



Saint Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

Birkdale · Thorneside · Wellington Point

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C - 22nd September 2019

Dear friends

The opening parable in today's gospel (Luke 16:1-13) is linked both to the main parable in last Sunday's gospel reading (Luke 15:1-32) and to next Sunday's (16:19-31). Last Sunday's prodigal son "squandered" his property and today's steward was denounced for "being wasteful" with his master's possessions.

The wasteful steward in today's parable recognises that his position was at risk, and amends affairs to set up a friendly reception elsewhere, a move that won the approval of his master for its astuteness. Modern readers find this perplexing and could ask why the others who had their debts reduced would trust him with their own property should they employ him. Some suggestions are that it was normal for servants to add their own commission; it was how they were paid, and so this steward would be seen as reducing his own cut, thus as being thrifty, not as grafting.

Many parables in Luke's gospel have complex overlapping themes, and while some are more prominent, those of these three Sundays (that is, last Sunday, today, and next Sunday) all feature the use of possessions, but each with a different orientation; last Sunday's prodigal son consumed his goods self-indulgently, today's steward used his master's wastefully, and next Sunday's rich man uses his selfishly—at which time the figure of Abraham is used, the wealthy man who used his possessions generously. Altogether they refer to a quality needed for disciples of Jesus, even if they do not always teach about it directly: the disciples of Jesus are not to be attached to possessions and need to be willing to use them for the good of others and according to the vision of the kingdom of heaven.

Rev Dr Barry Craig - Homily Help Liturgia. Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Parish Diary:

Monday 23rd September

St Pius of Pietrelcina

7:00pm Rosary

Tuesday 24th September

Wednesday 25th September

7:30am HeartFIT

10:00am Prayer Group

5:00pm Music Practice

Thursday 26th September

5:30pm Reconciliation

6:00pm Mass

Friday 27th September

St Vincent de Paul

9:30am Mass

Saturday 28th September

3:30pm Baptism Celebration

6:15pm Mass

Sunday 29th September

8:00am Mass

"I have always found that mercy bears richer fruits than strict justice."

– Abraham Lincoln

This Week's Readings:

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7 – *The Lord spoke against those who buy the poor for money.*

Psalms Response: The Lord hears the cry of the poor, blessed be the Lord.

(Alternative Psalm Response if spoken): Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor.

Second Reading: 1 Tim 2:1-8 – *Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13 – *You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.*



Next week's Readings

First: Amos 6:1, 4-7

Second: 1 Tim 6:11-16

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Mass Times: Saturday 6:15pm & Sunday 8:00am

Reconciliation: Thursday 5:30pm

Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9am to 1pm.

Wednesday Closed.

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A VOCATION VIEW:

Do you think it is the Lord who is motivating you to make lots of money, to use people, to grab for power, to attend to the needs of others?

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Please be mindful of our sick & all who care for them: Paul McKean, Geoffrey Whall, Kevin Harrop, Judy Mullan, Charles Lilley, Ann Brown, Sally Legarda, Gemma Paxman, James Thomas, Cindy Cummins, John Bacon, Winifred Linton, Jodie Bromiley, Casey Whitby, Trish Swan, Ian Splatt, Jan Hurst, Steven West, Ava Loda, Joan Thorpe, Patricia Haines, Belinda Wheeler, Cely Salisbury, The Bade Family, Carol Parker, Brian Crimmins, Brian Johnston, Medi Camelli, Hazel Foster, Dan Mullan, Stana Matic, Page Brosnan, Dot Abrahams, Corrie Roser, Amelia Ramsay, Betty Reagan, Mary Chylewski, Jeanette Moore, Nola Murphy, Christiana Becker, Cathy Leane, Pauline McNamee, Pat Crimmins, Gina Mather.

May God embrace all who have recently died: Kathy MacLellan, Dulcie Perera, Maria Alsemegeest, Hazel Quilty, Les Moroney, Nell Elliott.

Anniversaries & Remembrances September: Gino Bunin, Storgato Carmelo, Thelma Ferris, Grace Longwill, Agnes Sherry, Gianni Tocchetti, Emilia Santarosa, Joshua Baulch, Bertie Perera (father of Lorraine Kumar), Celsa Obligado, Arthur Pitts, Herbert Chiverall, Herbert Chiverall Snr, Patrick Maxwell, Todd Hayes, David Colman, Ann Walsh, James Knight, Tom Lanigan, Theresa Fitzgerald, Iris Morley, Gordon & Ruby Rixon, (baby) Leo Smith, Porferia Balito, Brian Burnheim, Joshua Baulch, Val Fagan, Margaret Frost, Ursula Briggs, John Baldacchino, Dolly Kenny, Patrick Crotty, Kath & Bill Buckpitt, Edith Splatt, Terry Britt, Vince Mawn, Clarence Wilcox, Joe & Kit Whittaker, Frances Reason, Leonardo Leotta, Teresa Myrda, Shirley Swann, Ron Reily, Katherine Vitali, Mary Murphy, Thomas McNamee, Fabio Ferri, Allan Salisbury, Claire Coulson, Angelo Santarossa, Nessa McGleenon, Tom Curran, Linda Connah, James Hume.

