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### 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year C. 07<sup>th</sup> August 2022

The Gospels make explicit God's Word to us, through the teachings of Jesus Christ.  
We are disciples of Jesus.

#### Gospel: Luke 12: 32-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, **treasure that will not fail you in heaven** where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For wherever your treasure is, there will your heart be also. See that you are dressed for action and your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch that he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what time the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because **the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.**' Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming," and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful. **The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.**

#### In Summary

Jesus instructs his disciples to be always ready for the coming judgment.



We cannot be like the greedy rich man in last Sunday's Gospel who planned to store his wealth to "Live it up! Eat, drink, and enjoy yourself," because it will all be worthless when he is called to the Lord. Rather, it is our deeds, attitudes and values, in this life, which will be "our treasure" in the sight of God, and this treasure will not wear out, or, be lost.

Jesus tells two parables about watchfulness and being prepared. We must be like the faithful servants in the two parables, waiting for the master's return, whilst continuing to serve the master in his absence, ever watchful for the master's return. The parables conclude that these faithful servants will be rewarded when the master returns.

#### In Conclusion

Watchfulness and being prepared means living in a moral and obedient way (living a Gospel Life) so that, we are always ready to give an account to God. Jesus tells us that God will reward all who are faithful.

#### Monday 08<sup>th</sup> August is the Feast Day of St Mary Mackillop

.....but who is Saint Mary MacKillop (St Mary of the Cross) Australia's first saint,

whose picture is displayed in our church?



**Born:** 15<sup>th</sup> January 1842, in Fitzroy, Victoria.

**Died:** 08<sup>th</sup> August 1909, in Sydney.

**Beatified:** 19<sup>th</sup> January 1995.

**Canonized:** 17<sup>th</sup> October 2010.



In 1866, Mary started a Catholic school in Penola. It was at this time that Mary made a declaration of her dedication to God and began wearing black. In 1867 she became the first sister and mother superior of the newly formed Order of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart and adopted the religious name Sister Mary of the Cross.

The Order was dedicated to the education of the children of the poor. It was the first religious order to be founded by an Australian. The order emphasised poverty, a dependence on divine providence, no ownership of personal belongings, faith that God would provide and willingness to go where needed. By the end of 1867, ten other nuns had joined the Josephites (who had adopted a plain brown habit) and became known as the Brown Joeys.

In 1885 Pope Leo XIII conferred the Josephites into a Canonical Congregation. This resulted in the Josephites being unique among Catholic Church ministries in Australia at that time, in two ways: Firstly, the nuns often lived in the community rather than in convents, and secondly, the

order's constitution required administration by a Superior General, rather than a diocese headed by the bishop, a structure that remains today.

During the later years of her life, Mary suffered from rheumatism and after a stroke in 1902, became paralysed on her right side. Mary MacKillop died on 08<sup>th</sup> August 1909 and **her tomb is at the Mary MacKillop Chapel, located in the grounds of Mary MacKillop Place, 7 Mount Street, North Sydney.**

### **Celebration Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady at Bullsbrook**

Archbishop Emeritus Hickey is to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption, **at the Shrine of Our Lady of Revelation, at Bullsbrook, on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August, at 11am**, with the Rosary, Benediction and Mass. This is to be followed by a gathering with food and refreshments. All are invited to attend dressed in your traditional dress, or, a flag or banner, to reflect the diverse nationalities of Australia. You are also, most welcome to bring a dish of your national food for sharing.

### **Our Parish Worship Schedule**

A parish is a community of disciples of Jesus, who gather to celebrate the Mass and to "live the Gospel." **We are a community of Jesus' disciples and our church is here for our collective and individual worship and prayers.** We welcome the faithful to our Mass, or, to light a candle at our Marian chapel, or, to just pray in silence; and to grow spiritually.

<b>Mass Times</b>	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri	8.00 am (the Rosary after)
	Saturday	6.00 pm
<b>Mass Times</b>	Sunday	9.30 am
<b>Reconciliation</b>	Saturday night	5.15 – 5.45 pm
<b>Anointing of the Sick</b>	Liaise with Fr Greg	
<b>Baptisms, marriages and funerals</b>	Liaise with Fr Greg	

### **Our Prayers of the Faithful**

In our parish prayers of the faithful, we pray to the Lord, to help and comfort our sick and suffering. We also pray for the souls of our recently departed, as well as, for those whose anniversaries, we remember at Mass today.

