25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YR-C

St Patrick's Gosford

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18 SEPTEMBER, 2022

SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY **BY DIANNE BERGANT CSA**

The prophet denounces unscrupulous merchants for their false piety, their avarice, their dishonest business practices, and their exploitation of the poor and defenceless. The poor are the landless, those who do not harvest their own crop but must purchase grain and wheat for their food. The merchants describe their own dishonesty. As a result of this, the judgment of God is passed in the form of an irrevocable oath. Amos prophesied that, because the people of privilege frequently took advantage of the vulnerable poor, God swears an oath that the evil perpetrated will not be forgotten. This is truly an oracle of judgment.

The psalm is a classic example of a hymn of praise. God is depicted as enthroned high above the heavens, the privileged place of honor that by right of conquest belongs to the victorious creator of the world. The psalmist then describes the solicitude of God. The metaphors indicate that the very people society discarded were the ones that the exalted ruler of heaven stooped to lift up. The reversals are obvious. The God who reigned from the highest heaven reached into the reputedly lowest regions of human existence. The lowly and poor are seated with the high and





mighty. This condescension on God's part is reason for the praise to which the servants of God are summoned.

The major point of Paul's instruction is the all-inclusive scope of Christian prayer. Twice Paul states that prayers should be offered for all people (vv.1, 4). Special attention is given to civic leaders. Two reasons for such prayer are given: the salvation of others; it is God's will to do so. Most commentators maintain that 'testimony at the proper time' refers to the ransom that Christ paid for all. His death ushered in the time of universal salvation. It was to this universal ministry that Paul himself was called as herald and as apostle to the nations. Therefore, it is only right that the church pray for the conversion of the Gentiles.

The household manager who rewrote the debts of his employer did not fulfil his charge in a responsible manner. He may not have violated any law, but he did go against established custom. Jesus interprets several elements from this story in order to point out how children of light should act. They should possess the same kind of practical wisdom, but should use it in order to insure places in an eternal dwelling. The real point of the story is found in the last verse. Though shrewd in the ways of the world, the steward chose to serve his own financial needs rather than the economic interests of his employer. This made him an unreliable or dishonest servant. One cannot serve both the master of the household (God) and one's own personal interests (mammon). One must choose.

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Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September

penalty Ve pray that the death penalty, which attack e dignity of the human person, may be legal abolished in every country.



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Seniors' Ministry:

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER Hilary



Pope If you see any activities involving children or vulnerable adults that concerns you, please email Hilary Pope, our Safeguarding Officer at hilary.p1@optusnet.com.au

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Adoration and Confession 30 minutes before each weekday Mass.							
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SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

St Patrick's Primary:	Mrs Cheryl Walsh	4325 1159
St Joseph's College:	Mr Tony McCudden	4324 4022
St Edwards College:	Mr Mark Bonnici	4321 6400
St Peter's College:	Mr Tim Hilderbrandt	4351 2344

UPCOMING EVENTS					
For normal Mass Times see opposite on Page 2 Any exceptions will be listed below.					
Date	Time	Event			
Sun 18/09/22	9:30am 11:30am	1st Communion Masses			
Sun 18/09/22	7:00pm	Youth Group after 6:00pm Mass			
Fri 23/09/22	6:00pm	Korean Mass with dinner in the Jordan room after			
Fri 23/09/22	7:00pm	Arise Youth group in the Parish Hall.			
Sat 24/09/22	6:00pm	Parish Dinner Latino Night			
Sun 25/09/22	7:00pm	menAlive BBQ in Jordan Room after Youth Mass			

RELIC OF ST JOHN PAUL II SAVE THE DATE Saturday 22nd October 2022 Just 27 Sleeps to go! INSTALLATION MASS **RELIC OF** SAINT JOHN PAUL II at St PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, EAST GOSFORD TIME: 11:00am REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW <u>OPEN TO ALL IN THE DIOCESE</u> If you have not yet registered, please register soon to avoid disappointment. JPII.Centre@bbcatholic.org.au **INFORMATION NIGHT ALL WELCOME** TUE, 13 SEPTEMBER, IN THE CHURCH 6:30 PM





