

want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them, 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

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# Breaking Open the Word



# THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

17 OCTOBER 2021

## GREATNESS THROUGH SERVICE

James and John were two especially privileged disciples. Called on the first day of Jesus' ministry with Peter and Andrew, they were special witnesses to the raising of Jairus' daughter and to the Transfiguration. While the other disciples knew this, they were not prepared for their audacious and ambitious request to share in Jesus' reign. Jesus had no sooner predicted, for the second time, the fate that awaited him in Jerusalem than they revealed their complete failure to comprehend Jesus' message. Their request unmasked their ambition and desire for power. Service and giving oneself for others are to be the hallmark of the Christian community, and the manner in which greatness is to be expressed. Like the suffering servant of Isaiah who takes on the punishment which is due to others Jesus will give his life so that others might live. This is what is required of those who would be leaders in the Christian community.

In speaking of Jesus as the great and eternal high priest there was the danger that early Christians would then feel in some way distant from the one who had saved them. The letter to the Hebrews makes the point that even though Jesus' death and resurrection have brought him into the highest heaven he has not lost sight of the people. That Jesus was without sin does not mean that he does not understand our human situation. He has shared our human experience and is therefore able to mediate on our behalf with mercy and grace.

**Christopher Monaghan CP**

## FIRST READING

Isa 53:10-11

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah**

*If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs and have long life.*

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

## RESP PSALM

Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22. R. v. 22

**R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**

1. The word of the Lord. is faithful / and all his works to be trusted. / The Lord loves justice and right / and fills the earth with his love. **R.**
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, / on those who hope in his love, / to rescue their souls from death, / to keep them alive in famine. **R.**
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. / The Lord is our help and our shield. / May your love be upon us, O Lord, / as we place all our hope in you. **R.**

## SECOND READING

Heb 4:14-16

**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews**

*Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.*

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to



the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mk 10:45

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

Mk 10:35-45

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.**

*The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all.*

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we

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## Catholic Parish of St Kevin Eastwood



Vigil Mass: Saturday at 5:30pm

Sunday Mass Times: 8am, 9:30am, 11:30am (Chinese) & 6pm

Weekday Masses: Mon – Thurs. 7:30am, Fri 5:00pm

Holy Rosary: Mon – Thu after 7:30am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: Fri 4:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 5:00-5:20pm

Cenacle Marian Movement of Laity: Thu 7pm

Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Rosary & Novena: Tue 7-7:30pm

### Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 2021

**Death Anniversary:** Fr John Haseler Oct 14, Fr John Lyne Oct 23

**Our Deceased:** William Brooks, Lindsay & Les Hendry, Alan & Molly McNamara, Bill, Eileen & John Taylor, Amy Murry, Katherine Corbett, Win Tranor, Sandra Walsh, Jim Grainger, James Bertoldo, Mike Crestani, Margaret Ellem, Geoff & Patricia Clarke, Jan Brayan, Arch Stewart, John Casey, Roy & Bessie Landon and O' Connor, Landon, Stewart, Pigott and Casey families. Lastly, please pray for all the souls in purgatory.

**Our Sick:** Stephanie Thielbeer, Sam Wong, Donald Mees, Agnes, Robert Lauw, Tenille Moujalli, June Phelan, Anne McIntyre, Adhy Guna S., Daisy Gouw, Nur Gouw

#### UPCOMING FEAST DAYS:

St Luke the evangelist, 18<sup>th</sup> October, St John Paul II 22<sup>nd</sup> October

#### PARISH NEWS:

- **Our Church will be open to the public on October 25.** We are excited to welcome everyone back in the Church. When our Church re-opens, the 4sqm rule will apply. We can have a maximum of 130 attendees. Face masks still mandatory indoors. Our Church will undergo a deep clean before re-opening. COVID Safe measures will be put in place.
- **All Masses during the month of November will be offered for the repose of the souls of our dearly departed. November Mass envelopes will be available from Oct 25.**
- **To all Confirmation Candidates: As we look forward to re-opening our Church, we are pleased to announce that Confirmation Masses will take place on Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Nov at 5pm & 7:15pm, and on Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Nov at 3:30pm.** More information will be emailed to parents.
- **Thank you to all those who have joined our daily 3pm Parish Zoom to pray the Rosary.** Please feel free to invite friends and family to join as well. All welcome. Click [here](#) or join using **Zoom Meeting ID: 920 3494 0509 Passcode: rosary**
- **Please join the Family Educators from St Kevin's Eastwood (Olivia Cullen) and St Michael's Meadowbank (Kirrily McDermott) for a Family Rosary Night starting at 8pm, Thursday nights in October.** We would love your family to join us in praying the Rosary. If your family would like to lead a decade of the rosary, please contact Olivia by email: info@stkeastwood.catholic.edu.au. **Zoom Meeting ID: 665 0130 8107 Passcode: rosary.** Remember to sign into your Zoom account to participate! See you Thursday nights!
- **Copies of the parish bulletin are now available outside the Church for anyone to take home or place inside letterboxes of parishioners who are alone, elderly, and do not have the means to watch our online Mass. Help them reconnect with our parish.** Thank you.
- **Volunteer Projectionist needed for Sun, 8am Mass,** contact the parish office if interested.
- **Back-up Livestream Operator needed for Saturday Vigil Mass:** If interested to volunteer please contact the parish office. Training will be provided.



- **We thank all the parishioners who are continuously supporting our parish financially during lockdown and all the volunteers involved in our livestreamed Vigil Mass.**
- **For pastoral care emergencies, please contact Fr Martin directly at 0414 841 928.**
- **The parish office is closed until further notice.** Please send your queries by email: [parish@stkevinseastwood.org.au](mailto:parish@stkevinseastwood.org.au) or leave a message at 9874 2533. Thank you.

#### AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE:

- **Catholic Mission is seeking applications for a Donor Relations Officer role (FT/PT)** The role is based in North Sydney and incorporates supporting Catholic Dioceses in NSW & ACT. Visit: <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/jobs-at-catholic-mission>.
- **Mass marking the Centenary of the Death of Servant of God Eileen O'Connor, Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 10:30am at St Mary's Cathedral. Principal Celebrant: Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP.** Mass will be livestreamed on the [St Mary's Cathedral YouTube channel](#).

#### FR MARTIN MAUNSELL'S REFLECTION:

##### WHAT IT MEANS TO BE CONSERVATIVE!

Recently there has been a lot of publicity about the so called moral/ religious *conservative* style of the now NSW Premier Dominic Perrottet.

What I would like to comment on is how the word *conservative* is so often misunderstood. Anyone who holds to any view in life on a subject or an event does so as a result of actually acquiring and then conserving knowledge on the subject or event. For example, someone who is a lawyer would need to gain some knowledge of the law and legal processes before they would be qualified to speak about this subject. Whether what they say about this aspect of law is *left wing* or *right wing* or *conservative* or *liberal* is a subjective view by the person passing a judgement on them. The same thing happens often in politics, sport and even church and religion and this labelling can often define someone very unfairly.

It is a good and a healthy thing that people as a result of acquiring more knowledge and life experience naturally expand their understanding and knowledge on a subject or event. To denounce someone as being definitively *conservative* or *liberal* based on their own limited knowledge of that person is I believe too often do them a disservice.

There is an old saying; *"that if people marry themselves to the spirit of one age, they will often become a widow in the next age."* Fulton J Sheen (1895-1979)

#### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER:



**We encourage everyone watching us online to receive Jesus through this prayer:**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already here and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.