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RECONCILIATION TIMES

Darra

Saturday 9:30 am

Jindalee

Saturday 5 pm - 5:45 pm

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 13 October 2024 YEAR B

The Loving Gaze

Let's go straight to the protagonist in this story who at the end is called a man of great wealth. In that society this meant a landowner with extensive holdings.

But this wealth had corrupted his whole personality and way of thinking. There was no deep down hunger because whenever he craved anything, he knew he could buy it or use his status or power to bend others to his will.

The man boasts about all the commandments he has kept but Jesus is not satisfied with that minimum. Jesus is not a minimalist. Jesus tunes into the man's wavelength and says: 'There is one thing you *lack*.'

That would have got the rich man's attention: the suggestion that he was missing something.

But to his shock he was to hear that what he was lacking was a big heart, a very big heart: 'Go, sell everything you own and give everything to the poor.'

He had to get rid of his possessions and the security and status they bought because they were shrivelling up his heart.

Jesus is saying to you and to me: 'Yes, you keep the commandments, more or less. At least you try. Okay. But that is really the bare minimum. The real question is: What do you have to do to expand your heart: to become big hearted enough to allow my heartbeat to become your heartbeat?'

We each know what is holding us back from being one heart with Jesus Christ.

For some, to be a true follower will require giving up all possessions, as with St Francis of Assisi. For others, a real hurting redistribution of wealth is required. Our taxes do a fair bit of that, and then our voluntary response to need and injustice on top of that. But at some stage in our lives, we have known, or know now, or will know what it is we are hanging on to: the one thing we cannot or will not give up. The one thing that is so much part of our personality we cannot imagine what it would be like to get up and get rid of it.

There is only one factor that can give us, give you, give me, the courage and trust that is needed.

Note in the Gospel story, and the only time in Mark, it says: 'Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him.'

St John of the Cross, the Spanish mystic, says that: 'With God, to gaze at is to love', desiring to imprint grace on the one held in the loving gaze (*The Spiritual Canticle*, stanzas 32, 33).

'Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him.'

Those eyes, that gaze, is directed at you, and at me personally, totally, directly, but most of all lovingly. It is not the glare of the critical eye but the look full of the possibility of who you could be as a follower of Jesus Christ.

That, and only that, can give you the courage.

So close your eyes and envisage our Lord Jesus Christ gazing steadily on you and say:

'Lord, I know there is something you want me to do to enlarge my heart.'

'Lord, I know there is something I must give up to enable this to happen.'

'Lord, give me courage and trust.'

'Lord, look steadily at me and love me.' 'Amen.'

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MASS TIMES

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church Darra

103 Darra Station Road, Darra

Sunday Masses

Sunday 7:00 am

Sunday 9:00 am

Weekday Mass

Wednesday 9:00 am

Friday 6:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am

Twelve Apostles Church Jindalee

111 Yallambee Road, Jindalee

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am

Sunday 5:30 pm

Weekday Mass

Monday 7:00 am

Tuesday 9:00 am

FEAST OF ST JUDE

Will be celebrated on Saturday 26 October at the
9am Mass Darra.

Will be followed by devotional prayers.
All Welcome.



Eternal rest grant unto them, o Lord...

November is traditionally a month that we remember and pray for those who have gone before us, marked by the sign of faith.

Also, throughout November, all Catholics try to visit the graves of their deceased parents, relatives and friends. Many of us cannot do that because our loved ones have been buried far away from Australia. Being unable to travel to their graves, let us offer our prayers for them. Offered Masses for our departed unite us as one with the Paschal Mystery of the Risen Lord. The Church has always practised prayer for the departed souls. The Bible has many Scriptural foundations for this intercessory prayer for the dead. Job's sacrifices purified his sons (Job 1:5), and Judas Maccabeus "made atonement for the dead that they be delivered from their sin" (2 Macc 12:46).