INSTALLATION OF THE RELIC OF ST POPE JOHN PAUL II

We will require a large number of volunteers for the following roles:

- ት Parking attendants
- ት Ushers inside the Church
- [•] Ushers outside the church
- People to help with hospitality
- ণ Other assorted roles

Please contact the Parish Office to lodge your interest in helping with this momentous event.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN MAKING THEIR 1ST COMMUNION

A big thank you to all leaders for their time and commitment to preparing the children. A especially big thank you to Frances Mathey as coordinator for the many hours she devoted to ensuring a smooth preparation and completion of the course for all.

RESURFACING OF PATHS AND STEPS SURROUNDING THE CHURCH

Begins this Monday Sept 19 and will be done in sections to minimise the interruption to entry to the church. On Monday the western side will be commenced which will mean there will be no access to the toilets, therefore you are asked to use the public conveniences in the Victoria Street car park. Thank you for understanding.

SENIORS' MINISTRY EVENT OCTOBER 3, 2022

Join us for a morning High Tea at the Jordan Room on Tuesday October 3 at 9.30am. Gold coin donation. To book please call Barbara on 4322 0250 / Eunice 0438 272 141.

For your diary: Melbourne Cup Luncheon Tuesday November 1!

THANK YOU RON BEGG, CHRIS GALEA AND MARK BENNETT

For their assistance in the many and varied maintenance and improvements around the complex as we prepare for the installation of the relic of St Pope John Paul II on October 22.

EAST GOSFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL

ANNUAL MASS

Father Greg celebrated Mass at East Gosford Public School on Thursday the 15 September.

The East Gosford students were filled with anticipation for this event.

A big thank you to Saint Patrick Parish Catechist's; Margaret, Anita, Robert, Elvira and Jon for preparing the students for this special event, as well as the students from Saint Joseph's Catholic School, giving of their time to the beautiful Catechist ministry within East Gosford Public School.

We also would like to acknowledge and extend our thanks to the East Gosford Public school staff for their continued support of this beautiful ministry.



PASTORAL WORKS FUND

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Total to be Raised

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PILGRIMAGE TO PENROSE PARK BERRIMA THURSDAY OCTOBER 13.

Our parish invites pilgrims to join us on a journey to Penrose Park at Berrima on Thursday October 13 for Adoration, Rosary and Pontifical Mass to be celebrated by the Nuncio.

Fr Greg undertakes this pilgrimage to entrust our parish to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary in preparation for the installation of Shrine of St Pope John Paul II on October 22. A sign-on sheet is available at the foyer today to register your attendance.

Departure time for Penrose Park will be 7am and the cost is \$15 per person. Also it is advised to BYO lunch. Mass is at 11am, and we may hire a coach if needed.

CALL TO MISSION, AT ST PATRICK'S LOVE FOR CHRIST YOUTH LEADERS TRAINING DAY

A training day for Youth Leaders was held at St Patrick's

Youth Leaders from across the Diocese attended the training day.





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Or click below the link with your mouse.

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In celebrating Safeguarding Month families this September, we hope to we hope to raise awareness of how healthy relationships in the home supports a child's wellbeing and increases their safety.

All families within the Parish are invited to share their experiences of how they connect as a family. We will showcase the most creative and inspirational stories during <u>October on Safeguarding Month 2022</u> webpage.

We look forward to hearing from you. <u>Click Here</u> to submit your entry.

We know that healthy family relationships support a child's wellbeing, development, and safety.



ST PATRICK'S – YOUR PARISH

If you would like to support your parish long after you have gone, perhaps you may consider leaving a bequest?

