

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday 23 October 2022**



Readings for  
this week:

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18  
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18  
Luke 18:9-14



Readings for  
next Sunday

Wisdom 11:23-12:1  
2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2  
Luke 19:1-10



## Liturgical Jottings

### Liturgical Prayer III

The liturgical prayers of the Mass enable the community to communicate in common, to express faith and worship together and unify the participants in praise and thanksgiving to God. The structure and texts must include certain devices: common language, order, and patterns of dialogue. In short, liturgical prayer will tend to be formal, ritualised, engaging, stylised, inclusive, universal, repetitive and familiar. In the one celebration prayers take the form of greeting, invitation, blessing, confession, praise, thanksgiving, petition, acclamation, offering, and remembrance. Some prayer texts e.g.: "The Lord be with you" are at the same time a greeting, an invitation to prayer, a blessing and an imperative that God is with us.

## Looking at the Readings

It is very easy for religious people to fall into a kind of self-righteous-ness. Their very enthusiasm and generosity can plant the seeds of religious arrogance. They know what commitment demands of them; they experience relative success in their endeavours to be faithful; they distance themselves from what they think might threaten their resolve; and then they pass judgment on those who do not share their values or experience their success. This kind of arrogance is often imperceptible, because there is enough truth in every step along the way that it is difficult to recognise when one is veering off the track.

Jesus extols the humility of the one who admits being a sinner, and can accept the implications of that admission. This is the kind of prayer that is described in the reading from Sirach and the psalm response. It is those who can admit that they are needy who turn to God in that need. It is those who trust that God will be their strength in the face of their weaknesses who are strengthened.

Paul's own prayer demonstrates the attitudes that should be ours as we pray. Like the Pharisee, he acknowledges his success. He has competed well; he has finished the course; he has kept the faith. However, unlike the Pharisee, he acknowledges that God is the source of any good he has been able to accomplish. The Lord stood by him and gave him strength. If there is any glory, it belongs to God. Paul's confident prayer springs from a humble heart. © Dianne Bergant CSA

## Prayer for the Week

O God, who alone can probe the depths of the heart, you hear the prayer of the humble and justify the repentant sinner. As we stand before you, grant us the gift of humility, that we may see our own sins clearly and refrain from judging our neighbour. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

## Quote of the Week


The most powerful weapon to conquer the devil is humility. For, as he does not know at all how to employ it, neither does he know how to defend himself from it. *St Vincent de Paul*

## On the Lighter Side

Did you know that the aardvark is the humblest, most inoffensive and harmless animal in existence. As my Granddad used to say, "Aardvark never hurt anyone."



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	<b>Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving</b>	
	<b>For those whose anniversary occurs at this time</b>	Kaye Marshall, Anne Heathman, Maria Worm
	<b>Our sick and their carers</b>	

DAY, TIME, DATE	COMMENTATOR	READER	GOSPEL PROCESSION	GIFT PRESENTATION	SPECIAL MINISTERS	SCREEN OPERATOR/ORGAN
Sun 10:30 am 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Debbie Worm	Kaye Gaffy	Bernie Maher	Domelina Phelan & Fely Sweet	Ross Kelly	Trish Warnett Choir

## Two Week Mass Timetable Commencing 17th October

### Weekday Mass

Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> October	No Mass
Tue 25 <sup>th</sup> October	No Mass
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> October	9:15 am Mass
Thu 27 <sup>th</sup> October	No Mass
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> October	9:15 am Mass

### Weekend Mass

Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> October	No Mass
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> October	10:30 am Mass

### Weekday Mass

Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> October	No Mass
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup> November	No Mass
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	9:15 am Mass
Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	No Mass
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> November	9:15 am Mass

### Weekend Mass

Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	No Mass
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	10:30 am Mass

**Reconciliation** Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November 11:30 am

## Collection for the Priest Retirement Foundation

On the weekend of **5/6 November** we will be having a bucket collection after each Mass to raise money for the Priest Retirement Foundation of the Diocese of Sandhurst.

