

FIRST READING: Exodus 17:8-13

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses' arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm until sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 120

Res. Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains:
from where shall come my help?
My help shall come from the Lord
who made heaven and earth. R.

May he never allow you to stumble!
Let him sleep not, your guard.
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,
Israel's guard. R.

The Lord is your guard and your shade;
at your right side he stands.
By day the sun shall not smite you
nor the moon in the night. R.

The Lord will guard you from evil,
he will guard your soul.
The Lord will guard your going and coming
both now and for ever. R.

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your

teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures - from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience - but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION.
Alleluia, alleluia:
The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 18:1-8


Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Next Sunday's Readings
Sirach: 35:12-14, 16-19, Psalm: 32:2-3,17-19,23
2 Timothy: 4:6-8, 16-18, Luke: 18:9-14

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Sacrament of Reconciliation.
Saturday 4.30pm or by appointment

**For the Children...
Don't give up!**

Jesus told a parable about a woman who didn't give up. He wanted to show us that we shouldn't become disheartened, but keep on asking for what we need, because God will hear and answer our prayers.



LET US PRAY
Heavenly Father, We often do not understand your plan for us. Help us to trust in you and keep asking for what we need, confident that you will always do what is best for us.

15/16 October
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C
Gospel Reflection

“There was a judge in a certain town who neither feared God nor respected any human being. And a widow in that town used to come to him and say, ‘Render a just decision for me against my adversary . . . ’” (Luke 18: 1-8)

The judge in today’s Gospel is not a Jewish elder, but a paid magistrate appointed by the Romans. They were notoriously corrupt, accepting bribes to return favourable verdicts. The widow had no money for a bribe but was persistent in her request for fair judgement.

The parable of the widow and the unjust judge calls us to perseverance in prayer—prayer that seeks not to force God’s hand but prayer that opens our hearts and minds to his always available grace.

Today’s Gospel challenges us to see the “persistent widows” in our midst: to recognize their struggles and the gifts they possess that we overlook or discount. Christ promises that the Father hears the worthy prayer of the Gospel widow in her many guises and that her perseverance in faith will one day be rewarded — and Jesus challenges us to put aside our obliviousness and self-absorption and see her. In her many guises, she is Christ in our midst.

Sometimes we are the persistent widow of today’s parable, persevering in seeking what is right and just, trusting in God’s grace in response to our prayer – and sometimes we find ourselves in the role of the judge, who can be the answer to another’s prayer if we stop, listen, and realise that God has given us the means to respond.

The parable of the persistent widow challenges how we approach God in prayer: we don’t pray trying to wring favours from a curmudgeonly God but we pray to determine how God calls us to act in this set of circumstances. We don’t pray trying to move God to our will but to let God move us to God’s will.

Please note a change in the **Office Hours**
beginning 17 Monday October, office hours will be
Mon, Wed, Fri, from 8.30 am to 2pm

We acknowledge and pay respect to Traditional Custodians– the Quandamooka and Jagera Peoples on whose land we walk, live and worship.

St. John Vianney's Parish For Your Diary

17 Mon	Requiem Mass 11am
18 Tues	Mass 6pm
19 Wed	Mass 9.30am (<i>Rosary 9am</i>)
20 Thu	Mass 9.30am
21 Fri	Mass 9.30am
22 Sat	Mass 5pm (<i>Manly</i>) (<i>Reconciliation 4:30pm</i>)
23 Sun	Mass 7am (<i>Gumdale</i>) Mass 9.30am (<i>Manly</i>)
25 Tues	Mass 6pm
26 Wed	Mass 9.30am (<i>Rosary 9am</i>)
27 Thu	Mass 9.30am
28 Fri	Mass 9.30am
29 Sat	Baptism 10am Mass 5pm (<i>Manly</i>) (<i>Reconciliation 4:30pm</i>)
30 Sun	Mass 7am (<i>Gumdale</i>) Mass 9.30am (<i>School Family Mass</i>)

NOVEMBER

During the month of November we offer the Sacrifice of Holy Mass for our departed dear ones and pray for them. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead, once only, by visiting a church on 2 November and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions.

01 Tues	Mass 6pm (<i>Solemnity-- All Saints</i>) PPC Meeting
02 Wed	Mass 9.30am (<i>Rosary 9am</i>) (<i>All Souls Day</i>) The COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED.
03 Thu	Mass 9.30am
04 Fri	Mass 10.30am (<i>Lota House</i>)
05 Sat	Mass 5pm
06 Sun	Mass 7am (<i>Gumdale</i>) Mass 9.30am (<i>Manly</i>) (<i>Children's</i>)

News from Parish Pastoral Council

HOSPITALITY

The long-awaited “cuppa” after 9.30am Mass will resume this Sunday 16th October. We invite everyone to stay after Mass and catch up with old friends and meet new ones. Everyone welcome.

