



# PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH

SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

*Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy*



*Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers.*

## Hail Holy Queen

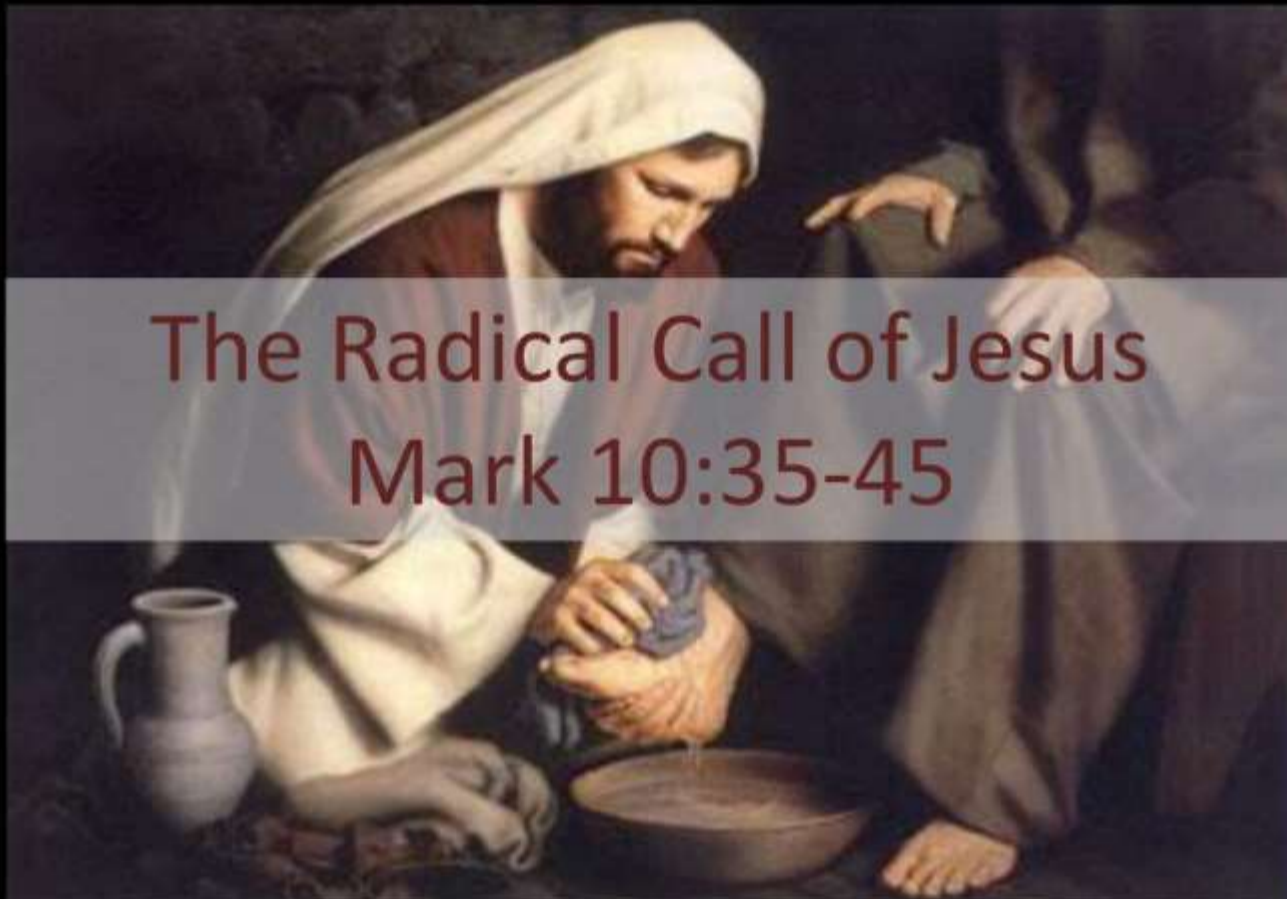
Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.

Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

A men.

## The Radical Call of Jesus Mark 10:35-45



## COVID-19 Update

All Public Masses are currently suspended in our Parish for the duration of the lockdown.

During this time, we invite you to join us online this Sunday for the celebration of the Holy Mass which will be celebrated by Fr Boguslaw and Fr Chris.

Find the link for the Mass on-demand anytime on Sunday on our Parish website:

[www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au](http://www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au)

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October

### Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.



## Contact Us

Please inform the Parish Office if you have recently changed your address, phone number or email.

For Parishioners who give via credit card, please let us know if your credit card has expired or if you have changed your card.

Thank you!



## Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan

Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, you called Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan to be your apostle, to make God known and loved by all people everywhere, using all the means your love inspires. You filled him with universal apostolic zeal, with a deep trust in God's loving providence, with a profound spirit of prayer, with a sincere devotion to Mary, Mother of the Saviour, and with the courage to follow you, even into the mystery of the Cross.

Grant also to me the grace to proclaim the Gospel in this spirit, and make me an effective apostle in today's world.

Through the intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan, I pray to you for my special needs (include your personal intention). I make this prayer through you, my Saviour, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

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## Parish Team

### Pastoral care

#### Salvatorian Fathers

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## Parish Mass Times

**Due to the current COVID restrictions all parish masses are currently suspended.**

**Please visit our parish website for further details**

### Sacred Heart Church

2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble NSW 2073

#### Weekdays:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am

**Rosary:** Tuesday to Friday after morning Mass

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Friday after morning Mass

#### Weekend:

Saturday (Vigil Mass): 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:45am, 9:30am and 6:00pm

**Reconciliation:** Friday 8:30am, Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 5:30pm

### Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

64 Kendall St, West Pymble, NSW, 2073

#### Weekdays:

Tuesday: 12pm

*During School Term as advertised in the Parish weekly calendar section*

#### Weekend:

Saturday: 9:00am and 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9:00am

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 9:30am

## Contact details

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**Website:** [www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au](http://www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au)

**Office hours:** Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 4.00pm

Friday 8.30am to 1.00pm

## Parish Primary Schools

### Sacred Heart

**Principal:** Mrs Mary Hor

(02) 94408056 - [www.shpddb.catholic.edu.au](http://www.shpddb.catholic.edu.au)

### Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

**Principal:** Mrs Sue Host

(02) 9498 6060 - [www.olpsddb.catholic.edu.au](http://www.olpsddb.catholic.edu.au)

## PARISH PRAYER ZONE

May the Father of our Lord Jesus enlighten the eyes of our heart that we may see how great is the hope to which we are called.

### Recently Deceased:

Robert Ramsey, Fr James Duck, John English, Charles Pak, Joyce Spark, Christopher Drinkwater, Rudolf Ruhidin Arsyadi, Gwendoline Elizabeth Tregear, Flynn, Dunbaven, Juana Alicia Cortes, John McLeod, Kerry Bowe, Kevin Parsons, Patricia Lenthall, Thomas Vicente, Odette McLeod, Matteo Infante, Stanislaw Kowalczyk, John Ryan, Pamela Campbell, Francisca Macalma.

### Death Anniversaries:

Peter Yeong Ying Siew, Ron Chandler, Anne Hanna, Salvatore Marando, Ron Chandler, Antonio Celio, Natasha Adora Astono, Daniel Turalakey, Gwendolene Burt, Joseph Lin, Maria Lin, Rose Lin, Paul Pribila, Bernardino Castillo, Suresh Rodriguez, Thelma Lovery, Patricia Callachor, Ed Rickard, Nancy Marrinon, Margaret Harris, Laura Bowe, Ed Rickard, Joseph Francis Sprouster, Ann Cesare & Ida Sartor, Mary Clare Richardson, James O'Rourke, Angus Ross, Mark Correia, Jane Clare Sprouster, Margaretha Hetty, Ann Lilian Castillo, Anna Lobo and Lilian Castillo

