

# TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

11th October 2009

## GOSPEL: Mark 10: 17-30

We quiet our minds and open our hearts to hear God's word to us today.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

## FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 13th October

Anniversary of the dedication of St Michael's Cathedral,  
Wagga Wagga

## THE RICH YOUNG MAN

St Mark's Gospel tells us that the rich young man ran to Jesus and knelt before him, showing both the eagerness and the reverence worthy of a disciple. Moreover, he was a just and upright person who had grown up in faithful observance of the law. Acknowledging his goodness with love, Jesus called him **beyond the customary requisites for holiness** and invited the man to forego his earthly base of security (many possessions) so as to entrust himself and his future completely to Jesus. That act of trust would also reach out in embrace of the poor with whom the man was invited to share his wealth. When the disciples reacted to Jesus' challenge with surprise and dismay ("Then who can be saved?" v.26), they were reminded by Jesus that discipleship, like salvation, is a gift of God's grace. On a purely human level, such efforts seem impossible, but with God, it is indeed possible to give the gift of oneself, one's possessions and one's future.

A rich man was dying, and when an angel appeared to tell him it was time to go, he pleaded with the angel to let him take one piece of luggage. The angel agreed, so the man got out his biggest suitcase and filled it with gold bullion. When he got to the Pearly Gates, another angel checked his bag and burst out laughing. "You brought paving blocks?" the angel said.

The rich man could have gone to heaven even while he was on earth if he had known that earthly wealth alone does not bring joy. Jesus offered him the chance to "lighten up," but he was too attached to his possessions to see that this would have set him free.

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Confident in our Lord's presence among us, and that God hears our prayers, let us pray.

That Sunday may be lived as the day on which Christians gather to celebrate the risen Lord, participating in the Eucharist

We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer

That the entire People of God, to whom Christ entrusted the mandate to go and preach the Gospel to every creature, may eagerly assume their own missionary responsibility and consider it the highest service they can offer humanity

We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

Let us pray for all those who have died or are suffering after the Tsunami in Samoa and Tonga, the Indonesian earthquake, the typhoons in the Philippines and the floods in India.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer

Let us pray for less attachment to those things that do not lead us to God: for the wisdom and the courage to live simpler, faith-filled lives

We pray to the Lord. Lord hear our prayer

Let us remember to pray for those of our community who are sick and have asked for our prayers especially Andy & Marie Carter, Catherine Flannery, Kathy Horvat, Dawn Salmon, Tom Ryan, Audrey Willis, Kathy Dyball, Eileen Foley, Robert Driscoll, Russell Baude, Mat Talbot, Eileen Carroll, Lyle Jansen, Maureen Burke, Gary McLinden, Paul Trotman, Lillian Roberts, Norm & Joan McLaurin, Kevin Hynes, Vin Griffiths, Juanita Jervois, Norina Spinelli, Bishop Brennan, Nancy Gibson, John Hunt, Rob Deller, Mary McNamara, Ria Stumpe, James Williams, Monette Fealy, Annette Hoffman, Lionel Jansen, John McManus, Peter Cairns, Allan Dedrauth, Melva McDonald, Kristi Cassandra, Luke Heffernan, Rosel Free, Reece Valta, Yela Jankovic, Karl Grlica, Alvin Horn, Kate Cox, Patricia Hamill, Zoltan Tar, Catherine Mead, Will Carland, Maureen Fields, Patricia Barber, Ian Walters, Des O'Meara, Ben Harper, Bess Harris, Patricia Bourke, Effie Ray, Joseph Doran, Nicholas Hetherington, Sandra Varrasso and Marie Cook.

for those living with mental and emotional illnesses; for those who struggle to cope with daily life and for those who care for them

We pray to the Lord. Lord hear our prayer

We remember those who have died especially Georgina Nelson, Tony Chappell, Kevin Kennedy, Tiby Turay, Arthur Sisley, Bernie Costigan, John Salmon

Clifford Nesbitt, Sr Francesca Parken, Sr Francis Horgan, Bill Doolan, Apolonia & Luis Flores and Ron Brindley whose anniversaries occur now.

