



Sacred Heart Parish
NORTH ALBURY

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th October / 14th October

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Mass Times

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6.00 pm

SUNDAY: 9.30 am

WEEKDAYS MASSES: This Week:

NO MASSES DURING THE WEEK

Anointing Mass This Month: Tuesday 30th
October 11.00am at Mercy Place.

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 5.15 PM-5.45 PM

BAPTISMS—By appointment

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You are Mission' is a message for all of us. As Pope Francis writes in his World Mission Day message this year, 'Every man and woman is a mission; that is the reason for our life on this earth'.

"Prayer is the first "missionary work" – the first! – that every Christian can and must do," he said.

He said spiritual support is the most effective way to aid the missions, "even if this cannot be measured."

"The principal agent of evangelisation is the Holy Spirit. And we are called to collaborate with Him."

The Pope said the Mission Societies are important "because we must pray for missionaries and for the evangelising action of the Church."

This year's appeal is:

Healing a nation through education'
with a special action focus
'Myanmar'

Parish Community



We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Bessie Stephenson, Betty Healy, Donald McInnes, Dawn Adams, Bruce Armstrong, Jock Gordon, Eileen Gill, Sr Margaret Schmetzer.

ANNIVERSARIES: Lindsay Beck, Lauren Flegeltaub, Sr Gabriel Sheahan, George McIntosh, Margaret Newman, Kate Hallam, Bill Toohey, Jack Daly, Allie Quinn, Ron Healey, Charles Walton, Matthew Walshe, Eileen Maher, Raymond Piltz, Andreas Christy, Martha Wilson, Arnold Quick, Leo Plunkett, Frank Corrigan, Joseph & Jule Plasto, Elizabeth Flanagan. *Gather our loved ones into your arms. Quiet our doubt and anger and send us your healing grace. Through Christ our Lord.*

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 13th / 14th October

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Virginia Mitsch	Terry Hillman
Lector 1	Kellie Gordes	Richard Parkinson
Lector 2	Barbara Godde	Leanne Michael
Eucharistic Ministers	Jim & Kaye Deanshaw	Pamela McIntosh Mary Lefevre Noelene Cruise
Cantor	John van Lint	Bernadette & Wendy
Musicians	Val Hayes	
Counters: Desmond Lum & Jane Togher Cleaning Group: Group 5		

Sat /Sun: 20th / 21st October

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Colleen Day	Rosalie Martin
Lector 1	Karen Purtle	Michael Stephenson
Lector 2	Michael Byrnes	MACE Sisters
Eucharistic Ministers	Judy Lindsay Michael Regan	Trish Parkinson Kansas Michael Dianne Treacy
Cantor	Margaret & Ed Brown	Ann McIntyre
Musicians	Judy Foley	Val Hayes
Counters: Peter Toner & Gordon Bryant Cleaning Group: Group 6		

Prayer for the Sick

We pray for all those who are sick. May they draw strength and healing from God's presence with them and from our prayers and thoughts for them.

May they have peace in their hearts and know they are greatly loved by all.

We offer our prayers believing that God's presence and power can do more than we can ever know. Amen

Prayer for World Mission

Jesus calls us to go to all nations, to proclaim His Gospel and to transmit the faith to the ends of the earth.

On this World Mission weekend we ask God's blessing that through our prayers and offerings we can assist those countries needing support and help at this time.

We remember too, all who support the missionary efforts of the Church throughout the world, that they may strive to be voices for mission to ensure the work and service of the most vulnerable communities is continued.

May God continue to grant confidence to us all as we continue to proclaim the Good News to all in our parish and neighbourhood.

Through Christ our Lord.
Amen

Thought for the Week (Pope Francis):

“The mission of the Christian in the world is a mission for all, a mission of service, which excludes no-one; it requires great generosity and in particular the gaze and heart turned heavenward to invoke the Lord's help. “

Parish News

Clergy Retreat

As Fr Martin will be attending the Diocesan Retreat at Galong from Monday—Friday no weekday masses are scheduled to be held at Sacred Heart this week. If you need the urgent ministry of a priest during this time please contact Fr Marco Killingsworth at St Patrick's on 6041 2588.

Thanks to all involved in organising, providing food and sharing in last Sunday's monthly parish morning tea.

A Reminder that mass for the Feast of All Souls will be celebrated on Friday 2 November in the Sacred Heart Memorial Garden at 9.30am. A shared morning tea will be held at the conclusion of our celebration of Eucharist.

Future of Aged Care Community Forum—17 October

Hear from aged care expert Professor Joseph Ibrahim about the 'dignity of risk' at this **free community forum**, including a screening of the award-winning short film, Dignity of Risk, followed by an informal Q & A session. This event is for anyone interested in the current conversation about delivering positive aged care for older Australians.

Date: Wednesday 17 October; Time: 6.30pm—7.30pm; Venue: Albury Entertainment Centre - Theatre. Registration and more information to: www.mercyhealth.com.au/events or call 03 8416 7917.

Our Parish Pastoral Council met recently to begin reflecting on and addressing issues related to our Sacred Heart communities strategic plan for the future. The next meeting of the Pastoral Council will take place on Thursday 1 November at 6.00pm in the Parish Hall.