### Prayers for the sick:

Peter Brassil, Pease Family, Fr Chris Riley, Joe Pulis, Margaret Day, Juliana Cho, Catherine Haydon, Vincent Tan, Monica Cavanagh, Marietta Tomoe, Kevin Parsons, Marianne MacRitchie, Anthony Hernandez, Steve Barrum, Colleen Hussin, Owen Thomas, Suzanne O'Sullivan, Mel Pegg Weir, Doreen Landers, Aaron Moll, Lloyd Victor, Richard Fillingham, Joanne Fernandes.

### Birthdays this month:

### Weekly prayer intention:

We pray for all the young families of our communities get to know your joy, peace, comfort, and love despite the world's distractions. Amen.

If you would like the names of your relatives to be included in the prayer list (anniversary of deaths, recently deceased, illnesses, wedding celebration or anniversaries, birthdays, etc.) please contact the Parish Office by midday each Wednesday.

Please note that your personal information will be treated in accordance with the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay Privacy Policy.

A copy of the policy can be found on our Website:

[www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au](http://www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au)

### Baptisms at Pymble Parish

Due to the extended lockdown, the next Baptism Formation Class scheduled on Wednesday 13th October 2021 will be cancelled.

Our next Baptism Formation Class will be held on **Wednesday 1st December 2021 at 7:30pm at the Sacred Heart Presbytery.** Bookings are essential. Please contact the Office at [office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au](mailto:office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au) or 91442702.

### flocknote 400 members!

The Parish Flocknote has now 401 members! Thank you to all those Parishioners who have registered to be part of our "flock".

Remember that as a member of the Parish Flocknote you get free access to the "Word on Fire" content by Bishop Barron.

If you haven't signed up yet, it's quick & easy! Simply visit us online at:

[flocknote.com/pymblecatholicparish](http://flocknote.com/pymblecatholicparish)



## Pymble Parish Covid Update

As you may be aware, the NSW Government has outlined a roadmap to ease Covid restrictions when vaccination rates reach 70% and 80% of the adult population.



Considering the roadmap and all its implications for the Faithful of Broken Bay, Bishop Anthony has announced and determined the following to apply:

1. From Monday 11 October our churches will be reopened for private prayer and devotion **only**. It is for our people to be mindful of government requirements for this stage of the Roadmap and to engage this opportunity with a sense of responsibility and COVID safety. During this stage:
  - a. Our Churches will be open from 9am to 5pm
  - b. Public Masses remain suspended and “private” Masses with a congregation will not take place.
  - c. Confessions will not be publicly scheduled but most certainly will be available by personal arrangement with the clergy of the parish.
  - d. Baptisms, unless in the event of impending death, should be delayed until the next stage.
  - e. Weddings and funerals: up to 50 people may attend. These need to be vaccinated.
2. **From the Monday after 80% vaccination rate has been achieved, public Masses will resume** in all our churches according to our usual schedule. In accordance with the government regulation, the vaccination status of our people who attend our churches, or who undertake a ministry in them, will not need to be verified. During this stage:
  - a. Other rituals such as Baptisms and other services of prayer and devotion will resume.
  - b. Confessions will be publicly scheduled again.
  - c. The number of people who can attend Mass and other liturgies and services of prayer is based on the 4 sqm principle (uncapped), including for funerals and weddings.
  - d. Congregational singing will not be possible, but a musician and cantor are possible and will be engaged for the beauty of the liturgy.
  - e. COVID safe practices related to the celebration of our liturgies will be re-introduced including:
    - i. Avoiding the handling of objects by multiple persons;
    - ii. The Chalice will not be shared; Holy Communion for the Faithful is to be under one species only;
    - iii. The Sign of Peace should only be given by a simple bow or nod of the head.
    - iv. Those who wish to receive Holy Communion on the tongue will be asked to wait until the end of the Communion Procession.
  - f. It is essential that anyone visiting our churches use the QR code to register their visit, sanitize, and always wear a mask.

