

want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them, 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

#### ■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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# Breaking Open the Word

## GREATNESS THROUGH SERVICE

James and John were two especially privileged disciples. Called on the first day of Jesus' ministry with Peter and Andrew, they were special witnesses to the raising of Jairus' daughter and to the Transfiguration. While the other disciples knew this, they were not prepared for their audacious and ambitious request to share in Jesus' reign. Jesus had no sooner predicted, for the second time, the fate that awaited him in Jerusalem than they revealed their complete failure to comprehend Jesus' message. Their request unmasked their ambition and desire for power. Service and giving oneself for others are to be the hallmark of the Christian community, and the manner in which greatness is to be expressed. Like the suffering servant of Isaiah who takes on the punishment which is due to others Jesus will give his life so that others might live. This is what is required of those who would be leaders in the Christian community.

In speaking of Jesus as the great and eternal high priest there was the danger that early Christians would then feel in some way distant from the one who had saved them. The letter to the Hebrews makes the point that even though Jesus' death and resurrection have brought him into the highest heaven he has not lost sight of the people. That Jesus was without sin does not mean that he does not understand our human situation. He has shared our human experience and is therefore able to mediate on our behalf with mercy and grace.

Christopher Monaghan CP



# THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

17 OCTOBER 2021

## FIRST READING

Isa 53:10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs and have long life.*

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over

he shall see the light and be content.

By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

#### ■ The word of the Lord.

## RESP PSALM

Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22. R. v. 22

**R.** Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

1. The word of the Lord. is faithful / and all his works to be trusted. / The Lord loves justice and right / and fills the earth with his love. **R.**

2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, / on those who hope in his love, / to rescue their souls from death, / to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. / The Lord is our help and our shield. / May your love be upon us, O Lord, / as we place all our hope in you. **R.**

## SECOND READING

Heb 4:14-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.*

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to



the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

#### ■ The word of the Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mk 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

Mk 10:35-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

*The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all.*

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we

17 Oct 2021  
Yr B 29th Sunday

## WELCOME TO ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

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**WEEKEND MASSES** Vigil: Sat 5.30pm Sun: 9am and 5.30pm  
Mon: No Mass Tues: No Mass  
**WEEKDAY MASSES** Wed: 12 noon Thur: 9am  
Fri: 9am Sat: 9am

**CONFESSIONS**  
Sat: 4.30-5.15pm  
\*Or by appointment

**ENTRANCE:** To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me;

**ANTIPHON:** hear my words; Guard me as the apple of your eye;  
- in the shadow of your wings protect me.

### COMMUNION

**ANTIPHON:** The Son of Man has come to give his life as a ransom for many.

**May God have mercy on all those asked to be remembered in prayer:**

**Recently Deceased:** Michael Brady, Sr Phyllis McCann rsj, Michael Sullivan.

**Anniversaries:** Ned Clarke, Warren Doherty (6/10), Edna Worthington (7/10), Bill Teo (29/10).

**Deceased:** Sr Claire Burgess (rsj), Colleen Greer, Gwen Press, Marcia Tutin, Betty Hodgins, Coral Markey, Loyola Hawthorne, Vera Anne Pendergast.

**Sick:** Shirley Hobbs, Barbara Brennan, Lisa Foster, Kevin Bonner, Maria Mood, Sophie Littlejohn, Kate Harrison, Deacon Peter Harrison, Maureen Harrison, Margaret Marshall, Graeme Bussell, Fr Bernie Flood.

### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 24TH OCTOBER.

*"For we cannot keep from speaking about what we have seen and heard". Acts 4:20.*  
Next Sunday.

**PADDY'S CORNER -** "Your brother is your first male friend in your life. No one will ever understand your craziness like your brother. Even if you don't get together or talk as much as you'd like, he always remains your friend. While people come and go in your life, your brother will always be in your heart for a lifetime." *BUT on the other hand*  
"A Sunday School teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five- and six-year-olds. After explaining the commandment to "honour thy father and mother," she asked, "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?" Without missing a beat, one boy (the oldest of a family of seven) answered, "Thou shalt not kill."



**CHURCH COLLECTIONS:** Contactless Option Below.

BSB 082105 **1st Coll:** Presbytery Acc 001023642

**2nd Coll:** St Patricks Church Acc 001041198

Please keep deposits separate. Thank you.

**FOUND:** A single gold earring has been found in the church. Please contact the presbytery if you have lost one.



### NSW STATE COVID UPDATE: **\*\*Received from the Diocesan Office 13/10/21**

- Churches in LGA's with no current stay at home orders can remain open.
- From 11 October till 80% vaccination rate is reached those 16yrs or over must be fully vaccinated to enter into certain premises including Churches.
- Masks must be worn by all over 12 yrs.
- Social distancing is required at 4m<sup>2</sup>.
- No congregational singing.

**\*\*\* The Bishop has advised that adults not fully vaccinated are dispensed from their Sunday Mass obligation during this time and on 24th October the 10am Cathedral Mass will be livestreamed.**

**MISSION SUNDAY:** Next week Catholic Mission will invite you to partner with Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand as they reach out to vulnerable mothers, like Churai\*, and their babies, who would have nowhere to turn when they need support, love and kindness the most.. **Next week you will have the opportunity to respond to vital mission programs supporting children and communities in need around the world.** Please come with an open and generous heart.

**SYNOD OF BISHOPS:** On Sunday, October 17, dioceses around the world will launch preparations for the Synod of Bishops, which has the theme: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The Catholic Church in Australia will invite the People of God to make submissions via an online portal that will open on October 17. Those submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Find out more at:

<http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

**STAND UP FOR LIFE:** Contact our local MP Kevin Anderson today in person or by phone 6766 1422 registering your opposition to the NSW Euthanasia legislation. Also vote in his survey at [www.kevinanderson.com.au/voluntary-assisted-dying-bill-2021](http://www.kevinanderson.com.au/voluntary-assisted-dying-bill-2021) Please take home a copy of the Bishop's letter on this important matter or access it at [www.armidale.catholic.org.au](http://www.armidale.catholic.org.au)

**MASS AT HOME: Television:** Mass for You at Home airs on **Channel 10** at 6am each Sunday, and also **Foxtel Channel 173** at 10am. **Online:** Online Masses streamed by the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney on: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZxfrykD8iSWExFBdM7fpRg>

**Mass from St Mary and Joseph Cathedral** will be livestreamed on Sunday 24 October pm YouTube <https://youtu.be/M1Sy9lxmz1w> and via Zoom as a back up at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81801018569?pwd=SmFzRDgwVXordWtEZ0FQdDFjSE5hQT09>

Please check the Diocesan website for these links <https://armidale.catholic.org.au/>

### WEEK 1 ROSTER: 17/10/21

**Vigil:** R Sr Kathryn G Styman  
**9am Sun:** R S Nichols G Clout  
**5.30pm Sun:** R M and J Murray  
**Counting Team** 18/10 C Lavell A Bowden  
**Sat Cleaning** 23/10 K O'Brien J Cunningham  
**Altar Linen:** E Smyth

### WEEK 2 ROSTER: 24/10/21

**Vigil:** R D Bolitho R Palmer  
**9am Sun:** R S Brown O Monet  
**5.30pm Sun:** R M and J Murray  
**Counting Team** 25/10 G&M Thrift; A Bowden  
**Sat Cleaning** 30/10 J Hutt & J Moran  
**Altar Linen** H Reid

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and care for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

