

**Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday**

**30 October 2022**



Readings for  
this week:

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



Readings for  
next Sunday

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14  
2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5  
Luke 20:27-38



## Liturgical Jottings

### Contemplative Prayer

Liturgical prayer and solitary or private are distinctive, but necessarily connected and complementary where one form enriches the other. Solitary prayer may include formal texts eg Hail Mary, Our Father etc but tends to be informal, subjective, intimate, specific, free-flowing, flexible and spontaneous. Contemplative prayer has become a specific form of personal prayer. The New Testament, Western and Eastern writers and throughout Christian history provide a wealth of insights into contemplative prayer that cannot be covered here. Contemplative prayer brings the person to an awareness of the presence of God and unites God and the contemplative in a sense of finding one's true self in relation to God. Contemplation may also bring sense of unity with creation and human activity.

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## Looking at the Readings

The change of seasons is always an opportune time to marvel at the magnificence of the natural world of which we are a part. Its colours, its textures, its smells all reflect the limitless imagination of the creator. Perhaps the most marvellous feature of the world is the interconnectedness of all the elements of which it consists. Somehow the spirit of the creator is manifested through each and every aspect of this universe. And we are part of it all. The universe may be as a grain in the balance or a drop of morning dew, but each grain and each drop contains within it the possibilities of the future.

Offering hospitality is a profound social act. When we offer hospitality, we invite another into our world, into our lives. We shift our attention from our own cares and concerns to the needs and comfort of the other. By the act of hospitality we transform strangers into friends and intimates, just as Jesus did with Zacchaeus. The hospitality that Jesus offers dissolves all constraints. Relationships disregard the biased measures of propriety, forging bonds of reconciliation and issuing everyone an invitation to intimacy. The hospitality that Jesus offers recreates the world from one of insider versus outsider to one of universal inclusivity. Sinners become friends, the lost are found, and all are restored to the rightful place as children not merely of Abraham but of God. The creativity of the creator is matched by the compassion of the re-creator. © Dianne Bergant CSA.

### Prayer for the Week

Lord, I am often like Zacchaeus, making huge efforts to catch a glimpse of you, only to find that you are waiting for me, calling me by name, inviting yourself into my heart. Once I am with you, I find happiness in putting things right, ordering my life, finding the springs of generosity and justice that have been stifled by old habits. Sacred Space © 1999-2022 Irish Jesuits


### Quote of the Week

True contemplative prayer is not a psychological trick but a theological grace. It can come to us only as a gift, and not a result of our own clever use of spiritual techniques. *Thomas Merton, Climate of Monastic Prayer*

### On the Lighter Side

A seminarian was asked to give an impromptu homily on Zacchaeus. In three short sentences he said: "First, Zacchaeus was a man of small stature; so am I. Second, Zacchaeus was very much up a tree; so am I. Third, Zacchaeus made haste and came down; so will I."



	<b>Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving</b>	Florenda Cummins
	<b>For those whose anniversary occurs at this time</b>	Vittoria Beninati, Giuseppe (Joe) Bonadiesi, Elizabeth Bonadiesi
	<b>Our sick and their carers</b>	

DAY, TIME, DATE	COMMENTATOR	READER	GOSPEL PROCESSION	GIFT PRESENTATION	SPECIAL MINISTERS	SCREEN OPERATOR/ORGAN
Sat 6:00 pm 5 November	Carol Coulston	Peter Crombie	Shelia Gregg	Pat Anderson Doreen Corrigan	Not Required	Trish Warnett
Sun 10:30 am 6 November	Rob Miller	Kay Gaffy	Rita Fairchild	Barry & Jan Lowe	Ross Kelly	Debbie Worm Trish Warnett
Sun 10:30 am 13 November	Mary Gale	Rob Miller	Domelina Phelan	De Lai Family	Connie Serra	T Smith Trish Warnett
Sat 6:00 pm 19 November	Carol Coulston	Shelia Gregg	Joan Webster	Joyce Caifa Delphi Hamilton	Not Required	Trish Warnett
Sun 10:30 am 20 November	Rita Fairchild	Anne-Marie Nihill	Bernie Maher	Marg Normington Nita Basile	Steve De Lai	Debbie Worm Trish Warnett
Sun 10:30 am 27 November	Debbie Worm	Ross Kelly	Connie Serra	Domelina Phelan Fely Sweet	Anna Ciavarella	Trish Warnett Choir

## Two Week Mass Timetable Commencing 31<sup>st</sup> October

### Weekday Mass

Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> October	No Mass
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup> November (All Saints Day)	No Mass
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> November (All Souls Day)	9:15 am Anointing Mass
Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	No Mass
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> November	9:15 am Mass

### Weekend Mass

Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> November	No Mass
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> November	10:30 am Mass

### Weekday Mass

Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> November	No Mass
Tue 8 <sup>th</sup> November	No Mass
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> November	9:15 am Mass
Thu 10 <sup>th</sup> November	No Mass
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> November	9:15 am Mass

### Weekend Mass

Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> November	No Mass
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> November	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**

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

## 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

## Diary Dates for November

### November

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> 2pm Ladies Chat  
Fri 4<sup>th</sup> 10am – Italian Rosary – Tatura Cemetery  
Sat 5<sup>th</sup> 11:30am Reconciliation  
Sat 19<sup>th</sup> 9am – Cemetery Mass

## Ladies Chat and Cuppa

Everyone is welcome to come along to the Ladies Chat and Cuppa

Date: Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
Time: 2pm.  
Venue: St Mary's Hall

Please bring your own snacks.