Given that our parish facilities other than our church buildings will be subject to the status of people’s vaccination it all face-to-face parish meetings, social gatherings, and use of facilities such meeting rooms and halls will continue to be suspended until after 1 December.
3. From 1 December 2021
  - a. Density for gatherings in our churches will shift to one person per 2 sqm for both indoor and outdoor gatherings.
  - b. Congregational singing will be possible at our liturgies.
  - c. There is no restriction on the use of other parish facilities such as meeting rooms and halls.

The NSW roadmap can be accessed here <https://www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases/roadmap-to-recovery-reveals-path-forward-for-all-nsw>

## ... Continued Pymble Parish Covid Update

We will continue to communicate to you our plans in the coming weeks.

Currently, all Church services and events remain cancelled. The Public Health Order allows a priest to go to a house for pastoral care but only the residents of that house can be present.

Funerals and Weddings can be held at both our Churches, with a maximum of 100 people.

During this time, please refer to our Parish website for spiritual resources for our time at home: [www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au](http://www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au). We have included resources such as Online Mass links, collection of prayers and online resources for digital devotion. Our Pymble Parish Sunday Mass will be presented as video on demand. We invite you to join in as we pray together.

We ask you to keep praying for this troubled world, and most importantly, know that our parish team is praying for you.

***May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.***

Romans 15:13

We thank you for your patience and support during this time. May God bless you all in this time of uncertainty.



### Bay Connect

Our Broken Bay Diocese presents a new program of online events known as "Bay Connect". The program provides a continuing weekly series of regular online activities to converse, reflect and connect spiritually in these difficult times.

The Bay Connect program commences on Monday, 30 August 2021, and includes the following weekly events:

#### The Chosen Monday

**Mondays, 7:30-8:45pm:** Join in as we go through the first season of The Chosen TV Series. We will view one episode every Monday, breaking open associated themes and building our knowledge of Jesus in a fresh new way.

#### Tuesday Night Lights

**Tuesdays, 7:00-7:30pm:** A place to come together for prayer and to praise God from the setting of our home. All youth, young adults, singles and families, parishioners and clergy are invited.

#### Humpday Hangout With Br Bernard

**Wednesdays, 7:00-7:30pm:** Our jolly friar Br Bernard Mary will host a session with time for prayer, "Banger" of the week, casual chat and an entertaining selection of activities. (Banger, an exemplary song.)


#### Formation Fridays

**Fridays, 7:00-8:00pm:** An opportunity to get straightforward Catholic information on various aspects of the faith, from the basics to the hot topics, featuring a different guest speaker each week, followed by time for questions and discussion.

We encourage your participation and hope that this program can help, in a new and fresh way, those in our community who are seeking opportunities to come closer to Christ. For further information including an event calendar and to register, please visit Bay Connect via [www.bbcatholic.org.au/news/covid-19-updates/prayer-resources/bay-connect](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/news/covid-19-updates/prayer-resources/bay-connect)







With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God  
**Most Reverend Anthony Randazzo**  
 Bishop of Broken Bay

joyfully announces the Ordination of  
**Deacon Roger Delmonte**  
**Deacon Aldrin Valdehueza**  
**Deacon Samuel French**

to the Order of Presbyters through the  
 Invocation of the Holy Spirit and the Imposition of Hands

**Monday**  
**18 October 2021**  
 Commencing at **11.30am**

**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHEDRAL**  
 Waitara

The ceremony will be conducted within the guidelines of the  
 government's COVID-19 Health Orders  
**Please participate online via the livestream**  
[www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination)

*Lord, you know all things;  
 you know that I love you.  
 Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."  
 John 21.17*

