

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 6:1-6

'A prophet is only despised in his own country' Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Coffee or Tea

Next Sunday on 14 July 2024 after the Holy Mass, we invite you to join us for a cup of coffee or tea. It is a great opportunity to connect with fellow parishioners, meet new friends, and enjoy some fellowship. All are Welcome.



BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

This Gospel immediately follows upon last week's stories of the raising of Jairus's daughter and the healing of the woman with a hemorrhage. It sets the context of our Gospel readings for the next two weeks in which Jesus will extend the work of his ministry to his disciples.

Today's Gospel describes what many believe to have been the typical pattern of Jesus' ministry: teaching in the synagogue followed by acts of healing. In his hometown of Nazareth, the people are amazed by what they hear, but they also cannot comprehend how someone they know so well might move them so powerfully.

In this Gospel, we learn some interesting details about Jesus and his early life. Jesus' kinfolk know him to be a carpenter, an artisan who works in wood, stone, and metal. He probably learned this trade from his father.

Family members of Jesus are also named. Mark describes Jesus as the son of Mary, which is an unusual designation. Adult males were more typically identified with the name of their fathers. It is unclear why Mark deviates from this custom.

Brothers and sisters of Jesus are also named. Scholars are divided on how to interpret this. As Catholics, we believe that Mary was and remained always a virgin, thus we do not believe that this Gospel refers to other children of Mary. Some have suggested that these family members might be Joseph's children from a previous marriage, but there is little evidence to support this.

Others explain this reference by noting that the words brother and sister were often used to refer to other types of relatives, including cousins, nieces, and nephews.

This Gospel tells us that Jesus is hampered from performing miracles in Nazareth because of the people's lack of faith. Jesus is said to be surprised by this. He did not predict or foresee this rejection. In this detail we find a description of the very human side of Jesus.

This passage unfolds a continuing theme of Mark's Gospel: Who is Jesus? His kinfolk in Nazareth might know the carpenter, the son of Mary, but they do not know Jesus, the Son of God. Mark is foreshadowing Jesus' rejection by his own people, the people of Israel.

He is also reflecting on and trying to explain the situation of the community for which he wrote. While many of the first Christians were Jewish, Christianity took hold and flourished in the Gentile community. Mark's community was mostly a Gentile community, who may have been experiencing persecution. By showing that Jesus himself was rejected, Mark consoles and reassures his first readers. He also prepares us to accept this possible consequence of Christian discipleship.



Parish Bulletin

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

6/7 July 2024

A Prophet despised only in his own country.

THEY WOULD NOT ACCEPT HIM

The word of God is often proclaimed by those whom the world considers insignificant, the prophet Ezekiel enjoyed no status among the exiles in Babylon. St.

Paul battled with human weakness throughout his life., Jesus came from lowly Nazareth.

But through each of them the word of God was proclaimed with power. May prejudice never close our ears from hearing the truth.

PRAYER BEFORE HOLY MASS

Heavenly father, we are about to offer this wonderful memorial of the passion and death of your Son. Bless our Priest as he stands in the person of Christ and makes present for us the great sacrifice of Calvary. Bless our Ministers here present today our ministers of the Eucharist, our readers, our Altar Servers, our musicians, and ushers.

When we reflect on the magnificence of these Sacred Ministries, we are somewhat overawed at our calling. But also we are overjoyed that You have asked us to stand at Your altar and serve You.

Help us to be reverent and to be faithful to our responsibilities. May this Eucharist that we are about to offer be a bond of unity and a sacrament of love for our people. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

First reading

Ezekiel 2:2-5

These rebels shall know that there is a prophet among them The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

To you I lift my eyes who are enthroned in heaven As the eyes of servants are on the hands of their masters. **R.**

As the eyes of a maid are on the hands of her mistress, So are our eyes on the LORD, our God, till he has pity on us. **R.**

Have pity on us, O LORD, have pity on us, for we are more than sated with contempt; our souls are more than sated with the mockery of the arrogant, with the contempt of the proud. **R.**



SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

The Lord's power is at its best in weakness

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud

I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I

have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is

enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make

my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content

with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I

go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

The Word of the Lord.

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 Sunday 9:30 am
 Saturday Vigil Mass 6:30 pm
 Tuesday to Friday 9:15 am

Confessions
 Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary
 Tues to Fri 8:45am

Adoration of the Eucharist
 Friday before Mass 8:30am

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Rosters—13/14 July 2024 15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Time	Commentator/Readers
6.30pm Vigil	Edward Konieczny Fil Ciancio Giulia Giuliani
9:30am	Paul Halliwell Sady Mazzarolo Shila Hoogland
Children's Liturgy	Holidays
Count team	Andrew Gaal Gail Gaal Sandra Librandi Shane Foley
Altar and Flowers	Dolores Arboit Christina Wong Sarita Ingham and volunteers

All those who have volunteered please arrive at least 15 minutes before the start time and report to the commentator for that Mass

Special Collection Next Week Annual Stella Maris Sea Sunday Appeal

SUNDAY COLLECTION SUMMARY	29/30 Jun 2024
Planned Giving	\$375.00
Open Plate	\$371.90
PARISH TOTAL	\$880.00
Diocesan Presbytery Fund	\$ 508.00
Holy Father's appeal	\$ 533.00

ACBC Research Project, Absent from the Table
 The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference is undertaking a research project aimed at investigating why some Catholics do not participate in regular weekly Sunday Mass (Sunday Mass includes the Saturday Vigil). The survey closes on Tuesday, 20th Aug 2024. Parishioners are encouraged to reach out to those they know who could participate in the survey.
<https://bit.ly/AbsentFromTheTableSurvey>



Please remember in your prayers
 We pray for those listed and all the deceased relatives and friends of our Parishioners.

