

Liturgy Rosters:  
Many thanks for your ministry in the Parish

Weekend of 19th & 20th October:

Vigil: 6.00pm

Reader: D Bennett  
Prayers: D Baudinette  
Minister: D Kierce  
Computer: A OBrien

Sunday: 10.30am

Reader: J Howman  
Prayers: School Representative  
Minister: Kerri-Anne O'Keefe  
Computer: B Dillon

Weekend: of 26th & 27th of October

Vigil: 6.00pm

Reader: D Baudinette  
Prayers: D Bennett  
Minister: K Howman  
Computer: A O'Brien

Sunday: 10.30am

Reader: K Loftus  
Prayers: A McIntyre  
Minister: J Sandeman  
Computer: B Dillon

Weekend of 2nd & 3rd November

Vigil: 6.00pm

Reader: P O'Brien  
Prayers: P Howman  
Minister: M Lambert  
Computer: A O'Brien

Sunday: 10.30am

Reader: J Sandeman  
Prayers: M Schultz  
Minister: D Kierce  
Computer: B Dillon

## All Saints Outreach Op-Shop:

(In Woolworth's Car park)  
Phone: 5521 1587

The Parish Outreach Op-Shop is always in need of good quality clothing, bric a brac or furniture.

### Donations during shop hours only.

Please ring Outreach for pick up if necessary. Thank you all for your ongoing support of Outreach.

#### Outreach is normally open

Monday 1pm - 3pm  
Tuesday 10am - 1pm  
Wednesday 10am - 3pm  
Thursday 10am - 3pm  
Friday 10am - 4pm  
Saturday 10am - 12pm

Outreach is a significant fundraiser within the Parish and we regularly need Volunteers to give 2-3 hours in the mornings or afternoons.

**We currently have a pressing need for Volunteers on each of the days of operating during our advertised Hours, and for on-call volunteers who can fill in at other times.**

**Please contact Kate Howman 0428235218 or Diane Kierce 0427946053 for further information.**

#### LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

All Saints Parish has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your First Communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness. By leaving a gift to your Parish in your Will, you will leave a legacy of faith – a legacy to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue both for today's needs and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.

**If you would like to receive a weekly copy of "The Spire" by email, please send us an email and we can add you to a list of subscribers**



20th of  
October

2024

29th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time



### Weekday Services 15th to 20th October 2024

Tuesday 5.00pm Mass  
Wednesday: 10.00am Mass  
4.30pm Rosary  
Thursday: 10.00am Mass  
Friday: 9.30am Morning Prayer  
10.00am Mass  
5.00pm Evening Prayer

Weekend Masses  
26th & 27th of October  
30th Sunday Year B

Saturday: 6.00pm Vigil Mass  
Sunday: 10.30am Mass

**Recent Death:** Jill Watkins, Vesper Carlsen, Irene Pat Thomas, Sr Maureen Stone SGS.

**Anniversaries: 21st to 27th of October.**

Harold Hoskins, Des Walsh, Lorraine Riordan, Antonia Andes, Ruby Potter, Myrtle Ruge, Brian Jennings, Ricky Davies.

#### Prayer Requests:

Les Hildebrand, Lea-anne Bourke, Michelle Mutch, Deanne Atkinson, Jose Trimble.

*If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only Next of Kin may ask for names to be added: Thank you.*

#### Baptisms and Marriages

by appointment with Fr. Gregory Tait.

#### Sacrament of Penance

1st Saturday of the month at 10.00am or any other time by appointment with Fr Gregory

**Please Mute your phone in the Church during Mass**



**Sunday 20th October. All Saints Parish Primary School 175th Anniversary 2024**

**Please bring a plate to a shared Lunch this Sunday the 20th at the Presbytery after the 10.30am Mass.**

#### Dates to Remember:

December Anointing Mass, 6th December 11.00am Mass & Shared Lunch in the Presbytery after Mass.

## "The Spire"

All Saints Parish

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Parish Office Hours: Most Tuesdays to Fridays  
9.00am till 3.00pm or by appointment  
with Fr Gregory

*All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.*

*All Saints Parish Portland acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our Parish Community meets, the Gunditjmarra people. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and emerging. We commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation and constitutional acknowledgement of first nation peoples.*



**October is World Mission Month**

Catholic Mission invites us to celebrate World Mission Month: "Together, we have the power to

create change and build a more just world for people everywhere. To donate to Mission month please go to; <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/> and follow the prompts for donating or open the hyperlink below.

[Ways to donate \(catholicmission.org.au\)](https://www.catholicmission.org.au/)

#### Pope Francis' Prayer for Mission Month

Heavenly Father, when your only begotten Son Jesus Christ rose from the dead, he commissioned his followers to "go and make disciples of all nations" and you remind us that through our Baptism we are made sharers in the mission of the Church.

Empower us by the gifts of the Holy Spirit to be courageous and zealous in bearing witness to the Gospel, so that the mission entrusted to the Church, which is still very far from completion, may find new and efficacious expressions that bring life and light to the world.

Help us make it possible for all peoples to experience the saving love and mercy of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

**Read Pope Francis' message for Mission Month here;** <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/worldmissionmonth>



We now have **CDF Pay**; You can use this QR Code portal for all you giving if you wish.

