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**October 12/13 Collection :**

St John's \$523 St Joseph's \$873

**Sacramental Reception ...**

**Baptism :** Second and fourth Sundays of the month at 12 noon (book online ... olsc.org.au/baptisms)

**Marriage:** by appointment

**Reconciliation:** every Friday 7:15—8:00pm (except 27th September)

**Confirmation, Reconciliation and**

**Holy Communion:** Preparation for these Sacraments will be conducted at John's for State School children.

Email our office at office@olsc.org.au for further information.

**Mass Times at OLSC**

*St John's:*

Tuesday to Friday at 9.15am, Saturday 8.30am, 6:00 pm  
Sunday at 9:00 am (Italian), 11:00 am and 5:00 pm

*St Joseph's:*

Monday to Saturday at 8:30 am, Saturday 6:00 pm (English)  
Sunday at 9:00 am (Vietnamese)

*Good Shepherd:*

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Sunday 9:30 am

At Our Lady of the Southern Cross, we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

We acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional land of the Wurundjeri people and offer our respects to the elders past, present and future. We recognise and respect the cultural heritage of this land.

**Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross**

19/20 October, 2024

Year B

**For those whom we remember...**

**Mass Intention:** Nicola Presta.

**Condolences:** We pray for the families and souls of those who have departed recently.

**Anniversaries:** John Gange.

**For prayers of healing**

Please remember the following in our prayers:

Mario Misurelli, Tony Addamo, Cecily Hollingworth, Annette Baker, Rose Capp and Ian Armstrong.

If you hear of any of our parishioners who are not well or who have been injured, please email us at office@olsc.org so that we can remember them.

**Synod on Synodality**

Those who are interested in following the Synod on Synodality, may check out this link:

https://www.vaticannews.va/en/taglist.chiesa-e-religioni.Papa.sinodalita.html

**Youth Mass**

We will again enjoy our Youth Mass at St John's Church next weekend, 27th October at our 5pm Mass. Come and witness the wonderful involvement of our young people.

**Salesian Bulletin**

The Salesian Bulletin is available at the back of the church in Italian and English for those interested in Salesian activities.

**Roster for Mass at St John's**

Please Note: If unforeseen circumstances prevent you from taking part, please arrange a substitute.

Date	First Reading	Second Reading	Prayers of the Faithful	Special Minister
<b>11 am</b>				
20 Oct	Samoans	Samoans	Samoans	Samoans
27 Oct	John A	Bill	Jill	Quyen
3 Nov	Michael/Anna	Lucy	Sue/John	John S
10 Nov	Hugh	Gabrielle	Lucy	Michael B
17 Nov	Samoans	Samoans	Samoans	Samoans
<b>5 pm</b>				
20 Oct	Manickams	Berrymans	Manickams	
27 Oct	Daniel	Christina	Marita	
3 Nov	Lachlan	Daniel	Marita	
10 Nov	Akkermans	Akkermans	Akkermans	
17 Nov	Manickams	Berrymans	Manickams	

**Upcoming Events**

**October: Month of the Holy Rosary**

Friday 25 - 7pm Rosary at St John's

Saturday, 19—6:45pm Coffee at St Joseph's

First/last Sun—Rosary and Reflection at St Joseph's  
Sun, 20—"A Sunday to Celebrate" at St John's at 9am and 11am Mass

**November: Month of the Holy Souls**

Photos of deceased relatives are invited to the sanctuary of both churches

Friday, 1—All Saints Day

Mass at St John's at 9:15am (English); St Joseph's at 8:30am (English); 7:30pm (Vietnamese)

Saturday, 2—All Souls Day

Mass at St John's 8:30am (English); 6pm (English)

Mass at St Joseph's 8:30am (Eng); 6pm (Eng)

Sunday, 17—"A Sunday to Celebrate" at all masses at St John's

Saturday, 23—45th Anniversary of St Cecilia Cung Chieu Choir

Sunday, 24—St Cecilia's Feast Day, Mass at St Joseph's 9am (Vietnamese).

**Baptisms**

Today (Sunday) we have the pleasure of celebrating three baptisms at St John's: Mia Maggie and Sienna Evie, twin daughters of Sarah and Matthew Zampaglione of Mill Park and Mason Anthony, son of Anthony and Linda Mastroianni of Reservoir.

And ... one at St Joseph's: My May Tran, child of Micae Tran and Maria Bui of Kings Park.

We warmly welcome these four children into the Church and hope their journey of faith is enjoyable.

**St Joseph's Outreach**

Once again the Matautia family are organising another free meal and/or cuppa next Saturday, 26th October at 3:30pm. All are welcome to join Wayne and his family for this joyous occasion. Many thanks to the Matautia family for their most generous contribution to our outreach program.

