



## Are You Envious Because I am Generous?

Matthew 20:1-16

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*24 September 2023 - 25th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME*

Dear friends,

In this week's gospel of St. Matthew (20:1-16), Jesus tells of the parable of the landowner going out at different hours of the day to hire workers for his vineyard. In first century Palestine, casual labour was at the mercy of rich employers and landowners. Many of them were unscrupulous, paying as little as possible for a day's work. However, the landowner in today's parable is a decent man. He goes out again and again searching for those who are unemployed, understanding their hardships, for unemployment is not only an economic problem but one which demoralises people.

At the end of the day, the workers who have worked all day in the hot sun complain because they received the same wage as those who only worked one hour. The denarius that they had agreed upon was a just and fair wage. The employer is God in the parable, and Jesus is saying that he has been moved with compassion for the unemployed. Out of genuine concern for them and their families, he pays them a wage that is not proportionate to the work done, but in proportion to their needs.

At times in our lives we may be able to work a full day, and should be grateful that we can. But, there also may be times when work is challenging and we need the understanding of an employer whose work practices are not governed by profit alone.

In the parable Jesus teaches us something about God's Kingdom. Can we recognize ourselves in this parable, where the contrasts of jealousy and generosity are contrasted? We are all God's people, and our work for God is not a competition for his love, because it is all given freely. Let us give thanks for God's abundance for all that we receive from his hand.

Blessings,

**Fr. Kelvin**

Our schools are now on holidays and we hope all students, teachers and their families have a safe and pleasant break.

### END OF TERM PRAYER

*We thank you Lord, for this term.*

*For the challenges, the successes, and the mistakes from which we have learnt.*

*Be with us as we spend our time with family and friends.*

*Give us strength and courage to do what is right; to be witnesses of our faith.*

*Help us to be a practical Christian these holidays, to appreciate what others do for us, to give time and effort to help others, to be peacemakers in our family.*

*Keep us safe in our activities; give us good rest and good fun.*

*Bring us back refreshed and ready for a new term.*

*We thank you for our classmates, teachers, parents and a community that cares for us.*

*May we always be conscious of you in our lives. Amen*



**Until Monday,  
9th October**

#### PLEASE NOTE:

**The Parish Office will open  
Monday and Wednesday  
ONLY  
during the school break.**

## *Parish Masses This Week*

Monday	25 September	No Mass				Weekday, Ordinary Time 25
Tuesday	26 September	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 25
Wednesday	27 September	Mass	9.15am			St Vincent de Paul, priest
Thursday	28 September	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 25
Friday	29 September	Mass	9.15am			Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, archangels
Saturday	30 September	Mass	5.00pm			St Jerome, priest, doctor
Sunday	1 October	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5.30pm	26TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

## *Please Remember in your Prayers*

### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Lachlan Kean (nephew of Cecilia and Noel, died 15 September, aged 37), Sr. Margaret Hill OP, Fr Albert Yelds msc, Colin Maclean (past parishioner, husband of Bianca, father to Cara and Alexander(Sandy), Katie Mutter (friend of Cecylia Ramsden), Tomas Thrum (died 25th July aged 29 years, grandson of Daphne Thrum, son of Nicholas and Elizabeth , brother of Joel and nephew of Rachael, Andrew, Edmund, Damian, Benedict, Dominic, Emma, Nathan and Jessica), Des McCarthy (much loved uncle of Kathy and Paul Sutherland, died 5 August, aged 97yrs), Shirley Moylan (sister in law of Moira Sullivan), Eva Malikova (friend of Pribila Family, died this month).

### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Les Hanna (husband of Fifi, father of father of Sam, Joseph (dec) & Tony and much loved grandfather, 3rd Anniversary and for Joseph Hanna and Zeina Younan and all deceased members of the Hanna and Sassin families), Róisín Brosnan (mother of Louise Smith, 3rd anniversary 21st September), Elizabeth Anne Schmitz (daughter of Susanne and Terry, past parishioners, 2nd anniversary 26 September), Moira Owen (aunt of Dylan Belsey-1st anniversary 26th August), Robert Muir (25th anniversary, 29 September), Thomas James Clements (Mary Kirkwood's father, 23rd anniversary, 28 September), Dolly Anderson (Margaret MacMillan's mother, anniversary 15 September), Bev Dunlop (dear friend of Margaret and Pat MacMillan, anniversary 17 September), Shirley Ranson (Fr David's Mum - 9th anniversary on 18 September), Margaret Denham (Tess Denham-Fabry's mother, 7th anniversary 14 September), Pam McCarthy (Kathy Sutherland's Mum, 5th anniversary, 11 September), Hend El-Daher (mother of Denise Kassis - 15th anniversary on 11 September), Vincenzo Monardo (Tony's Dad, 5th anniversary, 12 September), Eduardo and Dandee Dimalag (husband and son of Remy Gregory), Mick O'Conner (father of Louise Limbers, 6th anniversary, 3 September), Faye Amodeo (Alan Amodeo's mother, 6th anniversary, 6 September), Patricia Darwell (mother of Steve and Greg , 7th anniversary 6 September), Maria Immacolata Vumbaca (mother of Nancy, George and Tony, 6th anniversary on 9 September), Anthony Pochyly (Grandfather of Cecylia Ramsden, 60th anniversary, 6 September), Patricia Loneragan (sister of Fred, 6th anniversary on 26 August), Jean Goldrick (Chris' Mum, 8th anniversary on 27 August), Louis Planas (17th anniversary on 19 August), Betty Laing (Ken's Mum, 5th anniversary, 22nd August), Rose Leong (aunt of Caroline Ho, 3rd anniversary, 18 August), Wanda Abram (sister of Francis Guvlekjian and family, 12th anniversary on 15 August).

