

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

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Vision

To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

28th January 2024

Today's Gospel reading we have a specific example of how Jesus spoke with great authority

during His public life. Only a genuine person can speak with authority. At that time there were many teachers of the law: Scribes and Pharisees. But they could never speak with authority. Jesus could speak with authority because He had the approval of the heavenly Father and He was filled with the Holy Spirit. He was convinced of what He said and He said what He believed in.

A person possessed with an evil spirit was brought to the Lord. Jesus commanded and the evil spirit left the person and was totally freed from the power of evil. Today we are living in a world where many people are possessed by various evils. They are the people who are haunted by fear, worries, anxieties, various addictions and many other evil habits. Jesus' authority and power is necessary to heal them. Hence Jesus exercised His authority to liberate people and to heal them and to bring them closer to God. The prophecy of Moses finds its fulfillment in Jesus.

Fr. Tomy

St Brendan's & St Mary's Rosters

are now available in the foyers.

First Friday of the Month Fri 2nd

Feb Anointing Mass 11am St Mary's & please join us for the Reparation Vigil to the Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart from 7pm Friday-12.30am.

Communion Service: There will be only Communion service at St Brendan's every Wed at 9am in January & on **7th Feb**.

Parish Morning Tea in February

The morning tea will be on **11th Feb** to celebrate Fr Baby's birthday. This will be provided by the Divine Will Group at St Mary's so please join us after 9am Mass at St Mary's & 8am Mass at St Brendan's.

Jan/Feb Birthdays: Mary Smith (22nd), Fr. Baby (26th), Rita Jeffries (26th), Carolyn Metcalf (4th Feb)

Recently Deceased: Michelle Rodger, Olive Haslam, Tony Vella

Anniversaries: Greta Hackett, Dorothy Rush, Eugenia (Jean) Grimes, Daniel Cefai, Mario Azzopardi, Carlo Vella, Millicent Zietsch, Greg Irvine & Diane Townsend

Remembrances: Colin McIntyre, Shiela Glennon, Georgina Baker, Mavis Cleary, Vin Tatti, George Cefai, Mary Cefai, Saviour Debono, Stephens Cappa, Ingrid Hamer, Valmai Joseph & Stark Family, Wendy Woodhouse & Carol Brown

Please Pray for the Sick: Marion Campbell, Jill Bishton, John Jessep, Graham Campbell, Wayne Stafford, Mark Wilson, Michelle Maroon, Patrick, Sr Tincy, Diane Booth, Kylie Musgrave, Avis Sullivan, Rhondda Rey, Brian Fletcher, Jackie Chaplan, Robbie Depares, Susan Simmons, Denis Tansey, Miklos Beothy & Liz Kelman

First Reading *Deuteronomy 18:15-20*

I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 94:1-2, 6-9*

R. If today, you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

Come in, let us kneel and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**

Second Reading *1 Corinthians 7:32-35*

The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord, that she might be holy.

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being

holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *Matthew 4:16*

Alleluia, alleluia!

A people in darkness have seen a great light:
a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.
Alleluia!

Gospel *Mark 1:21-28*

This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading - Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Gospel - Mark 1:29-39