The Foundation supports our priests who have retired from parish appointments, after many years of dedicated service, and who often generously continue to assist in our parishes. The foundation also provides support to parish priests with their hospital and medical expense.

The Foundation relies on your gifts to assist in providing care for our priests. Bishop Shane invites us all to join him in caring for those who cared by responding generously to this appeal.

**BUCKET COLLECTION  
SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AND  
SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

## Colloquium 2022 - Postponed:

We regret to inform you that the Tenth Bishop Joseph Grech Memorial Colloquium on Ethics and Migration has been postponed to a later date due to floods in central Victoria. We apologise for the inconvenience that this may have caused.

In the meantime, we continue praying for those who are affected by the floods.

## New Parish Office Hours and Email

The Parish Office, will now only be open on a Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 am until 1pm. Please ensure that you advise the office of any anniversaries for inclusion in the Weekend Bulletin, by 12 noon on Wednesday.

Parish email is [tatura@sandhurst.catholic.org.au](mailto:tatura@sandhurst.catholic.org.au)

## Acknowledgement to Country

We turn our hearts and minds to the people of the Yorta Yorta nation, who have occupied this country for thousands of year. We pay respect to their elders past, present and emerging, and commit to walking alongside Aboriginal Australians in truth and justice

## FUNDRAISER FOR SACRED HEART

We have 25 wood scroll Calendars 2023 available at Narthex, in the Church, after the weekend Masses. \$20 each and 5 different calendars, divine mercy, our Lady of Lourdes, St. Anthony, Sacred Heart and our Lady of Perpetual Help. All money raised will go to Sacred Heart Parish Tatura



## Diary Dates for November

### November

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> 2pm Ladies Chat  
 Sat 5<sup>th</sup> 11:30am Reconciliation  
 Wed 9<sup>th</sup> 10am – Italian Rosary – Tatura Cemetery  
 Sat 19<sup>th</sup> 9am – Cemetery Mass

### Can you help, or do you know someone who could help

The roof in the Parish house has been leaking for many many years and due to the recent rains it has become very bad and is now spoiling the carpet.

Do you know someone who would be able to help us assess what needs to be done to repair this and how much it might cost as we will need to raise money to undertake this work.

Could you please call Fr John on 0413 445 498 or the parish office to discuss and organise a time to do an inspection.

### This week on the Journey (Ep 481)

On the Journey this week: This Sunday is World Mission Day; this year's theme is "You shall be my witnesses." Fr Brian Lucas' gospel reflection is on witness, humility, righteousness, and World Mission Sunday. Mother Hilda on where to look for enlightenment, Plus, Fr Mike Delaney on a proposal that the clergy in Tasmania pray for the people of the State that there might be an increased awareness of the need for God in their lives, Trish McCarthy is encouraging us to ask some pertinent questions to see things a little bit differently, Pete Gilmore is wondering what all the guests Jesus invites to dine with at his long table think of each other, and more great music! Visit [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au) or [www.itunes.jcr.org.au](http://www.itunes.jcr.org.au) where

### St Vincent de Paul Society 2022 Goulburn Valley Region Festival Mass and Gathering

When: Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October  
 Time: 10am  
 Where: St Mary's Church  
 McLennan St, Mooroopna  
 RSVP: by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October including any dietary requirements to Margaret Campbell  
[Margc2@dodo.com.au](mailto:Margc2@dodo.com.au) or  
 0439 118 842

## BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

This week Catholic Mission offers us the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to help prevent malnutrition, especially in babies and young children, and help disadvantaged families provide food for their loved ones.