You are also cordially invited to join in the following  
 Masses of Thanksgiving, via livestream  
[www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination)

**Rev Fr Roger Delmonte**  
**11:00am, Tuesday 19 October 2021**  
 Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara

**Rev Fr Aldrin Valdehueza**  
**7:00pm, Tuesday 19 October 2021**  
 Our Lady of Dolours Church, Chatswood

**Rev Fr Samuel French**  
**6:00pm, Friday 22 October 2021**  
 St John the Baptist Church, Woy Woy

**Prayer for Creation Using the Songs of Taize**  
**Taize Pilgrimage of Trust**  
**Friday 22 October 2021, 7pm via Zoom**

You are invited to join us on Zoom for a **Prayer for Creation using the Songs of Taizé on Friday 22 October 2021 at 7.00pm Sydney time.**

Brothers Ghislain and Matthew from the Taizé Community in France will be with us. Music led by Tricia Watts and friends.


The NSW Ecumenical Council is inviting you to a Taizé Prayer on Zoom: Join Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84219218097>

Meeting ID: 842 1921 8097

**Enquiries:**

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The Rev. Dr Ray Williamson: [raymondkwilliamson@yahoo.com](mailto:raymondkwilliamson@yahoo.com)



**NOVEMBER MASSES**

During the month of November, masses will be offered each day for those whose names have been written on the special "November Mass Envelopes". Please write down the names of your deceased family members and friends clearly and place them in the collection plates or the special basket at the front of the altar.

**Envelopes are available at the back of both churches.**

**Annual Salvatorian  
 Seminary Collection  
 20-21 November 2021**

Each year in our Salvatorian Parishes, we ask for support for our Seminary in Poland and in Australia. Your generous contributions will help in the training and the education of our young seminarians and the upkeep of our Seminaries.


Thank you in anticipation for your generosity and God bless you all, Fr. Boguslaw and Fr. Chris

Salvatorian envelopes will be available on the weekend 20-21 November 2021.




**JOIN US IN PRAYING**  
*The Rosary* ONLINE

**WEDNESDAYS @ 10AM**  
 PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT  
[info@pymblecatholicparish.org.au](mailto:info@pymblecatholicparish.org.au) FOR ZOOM DETAILS



PYMBLE PARISH

**ZOOM  
 BIBLE STUDY**

**EVERY FRIDAY AT 10:00AM**

If you would like to join us, please send us your email address to  
[office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au](mailto:office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au)  
 and we will get in contact





### Pastoral Support Worker - Youth Ministry Coordinator Corpus Christi Parish, St Ives (Part Time)

St Ives Catholic Parish has identified Youth as a major priority in its three-year plan to transform the parish. The newly created role of Youth Ministry Coordinator will be employed on a part-time (12 hrs p/w) 12-month contract (with potential to convert to permanent) The working schedule is flexible, however the successful candidate will be required to be available for evening and weekend work. The role works under the direction of the Evangelisation & Discipleship Coordinator.

Your main responsibilities will be to develop and implement an engaging contemporary program of youth and young adult activities that is aligned with the Parish Youth Ministry framework, producing Parish communications and other materials relevant to the Youth Ministry with a focus on digital communications and social media usage.

You will work with our amazing volunteers to build and maintain Parish youth groups ensuring a sense of fun, faith, community and belonging for the youth and young adults.

For more information including the position description contact Jen Perrott at [jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au) or the Parish Office on 9144 6998. If you are interested in applying for this role please send your CV and a brief cover letter addressing the skillset required for this role to [recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au).

Applications close **Friday, 22 October 2021.**



### Pymble Parish needs your support...

We would like to thank all those parishioners who have made contact with us about their weekly donations to the parish.



Given the circumstances we are living in at the moment, we encourage you to donate through the Parish Planned Giving Program - Direct Debit. Alternatively, you can make an online transaction to the Parish.

