## 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD First Reading : Amos 8:4-7

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Respsonse: Praise the Lord, who raises the poor

Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore!

High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory.Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth?

From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people.

## Second reading: 1Timothy 1:2-8

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and -I am telling the truth and no lie -a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia

Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. Alleluia

### GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to his disciples:

'There was a rich man and he had a steward denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

## Welcome Parish of Cororooke

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Moderator: Maureen Finn 0428329231 Leadership Team: Pat O'Shea, Jill O'Dowd, Michelle Gorwell, Marg Allan, Bronwyn Hickman & Delia Melville Supervising Priest: Fr Michael O'Toole School Principal: Leanne Eastman Parish Sec: Gracesyn Perrett 52331464 Child Safety Officer: Leanne Eastman St Brendan's: 9.30am Sunday/ 5pm 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

St Joseph's: 10:30am Lay-led / Mass 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

## St Brendan's: 25th Sept- Mass @5.00pm

Minister: M O'Shea Commentator: Marg Allan Reader: C Finlay St Joseph's: No Service- Mass at St Brendan's

## ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES:

St Brendan's: Sept: A Ruddell St Joseph's: Sept: Ryan

Counters: 11th Sept A McCarthy

### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

<u>ANNIVERSARIES:</u> Archie Lang, Bill Page, Vera Milligan, Johanna Page, Sr Eileen Ryan

# Those seeking our prayers for healing and well being. Leah Spokes, Geraldine Finn,

Goldie Elsum, Doug Swanson, Leo Embrey

**Pope's intention for September: For the abolition of the death penalty:** We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

## Dates to Remember....

September 25<sup>th</sup>: Mass at St Brendan's No service at St Joseph's

## Congratulations...

Xavier & Dani who are to be married at St Joseph's next Friday. Wishing you both every happiness for the future

## CRA National Justice Seminar, "Now is the Time!"

Registrations are now open for Catholic Religious Australia's National Justice Seminar 2022 titled 'Now is the Time!'. The seminar will be held on Wednesday, October 19, 2022 from 9.30am – 3.30pm at The Treacy Centre, 126 The Avenue Parkville, Melbourne. Speakers are Cathy McGowan AO, Geraldine Atkinson, and Brigid Arthur CSB AO. This seminar for justice animators and colleagues of religious congregations will engage you in conversations on advocacy and action and applying these to contemporary justice issues. There will be opportunities for sharing with your peers and reflecting on the speakers' inputs. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. Register at <u>https://bit.ly/3T8WWkQ</u>

## <u>Season of Creation: September 1 – October 4</u>

Welcome to the Season of Creation. "Listen to the voice of creation" is the theme and invitation of this year's Season of Creation. The ecumenical phase begins on September 1 with the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and concludes on October 4 with the feast of Saint Francis. It is a special time for all Christians to pray and work together to care for our common home. If we learn how to listen, we can hear in the voice of creation a sweet song in praise of our Creator God; along with an anguished plea, lamenting our mistreatment of this, our common home. Our Earth weeps and implores us to put an end to our abuses and to her destruction. Our children plead with us to do everything possible to prevent, or at least limit, the collapse of our planet's ecosystems and to preserve the ancestral lands of our first nations peoples. During this 2022 Season of Creation, let us pray that the human family can work effectively in confronting the double crises of climate change and the reduction of biodiversity. May we respond in prayer and action so that we and future generations can continue to rejoice in God's creation.



### THANK YOU....

We wish to express our appreciation for your prayers, expressions of sympathy and support shown to us in so many ways at the time of Bernadette's death. Our gratitude to the St. Brendan's Care Group for their hospitality and care,

From the Lenehan Family

### **Blanket Appeal:**

If you have any spare woollen blankets? Please leave at the back of the Church. These will be donated to students in the Colac area who are in need

#### Luminous: John Orval, Stained Glass Artist

An exhibition of the work of John Orval, whose beautiful stained glass work can be seen in some of our region's churches, will be held in Hamilton from August 20 – October 30, 2022. Alongside this free exhibition, there will be an immersive bus tour to see Orval's work in Hamilton, Coleraine, Nareen and Tahara on September 30. The latest edition of "Our Diocesan Community" features an article on Orval's stained glass windows in our diocesan

churches <u>https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/news-</u> <u>events/odc/</u>. For more information on the exhibition go to <u>https://www.hamiltongallery.org/events/john-orval/</u>

#### Africa Food Crisis

Drought and conflict in the Horn of Africa have left over 18 million people facing severe hunger. Four consecutive failed rainy seasons have devastated the crops of millions across the region. We must act now and "Make Hunger History." Your generous donation means our partners in countries like Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan and Eritrea can respond quickly to support vulnerable communities during this

crisis. Visit <u>www.caritas.org.au/food-crisis</u> or call 1800 024 413 toll free to donate now.

#### Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice, We pray for the people of Ukraine. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, That your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power of war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen

## Campion College releases Western Civilisation short course online

Campion has launched a short introductory course on Western Civilisation that is open to everyone, regardless of age or location. "Introduction to Western Civilisation" offers a broad overview of some of the most important texts and ideas from the past 3000 years, including Plato's Republic, Dante's Divine and Nietzsche's The Gay Science. The pre-recorded lecture series covers topics in the history, philosophy, theology and literature of Western Civilisation, derived from Campion's Liberal Arts degree, and is designed to be taken at the student's pace. Lectures also look at crucial movements in Western European history, such as the rise of monasticism, the

Reformation. The course content costs \$299 and is available for 12 months from the date of payment. All students will receive a certificate of completion after submitting a short assessment within the 12-month access period. Find out more at <u>https://www.campion.edu.au/course/shortcourses/</u>.

#### National Catholic Men's Gathering 2022

menALIVE to the MAX is a national catholic gathering of men to be held from October 7–9, 2022 in Sydney . The theme this year is RENEW/REFRESH/RECONNECT. After several years of almost no live events, we are looking forward to gathering together to; listen, learn and long for the fullness of life. More information available

at https://www.menalive.org.au/menalive-to-the-max/