



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time— 16th and 17th of October 2021—Year B

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS:
Not open during this period of lockdown. Please contact us on the parish mobile of 0473 873 479 or on donvale@cam.org.

Our Lady of the Pines Parish is a welcoming, inclusive community that aims to live our Christian faith by example in our daily lives.

Our Lady of the Pines Parish is committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person, ensuring they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment within our parish. Visit our parish website or contact our parish office for our child-safe policy."

Let us pray

Sick List: Brian Sullivan, Kath Potger, Alden Ong, Lisa Dallow, Josephine Noli, Teresa Talia, Sharon Rodrigo, Laurel Wood, John Goold, Meredith Barnes, Judith Frood, Deborah Jansz, Kathy Given and Donald Pinnock

Chat with Fr Jerald

During this time of lockdown, if you would like to have a virtual chat with Fr Jerald, we will be giving you the opportunity to book a time slot to have a "face to face" chat with Fr Jerald on Zoom. Fr Jerald will be available on Tuesdays and Fridays between 11 and 12pm. Time slots will be limited to 10 minutes in order to give everyone an opportunity to catch up with Fr Jerald. Please bear this in mind when booking your time slot.

Please just go to our website to book your time slot.

We look forward to the end of this lockdown, but until we get there we will continue to hold our masses on Zoom.

Every Sunday : Rosary after the 10.00am Mass.

Every Friday : Quiet time with our Lord— Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—7.00 to 7.30pm

20th Oct: Questions of Faith at 7.30pm—"Tips for praying"

Our Weekend Zoom Mass will continue to be held at 6.00pm on Saturdays and 10.00am on Sundays. Weekday Morning Mass times will remain at 9.00am.

All of the offerings above including masses will be held on the normal zoom link noted below.

**[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2597564312?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2597564312?pwd=NGpkK2RsQTN1WkszdEdTTW5KSnl0Zz09)
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Meeting ID: 259 756 4312

Password: 689922

Keep safe everyone

Questions of Faith

Our next series "Questions of Faith" will Continue at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 20th October. We invite everyone to join us via Zoom as we gather for prayer and reflection and a short video to help us explore our faith further.

The theme of the first week's video is
"Tips on Praying"

The Zoom log-in details are the same as those used to attend Mass.

All you need to do is grab a cuppa and log-in! (Oh, and pen and paper too).

Rosary Bracelets

The youth group would like to say a huge thank you to all those who have supported the sale of the rosary bracelets. They are all now sold out!

The net amount of \$1,572.74 was raised by the Youth Group. We thank them for their efforts in making the bracelets and thank you to everyone for your great support. It has been truly appreciated.

For a Synodal Church

Synod of Bishops: On Sunday 10 October 2021, Pope Francis celebrated Mass to mark the global launch of the Synod of Bishops with the theme For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission. This Sunday, October 17, dioceses around the world will launch local preparations for the Synod. The Catholic Church in Australia will invite the People of God to make submissions via an online portal that will open on October 17. Those submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Find out more at: <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>



“LISTEN TO WHAT THE SPIRIT IS SAYING” – REFERENCE TO OVERSEAS PRIESTS (Pgs 71 & 72)

Chairman of the Parish Pastoral Council of Our Lady of the Pines Parish and on behalf our community who were disgusted in what is perceived to be offensive and racist content, I wrote to editors of the text and the Secretariat of Plenary Council to register our concern. My contact coincided with the commencement of the Plenary Council.

I explained the upset and consternation the content has caused, and the fact that appropriate editorial control and responsibility would have avoided the callous manner in which concerns were raised and the subsequent hurt to clergy and parishioners. It was requested that at some stage in the First Assembly of the Plenary Council, a public apology be made for the insensitive manner in which this topic was reported, acknowledging the hurt caused, dissociating the Plenary Council from such offensive and defamatory statements and expressing thanks to foreign-born priests for their valued contribution to our communities.

TAKE THE WAY OF THE GOSPEL / MISSION PLAN

As advised in the last newsletter, the Eastern Region meeting on 14/09/21 highlighted that many parishes have concerns with regard the process, timing and the reasoning. This incorporates clergy and parishioners. There have been on-going meetings of clergy with the Archbishop. The complications of COVID preventing appropriate consultation with parishioners, the speed at which the initial process was to be undertaken, the lack of clarity re the “Mission Plan”, inadequate consultation across the board and the link to the Plenary Council and outcomes have all been raised. The message from the Archbishop is that this will not be rushed.

Our COVID state is acknowledged as a hinderance to the required consultative processes/ requirements. It will be into 2022 before the process will gain any momentum. It was requested that each parish nominate two representatives to undertake the role of Parish Co-ordinators – conduits for information flow and facilitation. At this stage, Fr. Jerald has asked that Garry Nolan and myself be the nominal representatives, with a review of this in the New Year. The PPC commits to updating parishioners.

Peter Given

Chairperson of Parish Pastoral Council

For more information on key documents for the Plenary Council please click on the attached link.—**Click here** .

