

FIRST READING: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 95:1, 3-5, 7-10

Give the Lord glory and honour.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. R.
The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens. R.
Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the
Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of
his name. Bring an offering and enter his courts. R.
Worship the Lord in his temple,
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king,'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. R.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ. We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Philippians 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 22: 15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you.

Tell us your opinion then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he replied, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's,' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10
Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

PARISH LISTENING GATHERING

Fr George Joseph will conclude his time as Parish Priest at the end of this year. The College of Consultors is a group that advises the Archbishop in his decisions on clergy appointment. To assist with their discernment, you are invited to a parish gathering with two representatives from the Consultors who will take time to listen to parishioners' thoughts on the Mission, Vision and Unique Charism of St John Vianney's Parish. You are asked to respond to two questions:

- 1. As a parish, what have you done well?**
- 2. What are your hopes for what the parish will look like in the future?**

The gathering will be held at
6pm Monday 30 October
in St John Vianney's School Hall



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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 RECONCILIATION

Saturday 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.

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

21/22 October 2023

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Let Us Pray:

Lord, give me the grace to be Your instrument of announcing the Good News. Preserve me from the sin of omission and from doing good deeds only for the appearance of being good. May all my deeds have their root in You and in my love for my neighbors. Amen.

The image engraved on our hearts

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, when Jesus asks the Pharisees to tell him whose image was engraved on the coin owed for the census tax, he uses it to teach a lesson about the image that should be engraved upon our hearts. Our hearts should belong to God and to God alone.

The Romans believed that their emperors were divine. Therefore, to possess Roman coins meant carrying around the graven image of a human god. The Pharisees knew this when they challenged Jesus.

Paying the census tax to Caesar symbolized more than just submission to a foreign government. It had religious connotations. If Jesus was a true prophet, he should speak up against Jews possessing pagan coins. If he was a true messiah, he should deliver them from the oppression and taxes of the foreign government - or so they thought.

We don't know how they happened to have the Roman coin that they showed to Jesus. If they pulled it out of their own purses, which is likely, it revealed their hypocrisy. However, Jesus wasn't just interested in exposing their hypocrisy; he wanted to make a point about the True Messiah.

If we belong to God, Jesus is engraved upon our hearts. We have been rescued from the destruction of sin by the Messiah. We have let him deliver us from the oppression of evil that was caused by our sins.

Whose image do others see when they look at your life? When people see you, do they see Jesus engraved upon you? To the extent that they do, that's the extent to which you belong to the kingdom of God!

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FOR YOUR DIARY OCTOBER	
23 Mon	No Mass
24 Tues	No Mass
25 Wed	9:00am Rosary No Mass 7.30pm Rosary on-line via ZOOM
26 Thurs	9.30am Mass
27 Fri	9:30am Mass
28 Sat	10.30am Baptism - SMITH 4:30pm Reconciliation 30TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME 5.00pm Mass (Manly)
29 Sun	7:00am Mass (Gumdale) 9:30am Mass (Manly) 10.30am International Morning Tea



CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Please support our Confirmation candidates by praying the following prayer:
Come Holy Spirit, Fill our candidates with the power of your love. Strengthen their faith and give them the confidence they need to share it with others, so that through them, others will witness the power of our love. We make this prayer in the name of the Father, through the Son and in the Holy Spirit. Amen

NOVEMBER MASS OFFERING ENVELOPES
 November Mass Offering Envelopes for Masses to be offered for the Faithfully Departed Souls are now available in the foyer of the church.

COLUMBARIUM UPDATE
 Thank you to the many parishioners who have given positive feedback about the proposal to build a Columbarium (wall for placing ashes of deceased loved ones) at St. John Vianney's church. As you can appreciate, the project is quite complicated, requiring Council approval and adherence to various regulations. Updates will be provided as and when we have more news.