Online donations or payments may be made to the Parish using BPoint. BPoint is a service of the Commonwealth Bank, ABN 48 123 123 124.

The BPoint service provides a simple way for you to make individual online payments directly to the Pymble Catholic Parish. Payment may be made via any VISA or Mastercard debit or credit card or by any MasterPass digital wallet.

The BPoint facility for our Parish can be found on our website [www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au](http://www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au) under > Our Parish > Payments > Online Payment.

**God bless your generosity and continuous support.  
The Parish team.**

### The Jesuit Mission 2021 Raffle is now open!

You can help support marginalised communities overseas by purchasing a ticket for your chance to win:



1. \$5,000 Coles Myer Gift Cards

2. \$1,000 Coles Myer Gift Cards

3. \$500 Coles Myer Gift Cards

NSW, VIC, WA and NT residents only.

To purchase a raffle ticket visit <https://fundraise.jesuitmission.org.au/parish>

Our programs empower women, men and children so they can build lives free from poverty and injustice.

### GOT YOUR WEDDING PLANS UNDER CONTROL?

How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. For further information visit our web

e: [www.engagedencounter.org.au](http://www.engagedencounter.org.au) Choose any of the coming Week-ends: **Nov 13-14 2021; Feb 19-20 2022**

If COVID-19 restrictions prevent a face-to-face seminar, the CEE week-end will be held via Zoom.



### CatholicCare Financial Counselling & Emergency Relief Programs

Diocese of Broken Bay

Throughout Australia, housing prices are on a sharp increase. Therefore, you'd think that Australia's economy is booming too, right? After all, property sales are driving housing costs up, so this means that people have the means to purchase new houses and cars. Yes? Unfortunately, this isn't always the case. Currently record numbers of Australians seeking emergency relief services and financial counselling. CatholicCare can help. This recent article provides more information [www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/news/financial-counselling-emergency-relief](http://www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/news/financial-counselling-emergency-relief).

### Connected in Christ

Each week the Evangelisation Broken Bay team will provide Gospel readings, prayers, reflections and children's activities for families to worship and pray at home in this extended period of lockdown. You can access via:

[www.bbcatholic.org.au/news/covid-19-updates/prayer-resources/bay-connect](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/news/covid-19-updates/prayer-resources/bay-connect)







# Liturgy at home In the absence of Mass

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## 1. Introductory Rites

Find lyrics to a hymn online, or on YouTube

**Leader:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen

**Leader:** We place ourselves before the Lord, beginning with an act of contrition.

**All:** My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Saviour Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.

## 2. Gloria

*The Gloria is recited on Sundays outside of the Season of Lent and Advent*

**All:** Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## 3. Liturgy Of The Word

### Readings

Readings are found in a Sunday missal. Or on this parish bulletin on the following pages.

### Homily

Spend some time in silence, receiving the word of God. If you are in a group you may like to invite others to share the fruits of their reflection.

## 4. Profession Of Faith

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.  
Amen.

## 5. Prayers Of The Faithful

Pray for the Church, the world, our leaders, families, those suffering, the sick, the lonely special needs.

<State prayer intention>... Lord, hear us.

**All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**All:** Merciful God, hear our fervent prayer for all who suffer from the coronavirus. May those who are infected receive the proper treatment and the comfort of your healing presence. May their caregivers, families and neighbours be shielded from the onslaught of the virus. Give solace to those who grieve the loss of loved ones. Protect and guide those who strive to find a cure, that their work may conquer the disease and restore communities to wholeness and health. Help us to rise above fear. Amen.

## 6. Our Father

**Leader:** At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**All:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

## 7. Spiritual Communion

Find Prayer below

## 8. Concluding Rites

**Leader:** May the Lord bless us, keep us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

**All:** Amen.

Finish with a final hymn or pray together a Hail Mary seeking the Blessed Virgin's intercession during this time.

