

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Heb 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of God is living and active;
it probes the thoughts and motives of our
heart.
Alleluia!

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?'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word



THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

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PRAYER AND THE SCRIPTURES

Many people find the scriptures both fascinating and confusing. Written for different times and cultures between 2000-3000 years ago, it should come as no surprise that there are occasions when their meaning is not immediately clear, and their application to our lives uncertain. Today's readings from the second letter to Timothy reveal that it was not all that different for Christians late in the first century. Paul's letters were just beginning to be gathered and the gospels were just beginning to be preserved in written form. How should a community of faith make use of the Old Testament and these new Christian writings?

Timothy is challenged on a number of levels to use the scriptures as a resource for his ministry, providing sound teaching and guidance. One of the deepest challenges in the reading is that of proclaiming the message whether it is welcomed or not. It is a call to have the courage of one's convictions and persistent and enduring faith.

Jesus' parable about the widow and the unjust judge, as well as Moses' victory over the Amalekites, focus on how persistent and hope-filled prayer is essential for the life of faith. In an age when communication is almost instantaneous, it can come as a shock to learn that it is by patiently waiting and listening that we will best hear God's voice. While it may seem that God is slow to answer, sometimes it's our hearts that are slow to grow, change, and be attuned to God's plans!

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Ex 17:8-13

A reading from the 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 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.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 120. R. cf. v. 2

**R. 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. **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. **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. **R.**



SECOND READING

2 Tim 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.

■ The word of the Lord.

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Deacon: Eddie Ho

Vigil Mass: Sat 5:30pm

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

Weekday Masses: Tues - Thurs 7:30am, Fri 5:00pm

Liturgy & Communion Service: Mon 7:30am

Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation: Fri 4:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4:30-5:00pm

Holy Rosary: Mon – Thu 8am

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 16th October 2022



Recently Deceased: Francesco Agostino

Death Anniversary: Fr John Haseler, Bessie Landon

Our Deceased: Thelma Coe; Nathalina Pereira; Alan & Molly McNamara; Bill, Eileen & John Taylor, Amy Murry, Katherine Corbett, Win Tranor, Sandra Walsh, Jim Grainger, Fr John Lyne, James Bertoldo, Mike Crestani Paul Lobo, Peregrine Lobo,

deceased members of Brownette and Hart family, Lindsay & Les Hendry; Frank Murray, Casey, Landon, Pigott, O' Connor & Stewart families; Geoff & Patricia Clarke; Jan Brayon

Our Sick: Margaret Teutsch, Graham Rumble, Ben Isaacs, Harriet D'Souza, Sam Wong, Don Mees, Robert Lauw, Tenille Moujalli, June Phelan, Anne McIntyre, Adhy Guna S., Daisy Gouw, Nur Gouw

UPCOMING FEAST DAYS AND MEMORIALS:

St Ignatius of Antioch 17th Oct, St Luke 18th Oct, St John Paul II 22nd Oct

PARISH NEWS:

- **A special welcome to all families.** This weekend we thank God for the gift of Marriage and Family Life. Congratulations to all married couples and may God bless you always!
- **Congratulations to Rana Almeida** for receiving the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend!
- **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 this weekend. Names of your departed loved ones will be displayed in front of the altar & prayed for during the month of November.
- **New rosters will be available for collection next weekend. Please swap or make arrangements with other volunteers if unavailable on rostered dates.**
- **The St Kevin's School Fete is Back!!** With food stalls, rides, and bargains at every turn! Spread the word and come along on **Sat 22nd Oct, from 10am-4pm!**
- **Thank you to all the parish volunteers who have completed the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Online Safeguarding Induction Training.** Parish volunteers, 18yo & up, who are yet to complete the Online Safeguarding Induction Training, please register at: <https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1>. To those who have completed this training in 2018/2019, you are now due for a refresher. The archdiocese requires safeguarding refresher training every 3yrs. To register for a refresher training go to: <https://forms.gle/XuQFsRsvq3BYtXqT9>.

The Safeguarding Refresher training is also available via Zoom, on the ff. dates :

Tue 18th Oct 9am-10am | Wed 26th Oct 4pm-5pm | Thu 17th Nov 9am- 10am

Email: safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org to register your attendance. If you need assistance, Zoom meeting can be done in the parish office, Ph: 9874 2533 for info.

- **NEW SENIOR SERVERS NEEDED:** Training will be provided by Fr Pawel. If interested, please contact the parish office 98742533 or email: parish@stkevinseastwood.org.au
- **Queen of the Most Holy Rosary (QMHR) for Missionaries of the Poor Christmas Appeal:** While shopping at supermarkets, please consider buying extra items that can be donated towards the Jamaican Appeal being held by QMHR for Missionaries of the Poor in Jamaica. **ITEMS CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN THE DONATION BOX WITHIN THE CHURCH** or at the drop off point at West Ryde Neighbourhood Childcare Centre, 3-5 Anthony Rd, Level 1, Suite 8, Mon-Fri from 8am-5:30pm. Contact Rita on 0413524452 on where to drop off your donations on weekends. Last day to donate: Oct 30. See poster in the foyer for details.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE:

- **Do not miss a Special Souvenir Edition of The Catholic Weekly on 23 October, celebrating 200 years at St Mary's Cathedral. Available in all parishes for \$2.**
- **Foster Carers Needed:** Contact the Family Spirit team on 13 18 19 to find out more, or register at: <https://www.familyspirit.org/get-involved/become-a-foster-carer/> to attend an online info session on Wed 26th Oct, 6:30-7:30pm, or on Wed 30th Nov, 12:30-1:30pm. Family Spirit's Info Sessions provide interested parties with an opportunity to learn: why children come into care, the process of becoming a carer, different care options, etc.

PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL ARCHANGEL:



St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER – 23rd Oct 2022

(AV Projectionist 9:30am Mass – M Nassif)

Ministry	Vigil	8:00am	9:30am	6:00pm
Senior Servers	A Rahme	R Lock	V Chapman	T Jonas
Junior Servers	M Caboche		F Papallo S Aloisi	T Maina
Readers	R: C Caboche C: N Brown	R: L Scully C: R Tohme	R: W Aloisi C: V Aloisi	R: A Jonas C: A DiBella
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	G Brown R Elliott	D Tan J Gwynne	J Graziano M Polson	S Ramundi K Anderson



A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY: Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.