### **FOR THE SICK:**

Baby Joseph Akkary (great great nephew of Denise Kassis), Robert Waring (brother in law of Denise Kassis), Tobias Vieira (son of Samantha and Jose), Dymna and Greg Hayes (sister and brother-in-law of Maureen Kippax), Henry Alan Field (4yrs—grandchild of dear friend of Cecilia Kean), Judy Ford (sister in law of Irene King), Mike Tighe, Philip Clump, Chris Le Gras, Conor and Leila McCreton, Tina Northcott, Rosalie Bertaglia (friend of Megan Khannah), Pam Gallagher, Margaret MacMillan, Leon D'Apice, Geoff Deacon (brother-in-law of Irene King), Greg McNally, John Clark, Emma Vassallo (Granddaughter of Will Hayward), Alyssa Kent, Ted Hook (Antonina's husband), Joe Pulis, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Anne Carney, Walter Sutcliffe, Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Judith Hodson, Freya Carney, Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Doris Buzinskas.

### ***VERY IMPORTANT—Working with Children Check and National Police History Check***

If you are a parish volunteer / PFC and/or PPMC Member, can you please make sure your WWCC and NPHC are still current and if not, kindly renew them. Please advise the Parish Office of the updated details. Thank you.

***\*Senior Ladies*** next meet ***Thursday, 5th October*** at 2:00pm in the Parish Sunroom.

***\*1st Saturday of the month—9:15am Mass***  
***Saturday, 7th October.***

***\*The "Come As You Are" (CAYA) Discussion & Reflection Group*** are having a break until ***Thursday, 19th October.***

## What do the Readings say to us this Sunday - 25th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading: Is 55:6-9:**

*My thoughts are not your thoughts.*

**Second Reading: Phil 1:20-24, 27:**

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Open our ears, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.  
Alleluia!*

**Mt 20:1-16::**

*Why are you so jealous because I am generous?*

### SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING



Father Kelvin Lovegrove Parish Priest of Holy Name Parish Wahroonga will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church Pymble on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Our recently ordained deacon, Deacon Richard Houwing will be assisting.

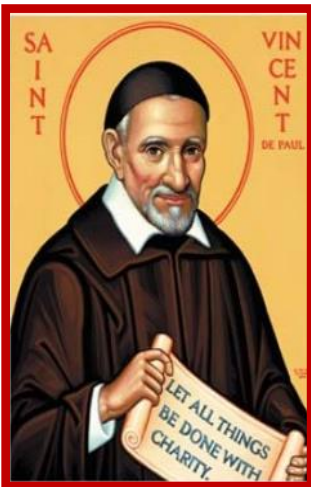
The evening commences with Mass at **6.00 PM** followed by a light meal and a short meeting.

Following the meeting Father Kelvin and Deacon Richard will be speaking to us about their vocation journeys.

Everyone is welcome. Please "come and see".

Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians and novices and for the perseverance of existing vocations.

Please telephone: Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email [terry\\_scanlan@bigpond.com](mailto:terry_scanlan@bigpond.com) if you would like to attend.



### **St Vincent de Paul 1581-1660 - Feast Day 27 September**

St. Vincent was born in Ranquine, France. He became a priest in 1600. He was captured by pirates and survived two hard years as a slave, but escaped to Rome and later, Paris. It was there that he met Cardinal Pierre de Berulle, who influenced Vincent to devote his life to charitable works. He established organisations of men and women to provide aid to the poor and sick. He depended on the donations of the wealthy, who made it possible for him to found hospitals and an orphanage.