Volunteers are needed to enable this valuable parish ministry to continue.

PARKING AT SJV

Please be mindful there are several parishioners with mobility issues who would benefit from parking closer to the entrance of our Church. If you are able, please park a little further away from the Church and leave closer parking spots available for fellow parishioners who are less mobile. Thank you.

TRANSPORT TO MASS

We are aware of several parishioners who have difficulty participating in Mass regularly due to transport problems and/or mobility issues.

We are organising volunteer drivers to assist these parishioners. If you, or someone you know, would appreciate a lift to Mass, please contact the Parish office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2023

First Reconciliation Ceremony: **Saturday 25 March**
 First Holy Communion Ceremony: **Sat/Sun 10-11 June**
 Confirmation Ceremony: **Saturday 2 September**

Congratulations Fr George

Fr George will be celebrating 40 years of his Ordination as a Priest at the special concelebrated Mass for all Jubilarians to be held at the Cathedral this coming Tuesday 18th October at 10am. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will be the main celebrant at this Mass.

Parishioners and the school community join together in offering Fr George their prayers, best wishes and gratitude on this special occasion. May the years ahead continue to be rich and fruitful in blessings.

	Welcome	1 st Reader	2 nd Reader	EMHC	Screen
Saturday 15 Oct	C Skubis	J O’Brien	D Hohnen	A Gilbert	Irene
Sunday 16 Oct	L Fontaine	D Ricca	K Chikaya	N Smith	Leena
Saturday 22 Oct	G Russell	J Burrows	D Daigle	D Hohnen	Anjoline
Sunday 23 Oct	R Araujo	A Skitmore	M Patterson	J Meyer	Calla/Kate

'Family that prays together, stays together': Mother Teresa

WE REMEMBER THOSE IN GOD'S CARE

Recently deceased:- Jill Rideout Belletty, Evley Brenan, Joseph Giansiracusa.

Anniversaries:- Manuel Fernandes Pereira, Gertrude Anderson, John Brian, Judith Brenan, 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 and all whose anniversaries occur now.

We Pray For the sick

Jocelyn Barrow, Rose-Marie Dickson, Emma Walters, Barry Smith, Mrs Ford, Natasha Skitmore, Anne Dixon, David Schilling, Dell Chapman, Ted Chapman, Irene Gavrilla and Richard Pook.

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. At the end of each month, names for the recently deceased, anniversaries and our sick parishioners will be reviewed.

News for the Newsletter

If you have any items of interest relating to our parish please email **manly@bne.catholic.net.au** before Tuesday each week.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING

We thank all parishioners who support the parish financially. If you would like to donate by EFT our details are

BSB: 064786 A/C: 100002778

For Reference please use **PG AND YOUR FIRST AND LAST NAMES**

Knights of the Southern Cross Wynnum/Manly Branch

A small, happy gathering of parishioners attended the BBQ sponsored by the Knights after the 9.30am Mass last Sunday. Parishioners were given the opportunity to meet members of this organisation and learn of the activities in which they support people in need within our community. This includes assisting the aged, disadvantaged children, local charities such as Rosies and the Emmanuel City Mission; as well as supporting the missions in Australia, Papua New Guinea or where needed.

For further information about the Knights see: The Knights of the Southern Cross Queensland Website at: www.ksca.org.au or the local Branch secretary, Arend de Weger at seckscqbr46@yahoo.com.

PARISH CHOIR

The choir provides music at one of the 5pm and one of the 9.30am Masses each month; as well as on special Feast Days throughout the year. We have a small group of dedicated singers accompanied by pianists who lead the congregation in celebrating the Holy Mass.

We welcome other parishioners to join the choir. The commitment is not time-consuming as we meet for practise on the Thursday at 5.30pm (for one hour) before the weekend of our rostered Mass. If you would like to join this choir, please leave your name and details at the parish office and you will be contacted.

It is time to order

Advent and Christmas Daily Reflections 2022

We are now taking orders for copies of ‘Incarnate’ Advent and Christmas Daily Reflections 2022. This daily reflection book is produced by the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong. Copies can be ordered from the Parish office for \$5.00 each. Orders will close on Wednesday 19 October at 2pm.

2023 Columban Art Calendars

We are now taking orders for the 2023 Columban Art Calendars. These calendars will cost \$8.20 each. To order your calendar please contact the Parish Office. Orders for these Calendars will close on Thursday 21 October at 2pm.

RCIA PROGRAM 22/23

This program will be commencing in our parish soon. If you or anyone you know would like to know more about our Catholic faith, please contact Peter at petersmythkirk@hotmail.com or Nola at sjvsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au