Feast Days

Monday 15th Oct—St Teresa of Avila
Tuesday 16th Oct—St Margaret Mary Alacoque
Wednesday 17th Oct—St Ignatius of Antioch
Thursday 18th Oct—St Luke
Friday 19th Oct—St Paul of the Cross

Annual Appeal for the Work of Catholic Mission

This weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Appeal. This year we are invited to consider how we can answer Pope Francis' call to be a part of mission and how we can support mission globally. This year's appeal focusses on the country of Myanmar the largest country area in mainland South-east Asia and is bordered by China, Bangladesh, India and Thailand. It has a population of around 53 million people with approximately 135 separate ethnic groups Despite its size and location, Myanmar is also placed in the lower half of the region's economies with around one quarter of its population estimated to be living below the poverty line.

In Hakha, a remote town in the mountainous north of Myanmar, St John's School is educating local children with a child-centred methodology. Three of the teachers at St John's have been trained through the Pyinya Sanyae Institute of Education (PSIE) in Yangon, and have been posted to this school to help local children learn in a modern way that maximises their potential. Your support through Catholic Mission can enable PSIE to continue training teachers and help improve education across the country. You will have an opportunity to become an integral part of this inspiring work by contributing to the leaving collection, using the envelopes provided to make your donation or join as a monthly giving partner. Please contribute as generously as you are able. For further info and details: catholicmission.org.au/Myanmar or 1800 257 296.

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers Rosters

Your rosters are now available for collection from side table at Swan Street entrance to church. Please let the office know if you would like your roster sent by email.

Outreach Group

Following a discussion at the Parish Council meeting it was decided to re-form the Outreach group in the Parish.

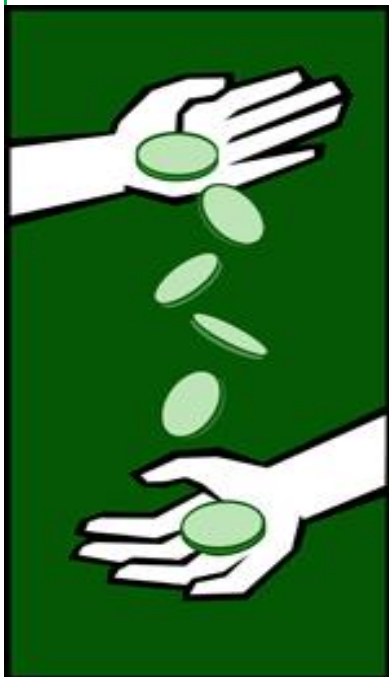
Outreach group members would need to visit parishioners who are unable to go to Mass, unwell, lonely or bereaved. If you are interested in joining the Outreach group please contact Barbara Godde on 6021 7868 for further information.

Liturgy of the Word

Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the Year—Year B

Readings: Wis 7: 7-11; Heb 4: 12-13; Mark 10: 17-30

Responsorial Psalm:



Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;

the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

Reflection on the Readings

Jesus reminds us in this gospel that to join him in bringing about the reign of God requires absolute commitment and a willingness to give up that which is most precious to us. The rich man who approached Jesus was genuine in his desire to fulfil all the requirements of the Law to attain eternal life. Jesus quoted to him all the commandments that deal with right relationships with others. The man is able to tick these off and assure Jesus that he has been doing this since childhood – a pretty big claim in the first place! Then Jesus ‘looked steadily at him and loved him’ – he looked on him with the eyes of love; the eyes that see to the heart of a person, and in that look knew what was most important to the man. Jesus could tell by his dress no doubt that the man was wealthy and so it is this aspect of the man’s life that Jesus chooses to challenge him about. This gospel shouldn’t necessarily be read as a condemnation of wealth – rather, it is the man’s inability to surrender his wealth that Jesus challenges. Jesus sees to the heart of the man and asks if he is willing to give up that which is most important in his life. The man is unable to do what Jesus asks of him and goes away sad. Why sad? He’s sad because he knows that he has been tested and failed. He knows that what he genuinely desired was within his reach but he needed to let go of his position, his status, his wealth, to be able to grasp what he desired in both hands.

What about us? Peter cried. The disciples were staggered that Jesus could turn away the rich man so easily and declare how difficult it is to enter into the kingdom of God. They suddenly see themselves in the shoes of the rich man: what more do they have to do? They’ve left their homes and families to traipse after Jesus, believing that this sacrifice would be enough to assure them a place in the kingdom, and suddenly they are faced with doubts. Has it all been worth it? Jesus reminds them that if they have followed him for all the right reasons then their reward is assured.

There are those within the ranks of Christianity who preach what is sometimes referred to as a ‘gospel of prosperity’. They claim that wealth is a sign of favour, or approval, from God. They feel that if a Christian person is wealthy then they must be living a ‘good’ life that God is rewarding through material possession. They use this as justification for further accumulation of wealth. We can see from today’s gospel that Jesus would have something to say about such an interpretation! Jesus reminds us that our reward is not in this world in the form of wealth and material possessions, but in eternal life.

(Greg Sunter)

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