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

Gospel: Luke 11: 1-13

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'

He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come;

give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,

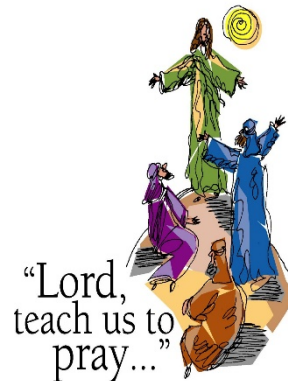
for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us.

And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them: 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

*'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? **If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!***

In Summary



The God of this gospel text is not a vague and distant God but one who is in an intimate relationship of love—that of a father. If ordinary parents know what is good for their children and want to give them all that is good, how much more will our Father in heaven give us what we need. Asking our Father for the things that we need (rather than the things we want) is an expression of our dependence on God. To ask is to place ourselves in a state of cooperation with God. We also have to commit ourselves to working towards that which we pray for or else prayer becomes a way of evading responsibility and we make God into some kind of Santa Claus.

Note. The inclusion of the Lord's Prayer in the Mass at the time of Communion draws us in two ways. First, we, the holy people of God, petition the Holy One to give us a share in that holiness: **"Give us today our daily bread."** This petition then links the Eucharist with our petition for forgiveness: **"Forgive us as we forgive."** The generous gift of God is an invitation to do the same and forgive those who **"have trespassed against us,"** and at the Mass, we then move from this prayer to the sign of peace to others, when we say **"peace be with you."**

Ref: Melbourne Archdiocese – Exploring the Word

In Conclusion

So, today's gospel has three parts: Jesus teaching "the Lord's Prayer," a parable on the persistent neighbour, and assurances that God hears our prayers.

In the Lord's Prayer, we pray that God's name will be recognized as holy and that His rule over all will be established. This is followed by petitions for our spiritual nourishment and forgiveness, as well as, for deliverance from evil. In the parable, Jesus assures us that God hears and answers our prayers. We approach God, who is a loving and protective father, rather than someone all-powerful and far away from us. **Jesus tells us to be persistent in asking God for what we need. God always answers our prayers, though not necessarily the way we expect or want.**

The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer is one of the oldest and most cherished of the Church and makes more explicit God's relationship to us and our relationship to God, in the words given to us by Jesus Himself. The Lord's Prayer has three main messages: honour God, give thanks for our "daily bread" and forgive others who wrong us. **Commentary on the Lord's Prayer can be found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church 2759–2853.**

It is called "the Lord's Prayer" because it comes to us from the Lord Jesus. (CCC 2775).

Meanwhile in the Holy Land



Jesus taught the Lord's Prayer to His disciples on His journey to Jerusalem. The Church of the Pater Noster, is a Roman Catholic church located on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem, it is part of a Carmelite monastery. **Jesus' teaching of "the Lord's Prayer," is associated with this site, and during the Crusades, it became exclusively associated with the teaching of the Lord's Prayer.** The walls of the cloister, of the convent church, display plaques that bear the Lord's Prayer in a total of well over 100 different languages and dialects (*Pater Noster is the Latin phrase meaning "Our Father"*).

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

George Joseph (21 Jul), Norah Boswell (22 Jul), John Cantius (23 Jul), Theresa Yap (23 Jul), Etel Edwards (24 Jul), **Brad De Niese (24 Jul)**, Pierina De-Luis (24 Jul), John Fernandes (24 Jul), Henry

Edwards (24 Jul), May Rodricks (25 Jul), Fay Fitzpatrick (25 Jul) 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: cliffordgerard@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." Thank-you.

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

06th/07th August 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.

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.**

Tuesday 26th July is the Feast Day of the Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Scripture tells us little about the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Christian tradition tells us that their names were **Joachim and Anne**, and that Mary was promised to them by an angel. **Mary is the Immaculate Conception (the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is celebrated on 08th December, and the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nine months later, on 08th September).** Tradition also says that Joachim and Anne understood that Mary was a special child, so they dedicated her to God. They have been honoured in the Church from early Christian times. By looking at Mary, their child, we can figure out several things about Joachim and Anne - they must have set the example that Mary followed to become the loving, gentle, faith-filled, courageous woman she became—the perfect person, to bear and raise the Son of God.

Because Joachim and Anne were the grandparents of Jesus, Saints Joachim and Anne are the patron saints of grandparents.