	Welcomer	1st Reader	2nd Reader	EMHC	Screen	Servers	Counter
Sat 21 Oct	Jen B	Maureen B	Denis H	Denise D, Gerardina	Pam	HS	C
Sun 22 Oct	Mark E	SJV Family Mass				SN, LF, CO	
Sat 28 Oct	Colleen S	Confirmation Candidates		Jen B, Mikaela A	Irene	DH	D
Sun 29 Oct	Holly S	Confirmation Candidates		Margaret H, Mark E	Nola	PN, SN, SCV	

This parish is Child Safety Aware and complies with Australian Privacy Laws. A copy of the Safeguarding policy is situated in the foyer of the church. STOPLINE CONTACT: Phone 1 300 304 400 Email AOB@stopline.com.au

OF YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Pat Ellis, Brian Eather, Merv Holman.

ANNIVERSARIES: N.M Joseph, 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, Jill 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, Irene Gavrilla, Richard Pook, Maureen Handcock, David Schilling, Leesa Scott, Natasha Skitmore, Joanne Small, Barry Smith, 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.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/timor

With Timor-Leste's fragile infrastructure, reliance on local health practices, and limited access to medical care, many health conditions only worsen, and sadly can result in death.

Next week, Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Venilale, Timor-Leste where your gift can help continue a life saving program to help address this reality.

Please help those in need.



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR MORNING
TEA AFTER THE 9.30AM MASS
TODAY**



CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME

We congratulate and welcome:
Anastasia Cuneen
Chloe Corbett
 who were Baptised in our Parish this weekend.

PLANT SALE FOR THE MISSIONS
 Before and after Mass @ St John Vianney's Church
THIS WEEKEND
 Plants for sale by donation from \$5 - \$10
CASH ONLY

VOTIVE CANDLES AT MARY'S ALTAR
 The light of the votive candle signifies our prayer offered in faith coming into the light of God and show our desire to remain present to the Lord in prayer even after we depart from the church.
Please do not extinguish any lit candles.

SUGGESTION BOX - PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
 Thank you to parishioners for continuing to place your comments and ideas in the PPC Suggestion Boxes at both churches. The PPC are currently planning for 2024 and we would appreciate your ideas on what social and/or spiritual events you would like to see in our Parish next year. Simply fill in a form and pop it into the Suggestion Box or chat to one of the PPC members any time.


OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE ROSARY
 A decade of the Rosary will be recited before all Masses in October.

WELCOME TO OUR SJV FAMILY MASS
 Today, Year 3 to Year 6 children from SJV School will be leading us in the Liturgy of the Word and the Offertory Procession. We welcome these children and their families to our Liturgical Celebration and thank them for their participation.

For the Children

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A
Give to God what belongs to God
 Everything we have was given to us by God, who gives us love with unending generosity. How often do we remember to say "thank you" or to return just a little of what we have been given?

LET US PRAY
 Father in heaven, I give you today, all that I think and do and say. Fill me with grace and make me strong; with you at my side I won't go wrong.



International Morning Tea NEXT Weekend



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

- ♦ **Dress in your National Costume**
- ♦ **Share a dish that represents your Nationality**
- ♦ **Bring your National Flag**

For catering purposes please add your name and details to the Sign-up Sheet in the foyer.

A MORNING'S PRAYER RETREAT
Saturday 28th October, 9am -12pm
A Morning's Prayer is a mini retreat at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, providing a prayerful respite from the busyness of life. The morning will be facilitated by Evangelisation Brisbane with time for input, prayer, reflection and faith sharing. The main focus of the morning will be on what God is calling us to do in this lifetime.
Cost: \$25 including morning tea
 For more information phone 3324 3179 or go to:
<https://santateresa.org.au/news-events/>

NEED A LIFT TO MASS
 Do you, or someone you know, need a lift to Mass? Please complete the "I Need A Lift To Mass" form and we will arrange transport for you.

SAVE THE DATE

Knights of the Southern Cross
Fundraising Dinner
Wednesday 29 November



GOD'S WORD
 DAILY REFLECTIONS **2024**
 This excellent little book contains daily readings and a reflection. Available from the Piety Shop for **ONLY \$16 until 30 October.**