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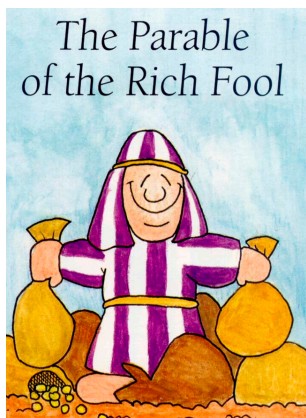
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The Gospels make explicit God's Word to us, through the teachings of Jesus Christ.
We are disciples of Jesus.

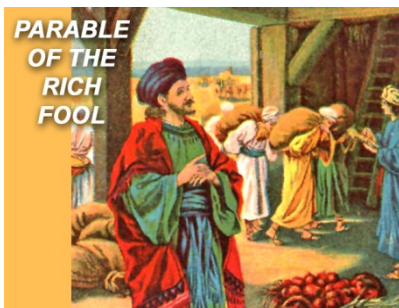


Gospel: Luke 12: 16-21

Jesus told the crowd this story: "A rich man's farm produced a big crop, and he said to himself, 'What can I do? I don't have a place large enough to store everything.' "Later, he said, 'Now I know what I'll do. I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones, where I can store all my grain and other goods. Then I'll say to myself, "You have stored up enough good things to last for years to come. **Live it up! Eat, drink, and enjoy yourself.**" "But God said to him, 'You fool! Tonight you will die. Then who will get what you have stored up?' "This is what happens to people who store up everything for themselves, but are poor in the sight of God."

In Summary

Rather than acquiring material wealth, we should instead gather good deeds, attitudes and values; which will be rich in the sight of God.



Jesus tells the crowd a parable of a rich fool.

The rich man's world is small, just him and his possessions, and now he learns that he is to lose his life. What good are his possessions now? This is how it will be for everyone who stores up wealth in this life but is not rich in what matters to God. **Our lives are not rich by what we own but rather, by the wealth ("goodness") we store up in heaven, by our good deeds, attitudes and values, in the life we live today.**

In Conclusion

The issue in today's Gospel is selfishness and greed. In the parable Jesus teaches us a lesson about the futility of a life spent amassing material possessions, so that we may **"Live it up! Eat, drink, and enjoy yourself."** Our material wealth is worthless, on our spiritual journey to heaven and is worthless, in heaven. Wealth in and of itself, is not seen as wrong, however, the selfishness and greed in amassing wealth, is detrimental to our journey to heaven. **Live a "gospel life," on your journey to heaven!!**

Jesus Teaches Us To Live a Gospel Life in Three of the Recent Gospels



How do we use our time and "talents," to serve the Lord?? Mary (Luke's Gospel 10: 38-42) found the time/opportunity, to listen and learn at the feet of Jesus, whilst her sister Martha, used her "talents," to serve Jesus by her deeds/hospitality (Gospel Sunday 17th July).

We too can find the time to listen to the Word of God through prayer and the Liturgy of the Word at Mass. We can also use our time and "talents," serving the Lord in various church, parish and religious ministries.

How can we be as compassionate and generous to others, like the good Samaritan in Luke's Gospel 10: 25-37 (Gospel Sunday 10th July)??

We can only pray that we will be as compassionate and generous, as the Samaritan in Luke's Gospel, under similar circumstances. However, we can be good Samaritans in many ways in our daily lives: as volunteers in various charities and welfare organisations; by reaching out to help others at their time of trials, tribulations, suffering and grief; and by providing material assistance to the needy (as we do with our monthly parish St Vincent de Paul donations, as well as, our material donations to other charities and organisations).

How can we spread the good news of the Kingdom of God, like the 72 disciples in Luke's Gospel 10: 1-12, 17-20 (Gospel Sunday 03rd July)??

Few of us have the calling, skills and opportunity to be missionaries, who spread the good news of the Kingdom of God by their good deeds and words. However, we can proclaim the Kingdom of God to others, when we live a "gospel life" - because they will note our goodness and example, and they will know that we are Christians.

St Peregrine Healing Mass on Thursday 11th 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 11th 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.

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.

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

“Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.”
(James 5:14-15).

Anniversaries of our Beloved Departed

Ismael Dias (28 Jul), Kay Paley (29 Jul), Kevin Prenderville (29 Jul), Ronald Barth (29 Jul), Richard Flynn (30 Jul), Fred Boswell (31 Jul), Anthony Dourado (31 Jul), Reginaldo Martins (01 Aug), Julia Martins (01 Aug), Alfonso Pesce (01 Aug), **Heather Meynert (02 Aug)**, Lionel Nunis (02 Aug), Camille James (02 Aug), Helen Chelliah (03 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@biqpond.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.

06th/07th August is Our Next Parish St Vincent de Paul Donations



For parishioners who may wish to contribute to this worthy program, any non-perishable food in tins, packets or boxes will do (but no glass please). In addition to a food hamper, a \$30 Woolworths voucher is usually provided to enable the purchase of essentials like; fresh fruit and vegetables, baby food and more. **Cash donations may be deposited in our SVDP/poor donation box at the entrance of the church, to enable the purchase of cash vouchers. Food donations may be left at the rear of the church, or, in our parish centre.**

The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.'" They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' He will reply, ***'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'*** (Matthew 25: 40-45).

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.**

Archdiocesan Marriage Mass at St Mary’s Cathedral



This year’s Archdiocesan Marriage Mass will be held at St Mary’s Cathedral on **Saturday 20th 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/marriagemass2022>. **Certificate details must be received before: 11th August 2022.**

The Sacrament of Anointing with Holy Oil

Anointing of the Sick confers sanctifying grace. The special grace of Anointing of the Sick is to comfort and to strengthen the soul of the sick person, as well as, (often) to heal the sick person. This rite is one way in which the Church continues the healing ministry of Jesus.