Celebrating **ALL SAINTS' DAY & ALL SOULS' DAY**

With the uncertainty of whether we will be able to gather to celebrate this special memorial days, the liturgy committees of both parishes have made the decision to remember both All Souls and All Saints via zoom , on our usual Zoom Mass links.

All Saints day - Monday the 1st of Nov—Zoom Mass will be held at 9.00am .

All Souls' Day -Tues 2nd Nov – Zoom Mass will be held at 9.00am on Zoom.

We will be including in this mass a photo video to honour and remember all those we have lost . If you would like your loved one to be remembered during this mass, we ask you to please send a photo and name of your loved one to the Parish office on donvale@cam.org.au by the 9.00am on the 26th of October in order to give us time to prepare the presentation. We regret that any info received after this time will not be able to be included.

Remembrance Day Mass—6th and 7th of November. Depending on restrictions and if we are allowed we aim to have in person masses to commemorate our departed. This will all depend on the restrictions at the time and we will keep you informed.



Quotes from Pope Francis

“Before all else, the Gospel invites us to respond to the God of love who saves us, to see God in others and to go forth from ourselves to seek the good of others.”

— Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium: The Joy of the Gospel*

2021 Josephite Calendars is now available for order. This calendar makes a lovely gift and your purchase allows us to continue the work for the Sisters of Saint Joseph in the tradition of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, our Australian Saint. An order form is attached should you wish to place an order .





A weekly series bringing 'light' to this time of lockdown...

Well and truly done with sourdough starters? Not interested in another DIY project? To help fill the void during lockdown, each week we'll suggest some inspiring content to bring 'light' to this difficult time. Pop on the kettle and check out the recommendations below.

PODCASTS FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

Quality podcasts navigating marriage and family life

Theology of the Body and Healing

In this podcast, Catholic therapists, Dr Bob Schuchts & Jake Khym discuss how we can glorify God in and through our bodies. Using St John Paul II's Theology of the Body, they look at ways we can receive healing and peace. Listen here www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving7

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE

Resources to help you explore the Bible

How do Scripture and Tradition work together?

Getting started: Why do we believe in things like the Trinity, purgatory or even what books make up the Bible? They all form part of Sacred Tradition. In this 3-minute video, hear how Scripture and Tradition work together in the life of the Church. Watch at www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted7

Going deeper: Written for Catholic teachers, this short article 'Catholic Teaching on Sacred Scripture' explains the role and importance of both Sacred Scripture and Tradition in our understanding of the revelation of God. View here www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper7

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Rosary after Sunday Zoom Mass

We are pleased to be able to offer you the opportunity to join in a Rosary after our 10.00am Sunday Zoom Mass. If you would like to participate, just remain logged on after the mass to join the rosary.

Mass Readings Next Week

1st Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Responsorial Psalm

PS 125 RV3

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

Support of our Local community and businesses

During all of these snap lockdowns, it is our community and small businesses that suffer the most. We ask you to please bear in mind and support our small businesses, especially those within our community and businesses that are owned by parishioners or people you know. They are going through a very hard time and a majority are unable to get any assistance.

Everyday we are also hearing about people who have lost their lives and our thoughts and prayers are with these families that have lost loved ones. Could we ask you all to be especially aware of those in our community who are vulnerable and if you can, give them a call to give them some support.

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ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

HOSPITALITY TEAMS— No Mass
READERS & COMMENTATORS

Sat 5.00 pm: No Mass
Sun 9.30 am: No Mass

PROJECTOR OPERATORS

Sat 5.00pm : No Mass
Sun 9.30am : No Mass

Covid Captain:

5.00pm :No Mass
9.30am : No Mass

Money Counting Roster:

Group : No Mass

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MASS TIMES for partnered Parishes of Our Lady of The Pines, Donvale & Ss Peter & Paul's, Doncaster

Joint Parishes of SSPP and OLOP	
Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	9.00am Zoom Mass
Wednesday	9.00am Zoom Mass
Thursday	9.00am Zoom Mass
Friday	9.00am Zoom Mass + Rosary after Mass 7.00—7.30 PM—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday	6.00pm Zoom Mass
Sunday	10.00 Mass Zoom Mass with Rosary After Mass

Year B –30th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 24th October 2021

GOSPEL

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road. (Mark 10:46–52)

DID YOU KNOW?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- The title 'Son of David' was one applied to the longed-for anointed one of God. Its use here indicates that Bartimaeus has recognised Jesus as the Messiah.
- The 'blind faith' of Bartimaeus contrasts sharply with the lack of insight and understanding we have witnessed from the disciples in recent weeks. According to some traditions, John survived until the end of the first century and lived in Ephesus.
- Jericho is the main town on the west bank of the Jordan River in the south. It was the crossing point for people journeying from the north and led to the main road up to Jerusalem, 22 kilometres away. Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, and to his death, has almost ended.
- In Hebrew, Bar means 'son of ' in much the same way as Mac is used in Scotland. When a Jewish boy undergoes his Barmitzvah, he becomes a 'son of the law'.
- While Rabbi means 'master' or 'teacher', Rabbuni is usually employed to express familiarity with or devotion to the master or teacher

Extract from "The Summit" Online