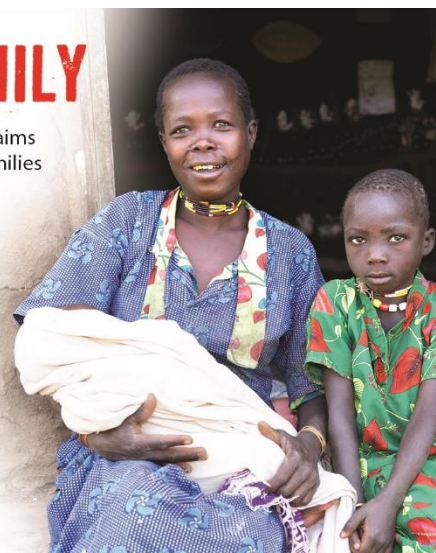
The Deberety Goat Rearing Centre is a dream of the local Church and community in Emdibir. When established, the Centre aims to provide nutritious goats milk for families in need, like Neela's\*, so that babies like Ajani\* can be healthy and strong.

Please give generously today to help kickstart this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope provided, going online at [catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia](http://catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia), or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

\*Name altered to protect identity



Freecall: 1800 257 296  
[catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia](http://catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia)



## Sandhurst World Youth Day 2022:

Our Lady, Mother of God Church, Wangaratta South,  
1pm – 9pm, Saturday 19th November

Bishop Shane is inviting all young people aged 15-35 from across the Diocese to gather in Wangaratta on Saturday November 19th for the annual Diocesan World Youth Day celebration.

Drawing on the global WYD theme, “Mary arose and went with haste” Luke 1:39, the Sandhurst celebration will explore what it means when Pope Francis asks young people to be “protagonists of change” (Christus Vivit, n174).

With music, talks, conversations and opportunities to meet other young people from across the Diocese, the Sandhurst World Youth Day 2022 celebration is shaping up to be an event not to be missed. We will, of course, also be celebrating the Vigil Mass for the Feast of Christ the King with Bishop Shane.

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Coordinator of Youth Ministry  
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## Study exploring beliefs of Australian Catholics:

Led by Stephen Bullivant from the University of Notre Dame Australia and St Mary's University, Twickenham, in the UK, and Philippa Martyr from the University of Western Australia, the study is being undertaken through an online anonymous questionnaire.

Following the wide range of Catholics who shared their vision for the future of the Church in Australia by contributing to the four-year Plenary Council process there is a study being done to further explore what ordinary Catholics across Australia think and believe, and how they feel about the Church and being Catholic.

The questions mostly require participants to tick a box to respond, so there's little writing involved. Participants must be 18 years or older. The survey is open until December 2022.

The link to the survey is  
[https://notredame.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_bdyxQ0e3lvj5qOa](https://notredame.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bdyxQ0e3lvj5qOa)

## Thoughts for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

<https://young-catholics.com/3659/27th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-year-c/>

Pharisees were held in high esteem in Jewish culture. Tax collectors, on the other hand, were collaborators with the Romans. They also cheated people to increase their earnings. So they were despised. So for Jesus to tell this story where the Pharisee is the “villain” and the tax collector is the “hero” is a complete reversal of how these roles were perceived.

Jesus is showing us that it is not social status which matters in the eyes of God. He cares about how our hearts are oriented. We must remember that everything we are and have comes from God. And we are all in need of God's mercy. When we start thinking that praying and following the rules somehow earn us a special place in the Kingdom of God, then we are relying on our own efforts instead of trusting in God.

## Reflection Questions for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

- Do I trust in my own strength and look out for myself?
- Or do I believe that if I let go of power that God will care for me?
- Are there individuals or groups of people whom I look down upon?

*I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.*

Luke 18:14

## ALONG THE TRACK – A Tiny Ripple

Psalm 23 is a beautiful piece of poetry. It is uplifting, encouraging, its imagery speaks to our deepest souls. Fresh and green pastures in the barren wilderness, quiet, refreshing waters, safe paths even in deep, dark valleys. One wonders what were the circumstances that led to this beautiful psalm being written.

This is the first paragraph of Jim Quillinan's Along the Track article. For the full article online visit [http://www2.ceosale.catholic.edu.au/Along\\_the\\_Tracks.a.spx](http://www2.ceosale.catholic.edu.au/Along_the_Tracks.a.spx)

Copies of the Along the Track are in the Narthex.

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<http://www.sacredheartparishtatura.com.au>



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