There are two options available:

- 1. You may consider a living bequest, where you can see the benefit of your giving? If you prefer the idea of a living bequest, please just speak with Father, or contact the Parish Office On 43251042."
- OR ,
 - If you would like to leave a bequest in your Will, please ask your solicitor to include the following in your will:

3.

"I give, devise and bequeath [the sum of ... or my property known as ... or ...% of my estate] free of all duties and taxes to the parish priest of St. Patrick's Parish of the Roman Catholic Church East Gosford to be used for the purposes of that parish..



READINGS FOR THE 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YOU CANNOT BE SLAVES BOTH OF GOD AND OF MONEY.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON I AM THE SALVATION OF THE PEOPLE, SAYS THE LORD.

Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

FIRST READING

AM 8:4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

The Lord God spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat?

Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.

The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 112:1-2. 4-8. R. SEE VV.1. 7

(R.) Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

1. Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!

May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore!

2. High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory.

Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth?

(R.) Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people.

SECOND READING

1 TM 2:1-8

A reading from the first letter of St **Paul to Timothy**

Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone - petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving - and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and

reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and -I am telling the truth and no lie - a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 2 COR 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

GOSPEL LK 16:10-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON PS 118:4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

THIS WEEK

Mon	Weekday, Ordinary Time 25 Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am*
Tue	Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, priest, martyr, Paul Chŏng Ha-
	sang & companions, martyrs
	Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am*
Wed	St Matthew, apostle, evangelist
	Mass at St Patrick's 11:30 am*
Thu	Weekday, Ordinary Time 25
	Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am*
Fri	St Pius of Pietrelcina, priest
	Mass at St Patrick's 12 noon*
Sat	Weekday, Ordinary Time 25r
	Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am*
Vigi	Mass at St Patrick's 5:00pm
Vigil	Mass at Somersby 5:30 pm
Sun 26t	th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
	Mass at St Patrick's 7:30 am

Mass at St Patrick's 9:30 am* Mass at St Patrick's 6:00 pm

* Designates Mass is Live-streamed

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st:	Amos 6:1, 4-7
Ps:	Ps 145:6-10
2nd:	1 Tim 6:11-16
Gos:	Lk 16:19-31



MASS	VIGIL 5:00	7:30am	9:30am	6:00pm	Somersby	- 5:30pm
DATE	24.09.22	25.09.22	25.09.22	25.09.22	Function	24.09.22
Audio/Visual	Michael Lynch	Ron Begg	Arthur Holland	Sam O'Connor	Audio/Visual	Michael Xuereb
Acolytes	Hilary Pope Sam Giddings	John McCrae Alan Pont	Peter McLean Peter Cho Tim Dasan	Joseph Nicholls Peter Axon	Sanctuary Setup	Frances Bigeni
Commentator	Maisie Tenev	Eunice Dal Busco	Emily Rudd	Gemma French	Commentator	Joanne Comenso
Lectors	Nicole Murphy Megan Neale	Sheila Evans John Konopka	Joan Vella-Critien Regina Fong	Rayden Gomez Cheryl Walsh	Lectors	Antoinette Xuere Alyce Chin
Extraordinary Ministers of The Eucharist		Korina Konopka	Molly Holland	Nora Koleszar	Extraordinary Ministers Cleaning	Alyce Chin
Altar Servers		Amelia Eager	Shiho Iwasaki Helen Shiju	Vito De Toffol Remi De Toffol Luca De Toffol Xavier Werder	Altar Servers Flowers	Mia Xuereb Doris Vassallo
COUNTERS 19/09/22 Unice Dal Busco Diana Addis oyce Byrne 26/09/22 Unice Dal Busco yn Beglin David Slingsby	ALTAR LINEN P/Up 19/09 Marie Cradock Ret'n by 23/09 COFFEE SHOP 24/09 Hilary Pope Jenifer Appleby Peter Julius	ALTAR SOCIETY Thu, Sept 22 Donna Hobday Pauline Parsons Julianne Hayne	CHILDRENS LITURGY 25/09 Family Mass No Children's Liturgy	PARISH BUS 25/09 Driver: Rob Sturdich Helper: Brian Jay	FRIDAY HOSPITAL 30/09 Christina Miller Mabel Kan John McCrae Bigi Kongola Coleen Martin Denise Nicholson Sandrea Petith Gary Wills	SUNDAY HOSPITAL 2/10 Robyn McBride Patsy McCaskie

