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Thirtieth Sunday in Ord Time Yr C – Oct. 23, 2022

First Reading Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 *A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus*

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:2-3. 17-19. 23. R. v.7

(R.) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

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| <p>1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. (R.)</p> <p>2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
The just call and the Lord hears
and rescues them in all their distress. (R.)</p> | <p>3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.
The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. (R)</p> |
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Second Reading 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 *A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy*

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.
Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 18:9-14 *A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke*

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else, 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

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Dear People of God,

It is very easy for religious people to fall into a kind of self-righteousness. Their very enthusiasm and generosity can plant the seeds of religious arrogance. They know what commitment demands of them; they experience relative success in their endeavors to be faithful; they distance themselves from what they think might threaten their resolve; and then they pass judgment on those who do not share their values or experience their success. This kind of arrogance is often imperceptible, because there is enough truth in every step along the way that it is difficult to recognise when one is veering off the track.

Jesus extols the humility of the one who admits being a sinner, and can accept the implications of that admission. This is the kind of prayer that is described in the reading from Sirach and the psalm response. It is those who can admit that they are needy who turn to God in that need. It is those who trust that God will be their strength in the face of their weaknesses who are strengthened.

Paul's own prayer demonstrates the attitudes that should be ours as we pray. Like the Pharisee, he acknowledges his success. He has competed well; he has finished the course; he has kept the faith. However, unlike the Pharisee, he acknowledges that God is the source of any good he has been able to accomplish. The Lord stood by him and gave him strength. If there is any glory, it belongs to God. Paul's confident prayer springs from a humble heart.

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Important Notice: There will be no Masses at St Brigid's from Mon. 7th November to Fri. 11th November inclusive. Masses will commence again Saturday, 12th November at 9:00am.

The Pauline Fathers & Brothers will be attending a meeting in Sydney during this time.

CHURCHES	MASS AND PRAYER TIMES AT ST BRIGID'S CHURCH		
	Week Day Mass		
St Brigid's Church 39-49 McLaren Rd Nerang Q 4211	Monday, Thursday, and Friday	7.00 am	
	Wednesday	6.00 pm	
	Saturday Morning	9.00 am	
St John's Church Windabout Rd Beechmont Q 4211	Sunday Mass		
	Saturday Vigil	6.00 pm	
	Sunday	8.30 am sometimes live streamed	
SCHOOL	St John's Windabout Road, Beechmont		
	1st Sunday of each month - 9.00am Next Mass at St John's 6th November 2022		
St Brigid's Primary McLaren Road Nerang Q 4211 Phone: 5596 4188	Rosary		
	Monday, Thursday, Friday at 6.30 am		
	Saturday at 8.30am. Sunday 8.00am		
St Brigid's Primary McLaren Road Nerang Q 4211 Phone: 5596 4188	Divine Mercy Prayer	Thursday 7.30 am	
	Adoration in Church	Wednesday 5.30pm followed by 6.00pm Mass	
St Brigid's Primary McLaren Road Nerang Q 4211 Phone: 5596 4188	Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Saturday 9.30 am	
	Reconciliation: St Brigid's Church	Saturdays 8:15am & 5:15 pm and Wednesday 5:15 pm	
St Brigid's Primary McLaren Road Nerang Q 4211 Phone: 5596 4188	Mass at Earle Haven -	Next Mass 4th November 2022 9:15am	
WEB PAGE: www.sb.qld.edu.au			
MATTHEW VINE Principal			

We remember all those who have gone before us to rest in the loving embrace of Jesus
We pray for the recently deceased : Serge Fabre, Wolfgang Heurich, Fr. Joseph Sardie
We pray for the departed whose anniversaries occur at this time: Michael Best
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: Tony Ciriello, Pam Hudson, Mary Topui
Our prayers are also offered for those who are elderly and in Nursing Homes.



THE SHRINE OF MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
MARIAN VALLEY MASS TIMES

Weekday Mass is at 9.00 am Monday to Friday
 Saturday Mass time is 11.00am Sunday Mass times 11.00am and 4.00pm



HOSPITAL CALLS

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

Please come and join us at the Marian Valley Church for the feast of Our Lady of Fatima on the 13.11.2022. The bus will be picking up at 8.15 am at the Sacred Heart Church Clear Island Waters. The Cost for the bus fare \$25.00 return. You can secure your seat with contact name and contact phone number with Xavier Solomon 0404 843 260, Madeleine on 0405 252 367 or 5529 1573,. All are welcome.


Tap & Go

You will notice a new Tap & Go machine at the church entrance. This is a very handy method of giving to St. Brigid's. The machine has been pre-set so that One tap equals \$10, two taps equals \$20 and multiples thereof. This takes care of the problem of being caught without cash and is a great benefit to our parish. Please use before or after Mass, not during.

BAPTISM PREPARATION -

The preparation meeting for Baptism of infants will be held on Saturday 29th October 2022 at 10.00am. in the Parish Centre. All parents who wish to have their children baptised in the next few months are encouraged to attend.

All Souls Day Service
 Sunday 6th Nov. 11:00am Allambie Gardens
 All Souls Day Service & Stations of the Cross
 Everyone Welcome
 Refreshments Following



Your gift can bring hope for families in need !

This week-end you have the opportunity to partner with the Church in Ethiopia to bring hope to the community of Emdibir. Responding to the need of our neighbour is the heart of mission, and you can be a witness of Jesus' love by helping provide life-changing support for families in need.

"And it is true that what we do for our brother, we are doing it for God. Because God is invisible, but we see him in our brothers and sisters who are in need...to help our brothers and sisters in need is almost fulfilling God's plan for mankind."

Bishop Musie Ghebregiorghis O.F.M. Cap.
 Catholic Diocese of Emdibir

We here at St Brigid's Catholic Parish Nerang as part of the Archdiocese of Brisbane MUST ABIDE BY AND ADHERE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRIVACY ACT & THE AUSTRALIAN PRIVACY PRINCIPLES. The Privacy Act impacts upon us all today and if you wish to peruse the Compliance Requirements and the Privacy Act, please go to the Archdiocesan Website www.bne.catholic.net.au. The Policy is on our website

LIVING THE GOSPEL

Competitive prayer!

For the Pharisee, his prayer is a competition. He prays aloud so that others can hear him and be impressed. Perhaps he thinks that God is as impressed as those who look up to him? His prayer is also an opportunity to make himself look good at the expense of another. Certainly, prayer is a time to celebrate with God our triumphs and successes, but above all it is an opportunity to be truly honest with God and with ourselves. The prayer of the tax collector is the most honest of prayers. This honesty is what is impressive; not the competitive showing off.

Mass for the Holy Souls

MASS FOR THE HOLY SOULS
 Please offer Mass for the Family, Friends, Relatives and Benefactors of:

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Amount \$ _____

"It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be freed from their sins."
 11 Machabees 12:46

November Masses

Please take an envelope, complete the details and return in time for inclusion in the November Masses