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Sunday, 20 October 2019 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Please feel free to fill in one of our Parish Census forms – my thanks to those who have already done so.

This weekend at the cathedral we are praying especially for the work of Catholic Missions around the world. There will be visiting speakers at some of the Masses, and a special collection for the Missions will be taken up.

Please also keep praying for rain to break the drought which is having such an impact on the land and on the lives of so many families in regional New South Wales and beyond.

We pray, too, for the students currently sitting their Higher School Certificate examinations.

This Tuesday, 22nd October, is the feast day of St John Paul II, one of several canonised saints to have visited St Mary's Cathedral Sydney in their lifetime. I hope you might become another!

Fr Don Richardson, Dean

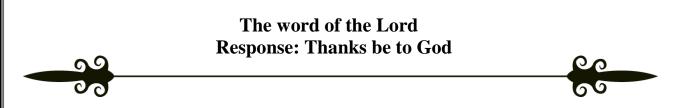
Liturgy...

First Reading Ex 17:8-13

A reading from the second book of Exodus

As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.



Responsorial Psalm Ps 120. R. v.2

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Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

1. I lift up my eyes to the mountains: from where shall come my help? My help shall come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. (R)

2. May he never allow you to stumble! Let him sleep not, your guard. No, he sleeps not nor slumbers, Israel's guard. (\mathbf{R})

3. The Lord is your guard and your shade; at your right side he stands. By day the sun shall not smite you nor the moon in the night. (\mathbf{R})

4. The Lord will guard you from evil, he will guard your soul. The Lord will guard your going and coming both now and for ever. (\mathbf{R})

Liturgy...

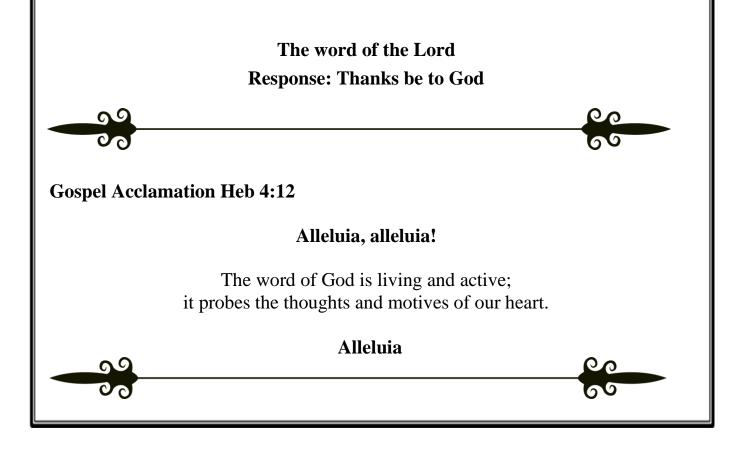
Second Reading 2 Tm 3:14 - 4:2

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

This is how the people of God become equipped and ready for every good work.

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.



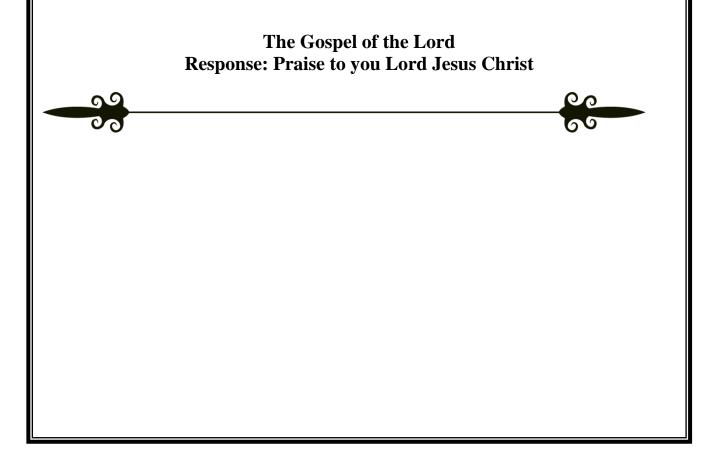
Liturgy...

Gospel Lk 18:1-8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

God will see those who cry to him vindicated.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."" And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'



Weekend Mass	Saturday Vigil: Sunday:	6.00pm 7.00am, 9.00am, 10.30am (Solemn High Mass); 12.15pm Latin Mass in the extraordinary form; 6.00pm Mass
Weekday Mass	Monday to Friday: Saturday: Public Holidays:	6.45am, 1.10pm & 5.30pm 9.00am & 12noon 9am (or as advertised)
Reconciliation	Monday-Friday: Saturday:	12noon - 1.00pm & 5.00pm - 5.25pm 11.30am - 11.55am, 4.30-5.30pm
Vespers (Evening Prayer)	Saturday: Sunday:	5.30pm 5.00pm (with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)

**COELIACS: Special Provision is made for Coeliacs at the Cathedral. Those who are gluten intolerant may receive communion either from the Chalice or with a gluten low host. Application should be made to the Sacristan before Mass.