This sacred duty of praying for the deceased is expressed in both public and private prayers, particularly in the offering of **the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the repose of souls**. The yellow envelopes for the November Masses are available at the back of our two Churches. Please take one, clearly write the name of your departed loved one (s) **in BLOCK letters**, and if you wish, make a donation. You can then place your envelope on the collection plate or deliver it to the Office.

On **Friday, November 1**, the Church honours all men and women who have entered the glory of Heaven. In our Parish, we are going to have two Masses on that day,

Friday, November 1, Jindalee, 9 am and Darra, 6 pm Just as on November 1st, we honour those who are with God, on November 2nd, the Church commemorates All the Faithful Departed. On that day, the Liturgy calls on us to remember our family members and friends who have died and to pray for all souls in purgatory. The Church teaches that the prayers and actions of those on earth, including Masses offered in these days, will help bring the souls of the faithful to the communion of saints.

On All Souls Day 2 November, there will be two Masses
Darra, 9 am (the Mass of All Souls)

Jindalee 6 pm (the Vigil Mass of 31 Sunday of OT)

On Saturday, November 9, at 9 am
there will be Mass at the Centenary Memorial Gardens
and a blessing of the graves afterwards.

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Agape Charismatic Prayer Group Meeting – Friday 18th October will start at 7:30pm at Jindalee Church with Praise and Worship to be followed by **Teaching: Christotherapy**. All are welcome.

Confidential **Prayer Support** is available after various Masses, the next opportunity will be: Saturday 26th October after 6pm Mass at Jindalee. Audrey 0435 558 390

HEALING OF THE FAMILY TREE MASS – CCR Bardon

People in the Archdiocese are invited to attend a **Healing of the Family Tree Mass** at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, Bardon, on Friday, 1st November 2024 at 7.30pm. Fr. William Aupito Luliano, PP, St. Mary's, South Brisbane Parish, will be the celebrant. Come, offer the Mass and pray for the healing of your ancestors. Healing prayer will also be made available after Mass. For more information contact Len Airey:



Congratulations to newly wed couples
Peter Minh Tri Hoang & Minh-Ngoc Hoang Vu,
Cuong Nghi Do & Nima Nirmanie Ranatunga who
celebrated the Sacrament of marriage last Saturday
at OLSH Darra & 12 Apostles Jindalee Churches.
May the grace of the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony keep its graces
and freshness throughout their whole married life.

The Catholic Bishops of Queensland have collaborated on a statement urging those seeking election at this year's State election to speak the truth and those who will vote for them to use their ballot for the good of all.

Printed copies of The Bishop's Election Statement are available in the foyers of both churches, or go to

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/queensland-bishops-election-statement/>

ST VINCENT DE PAUL - "BARNEY WALK BEQUEST"

It is an extreme privilege for OLSH Darra Jindalee conference to be recognised and gifted in a will. Fulfilling the wishes of the Barney Walk Bequest, our Parish Conference can assist at least two families with a child entering Year 7 in 2025. The money will be used to purchase required resources and school uniforms.

Application forms will be available from OLSH School Office or the Parish Office (Jindalee). All enquiries will be kept confidential.

Applications close Monday 18th November 2024.

ROSTER TIMETABLE 12/13 October

Readers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Farrah Ferrando, Trang Le
7am Darra	Emilia and Shona Misi
8am Jindalee	Denis Nolan, John Duncombe
9am Darra	LP Seow, Rebecca Tasi
5:30pm Jindalee	Miguel Bernabe, Anna Seu

Eucharist Ministers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Michael Waterhouse, Michael Dacono, Lissy Fernandes
7am Darra	Fatu Misi, Claire Bellenger
8am Jindalee	Jan McMullen, Veronica Lah, August Toleafoa
9am Darra	Mika Nasalio, Joseph Samaila, Nirmalee Weerasingham
5:30pm Jindalee	Jeff Haywood, Les Danielewski, Huu Doan