## Cemetery Mass Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November

Mass will be held on Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> November at 9.00 am at the Tatura Cemetery.

Please bring a chair, and if you like flowers.

### Messa al cimitero

La Santa Messa per i nostri Defunti sara celebrata Sabato 19 Novembre alle ore 9am nel cimitero di tatura per piacere portatevi la sedia

## Victorian Flood Appeal

The St Vincent de Paul Society has established a Victorian Flood Appeal. A poster and related publicity are being prepared and should be available early next week, but if parishioners or schools are enquiring before then, contributions can be made by:

- Call 13 18 12
- visit <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022>. You can also
- make a monetary donation through any one of our Vinnies Shops at point of purchase
- via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods

## Holy Souls in Purgatory

A reminder that the month of November is dedicated to praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory and those that have departed from this life – our family, friends and loved ones. **Envelopes are in the Narthex**

**Pope Francis intentions for the month of November - Children Who Suffer;**

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection

## This week on the Journey (Ep 482)

On the Journey this week: Fr Mark De Battista's gospel reflection. Mother Hilda on the pilgrimage track of life making amends for one's own sins, and the sins of others. Testimony from some of the participants on the Men Alive – Growing Good Men weekend, Deacon Josh Clayton on using the Divine Office as a method of prayer, Fr Brian Lucas on Catholic Mission's Soctober event, 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)

Please place your Catholic Mission Envelop in the collection – there will also be a bucket collection after Mass if you did not bring your Envelop

## BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

Thank you so much for your generous partnership with life-changing mission programs like the establishment of the Deberety Goat Rearing Centre in Emdibir, Ethiopia.

Your gift is helping the Church and the local community work towards constructing the Centre, supplying feed and veterinary medication, and procuring goats to provide nutritious milk to help address problems like malnutrition in babies and children. Your gift also supports mission programs around the world that reach out and give life to those in most need.

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## Fundraiser For Sacred Heart

Our two fundraisers selling the Rosaries and the wood scroll Calendars 2023 to date has raised \$1,920.

A big thank you goes out to Connie Serra, Mary D'Augello, Mary Vraca together with Fr John for helping to make the Rosaries. Also thank you to everyone who made a purchase.

There are still Rosaries and Calendars available in the Narthex for sale and thank you to Mary D'Augello who donated a glass showcase for these items.

## Cancelled - Sandhurst World Youth Day 2022:

Sandhurst World Youth Day event on November 19th in Wangaratta has been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.

I apologise for the confusion this may cause and hope to have a more positive update to you soon on further youth ministry plans including the young adults pilgrimage to World Youth Day Lisbon next year.

If you have any questions please get in touch.

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## Change to the Weekday Masses

Effective from Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November all weekday Masses will now be held in the Church rather than the Nuns Chapel. Please enter through the front door.

## Holy Water

We can now bless ourselves with Holy Water when we enter our Church. The Stoups in the Narthex have been filled with Holy Water.

*The Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost.* Luke 19:10

### Parish Website

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

## Thoughts for the 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

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

Tax collectors were despised for collaborating with the Roman occupiers. Many were dishonest and took more than they were due to make a larger profit. By the example of Zacchaeus, Jesus takes a person who was hated by society – a tax collector – and shows how nobody is beyond transformation and salvation.

Most of the Jews of the time wanted nothing to do with this group of people. They were pushed outside of polite society, and so their money and material goods became their only comfort. But Jesus has a different view. He sees a group who needs to be invited back into the fold. He was willing to speak with tax collectors and even dine with them in their homes.

Jesus knows that transformation starts with love. Once the outsider understands he is loved, then he can let go of the sins he is clinging to. This frees him to follow Jesus. Like Jesus, we should not be afraid to encounter sinners and tell them the Good News that they are loved. This offers them a freedom from the bonds of condemnation.

## Reflection Questions for the 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

- Does my encounter with Jesus change me?
- How am I called to repent?
- What can I do to be more welcoming to those who are on the outside of society?

*You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life.*

*Wisdom 11:26*

## Rosario italiano/Italian Rosary

il. Santo Rosario per il. Mese di Novembre Sara recitato, Venerdì 4 Novembre alle ore 10:30 am al cimitero di tatura

The Italian Rosary will be held on Friday 4 November at 10:30 am at the Tatura cemetery. Please bring a chair



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The presbytery office is open on Wednesdays & Fridays from 8:30 am until 1pm