In 1625, in Paris, Vincent founded the Congregation of the Missions, called the Lazarites or Vincentians, a society of priests charged with missionary efforts, the training of clergy, and preaching among the country people. In 1633, with St. Louise de Marillac he founded the Sisters of Charity, the first congregation of women to care for the sick and poor outside of the convent. During Vincent's life, the Vincentians increased in number and spread across the world. He was canonised by Pope Clement XII in 1737.

### **Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, archangels - Feast Day 29 September**

Angels are messengers from God. Three of the special messengers mentioned in the Bible are the archangels Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael. The names of each of these archangels tell us about the work God gave them to do.

**Michael's name means "who is like God."** God gave Michael the responsibility of protecting us as God protects us.

**Gabriel's name means "hero of God."** Gabriel is God's hero because he communicates God's message to people. We remember Gabriel best for being the angel who announced to Mary that she would be the mother of God's only Son.

**Raphael's name means "God has healed."** In the Bible, Raphael heals a blind man and is said to have stirred the water in a pool where Jesus healed a paralysed man.



On the feast day of the archangels, we remember that God's messengers guide us in our journey to everlasting life with our Father. We can pray to Michael to protect us when we face temptation. We can ask to Gabriel to help us say "yes" to God as Mary did so many years ago. We can pray to Raphael when we are ill or know someone who is in need of healing. We honour the archangels as we do saints. They remind us that God is always with us and he gives us special helpers to light and guide us.



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CCD Coordinator :	Mrs Hayley Edmunds	
Eucharist Ministry to the Sick Coordinators:	Mrs Judy Dalton (SAN— Tues): Mr Barry Clibborn (SAN—Fri) (Housebound) Mr Paul Sutherland	
Weekend Ministries Co-ordinator:	Volunteer needed please.	
St Vincent de Paul (Wahroonga Conference):	Mr Anthony Weaver (President) 0423 842 823, Mr Ken Laing (Treasurer), Mrs Candy Cosgriff (Secretary)	

### Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.00pm

(and **FIRST Saturday of the month** Mass at 9:15am)

Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 5.30pm

**Mass on Tuesday to Friday:** 9.15am

8:45am Morning Prayer

Rosary after Mass Tuesday—Friday and after 1st Saturday Mass

Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

**Friday evening during Lent:** Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

### Mass is also celebrated: :

Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara— Monday 7.00am

St Leo's College, Wahroonga Friday 1:15pm during school terms

**Baptism:** Preparation - by appointment with Fr Kelvin  
Baptisms - 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month at 11.00am.  
Bookings essential through the Parish Office.

### Marriage:

By appointment, at least six months in advance.

### Sick Calls:

Any time day or night.

Please call 0484 581 647 out of office hours.

### Confessions:

Saturday 11.30am or by appointment. The list of times in surrounding parishes is on our parish website. We recommend you call the parish in advance to confirm times.

**Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council:** Tess Denham-Fabry (Deputy Chair), Ed Scully (Secretary), Chrissie Goldrick, Tom Waugh, Giovanna Flores-Clarke, Ian Edmunds, Samantha Vieira, Sally Oong and Roger Bohlsen, along with Genevieve Smith (Prouille) and Elizabeth Webster (St Lucy's) and a representative from St Edmunds.

**Parish Finance Committee:** Tony Monardo, Robyn Elizondo, Tim Quilty, Paul O'Brien.

**Parish Fundraising Committee:** Noel Kean (Chair), Meredith Baume, Anthony Weaver, Lyn Saul, James Toomey

**The Parish Bank Account Number:** The Catholic Development Fund (CDF) with whom the parish banks, has changed some of its processes. This means we have a new account number. In the past, we would provide the details here, however, in late 2020, the Diocese of Broken Bay advised we were no longer to advertise our bank account details in the parish bulletin or on our website. **SO WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?** If you would like to deposit directly to the parish account (on a regular or ad hoc basis), we need to provide you with the account number. There is no change to regular credit card contributors.

**Thank you for your financial contribution to the support of our Parish Community and its priests. It is greatly appreciated.**

- The 1st Collection taken up at Mass goes to the Clergy Remuneration Fund for the financial support of the priests.
- The 2nd Collection taken up at Mass is for the running and upkeep of the Parish.

We invite you to help our Parish by joining a Planned Giving scheme. Please contact the Parish Office for the way you can participate in this. Your gift of any size will help our parish continue our good works & outreach.

Alternatively see the "Make A Payment" tab on [www.holynamewahroonga.com.au](http://www.holynamewahroonga.com.au)

**IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY:** Our Church is equipped with a defibrillator in the event of a cardiac arrest. It is located near the entrance to the church, next to the notice board. It is designed to be used by everyone. Please familiarise yourself with the use of this device at [AED Plus Step-by-Step Demo - YouTube](#) in case of an emergency.