

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;  
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

Lk 18:9-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

*The publican returned to his home justified; the Pharisee did not.*

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else. 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

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# Breaking Open the Word



# THE SAVING WORD

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

23 OCTOBER 2022

## PRAYERS OF THE RIGHTEOUS AND HUMBLE

An ever-present danger for the sincerely devoted and religious person is that of falling into the trap of self-righteousness. The danger that lurks is that of seeing others as less committed and worthwhile in God's eyes than oneself. Both the first reading from Ecclesiasticus and Jesus' parable about the Pharisee and the tax collector provide us with timely and penetrating reminders that it is the prayer of the person who knows their need of the Lord that pierces the clouds of heaven. Humble and grateful acceptance of the Lord's mercy and love is our most appropriate response.

As the second letter to Timothy concludes, Paul's ministry is evaluated. Rather than think that Paul is blowing his own trumpet, it is worth remembering that this letter was probably written by one of Paul's disciples. In their judgement, Paul had indeed run the best of all races, and he was more than worthy to receive the crown of righteousness after his ministry as a fearless and tireless proclaimer of the Good News. In that ministry, he had often met with opposition, misunderstanding and sometimes even betrayal (2 Corinthians 11:21-30). Through all this, he was supported by the knowledge that the Lord was standing by his side as the source of his power. He had no illusions that he was anything but an earthen vessel that carried a priceless treasure, and that the power belonged to the Lord (2 Corinthians 4:7).

**Christopher Monaghan CP**

**FIRST READING**

Sir 35:12-14, 16-19

A reading from the book of Sirach

*The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.*

The Lord is a judge  
who is no respecter of personages.  
He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man,  
he listens to the plea of the injured party.  
He does not ignore the orphan's supplication,  
nor the widow's as she pours out her story.  
The man who with his whole heart serves God  
will be accepted,

his petitions will carry to the clouds.  
The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds,  
until it arrives he is inconsolable,  
nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him,  
acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement.  
And the Lord will not be slow,  
nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

**RESP PSALM**

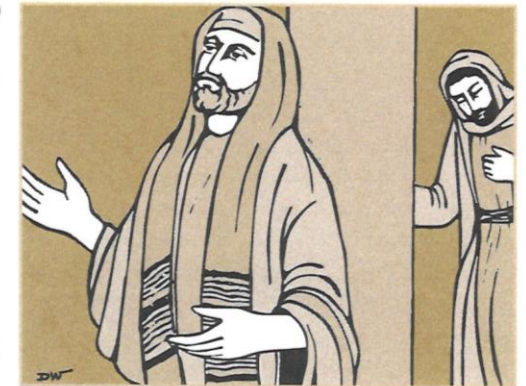
Ps 32:2-3, 17-19, 23. R. v. 7

**R.** The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, / his praise always on my lips; / in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. / The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked / to destroy their remembrance from the earth. / The just call and the Lord hears / and rescues them in all their distress. **R.**

3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; / those whose spirit is crushed he will save. / The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. / Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. **R.**

**SECOND READING**

2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

*All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.*

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

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# Catholic Parish of St Kevin Eastwood



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

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2022

**Recently Deceased:** Francesco Agostino

**Death Anniversary:** Monsignor John Lyne, Joseph Shek, Jack Field, 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 Haseler, James Bertoldo, Mike Crestani, deceased members of Brownette and Hart family; 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:

Saints Simon and Jude 28<sup>th</sup> Oct; All Saints Day 1<sup>st</sup> Nov, All Souls Day 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov

### PARISH NEWS:

- This year, **Oct 23 is World Mission Day**. Pope Francis, in his 2022 World Mission Sunday message, invites everyone to answer the call to be missionary!
- All Saints Day, Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Nov** – Parish Mass at 7:30am, St Kevin's School Mass at 9:15am
- All Souls Day, Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov** – Parish Mass will be at 7:30am and 7:00pm.
- All Masses during the month of November will be offered for the repose of the souls of our dearly departed.** November Mass envelopes now available. Names of your departed loved ones will be displayed in front of the altar & prayed for, during November Masses.
- Our condolences to the family of long-time parishioner, Francesco Agostino. His funeral will be held in our parish on Mon, 24<sup>th</sup> Oct at 11am.** Please keep him in your prayers.
- CHARITABLE WORKS FUND (CWF) APPEAL.** Parishes around the archdiocese of Sydney will be holding the CWF appeal on Nov 5-6. Info: <https://www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf>.
- Children's Liturgy will recommence this weekend at the Sunday 9:30am Mass.**
- The next monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be held in the hall on Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Nov at 7am. All men are welcomed. The reflection will focus on "Begin with the End in Mind".
- Next Infant Baptism Info Evening:** Tue 1<sup>st</sup> Nov, 7pm in the Parish Office Meeting Room.
- Nov 2022-Feb 2023 Rosters** now available for collection from the table next to the sacristy.
- Save the date: Saturday 3 December after the Vigil Mass.** Everyone is invited to come to the Parish Christmas Dinner. More details to follow.
- NEW SENIOR SERVERS NEEDED:** Training will be provided by Fr Pawel. If interested, please contact the parish office 98742533 or email: [parish@stkevineastwood.org.au](mailto:parish@stkevineastwood.org.au)
- AV PROJECTIONIST NEEDED** for Sat VIGIL at 5:30pm & Sun 6pm Mass: If interested, please contact the parish office at 9874 2533. Training will be provided.



- Please get a copy of the **Australian Catholics** magazine as you leave the church. Thank you!
- 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 training, go to: <https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1> to register. To those who completed this training in 2018/2019, you are now due for a refresher. Go to: <https://forms.gle/XuQFsRsvq3BYtXqT9> to register. The refresher training is also available via Zoom, Email: [safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org)

Macquarie Park Centenary Open Day 5<sup>th</sup> Nov from 10AM-3PM. Tours, Talks, Displays, Food Stalls, etc! FREE EVENT. **ALL SOULS' MASS at 11:15am, presided by Fr Stan Kluk.** Macquarie Park Cemetery & Crematorium, celebrating 100 years! See poster for more details.

Your support is more important than ever for the people of Ukraine. Donate generously to Caritas Ukraine Appeal: <https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/ukraine-appeal/> 

**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 to the Missionaries of the Poor in Jamaica. **ITEMS CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN THE DONATION BOX IN THE CHURCH FOYER.** See poster for details. Last day to donate items: Sunday, Oct 30.

### 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 – 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022

(AV Projectionist 9:30am Mass – J Chung)

Ministry	Vigil	8:00am	9:30am	6:00pm
Senior Servers	S Dick	S Coorey	M Velasco	A Ho
Junior Servers	S Gibbons		O Cullen L Garcia	E Egan
Readers	R: S Fernando C: J Alam	R: P Parker C: P Porta	R: T Nassif C: M James	R: S Polson C: M/J Polson
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	S Gibbons V Mourani	J Sun S Zavesky	J Raad R Boey	D Brix-Nielsen A Brix-Nielsen

 **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](mailto: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.