For the Repose of the Soul:

Death Anniversary:
 Danuta Becker, Francesca & Luigi Panici

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; present them to God the Most High.

Sick:
We pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish and our relatives and friends who are unwell.

If you know of sick or elderly parishioners who are house-bound or in care and would appreciate a visit, please phone and leave a message with the parish office.



*"It is the attitude of the sentinel, who in the night is not tempted by weariness, does not fall asleep, but remains awake awaiting the coming light. The Lord is our light and it is good to dispose the heart to welcome him with prayer and to host him with charity, the two preparations that, so to speak, make him comfortable."
 Pope Francis*

PARISH NOTICES

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES
 We appreciate your continuous support to the church. The new batch of planned giving envelopes are now available for collection. Please look for your envelopes at the back of church (next to the main entrance facing Magill Road). Thank you again for your donations.

ARCHDIOCESE EVENTS
WhatsApp and Facebook Impersonation
 Please be aware that several fake profiles have been created in Archbishop Patrick O'Regan's name on Facebook and Whatsapp. Please be aware these are not endorsed profiles and under no circumstances are people to donate money via them.

Adelaide Fire Weekend - Saturday July 13, 9am-9pm and Sunday July 14, 9am-2pm
 Deepen in the Holy Spirit and be equipped for evangelisation through interstate speakers, sacraments, praise and worship and fellowship. Youth, young adults, families and all are welcome! Venue: Blackfriars Priory School, Prospect. Bookings essential: app.tickets.org.au/afw/24 - register before Friday July 5 to avoid a late fee!

The Power of a Smile
 You can make an impact as a volunteer across one of the Calvary hospitals including the Mary Potter Hospice, as there are a number of volunteer 'patient support' positions available. These roles provide valuable support to patients, visitors and staff – enhancing the service provided by Calvary to the community. For further information, please contact Maria on 0428 864 183. or CHCA-volunteers@calvarycare.org.au

Come and experience life in the Taizé community
 Reverend Joan Claring-Bould and Fr Paul Monash will be leading a pilgrimage to Taizé, France, from October 11-24. The tour will include two days in Kuala Lumpur to get an experience of another culture, six days with the Taizé community, and two days in Paris on the way home. There is a limit of 20 people of any age. Estimated cost \$5000. It will be an unforgettable and spiritually enriching experience. For more details contact joanb23@gmail.com (0409 520 823), rperth2008@gamil.com (0487 080 087).

Public Rosary – Praying the Rosary for Peace
 First Saturday of every month (Saturday July 6), in Mary MacKillop Plaza (adjacent to St Francis Xavier's Cathedral) at 8.40am (after the 8am Mass). All welcome. For more information contact: Mr Patrick Greenrod, Legion of Mary – 0414 769 635.

Priests

Take the Place of Jesus
 In today's Gospel reading Jesus was preaching in the synagogue. (A synagogue is kind of like your local church building.) The people there didn't believe in Him because they thought they knew Him. They didn't take Him seriously because they knew His family.

Do you know the priest at your church? He takes the place of Jesus at every Mass and when you go to Confession. God gave him a very special job.

However, even though priests have a very special job, they are still people like you. They need lots of help from God to do their job well. We should pray for our priests every day!

Here is a prayer you can say:

Dear Jesus, Please bless all priests. Make them be like you. Give them all the help they need to lead us to Heaven. Thank you for all the priests who have helped me, and please send more good priests to the Church. Amen.

Answer to "What's the Power of Christ? Teaching in the Synagogue"
www.thekidsbulletin.com

The Kids' Bulletin

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 July 7th, 2024

What was Jesus doing in today's Gospel reading? Use the secret code to find out!

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Saint Paul Accepts Suffering from God

Find the words in CAPITALS, The leftover letters tell you why Saint Paul said he would boast of his weakness.

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 YUSTRONGETT
 OLEINWMADEI
 UTSDWELLMNO
 ESAKERMOSTN

Saint PAUL tells of asking God to take away his suffering: "Three times I BEGGED the LORD about this, that it might LEAVE me, but he said to me, "My GRACE is sufficient for YOU, for power is MADE PERFECT in weakness." I will rather BOAST MOST GLADLY of my WEAKNESSES, in order that the POWER of Christ may DWELL in me. Therefore, I am CONTENT with weaknesses, INSULTS, hardships, PERSECUTION and constraints, for the SAKE of CHRIST; for when I am weak then I am STRONG."

"That the _____ of _____"

Vinnies—Your CAN CAN help!
 Our local Hectorville—Tranmere Conference faces increased demand for help with food assistance. With up to 60 requests each month our food store is almost empty. You CAN help by donating a CAN, or more if you CAN, into the carton at the church entrance. (it will be regularly emptied). Help via the Poor Box is also always appreciated.