CATHEDRAL CLERGY Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP Father Donald Richardson, Dean Father Brendan Purcell Father Gerard Woo Ling Father Lewi Barakat

CATHEDRAL STAFF

Chris Backhouse – Cathedral Sacristan Thomas Wilson – Director of Music Helen Morassut – General Manager, St Mary's Cathedral Precinct

SUBSCRIBE TO THE NEW LOOK CATHOLIC WEEKLY OR PURCHASE A COPY FOR \$2

ELECTRONIC COLLECTION PLATES

The option to make an offering via credit card is available at this mass.



Please note: you can continue to donate with cash or pass the plate on.

CATHEDRAL NOTICES

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

SAFEGUARDING. Keeping Our

Communities Safe. We understand how difficult it can be for people who have experienced abuse to make a complaint. We have developed a Listening to You card, which is available in all our parishes to provide guidance for those wishing to make a complaint. We want to support you in this process and we can provide access to counselling and support services if needed. For more information please see the attached posters that we ask Parish Priests to print and display in a prominent area within parishes. For assistance, please contact

safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org or visit

www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-andchild-protection/.

WALK WITH CHRIST In light of it being the Feast of Corpus Christi we ask all parishioners to save the date for a very special celebration for all Sydney Catholics. Please join your fellow Sydneysiders in the Walk with Christ annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney on the Feast of Christ The King on November 24 at 2.30pm. Thousands of people took part in last year's joyful public proclamation and act of worship to invoke Christ's blessing upon our beautiful city. Meet at the corner of Martin Place & Pitt Street at 2.30pm.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD MINISTRIES – Healing After Abortion Retreat 25-27

October 2019. Rachel's Vineyard Ministries, Sydney offers regular healing retreats for those who have experienced an abortion. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and nonjudgmental environment. <u>www.rachelsvineyard.org.au</u> or call confidential voicemail 0400 092 555 or email <u>info@rachelsvineyard.org.au</u>. Next retreat 25-27 October 2019.

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL. This

weekend is the Catholic Mission appeal. Please give generously to enable the Catholic Mission to continue with their work around the world.

EMBRACE YOUNG ADULTS GROUP.

Embrace, St Mary's Cathedral young adult group is for young people of 18-35 yrs old from all cultures and backgrounds. We meet every Sunday after the 6.00pm Mass at St Mary's Cathedral House, adjacent to the Cathedral. Our activities and youth projects are designed to support spiritual development and encourage active practice of our faith. On **20 Oct** Embrace will welcome a visit from Fr Arthur Givney, the 1st Year Formation Director at the Good Shepherd Seminary. Fr Arthur will talk on the Human Passions as understood by St Thomas Aquinas. You are welcome to join. For more information please write to **embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au**.

ACU CENTRE FOR LITURGY. "Be not afraid: preparing and celebrating

sacraments of healing". What do Catholics believe about Sacraments of Healing? How do Catholics celebrate reconciliation and forgiveness? How do priests, deacons and lay ministers care for the sick? What is Viaticum and how is Communion ministered to the sick? These questions will be investigated by the ACU Centre for Liturgy team during a pastoral formation day at ACU Strathfield, 25A Barker Road, Strathfield on Saturday, 9 November from 9am to 4.45pm (registration from 8.30am). Cost is \$60 and registration (including lunch) is essential at: http://www.acu.edu.au/pastoral_formation_ days or ring 9701 4751. All are welcome.

FREE SUNDAY TOUR OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL. Our tour guides would love to take you through the history of the Mother Church for Australian Catholics with a free tour every Sunday after the 10:30am Solemn Choral Mass. Please look out for the tour guide next to the organ console after Mass. All are welcome!

LOOKING FOR SUPPORT? Counselling can support you and your family to face life's challenges. Our caring team provide affordable services for individuals, couples and families. **Call CCareline** on **13 18 19** to find out more.

Please give generously



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2019 CHURCH APPEAL

Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/Ghana



ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, SYDNEY









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IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

The Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office, in conjunction with the Sydney Archdiocese has stated that <u>all Volunteer</u> <u>roles require</u> a Working With Children Check and are also required to sign a Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Code of Conduct form.

If you Volunteer here at St Mary's Cathedral, in any capacity (e.g.: reader, usher, shop assistant, bell ringer etc) please contact St Mary's Cathedral's Special Liturgy Officer on 9220 0453.

Applying for a Working with Children Check is a simple threestep process.

Step 1: Complete application for WWCC

online: www.check.kids.nsw.gov.au

Step 2: Take your application number from the online process along with identification to be verified at your local Service NSW Centre or Motor Registry.

Step 3: When you receive your clearance number, please pass these details onto St Mary's Cathedral Liturgy Officer who will then verify your details

The role of the Safeguarding Office is to raise awareness regarding our collective responsibility to protect the safety, well-being and dignity of children, young people and vulnerable adults within the Archdiocese of Sydney. Your support and understanding is greatly appreciated.