

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr B - 10 Oct 2021

First Reading *Wis 7:7-11 A reading from the book of Wisdom*

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14*

(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

1. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger forever? Show pity to your servants. (R.)
2. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune. (R.)
3. Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading *Heb 4:12-13 A reading from the letter to the Hebrews*

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

Gospel Acclamation *Mt 5:3*

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel *Mk 10:17-30 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark*

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

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Dear People of God,

The Gospel of Mark for today's Sunday's readings can be divided into three aspects. The first aspect is the young man's desire for an admission into the Heavenly Kingdom. The second, is the difficulty to be able to sacrifice one's own wealth in order to follow the way of Jesus Christ. And lastly, the rewards that God can bestow on a Christian who willingly renounces all that he or she has for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven. These are common challenges that we face on a daily basis.

For the young man, he was rich and vibrant. He admired Jesus Christ and even aspired to become his follower. He believed he had qualified for the kingdom because he had lived a virtuous life according to the commandments and word of God. But there was one problem. He was attached to his wealth. His attachment signifies a spiritual problem where he lived a life too dependent on his own providence rather than trusting in God alone. Therefore, the young man walked away from Christ in sadness.

The disciples may have been called by Christ and have fulfilled everything that is demanded of them, especially with the many sacrifices they had to make. The problem here was their interior spirituality of how they were really living out the Gospel of the Lord. Sometimes we give honour to our own righteousness in the faith. We may assume that we have done well, but really, we have failed to be exemplars of love towards those in need of our love, especially to those we may not love and even hate.

The greatest news above it all is God's promise to those who truly desire to give all they can to Him for the sake of his Gospel and the Kingdom of Heaven. God rewards a cheerful giver not because they have to make sacrifices, but because they want to. Our love for God can only be the way that allows us to undertake the most difficult commandment from this Gospel. If we don't love in the measure that God loves us, then of course it will be difficult. How often then do we find ourselves walking away in sadness as a result of it?

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MASS AND PRAYER TIMES AT ST BRIGID'S CHURCH

Week Day Mass

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 7.00 am
 Wednesday 5.45 pm
 Saturday Morning 9.00 am

Mass for the Sick with Anointing is on the
 Third Saturday of the month at 9.00am

The next Anointing Mass will be TBA

Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm
 Sunday 8.30 am sometimes live streamed

10.30am - except 4th Sundays for
 Beechmont ...see below.

St John's Windabout Road, Beechmont 4th Sunday of each month - 10.30am
 Next Mass at St John's TBA


Rosary
 Monday, Tuesday, Friday at 7.30 am
 Saturday at 8.30am. Sunday 8.00am

Divine Mercy Prayer Thursday 7.30 am
Adoration Thursday 6.00-7.00pm

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Saturday 9.30 am

Reconciliation: St Brigid's Church By appointment only

Mass at Earle Haven - TBA



We remember all those who have gone before us to rest in the loving embrace of Jesus


We pray for the recently deceased : Lynette Cox

We pray for the departed whose anniversaries occur at this time:

We also remember their families—may they be comforted in their loss by this Community of Faith.

We pray for those who are sick or in hospital: Mary Topui, Graham Meakin, Christina Hendriksen, Doreen Slater, Peter Doring, Ian Robins, Brenda Dale, Shawn Marshall.

Our prayers are also offered for those who are elderly and in Nursing Homes.



HOSPITAL CALLS

Robina Hospital - Burleigh Heads Parish on 5576 6466
 Pindara Hospital - Surfers Paradise Parish 5572 5433
 John Flynn Hospital -Coolangatta-Tugun Parish on 5598 2165
 University & Gold Coast Private Hosp-Southport Parish 5510 2222

Morning Tea Roster

Anyone interested in being on the
 Sunday morning Tea Roster please
 contact Betty 0438 130 322.

Covid Safe Work Training for Dining In is a
 requirement. See Betty for details.

CHECK IN QLD APP

We encourage everyone to download the [Check In Qld App](#).
 Please be advised as of 9th July 2021 all churches must use the [Check In Qld App](#). It would be helpful to come to Church early to ensure you are registered correctly during this transitioning time.

WE ASK THAT PHONES ARE TURNED OFF OR ON SILENT MODE AFTER SIGNING IN.

Due to these obligations it is imperative that proper contact details be recorded for everyone as mandated by the government to keep everyone safe. Please adhere to these requirements as there are large fines and penalties that can be issued to the Parish and the Parish Priest for non-compliance to the directives of the Qld Health Department.
 Please be patient and courteous with our staff and volunteers.

Week-day Mass Readings				
Days		Memorials/Feasts	Readings (R1 and R2)	Gospel Reading
Mon	11/10/21	Monday 28th Wk in Ord Time	R1: Rom 1:1-7	Lk 11:29-32
Tues	12/10/21	Tuesday 28th Wk in Ord Time	R1: Rom 1:16-25	Lk 11:37-41
Wed	13/10/21	Wednesday 28th Wk in Ord Time	R.1: Rom 2:1-11	Lk 11:42-46
Thurs	14/10/21	Thursday 28th Wk in Ord Time	R 1: Rom 3:21-30	Lk 11:47-54
Fri	15/10/21	St Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor	R1: Rom 4:1-8	Lk 12:1-7

from the perspective

of the Disciples

'What about us?' Peter cried. The disciples were staggered that Jesus could turn away the rich man so easily and declare how difficult it is to enter into the kingdom of God. They suddenly see themselves in the shoes of the rich man: what more do they have to do? They've left their homes and families to traipse after Jesus, believing that this sacrifice would be enough to assure them a place in the kingdom, and suddenly they are faced with doubts. Has it all been worth it? Jesus reminds them that if they have followed him for all the right reasons then their reward is assured.

SHELVES AT ENTRANCE TO CHURCH

Please do not put any brochures, prayer cards, videos or DVD'S on the shelves without the prior consent of the office or the Presiding Priest. This area is only to be used for Archdiocese sanctioned items.

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"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (Mark 10:25)

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. But, we are all called to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts, and especially the one that means the most to us! That includes our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities. www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weekly-bible-reflections

LOST & FOUND

The Lost and Found items will be kept in the kitchen of the Church for a maximum of 4 weeks. If not collected during this time all items will be donated to Charity or disposed of.

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come Holy Spirit of the great South Land
 O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
 Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognize Jesus, our companion on the road.
 Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.
 Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.
 Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.