**\*\*Before using please cancel any prior electronic payments\*\*.**  
When you access this code, follow the prompts for frequency of payment, then amount, then; "My giving is for ..." Stewardship, (Parish Account) or Priest Support (Presbytery Account), then record your personal and Card details as the prompts ask you. Thank you. Fr Gregory Tait PP

**Planned Giving for Parish Account  
Given this week inc. eft \$592.40  
Target \$55,000**

**Total YTD 2024-2025, \$18,857.40**

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: Portland Catholic Church  
BSB: 083 532  
Account No. 5159 81661

**Presbytery Account  
Priest support, inc eft: \$ 733.10**

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically.  
Details are as follows:

Account Name:  
All Saints Presbytery Portland  
BSB: 083 526  
Account No. 24476 6002



## Liturgy of the Word

Readings 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 2024

**First Reading** Isaiah 53:10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

**53:10** It was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain.

When you make his life an offering for sin,

he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;

through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.

**11** Out of his anguish he shall see light;

he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,

and he shall bear their iniquities.

The word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22

(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

**1.** The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.

The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R.)

**2.** The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love.

to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)

**3.** Our soul is waiting for the Lord, The Lord is our help and our shield.

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

**Second Reading** Hebrews 4:14-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Brothers and Sisters;

**14** Since, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. **15** For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathise with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. **16** Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The word of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation** Mark 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all.

Alleluia!

**Gospel**

Mark 10:35-45

From the holy Gospel according to Mark.

**10:35** James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' **36** And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' **37** And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' **38** But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptised with the baptism that I am baptised with?' **39** They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptised, you will be baptised; **40** but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

**41** When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. **42** So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognise as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. **43** But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, **44** and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. **45** For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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### Praying with Pope Francis

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at [www.thepopevideo.org](http://www.thepopevideo.org)

**Intention for October:** For a shared mission: Let us pray that the Church continues to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.



**Synod on Synodality – Second Session** The Second Session of the XVI General Assembly of the Synod is currently underway in Rome. This session runs from October 2-27, 2024. Keep updated with the Synod at the diocesan website:

[www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/for-a-synodal-church-communion-participation-and-mission/](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/for-a-synodal-church-communion-participation-and-mission/)

## 29th Sunday Gospel Reflection by Greg Sunter:

James and John are effectively calling 'shotgun' on the best seats at the table! When they ask to sit at the left and right hand of Jesus, they are asking Jesus to name them as his deputies. They're looking to secure for themselves positions of power and authority. The only problem is that they have a completely messed up idea of what it means for Jesus to enter into his glory. For several weeks now, we have been exploring a theme from the Gospel of Mark that follows a physical journey towards Jerusalem as well as a symbolic and theological journey towards what is going to occur in Jerusalem – Jesus' arrest, crucifixion and resurrection.

Throughout this journey, Jesus has been trying to prepare the disciples for what is to come and educate them about what it really means to be a disciple of his. Three times Jesus tells the disciples explicitly what lies ahead. Each time the disciples fail to grasp what Jesus tells them. Despite occasional glimpses of insight, the disciples still believe that Jesus is going to rise up as a political or military figure. In a complete dismissal of this sort of thinking, Jesus declares quite forcefully that leadership of this sort is not what he intends for himself, nor for those who follow him.

Leadership in the Jesus model is about being of service to others; it is not about prestige and acclamation. Many of the best leaders are those who do not have any title of leadership or authority. Their leadership and authority come from what they do and how they do it. They inspire others to follow their example. They don't demand it; they don't bully; they don't play power games. People simply want to follow their example.

### Living the Gospel – Servant Leadership

What does it really mean to practise servant leadership? It means placing the needs of others before your own desires for prestige or authority. We've all known people who have been given a position of leadership and they really only wanted the job as recognition of their popularity; a thank you for previous work done; an opportunity to demonstrate their strength of will or cleverness with words. Servant leadership is about collaborating; it's about empowering people to do their best; it's about trusting others and about rolling up your sleeves and getting on with the job.

### Have you thought? Integrity

Who do you really admire? Who would you really like to be like? Aside from sports stars, models and actors whose particular skills you might admire or even envy; who is a person who lives their life in a way that you would like to emulate? Perhaps it's not that you want to do exactly what they have done but rather it's the way they've gone about living their life. I would bet that there is a close match between what they hold to be true and the way they live their life – integrity!

### Scriptural context – Mark's Gospel

Despite appearing second, Mark's gospel is now recognised as being the first written of those that appear in the Bible. The shortest of the four gospels, it begins with Jesus' entry into public life and, in its original form, ends with the discovery of the empty tomb. It is sometimes called a gospel 'in a hurry' as the movement between events is almost abrupt. The gospel writer identifies almost immediately that Jesus is God's 'beloved Son' and then spends the rest of the gospel describing the gradual revelation of this fact and the disciples' growing awareness.

### Questions for your personal reflection:

1. Why do you think the disciples struggled to understand Jesus' mission when they watched it unfold?
2. What aspects of your life are challenged by Jesus' demand to be a servant, or 'slave', to all?
3. Where do you see the needs of others being put first?
4. How is it possible to challenge poor leadership with a model of servant leadership?

### Learning moments

- Build up a 'Leaders Wall' with pictures of people who practise servant leadership. Below each picture provide a brief description of what the person does and why they have been chosen for the Leaders Wall.
- Identify those charity or welfare agencies that work to 'empower' the people they assist rather than simply provide short-term handouts.

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