### An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the Most Holy  
Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You  
into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into  
my heart. I embrace You as  
if You were already there and  
unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated  
from You.  
Amen.





# Liturgy of the Word

## Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

### Entrance Antiphon

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God;  
turn your ear to me; hear my words.  
Guard me as the apple of your eye;  
in the shadow of your wings protect me.

### First Reading

**Is 53:10-11**

#### A reading from the prophet Isaiah

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.

### Responsorial Psalm

**(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 our 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

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.

### Gospel Acclamation

*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

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

#### Gospel Reflection

Who doesn't want to be first, and to be esteemed and honoured by others? We seem to have an unquenchable thirst for recognition and fame, power and authority to rule our own lives as we please as well as the lives of others. Should we be surprised to see the disciples of Jesus thirsting for power, position, and authority? James and John, the sons of Zebedee, urged their mother to strike a deal with Jesus, their Master and Messiah. They wanted the distinction of being first and most important in position, next to Jesus, of course!

Jesus turns authority and power upside down. When Jesus called the twelve apostles to be his inner circle of disciples who would teach and exercise spiritual authority on his behalf, he did the unthinkable! Jesus taught contrary to the world's understanding of power, authority, and position, by reversing the order of master and servant, lord and subject, first and last! Jesus wedded authority with love,

position with sacrifice, and service with humility. Authority without love is overbearing and slavish. Position without respect and concern for the subordinate is demeaning and rude. And service without generosity and sacrifice is cheap and unkind.

Those who wish to serve with the Lord Jesus and to exercise authority in God's kingdom must be prepared to sacrifice - not just some of their time, money, and resources - but their whole lives and all that they possess! Jesus used stark language to explain what kind of sacrifice he had in mind. His disciples must drink his cup if they expect to reign with him in his kingdom. The cup he had in mind was a bitter one involving crucifixion. What kind of cup does the Lord have in mind for us? For some disciples such a cup entails physical suffering and the painful struggle of martyrdom. But for many, it entails the long routine of the Christian life, with all its daily sacrifices, disappointments, set-backs, struggles, and temptations.

#### Christ's way of love and service

A disciple of Jesus must be ready to lay down his or her life - each and every day in the little and big sacrifices required - and even to the point of shedding one's blood if necessary for the sake of Christ and his Gospel. What makes such sacrifice a joy rather than a burden? It is love - the kind of "love which God has poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). An early church father summed up Jesus' teaching with the expression: "to serve is to reign with Christ." We share in God's reign by laying down our lives in humble service and love for one another, just as Jesus did for our sake. Are you ready to lay down your life and to serve others as Jesus has taught and modelled for us?

***Lord Jesus, make me a servant of love for your kingdom, that I may seek to serve rather than be served. In flame my heart with love that I may give generously and serve joyfully for your sake.***

