FIRST READING: Ezekiel 18: 25-28

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law- abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 24: 4-9

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

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.

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.

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.

SECOND READING: Philippians 2: 1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: John 10:27

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

GOSPEL: Matthew 21: 28-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said.

Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7 Responsorial Psalm: Ps 79:9, 12-16, 19-20 Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9 Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

FEAST DAY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

On 27 September we celebrated the Feast Day of St Vincent de Paul (1581 - 1660), a French Catholic priest whose life inspired the foundation of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society in 1833.

Our local Parish SVdP group (Conference) has been in operation since 1938, making home visits to local people who are struggling, providing material assistance and advice. To continue our good works, we are seeking new members. To find out more, please talk to any of the Manly SVdP members as shown on the poster at back of church or contact

Gail Ann Harrison on 0407 581 066 Peter Anderson on 0412 252 652

or by email on Peter.Anderson@svdpqld.org.au



KNIGHTS

OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS
BRANCH 46 WYNNUM MANLY
Next General Meeting

Catholic men 18 years and over, are invited to attend the next Branch 46 Meeting of the Knights

Tuesday 10 October commencing 6.30pm at Guardian Angels Parish Centre,
Chestnut St Wynnum



St John Vianney's Catholic Parish

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Chair: Hugh Davies

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FUNERALS AND WEDDINGS

All enquires regarding Funerals and Weddings, please contact the parish office manly@bne.catholic.net.au

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATIONSaturday 4.30pm or by appointment

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT We follow the words of our patron,

St John Vianney, who said "He is here".

We recognise Christ is in the Word, the Eucharist, and in us His people, with a special reverence for Him in the poor and marginalised.

We are called to make Christ present through our prayer and charity.

We seek to grow in our spiritual lives and create a community where everyone is welcome; the young and the old, together to experience the loving presence of God.

We believe He is here amongst us and we joyfully go out to make Him present to all.

30 September / 01 October 2023 TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Let Us Pray:

Beloved Lord: Give me a plain heart and an open mind to recognize Your work beyond my understanding. Heal me from every root of envy and pride, so that I can surrender myself to You fully. Amen.

The correct answer isn't always right

This Sunday's Gospel story was meant to shock people who think they're okay spiritually but do not honestly examine how well they do the Father's will. Jesus said that tax collectors and prostitutes (professions considered to be the most contemptible and unholy) were entering the kingdom of God ahead of religious experts!

These so-called "experts" knew the correct answer to the question that Jesus posed - they knew to say yes to God - but knowing the right answer and actually doing the right answer is the dividing line between heaven and hell.

God doesn't want right answers; he wants righteous actions. God doesn't want dutiful compliance to Church teachings; he wants obedience motivated by love and an enthusiastic attitude of serving in the mission of the Church.

What's the value of going to Mass every Sunday, for example, if it doesn't result in deeds of holiness outside the Mass? Do you know someone who's saying "no" to coming to Mass? If they're doing good works because they genuinely love God, who's to say they won't reach full unity with him sooner than people who attend every Mass but do little to help others?

God wants us to do both: Know the right answers and be righteous. Go to Mass faithfully and be changed by it. Say yes to his calling to make the world a better place by uniting ourselves to Christ in church and following out him out the door, taking him to everyone we meet.

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OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE ROSARY
Fr George will lead us in a decade of the Rosary
before all Masses in October.



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

FOR YOUR DIARY OCTOBER

02 Mon No Mass 03 Tues 6pm Mass 04 Wed 9:00am Rosary 9.30am Mass

6.00pm Parish Pastoral Council Mtg

7.30pm Rosary on-line via ZOOM

05 Thurs 9.30am Mass

06 Fri 9:30am Mass - Janoah Gardens

07 Sat 4:30pm Reconciliation

27TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

5.00pm Mass (Manly) 08 Sun 7:00am Mass (Gumdale) 9:30am Mass (Manly)



The Season of Creation which began on Friday 1 September will close on Wednesday 4 October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi.

> **Ecumenical Closing Prayer Service** will be held world wide at 11pm AEST

The closing of the Season of Creation coincides with the opening of the Synod on Synodality.

Like rivers in nature, fed by myriad tiny brooks, larger streams and rivulets, the synod process invites all who take part on a personal or community level, to unite in a majestic river of reflection and renewal. The entire People of God is being invited to an immersive journey of synodal dialogue and conversion.

THE GRACE OF BAPTISM RETREAT

Discover how precious you are in Christ Experience the Healing Touch of God **Encounter the Holy Spirit...**

9.30am-4pm, Sat 7 Oct at Guardian Angels Church Morning Tea provided, BYO Lunch For more information contact Trish: 0477158856

OF YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Brian Eather, Selwyn Norrish, Candelario Iquin, Michael Maguire, Merv Holman.

