

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

You are the Christ . . . The Son of Man was destined to suffer much.

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

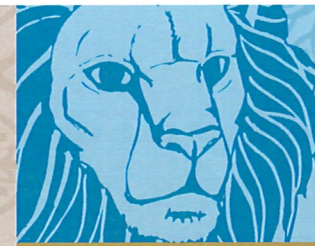
He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word



THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

15 SEPTEMBER 2024

'WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?'

This quintessential question arises today in two ways: 'who do *people* say I am?' and, 'who do *you* say I am?' The setting for this event that forms the turning point in Mark's Gospel is 'on the way' to Caesarea Philippi. Being on the way is being on the journey with Jesus. It is not clear whether they enter the villages. This conversation is often envisioned as occurring beside the rock wall of the waterfall with its niche and caves and the spring that emerges at the base of Mount Hermon. This cultic setting of the Temple of Pan, other deities and a marble temple to Augustus might distract from Mark's purpose. Meandering along the stream under a Roman bridge, past a water mill, a synagogue and a palace might be enough context to consider the questions on Jesus' lips.

To the first question 'they' – the disciples – answer variously, 'John the Baptist ... Elijah ... one of the prophets.' Peter answers the second question definitively 'You are the Messiah.' This is a crystallisation of the identity of Jesus that we have known from the first line of this Gospel. Yet, it is still not to be told and has been misunderstood so far. What is important for the disciples, and for us, is the first of the passion predictions that follow, and the reality of Jesus' mission. After the rebuke by Peter, Jesus declares to the crowd as well as the disciples 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.' In light of this, how will you answer, 'who do you say I am?'

Dr Rosemary Canavan

FIRST READING

Isa 50:5-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

I gave my body to those who struck me.

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me?

Then let us go to court together.

Who thinks he has a case against me?

Let him approach me.

The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

■ The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM

Ps 114:1-6, 8-9. R. v. 9

R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living. (or Alleluia!)

1. I love the Lord for he has heard / the cry of my appeal; / for he turned his ear to me / in the day when I called him. **R.**

2. They surrounded me, the snares of death, / with the anguish of the tomb; / they caught me, sorrow and distress. / I called on the Lord's name. / O Lord my God, deliver me! **R.**

3. How gracious is the Lord, and just; / our God has compassion. / The Lord protects the simple hearts; / I was helpless so he saved me. **R.**



4. He has kept my soul from death, / my eyes from tears / and my feet from stumbling. / I will walk in the presence of the Lord / in the land of the living. **R.**

SECOND READING

James 2:14-18

A reading from the letter of St James.

Faith without good works is dead.

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Gal 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord

Jesus Christ,
which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.

Alleluia!



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MASS TIMES

- **Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass**
- **Sun: 8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm**
- Tuesday: 5.30pm
- Wednesday: 8.45am
- Thursday - Saturday: 8.30am

24th Week in Ordinary Time YR B

- 15 Sun:** 24th Sunday O/T
16 Mon: No Mass
17 Tues: 24th week in O/T
18 Wed: 24th week in O/T (Whole School Mass – End of Term)
19 Thu: 24th week in O/T
20 Fri: Sts Andrew Kim & Paul Chong
21 Sat: St Matthew / Vigil 25th Sunday O/T

SACRAMENTS & PRAYERS

- Reconciliation: Sat 9am-9.30am
 - Rosary: Sat 8am
 - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Fri 9am-5pm
 - Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wed 6.00pm
- *For Baptisms & Weddings*
Please call the Parish Office*

PARISH FAITH FORMATION

- **Bible Studies:** Tuesday @6pm in the Parish Centre - All welcome.
- **RCIA:** Tuesday @7.15pm.
- **Children's RE/Sacrament Prep:** Thursday @4.30pm during school terms.

PARISH SCHOOLS

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St Maria Goretti's Catholic School
64 Morrison Street, Redcliffe WA 6104
6279 2000 | www.smg.wa.edu.au

WELCOME TO MASS! A very warm welcome to all, especially to new visitors. Remember to hand sanitise on entry, face masks are optional wear whilst in church. Thank you for your cooperation.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B

WHO DO PEOPLE SAY I AM? In modern parlance, we could say that Jesus was seeking some feedback from his disciples about himself, especially how he was perceived, when he asked this question. If we were to ask Jesus, 'how would describe today's Christians?', what feedback do you think he might give? How do you think a non-believer might describe the Christian community?

MASS COLLECTIONS

Dear Parishioners, the COVID-19 crisis has impacted our liturgies and church celebrations. However, we still want to provide you with spiritual support, and we must continue to pay the bills. Please continue your monetary support to the Parish. Sign up to our Planned Giving program or you can use direct debit (contact Parish Office for details). Thank you.