Altars Servers

6pm Vigil Jindalee	Ryan Le
7am Darra	Nita Misi, volunteer
8am Jindalee	Kevin Khuu, volunteer
9am Darra	Ella & Ruby Ninnes, Mathias Laughren
5:30pm Jindalee	Volunteers

Cleaners

<u>Jindalee</u>	
<u>Group 4</u>	Barbara Melville, Jan McMullen, Kerry Varvari, Halina & Damian Ridgeway

Darra 19/20 Oct. Divine Mercy Samoan Group

The ABIDE retreat for Young Adults from 18—35 years of age is based on the Vine discourse in John's Gospel. The retreat will be held at Marian Valley on 1-3 November. Spaces are limited.

REGISTER NOW



MARIAN VALLEY . FRIDAY 1 - 3 NOVEMBER 2024

RCIA

SESSION 8


TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER
7 - 8 PM . JINDALEE HALL



PETER AND THE CHURCH

Apologetics
THE NATURE AND VOCATION OF MAN
PART 1

DARRA JINDALEE YOUTH MINISTRY
SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER . 6:30-8:30PM . JINDALEE HALL
YEAR 6 - YEAR 12 STUDENTS ARE WARMLY INVITED



BP. MICHAEL PUTNEY
MEMORIAL LECTURE

You are My Flesh and Blood
The Ecology of God

Tuesday 22 October


7:00pm to 9:30pm | The Hanly Room,
Francis Rush Centre, 196 Charlotte Street
parking available

\$10 in person | \$5 livestream

Featuring guest speaker:
ARCHBISHOP
MARK COLERIDGE

RSVP Friday 18 October

SCAN QR CODE
TO REGISTER



or visit tinyurl.com/BMPLecture24

WITH OUR PRAYERS

WE ENTRUST TO GOD'S MERCY

Anoma Fernando, Paul Purcell, Savelio Fuiono, Sevilla Garcia, Walter Pick, Blin Berhane (6 years old) , Jeanette Christy, Pauline Lavey, Maria Makerita Auva, Amalia Florian, Sr Margaret Mary Danaher (vision) Rita Fenech, Paul Grima, Maha Hachem, Dell Lambert, Peter Henderson, Valma King, Jenny Magee, Graham McBryde, Annette Tanks, Ron Ford, Nina Uchino, Lee Denton, **and for those who have need of our prayers at this time.**

RECENTLY DECEASED

Alexandra Best,

ANNIVERSARIES

Elizabeth (Beth) Mowry, Carmel Cain, Teresa Nguyen Thi Hong, Maureen McBryde, Salem & John Andary, **and pray for:**
The deceased members of the Singh and Monteiro families, Peter Nguyen Khac Tu, Anna Nguyen Thi Tinh, Joseph Nguyen Hong Thanh, Paul Pham Y, Paul Pham Tuat, Anna Bui thi Lan, Anna Tran thi Can, Paul Pham Kim Nhan, Anna Pham thi Nghia, Anna Pham Thi Huong, Paul Pham Kim Nhan, Elisabeth Nguyen thi Can, Peter Hoang Su, Maria, Thaddeus NHB, Peter T.V.L, Peter C.V.G, Peter N.V.T, Joseph L.V.T, John the Baptist Di , Huynh Kiem Long, Pham Thi Ky, Huynh Khuong Ninh, Ly Thi Hong Anh, Joseph Ly Van Tai, ancestors, all souls, **all deceased parishioners, deceased relatives and friends of all here present.**

The family of Mr Rakesh Singh would like to thank all the parishioners for their prayers. Rakesh is back home and recovering well.

In the scriptures, by the Spirit,
May we see the Saviour's face,
Hear his word and heed his calling,
Know his will and grow in grace.

Sunday 13 October 2024

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,
and beside her silver ranks as mud.
I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

Responsorial Psalm 89:12-17 R. v. 14

**(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing for joy!**

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger forever?
Show pity to your servants. (R.)

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune. (R.)

Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 10: 17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

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