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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 20: 27-38

Some Sadducees—those who say that there is no resurrection—approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?' Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. **Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'**

Summary

Jesus has arrived in Jerusalem and His ministry is centred at the temple.³ He encounters the Sadducees, who dominate temple worship. The question posed by the Sadducees in this text was not asked to elicit His teaching on this point but rather in an attempt to ridicule Jesus and disconcert Him. But Jesus turns the tide and gives two answers to their question. First, He points out that they have completely misunderstood what resurrection is. The transformation of life brought by death is incomprehensible to them because they are not open to the power of God. Second, He points out that even though Abraham, Isaac and Jacob have died, Moses is conscious that they must remain alive in a sense because Yahweh continues to be their God—a God of the living. **Death is not the end of the story and Christian faith is marked by a joy and**

hope that ultimately resting in God will bring. This is the destiny of the human person. (Reference: Melbourne Archdiocese Summit).

"He is God, not of the dead, but of the living," because from Him we have eternal life!!

Gospel Points of Interest from the Melbourne Archdiocese Summit

- *The rule about a brother marrying a childless widow is known as the 'Levirate Law', specified in Deuteronomy 25:5–10. It was really designed to protect the woman who, as a childless widow, had no social status and no one to provide for her needs.*
- *The Sadducees largely lived in Jerusalem around the temple precinct. They came from a relatively small number of wealthy and influential families. The high priest and chief priests often came from Sadducee families. They often controlled the necessary temple trade.*
- *The Sadducees were a priestly caste of conservative Jews who followed the written law of the Pentateuch—the first five books of the Bible. Resurrection of the dead is not mentioned in these books, so they did not adhere to this belief. This is in contrast to the Pharisees, who also adhered to the oral law and the writings and therefore did believe in resurrection of the dead.*
- ***The Creed that is recited at the Mass each week affirms that 'we look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come'. Belief in the resurrection of the dead has been an essential element of the Christian faith from its beginnings (CCC 991).***
- ***Catholics believe that, in death, there is separation of the soul from the body. The human body decays and the soul goes to meet God, but through the power of God, at the end times, God will grant incorruptible life to our bodies, by reuniting them with our souls' (CCC 997).***
- *Traditionally, black has been the colour associated with mourning, but since the Second Vatican Council, white vestments are worn at the celebration of a funeral. **This is to emphasise the connection between the joy of the resurrection of Jesus and the hope of all believers that they, too, will share this resurrection.***

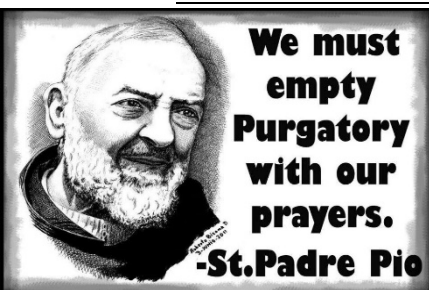
Pray this Prayer for the Departed in November

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord.

May perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

In the Month of November, We Pray for the Souls in Purgatory



There is a longstanding tradition in the Catholic Church to pray for the souls in purgatory during the month of November. The souls of these individuals have not yet been completely purified of their sins and must undergo purification after death - **God's mercy does not stop at the moment of death!** Instead, divine mercy continues even after death to prepare a soul to receive God's loving embrace in heaven.

Praying for our departed loved ones, keeps the memory and presence of our departed loved ones with us. We remember them, we talk about them, we converse with them, we keep their pictures on our walls, we recall stories from our lives together, we laugh and cry, as we remember them, and we continue to apply and cherish the good things we learned from them, or, with them. By living in communion with them, death loses its sting – our transition from life to death becomes a part of our lives, as we pray for the souls of the departed.

Praying for the souls in purgatory is a wonderful charity where everyone can assist – all they ask of us, is for our prayers! "Pray for the Poor Souls in Purgatory" cards are available at our Marian Chapel. Thanks Cliff.

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)
Mass Time	Saturday	6.00 pm
Mass Time	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

The Church expects that each parish community would prepare their own prayers so that all the community can join in the sacred intercessory prayer (Prayers of the Faithful) at Mass. 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

Catherine Poulouse, Fr Francisco, Heron Sharpe, Denis Critchley, Antoinette De Silva, Tony Galvez, Jenny Cassin, Betsy De Wass, Frank De Luis, Nigel, Christina Sim, 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 Illiffe, 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, Bonnie Sullivan, Joslyn De Sylva and Philomena Rodrigues.

Anniversaries of our Beloved Departed

Joan Roberts (04 Nov), Agnes Lim (05 Nov), Beryl Matthews (05 Nov), Alec Della (05 Nov), Patsy Klinkin (06 Nov), Aloysius Paul (07 Nov), Elsie Cant (08 Nov), Muriel Watson (08 Nov) 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, 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.

We Welcome "God's Little Children" to Our Mass

People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." Mk 10: 13-14.

Activity sheets and colour pencils, are available at the rear of the church, to occupy the children during Mass. Parents may even pin their child's work on the noticeboard (when space is available) for others to appreciate their efforts.

Our Next Parish St Vincent de Paul Donations is 03rd/04th December).



As is traditional in our parish, we are requesting parishioners contribute to our "Special Christmas Food Parcels," for the needy in our local community this Christmas. Our donations will be taken to our local St Vincent de Paul group, where the food will be distributed to help the needy (especially families) in our community. **It is "our way" to share the hope, joy and peace of Christmas, with those who may have very little.**

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.



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.**