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS	First Collection EFT Details		Second Collection EFT Details	
	A/C Name:	BSB:	A/C Name:	BSB:
	Cloverdale Presbytery	086 006	Cloverdale Parish	086 006
	Account #:	140 608 771	Account #:	667 172 433
	Reference:	Name	Reference:	Name

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Mass	Acolyte	Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 21 st Sep 6.00pm	Joe Saldanha		M Jackson T Hanson	Sr Margaret T Khoo	A McPherson I Sharp A Khoo
Sunday 22 nd Sep 8.00am	George Sekulla	R Bennett	J Joji C Parnham	L Millington M Smith	P Sekulla
Sunday 22 nd Sep 10.00am	Andy Minh Nguyen	V Erskine	V Conier P Palmez	V Erskine F Brown	Z Chong
Sunday 22 nd Sep 6.00pm	Sunil Rodrigues		G Godfrey S Garcia	T Doan B Ryan	M Lanarolle

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Parish Events

Masses in the Parish

It is now coming up to Flu Season and Covid 19 is still in our community. It is your obligation to attend Mass on a Sunday. It is your right to exercise common sense. If you wish to wear a face mask while attending Mass, you are free to do so. Please hand sanitise as you are entering the church. However, if you are unwell or have a cold, please stay home until feeling better.

Pilgrim Statues

If you wish to have one of 'Our Lady's statues visit your home for a week, please contact Sandra Robinson on H: 9277 2872 or M: 0405 117 138. **14th September 2024:** J Turner U6/30 Chester St, Belmont & R & N Del Rosario 46 Francisco St Rivervale.

RCIA Commencement for 2024/2025

If you know of anyone who would like to join the Catholic Faith Community, please contact Parish Office & details will be passed onto Ann our coordinator or see Fr Quynh after the Mass. RCIA has commenced on a Tuesday evening at 7pm in the Parish Centre. It is not too late to enrol.

Parish Feast Day Morning Tea

Thank you to everyone that attended the Parish Feast Day morning tea last Sunday after the 8am Mass, we had a lovely gathering of parishioners. Thank you also to those worker bees that set up, organised the catering and cleaned up afterwards, your time is greatly appreciated.

Safeguarding Story & Information Books

We have a few copies of Story books for children & information books for teenagers & parents available in the parish office. Please see Safeguarding Notice board Wright St entrance for book titles.

Funeral details for the late Rev Fr Thomas Pandara – Parambil

Vigil Mass: Thursday 19th September @ 7pm St Pius X Church Como. Viewing from 6.30pm before Mass.
Requiem Mass: Friday 20th September @ 1.30pm St Mary's Cathedral Perth.
Burial: 3.30pm Karrakatta Cemetery.

Mary MacKillop's Story & Colouring Books

Are available to purchase. The books are written in English & Vietnamese. Pink – colouring book \$5.00 each and the green, blue & yellow Story books - \$10.00 each. All proceeds to the PBF.

Archdiocese of Perth Job Vacancies

Administration Assistant – Daydawn Advocacy Centre
Tenancy Advocate – Daydawn Advocacy Centre
For more information on job descriptions email recruitment@perthcatholic.org.au or contact our parish office for more details.



Around the Archdiocese

Praying with Pope France

Universal Intention – For the cry of the Earth
Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

Safeguarding Induction Training Online Course

Training Level 1 is for all church workers, paid or volunteers, who have not attended the course in the last 3 years. The overview provides and overview of the Safeguarding Policies & Procedures.
Email: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/>.
This is now a Self-paced online learning module that can be completed at any time. Go to the 'Training Page' on the website to check out the induction. See noticeboards for full details.

'Australian Catholics' Magazine – Spring Edition

Available at both entrances, please take a copy, good articles to be found.

Notre Dame Community

Containers for Change

The parish has registered for the Containers for Change Scheme. Take your cans, bottles & plastics to 'TOMRA RECYCLING CENTRE' 41 - 43 Abernethy Rd Belmont (just past Wheeler St) scan the bar code and follow instructions. All monies will be paid into the 'Parish Building Fund Account'. Flyers available with all details on including the 'barcode' to scan.



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In Our Prayers...

In Memoriam

We commend to the Father's love all our faithful departed especially: *Augusta Clark Kessler, Peter Butcher, Wilfred Daniels, deceased members of Kim Nguyen's Family, Edward & Judith Saldanha, Lawrence & Rosy Crasto, Teresa Del Borrello, Nicoletta Del Borrello, Denzil DeVisser, recently deceased Rev Fr Thomas Pandara-Parambil and all souls in Purgatory.*



Parishioners who are unwell:

Deacon Al & Aileen Atkinson, Oliver Daly, Ravi Ratnayake, Marjorie Williams, Glen Arathoon, Allan Jones, Honey Heldt, Hanh Hoang & Helen Bertola (Coverley).

Baptism

Welcome into our Catholic Faith community:
Kayelle Felicity Marie F Fidel