ANNIVERSARIES: Noel Armanasco, Dawn Bone, Hugh Cleary, Mary Cotter, Sr Anne Doherty, Suzanne Dougherty, Paul Forrester, Kerry Greensill, Matilda Iselin, John Kenafake, Antoni Kolbuch, Charles Lewis, Mary Machin, Ester Morrison, George Plant, Noreen Roe, Nancy Sheehan, Ronald Smith, Horace Tranter, Eunice Wade, Rideout Belletty, Veronica Lynch, Kevin Holzberger, Jim Holzberger,

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Jack and Mary Beard, Jocelyn Barron, Lorraine Bourke, Stephen Burrows, Dell Chapman, Emily de Looze, Anne Dixon, Rose-Marie Dickson, Pat Ellis, Irene Gavrilla, Maureen Handcock, Richard Pook, David Schilling, Leesa Scott, Natasha Skitmore, Joanne Small, Barry Smith, Peter Smyth-Kirk, Emma Walters and Violet Maureen Phillips.

To include a name in our 'Of Your Charity' list, the Privacy Act requires the personal permission of the nominee or a close relative. Names on the recently deceased, anniversaries and our sick parishioners lists are reviewed at the end of each month.

If your child is Baptised and in Yr3 or above it is time to enrol them in our:

CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM BEGINS: 3.30pm 7 October / 8.00am 8 October For more information and an Enrolment Form,

please email sivsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS SILVER CIRCLE DRAW 10 OF 10

The winners of Draw 10 in the current Knights Silver Circle are:

First Prize (\$200) ticket 24 is Peter OWENS 2nd Prize (\$100) ticket 80 is Kay KELLY 3rd Prize (\$50) ticket 44 is Maureen BAILLIE Congratulations to all winners and thank you to those supporting the charitable works of the Knights through this fundraising Silver Circle. The next Silver Circle Tickets will be selling soon.

	Welcomer	1st Reader	2nd Reader	ЕМНС	Screen	Counter
Sat 30 Sept	Jen B	Maureen B	Colleen S	Denise D	Anjoline	G
Sun 01 Oct	Steve P	Robert A	June M	Jasser N	Donna	
Sat 07 Oct	Jane O	Gerardina R	Denise D	Mikaela A	Irene	А
Sun 08 Oct	Anne S	Margaret P	Kennedy C	Trish E	TBC	A

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Referendum question

On referendum day, voters will be asked to vote 'yes' or 'no' on a single question. The question on the ballot paper will be:

"A Proposed Law: to alter the Constitution to recognise the First Peoples of Australia by establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice.

Do you approve this proposed alteration?"

Constitutional amendment

The proposed law that Australians are being asked to approve at the referendum would insert the following lines into the Constitution:

"Chapter IX Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

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In recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Peoples of Australia:

- i. there shall be a body, to be called the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice;
- ii. the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice may make representations to the Parliament and the Executive Government of the Commonealth on matters relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples;
- iii. the Parliament shall, subject to this Constitution have power to make laws with respect to matters relating to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice, including its composition, functions, powers and procedures."

Australia's Catholic Bishops have called upon us to draw upon our faith and moral grounding to make an informed decision at this referendum.

For more information you are invited to attend an: **Information Forum**

6.30pm on Tue 3 October at Wynnum Bowls Club Preceded at 5pm by a Q&A Youth Forum

International Morning Tea Sunday 29 October

Help us celebrate the multiculturalism of our parish by joining us for our International Morning Tea.

◆Dress in your national costume

◆Bring a dish to share that represents your culture If you have a national flag that we may display,

please bring it to the church from **NEXT WEEKEND.** We would like to display

as many national flags as possible.

Please put your flag in a bag marked with your name

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING **6PM WEDNESDAY 4 OCTOBER**



EMERGENCY APPEAL

Please help those who have fled war and famine. Without any government support and not being allowed to work and earn income, asylum seekers are desperately seeking help from Romero's food pantry and emergency relief funds to survive. Please help by providing:

\$25 Food Gift Cards or Cash Donations.

Place cards or cash in the weekend collection, in a sealed envelope marked The Romero Centre. If you donate via their website a tax invoice will be issued.

https://romero.mercycommunity.org.au



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

For the Children

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A **Making Choices**

Every day of our lives we have to make choices. Sometimes we make the wrong choice and do something we shouldn't. Remember that whenever we have a change of heart, Jesus is always ready to give us another chance to put things right.

LET US PRAY

Lord, when I choose the way to go, help me choose the good way. When I choose the things to say, help me say what you'd say. Help me always do what's right; keep me always in your sight.