### **Prayers for Our Sick and Suffering**

Maria Marshall, Claire Webster, Ivan Fletcher, Fabian Edmunds, Celia, Crowley family, Joe Sundaram, Thilak, Diana Scully, Bluey Thompson, Celeste Vicensoni, Carla, Annette, Joe Gibson, Georgina and Ronnie Ghosh, Gemma Altieri, Fred Kara, Reg Brown, Mary & Derrick Jansen, Marie Webster Viola, Gerry and Maisie Prendergast, James Rydqvist, Annie Magdalena Rydqvist, Anne Rydqvist, Dr Andrew Chilufya Snr, Robbie Iliffe, Donna Green, Horatio Hill, Ilean Wright, Cathy and Peter Ghouse, Jimmy Olivero, Kaye McIntyre, Jeff and Tony Francis, Fr Andre, Sheila Vanwieringan, CD Joseph, Marina Lim, Wendy Price, Julie Pinto, Christopher Jaffer, Yianni Donato, Bonnie Sullivan, Joslyn De Sylva and Philomena Rodrigues.

### **Anniversaries of our Beloved Departed**

Mick O'Connor (04 Aug), Gladys Davis (05 Aug), Ian Aviet (06 Aug), Donald Madrigal (07 Aug), Domenico Caterina (08 Aug), Vernon Paley (09 Aug), Marija Sliskovic (10 Aug), Maria O'Callaghan (10 Aug), Mary Prenderville (10 Aug) and all our departed relatives and friends.

***Jesus assured Martha at the tomb of Lazarus: "I am the Resurrection and the life; whoever believes in Me will live even though he dies" (John 11: 25-26).***

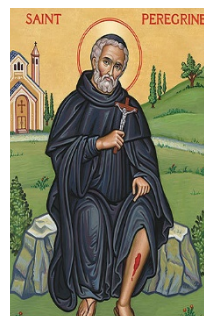
**Note:** Parishioners may email Cliff at: [cliffordqerard@bigpond.com](mailto:cliffordqerard@bigpond.com), for any additions (or deletions) to our lists of sick, recently deceased and anniversaries, whom you wish to be included in our "Prayers of the Faithful."

***Everyone has a name, and if we are to pray for them, we should say their name.***

### **Today is Our Parish St Vincent de Paul Donations**

***Food donations may be left at the rear of the church (a box is situated for small items/donations), or, in the parish centre. Cash donations may be deposited in the poor box at the door. Every donation helps SVDP to help the needy in our local communities.***

Parishioners who may need a "helping hand," may contact the SVDP Society for assistance, or speak with our local SVDP representatives: **Bruno George (mobile: 0470571041)** at Wilson Parish, or, **Sister Charla (telephone: 93545083)** at Riverton Parish. **The names of those requesting and receiving assistance is always confidential.**



### **St Peregrine Healing Mass on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

A healing Mass in honour of St Peregrine (patron Saint of cancer sufferers and helper of all in need), will be celebrated **at Saints John and Paul Church, Pinetree Gully Road, Willetton, on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2022, at 7.00 pm.** This Mass is for all who are with cancer, as well as, those suffering from other long-term illness, and for their carers and members of their family. This Mass is celebrated by Fr Leonard Guiang, OSM, and will include a blessing with the Relic of St Peregrine and Anointing of the Sick. Anointing with oil, is one of the seven Sacraments of the Church.

**Catholics turn to the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick when we long to feel the comfort and healing touch of God in times of illness.** A person may be anointed during Mass, before surgery or medical treatment, and at other times, by request.

### **Archdiocesan Marriage Mass at St Mary's Cathedral**

This year's Archdiocesan Marriage Mass will be held at St Mary's Cathedral on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August, at 10am.** This is a special Mass for all couples (and their family) to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony. A blessing will be bestowed on all married couples attending. Those celebrating a milestone anniversary this year (10, 25,30,40,50,60, 70 years) may request a special commemorative certificate, as part of the celebration by registering at: [https://bit.ly/ mariagemass2022](https://bit.ly/mariagemass2022). **Certificate details must be received before: 11<sup>th</sup> August 2022.**

### **General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) 282**

***Before receiving Holy Communion, the faithful are invited to bow - perhaps while the person in front is receiving - as a sign of reverence for the Body of Christ. The communicant is then invited to respect the Church's tradition of receiving the consecrated host, in the hand or on the tongue (now in abeyance during COVID). After consuming the host, the communicant is invited to drink the consecrated wine, when offered, from the chalice in fulfilment of Christ's invitation. The Church's teaching is that the whole Christ is received under the form of either the consecrated bread or the consecrated wine.***

