedom of the Gospel. Who do you say that Jesus is?

Blessings,

Fr. Dantus Thottathil.

Welcome to St John Vianney's Catholic Parish!

Our parish is known for being friendly and welcoming, as well as for active participation at Mass through music and prayer. There is a place here for everyone; we hope that you will join us. If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact the parish office .

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Parish Information

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**Life is stricter than a teacher.
A teacher teaches a lesson
and takes an exam,
but life takes an exam
and then teaches a lesson.**

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Les Sellwood (Chair), Pam Chapman, Bruce Corrie,
Helen McNamara, Paola Nunez, Julia McLean
and Laurent Fontaine

WEBSITE

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St John Vianney's Catholic Parish Manly QLD

SAFEGUARDING AND STOPLINE

Archdiocesan Safeguarding Officer is:

Les Sellwood: 0401 235 739

STOPLINE Contact: AOB@stopleveline.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.

STEWARDSHIP

September 12, 2021 24th Sunday in Ordinary
Time

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny him-self, take up his cross, and follow me."
MARK 8:34

Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well. We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. "Taking up my cross" means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it's convenient for me.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Karen Booker, Michael Gibbings, Mary Schmidt, Joyce Starkey, Pat Wilson, Sandra Wilson, Maddie Bell, Sr Teresa Geraghty, Mary Forrester, Sheila Petersen, Richard Pook, Violet Maureen Phillips, Ash Dean, 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, Ted Chapman, Katherine Pickering, Stacie Stonier, Barbara Peet, Delia Chapman

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.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Barbara Joan Rawstrone

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

CATHOLIC LEADER

The monthly issue of the Catholic Leader is available at the back of the church for \$4.00. Please note that this newspaper is now published on a monthly basis rather than weekly.

COVID-19 Restrictions

- Funerals and Weddings held indoors will have a maximum occupancy of 200 people.
- Masks: you must wear a masks in indoor spaces including places of worship
 - Clergy and readers who are socially distanced from others may remove their masks whilst speaking, and only when 1.5 metres from others.

Mass Roster for St John Vianney's

Date	1st Reader	2nd Reader	3rd Reader
Sat 11/09	Denise Daigle	Maureen Bentley	Jane O'Brien
Sun 12/09	Nola Smith	Laurent Fontaine	Colleen Skubis
Sat 18/09	Gerardina Russell	Denis Hohnen	Marlin Thomas
Sun 19/09	Helen Camden	Anne Skitmore	Donna Ricca

PARISH AND COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

[2022 Daily Mass Book and Break Open the Word 2022: The Book for Readers](#)

The 2022 publications of the Daily Mass book and Break Open the Word can now be ordered. If you would like to order either of these annual publications, please contact the parish office by **Monday 13 September 2021**. The cost of both of these publications is \$24.00 each.

[2022 Columban Art Calendars](#)

The 2022 Columban Art Calendars are now available to order. This year the Columban Art Calendar is celebrating 100 years of publication. The calendar will be available to order by contacting the parish office, with each calendar costing \$8.20. The closing date for orders of these calendars will be **Monday 13 September 2021**.

[Blessed - Advent and Christmas Daily Reflections 2021](#)

Blessed is a 92-page pocket-size book containing short spiritually rich, yet accessible, daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (28 November 2021) through to the Baptism of the Lord (9 January 2022). Blessed also features beautiful religious artworks from the Masters such as Murillo, Strozzi, Jouvenet, Botticelli and Reni with enlightening "Artwork Spotlight" reflections written by the popular Monsignor Graham Schmitzer. If you would like to purchase a copy of Blessed please contact the parish office by **Monday 20 September**. The cost of these books is \$4.00,

[Safeguarding Sunday 2021](#)

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday

[Going Deeper](#)

Going Deeper, is an adult formation initiative of Evangelisation Brisbane in the Archdiocese. It is a **ten-session online series of pre-recorded discussions about the heart of the Catholic faith**, which explores the wonder and mystery of God's relationship with each of us individually and collectively. It has been designed primarily for individual use, as each of us is on our own unique spiritual journey. However, if preferred, it can also be undertaken in small groups, and can be undertaken at any time, and at your own pace. **Going Deeper** is for you, no matter what faith background or experience you have. For more information, please contact the parish office, or to register please visit: www.goingdeeper.org.au

[Laurel Blow Speaker Series #2](#)

Are you interested in how we can better embrace reconciliation as a Church? Come to the next Laurel Blow Speaker Series event on **Friday morning 24th September!** It will feature Dean Parkin (Director, From the Heart), unpacking the Uluru Statement From The Heart to illuminate the true meaning of the statement and why it is of significance to all Australians. Archbishop Mark Coleridge, on behalf of the Archdiocese of Brisbane, will then publicly endorse the statement, an historic moment for the Church in Brisbane and our relationship with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. This event will include a Welcome to Country, Mass, and morning tea. It will be hosted at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, overlooking Stradbroke Island (Minjerribah), Dean Parkin's home and the location of the first Catholic mission to First Nations peoples. Find out more at tinyurl.com/lblowseries2.

[Date Claimer - Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass](#)

The Annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated with Archbishop Mark Coleridge on **Saturday 25th of September commencing at 11:30am**. The invitation is extended to family and friends. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, refreshments following Mass will not be offered. Bookings will be available from **Monday 13 September** and can be made via the following link: <https://goldenweddinganniversarymass.eventbrite.com.au> or telephone the Cathedral office on 3324 3030.

[Multicultural Mass - toward a ever-wider "we"](#)

Celebrate the diversity of the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Brisbane as we unite in a colourful display of the celebration of the Eucharist at the annual Multicultural Mass. The Mass will be held on **Sunday 26th September** in observance of World Day of Migrant & Refugees (26 September). This year's theme is "Towards an ever wider 'we'". It will be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge and concelebrated by priests ministering to cultural communities throughout the Archdiocese. Cultural dancing/performances and coffee in the cathedral grounds will follow. We welcome and encourage members of cultural communities to wear their traditional cultural attire if appropriate.

Time: 2:30pm - 3:30pm Mass; 3:30pm - 4:30pm dancing and coffee

Date: Sunday 26th September 2021

Location: St Stephen's Cathedral (249 Elizabeth St, Brisbane City)

Register: annualmulticulturalmass.eventbrite.com.au

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First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

Responsorial Psalm: I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

Second Reading: James 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds - now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

For the Children...

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD

Jesus told us he is the Son of God and he showed us this through his actions. He healed the sick, calmed the storm and HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD. Jesus also told us that he is our friend. Will you be His friend?

LET US PRAY

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for being my friend and showing me that you are the Son of God through your actions. Help me to be like you in my actions.

Amen.



Next Sunday's Readings:

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:
Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
Second Reading:
James 3:16 - 4:3
Gospel:
Mark 9:30-37

Next Children's Liturgy
SUNDAY 19th September



SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 2021
SEPTEMBER 12, 2021