OF OUR COMMUNITY:

Paul Jones, Geoff Maher Christine Mary Page, Terry Parkhouse, Margaret Eadie, Peter Glow, Mike Morris, Dianne Pounder, Robert Clark, Ranjan Fernando, Michael Ludemann, Anne Hanna, Marie Nolan, Caterina Erbeni, Lorraine Fanning, Pat Garnsey, Olivia McGuinness, Philip Soady, Sheryl Rogers, Bernadette Humphries, Megan McGowan, Damien Vella-Critien, Aaron Burke, Mery-Anne Bonnici, Lorraine Collins, Ross Sayer, Fred Boland, Teresa Davar, Susan Milne, Maura Garvey, Anne Holohan, Brent Senger, Oliver Senger, Christopher Michael Graham, Angela Gibbs, Peter Allman, Pam O'Malley-Jones, Judith Wennerbom, Marie O'Donovan, Frank McGuinness.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Margaret Moulazem, Elizabeth [Jill] Bonic, Charles Winstanley, Kim Byrne, Ursula [Joan] Needham, Samantha Basile, Maura O'Prey, David Smith, Leslie Glover, David Loker,

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL MEMBERS Ranjan Lakdasa Fernando, John Joseph Ryan, Emilia Stancic, Clem O'Donovan.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Elizabeth Powell, Mary Jan Buhagiar, Therese Murtagh, Patrick Taggert, Thelma Tate, Connie-Mae Vaughan, Amparo Bantay, Neta & Doug Saunders.

REMEMBRANCES:

Ronald Freeman, Friquet Family, Edward & Stephen Blow, Maria Dabska, Lyn Moran, Lionel & Phyllis Owens, Val & Eric Neilson, Loretta Vianello, Glenn Mills, Friquet Family, Maria Dabski, Michael Kokegei.

CONDOLENCES:

Condolences and prayers for Roger Ibbott, brother of former parishioner, Margaret Moulazem, and the Bonic family on the loss of their beloved mother & grandmother, Jill.

Our condolences to all the families and friends of all those recently deceased. We pray for the souls of those departed, rest in the arms of our Lord.

MASS INTENTIONS						
Date	Mass	Intention		Date	Mass	Intention
Sat 17/09	9:00am Gosford & on line	Restoration to Health TERRY & THERESA PARKHOUSE		Wed 21/09	11:30am Gosford & on line	For Good Health & God's Protection of ADAM
Sat 17/09	5:00pm Gosford	+ Birthday Remembrance EFFIE FERNANDES		Thu 22/09	9:00am Gosford & on line	
Sat 17/09	5:30pm Somersby			Fri 23/09	12:00pm Gosford	HOLY SOULS
Sun 18/09	7:30 am Gosford	HOLY SOULS			& on line	
Sun 18/09	9:30 am Gosford & on line	+ Anniversary ELIZABETH POWELL		Sat 24/09	9:00am Gosford & on line	+ Birthday Remembrance TIM KEOGH
Sun 18/09	6:00 pm Gosford	PARISH INTENTIONS	1	Sat 24/09	5:00pm Gosford	
	·			Sat 24/09	5:30pm Somersby	
Mon 19/09	9:00am Gosford	+ Remembrances VAL & ERIC NEILSON		Sun 25/09	7:30am Gosford	
Tue 20/09	9:00am Gosford & on line	+ Remembrance MARIA DABSKI		Sun 25/09	9:30 am Gosford & on line	
				Sun 25/09	6:00 pm Gosford	