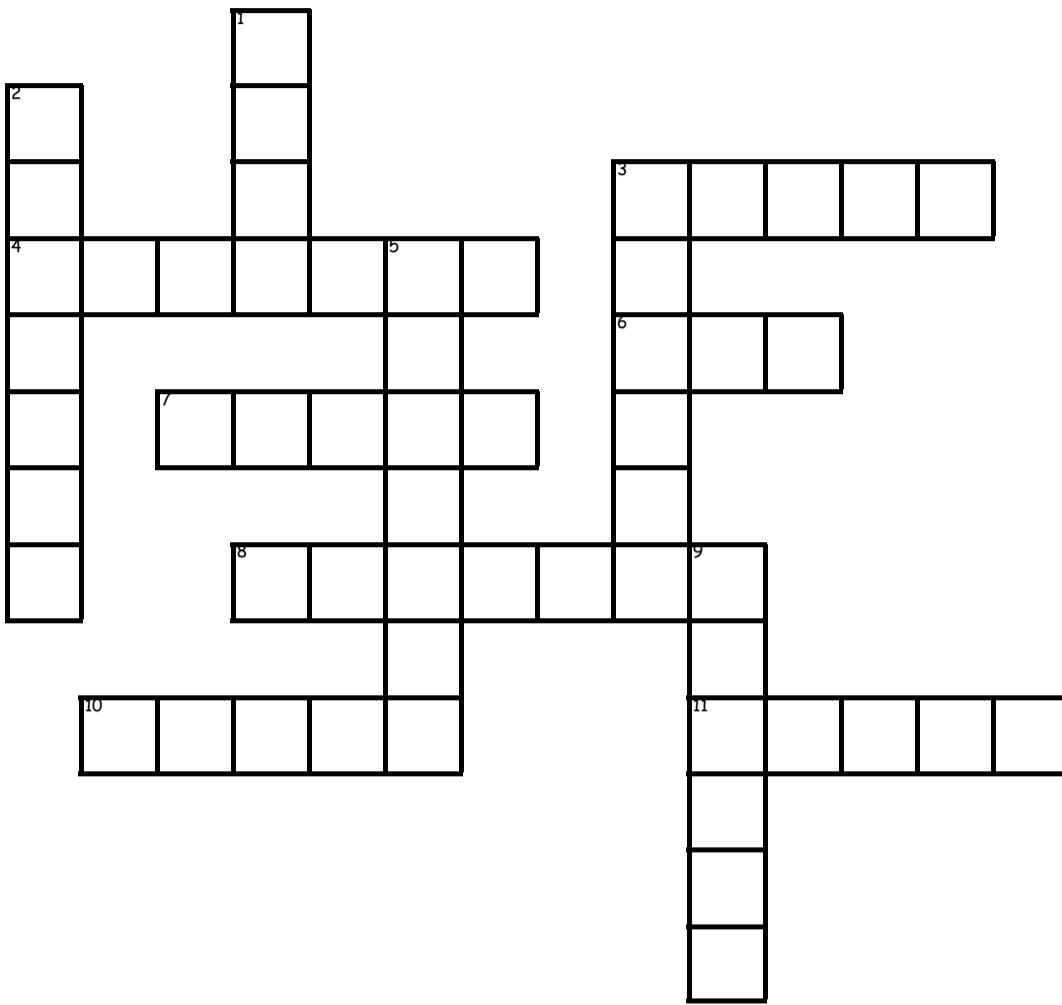
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# CHILDREN'S WORKSHEET

## To be good people we must serve others



### Across

- 3: you do this when you are thirsty
- 4: the first of the seven sacraments
- 6: a container you drink from
- 7: the other ten disciples were \_\_\_\_\_ with James and John
- 8: someone who teaches
- 10: the opposite of last
- 11: Jesus said, 'if you want to be first, you must be everyone's \_\_\_\_\_'

### Down

- 1: James and John wanted to be seated at Jesus' right and \_\_\_\_\_ sides in heaven
- 2: James and John were the sons of \_\_\_\_\_
- 3: it is God that will \_\_\_\_\_ who sits at Jesus' right and left sides in heaven
- 5: to be great we must be the \_\_\_\_\_ of all the others
- 9: save



### COMPLETE THE TEXT MAZE

"If you want to be great you must be the servant of all the others."



## Ruler or Servant?

Which of the following things best describe a ruler or a servant? Draw a line from each description to what you think is the correct side.



**RULER**

Draw a picture of a king or queen

- ORDERS OTHERS TO DO THEIR WORK
- WORKS FOR OTHERS
- WANTS TO BE GREAT
- SHOWS HUMILITY
- HAS POWER OVER OTHERS
- MAKES SACRIFICES
- TREATS THEIR LEADERS WITH RESPECT

**SERVANT**

Draw a picture of a servant



### Serving Others

Jesus tells us that we need to serve others in order to be good people. What are some ways you can be of service to others?

I can serve my family by ...

I can serve my school by ...

I can serve my community by ...

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