And Also:

Kevin Foster, Phillip & Anne-Maree Percy and all our dear ones who have died.  
For all of our loved ones who have gone before us and for those who have died with no one to mourn their passing or to pray for them

We pray to the Lord. Lord hear our prayer

Good and gracious God, Creator of all life and all that is good, hear our prayers this day. Make us mindful of our blessings and fill us with gratitude for your care and love for us. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen**

## **BAPTISMS**

Last weekend we welcomed into God's Church the following newly baptised:

**ELIZA POPE**

**JACK NELSON**

## **FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **SPECIAL COLLECTION**

There will be a special collection at all Masses next weekend for Mission Sunday.

### **MEALS ON WHEELS**

St Patrick's Meals on Wheels Team will deliver meals this week commencing Monday 12th October.

### **1950'S ROCK N ROLL FUNDRAISER BALL**

Albury Young Adults are hosting a ball on Saturday 17th October at the Holy Spirit Hall Lavington. The tickets are \$20.00 each. Doors open at 6.30pm. Live music. BYO drinks, tea and coffee and a light supper will be provided. We need to know numbers so please.... Call, text or email: Miriam Kirley Ph. 0438 484 000, [wwwdyouth@gmail.com](mailto:wwwdyouth@gmail.com)

## **CARITAS AUSTRALIA COMMUNITIES IN CRISIS ASIA PACIFIC APPEAL**

**Indonesia:** Earthquake affecting West Sumatra - extensive loss of life and damage to outlying areas.

**Samoa and Tonga:** Tsunami devastating Samoa, American Samoa and Tonga, 176 confirmed deaths.

**Philippines and South East Asia:** Typhoons killed over 300 people and displaced thousands.

**India:** Heavy flooding killing 250 people and 2.5 million people homeless.

Donations to this appeal can be made by calling our hotline 1800 024 413, visiting [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au) or by posting a cheque/money order to our office: Caritas Australia, 24-32 O'Riordan Street, Alexandria, NSW 2015, or the Bishop's Office P O Box 473 Wagga Wagga NSW 2650.

## **PATRICIANS**

An informal discussion group under the auspices of the Legion of Mary will meet at Holy Spirit Church Meeting Room, Lavington, on Sunday 11th October at 3.30pm. Free Devonshire Tea or coffee and scones. The topic: Overpopulation - is it true? All welcome.

## **WALKING NUNS - MERCY EXHIBITION**

The Sisters of Mercy Goulburn Congregation Sesquicentenary Exhibition offers a view of the life and spirit of this group of women and of the rural communities from which they came. The exhibition will be held at Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Cnr Swan and Mate Streets, North Albury  
Saturday 21st November 12.00noon-6.00pm, Sunday 22nd November 9.30am-5.00pm and Monday 23rd November 9.00am-2.00pm.

Entry to the exhibition is free and the Exhibition Catalogue will be on sale at all venues.

## **CURSILLO**

Calling all Cursillistas. Our ULTREYA will be held at the Sacred Heart Hall, Mate Street, North Albury on Wednesday 21st October from 7.30pm to 9.00pm.

Theme: PIETY. Supper provided. See you there. Contact Kath 9428 578 788.

## **YOUNG ADULTS GROUP FOR 18-35YRS**

A weekly discussion group for 18-35yr olds meets weekly on Wednesday nights at 7.00pm in the upper room of St Patrick's Hall. Contact Miriam Kirley on 0400 419 981 or email: [mizmim@gmail.com](mailto:mizmim@gmail.com) John Burton 0400 574 958 or Marcus Shaw 0418 463 952.

## **SNIPPET**

Every time we participate in the Eucharist God has some blessing for each of us. It can occur any time during the Mass - even during the sermon. Fr Paddy Clark, The Far East