Please record any further names in the Anniversaries & Remembrance Diary at the Welcome Desk

Roster 28th & 29th September

Junior Ministers		Readers	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Music
6:15pm	Holly J Alesha J	6:15pm (1st) Matty M (2nd) Martin M (POF) Emma M	6:15pm John E, Therese E, Tom M, Anne Maree C, Suzanne G	6:15pm CD 8:00am CD
8:00am	Volunteer	8:00am (1st) Lorraine K (2nd) Julie C (POF) Margaret C	8:00am Elaine H, 6 <i>Volunteers</i>	Powerpoint 6:15pm Lisa K 8:00am Chris M Counters: Gp 5 Mike V & Matty M Cleaning:
Weekend Mass Times		Week Day Mass Times		Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday	Manly - 5:00pm Birkdale - 6:15pm	St John Vianney Manly Ph 3131 2610 Tuesday - 6:00pm and Wednesday - 9:30am St Mary MacKillop Birkdale Ph 3822 2139 Thursday - 6:00pm and Friday - 9:30am Carmelite Monastery 7:00am Monday to Saturday		St Mary MacKillop Birkdale Thursday 5.30pm to 6:00pm St John Vianney Manly Saturday 4.30pm to 5:00pm St Jude Gumdale Sunday following 7:00am Mass
Sunday	Gumdale - 7:00am Birkdale - 8:00am Manly - 9:30am			

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE Fr Frank will be accompanying an 11 Night/14 Day pilgrimage departing **Friday 24th July and returning Thursday 6th August 2020**. The tour is being organised by Harvest Journeys and will be visiting Bologna, Ravenna, Padua, Venice, Ljubljana, Lake Bled, Salzburg, Innsbruck and the Oberammergau Passion Play. Brochures and booking forms can be obtained from the Parish Office. If you would like any further information, please speak with Fr Frank.

Parish Office the Parish Office will be closed for annual leave from Monday 23rd September 2019 and will reopen on Tuesday 8th October 2019. Urgent enquiries can be directed to the St John Vianney parish office which will be open on Mondays and Fridays during school holiday time - phone 3131 2610 or email manly@bne.catholic.net.au

Wool Donation would be gratefully accepted by the ladies in our Activities Group who knit blankets and other items for the people in need in the Brisbane area. Donations of wool can be brought to weekend Masses or delivered to the Parish Office.

Church Liturgy Books for 2020 Orders for Break Open the Word and Daily Mass Books. It is time to order your 2020 copies. Please contact the parish office on 3822 2139 or birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au by 10th October if you would like to order (\$25.00 per book). Payment is required on receipt of books.

Small Coins for East Timor The collection jar for your SMALL COINS will be at the Welcome Desk each week. Total collected to date is **\$13,947.35**.

Rosary in the Park - Date claimer - Please join us on **12th October at 11am** at the "Bunnings" Park, Capalaba. For further information, please contact Maria Pierce on 0423 300685.

Our Lady Of Fatima Rosary Procession St. Stephen's Cathedral on 5th October 2019. Rosaries (two mysteries) at 10.30AM, Marian Mass at 11.30AM. Process around the streets approx 12.15PM (Elizabeth St, Adelaide St, Edward St, Cathedral). Benediction to conclude at the Cathedral.

Aid to the Church in Need On the 18th of October *Aid to the Church in Need* (ACN) is inviting children worldwide to take part in the campaign "One Million Children Praying the Rosary." For more information and for prayer resources visit, www.millionkidspraying.org.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION & PROTECTION POLICY STATEMENT

...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Mark 10:14

Children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded. This means that everyone in the church must ensure that the fundamental rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults are respected. This will be achieved through the development of respectful relationships and a commitment to safety embracing appropriate boundaries, behaviours and practices, in accordance with the Archdiocese of Brisbane *Code of Ethical Behaviour for employees and volunteers who work in service of the Church* as well as adherence to the legislative imperatives of the State. **STOPLINE Contact:** AOB@stoline.com.au .The Local Safeguarding Officer for our Parish is Lisa Knight - ph 3822 2139 or birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au

NEW PARISHIONER? WELCOME! If you are new to our Parish, you are most welcome. Please fill out the form below and place on one of the collection plates.

NAME(S): Mr / Mrs / Miss _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____