The 2024 Knox Pubic Lecture will be held on Thursday 7th November at 7.30 pm trybooking.com/CVXGD

"Connecting with Hope, Reconnecting with the Christian Vision of the Person"

Presented by Rev Assoc Prof Jamie Calder, SJ MAPS

**URGENT PASTORAL NEED**

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**Service, not Control**

Misunderstanding is the keynote of Mark's Gospel, and today's narrative clearly bears this out. The disciples repeatedly not only misconstrue their understanding of Jesus and his message, but unashamedly seek to control their own misconceptions of call and belonging to discipleship. In response, honing on the less palatable, unwanted, and unexpected demands of faith, Jesus is bluntly realistic and unquestionably honest proposing a cup of submission, service, suffering, and death as the only possible way to fullness of life. To people who are exclusively inward-looking and self-centred Jesus demands a complete conversion of heart and mind into an outward-looking stance and total commitment to others in service and availability.

There is absolutely no doubt that the disciples believed in Jesus and readily claimed to be his followers. a following seemingly conditional to the achievement of their personal agenda, an instrument of upward social mobility affording them power and authority over the others. Like them, in all of us there is an innate drive to seek promotions, personal opinions, and status, ensuring our agenda by controlling self, others, and possibly God too. However, as followers of Jesus gathered here to express and celebrate the active presence of God in our lives, the challenge of the Word of God is clearly addressed to our faith scenario. We pray daily to the Father to forgive us our sins, but we will never get over that disagreement of years ago, because that gives us superiority over the offender, a psychological and moral control over that person. On the contrary, Faith is the antithesis of control and discipleship, the incarnation of trustful abandonment to God through service on behalf of those around us, whatever the cost. Faith in Jesus means to resolve the contradictions of our world and of our personal life, not in control but in self-giving to each other in a total outward and other-centred movement towards those we encounter or live with.

After a life totally other-oriented, Jesus gave up control of his very life into the hands of the Father and death became the moment of fullness of life for all of us. Our claim to faith celebrated in Word and Sacrament will be true and fruitful when the 'Amen' at the end of liturgy is not a conclusion of a ritual dispensed with for another week, but a commitment to incarnating in real-life our belief in a God who came *not to be served but to serve, and to give his life ransom for many* (Mk 10:45).

May our faith, nourished and expressed at our Sunday gathering, never be self-centred inward-looking but always projected outward into total commitment to others through service, availability and sincere mutual love, particularly when it is not easy to understand the rationale of loving service and even more difficult to live it in the concrete situations of every day.

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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.

*Shorter form: 10:42-45*

# Breaking Open the Word



# THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-NINETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

20 OCTOBER 2024

## BEING SERVANT AND SLAVE

Our first reading is from the fourth ‘servant song’ or poem of Isaiah. The imagery of the suffering servant is juxtaposed with ‘the Son of Man [who] came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as ransom for many.’ Just prior to today’s Gospel reading, there was the third passion prediction. Jesus and the disciples are on the way to Jerusalem toward his passion and death. James and John, sons of Zebedee, open the scene. They were among the first called by Jesus and they are among the closest of his companions. What might we think would be on their minds? How taken aback will we be when they come to Jesus and say: ‘we want you to do for us whatever we ask.’ They are looking for their reward in places of esteem and honour. The brothers failure to understand angers the other ten.

Jesus makes clear that their orientation and that of anyone who wishes to be great is to be servant. This is their lesson and ours. Still today this is countercultural. In our Church we are invited to walk the way in synodality: praying together, listening deeply to one another, listening to the Spirit, walking together in the Spirit, asking what we are called to do, not only what Jesus will do for us. How will we be servant to one another, walking together in humility, this week?

Dr Rosemary Canavan

## 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.**

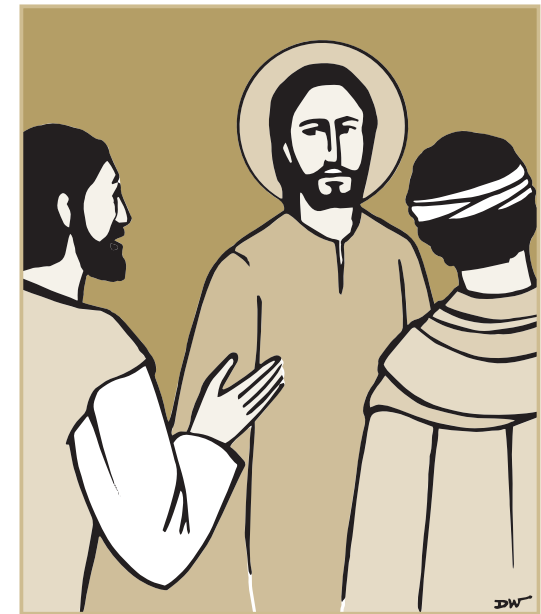
## SECOND READING

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 want you to do us a favour.’ He said to them, ‘What is it

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