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MASS TIMES: Weekend:

Phone:

Saturday: 6pm Vigil

Sunday: 7am, 9am and 5.30pm

Italian Mass: 10.30am

Weekday: 6.30am & 9am

Monday to Friday 8am Saturday & Public Holidays

Reconciliation:

Saturday: 8.30am - 9.00am

5.30pm - 6.00pm or by appointment

PARISH TEAM:

Parish Priest: Fr Alex Vickers O.P.

Assistant Priest: Fr Maurice Keating O.P.

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Parish Secretary: Ashleigh Vasta

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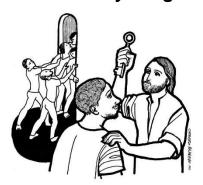
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Italian Chaplain: Fr Angelo Cagna CS

Phone: 04236 48736

Spread the Word

Vol. 34 No. 30 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 25 August 2019 Reflection by Greg Sunter



This week's gospel passage picks up one of the major themes that runs throughout the gospel of Luke: the message of salvation is not reserved exclusively for the Jews, but is for all people; Jew and Gentile alike. A number of times in this gospel, the writer makes a point of having Jesus relate this controversial and fairly

unpopular message to his audience. Today's gospel makes clear that to gain salvation, you have to do more than just show up! Like those knocking on the locked door and claiming friendship, we can't just turn up at the last minute and expect to be received. Salvation – entrance into the kingdom of God – belongs to those who accept the message of Jesus and act on it for the rest of their lives.

The gospel makes plain to the Jewish people of the time that unless they accept the message of Jesus and act upon it, they will get a terrible shock ('weeping and grinding of teeth') at the coming of the kingdom. Those who believe in name only will find themselves looking in from the outside and will see the greatest prophets in the kingdom while they themselves are denied access. To further make the point, they are told that people from east and west, north and south will be welcomed into the feast of the kingdom. References to people from the four points of the compass always indicate people from other lands – non-Jews. Jesus tells his audience that people who are faithful to his message, even though they may be Gentile, will gain salvation before anyone who thinks they deserve it because of their birth or title. The kingdom must be earned through faithful effort, not by just turning up and claiming to be a believer.

PARISH HAPPENINGS

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday 25 August

- 3.00pm FHC Session 3 option 2 - Church

Monday 26 August

- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group - Church

Tuesday 27 August

- 9.00am Playgroup Hospitality
- 9.30am Scripture Group Library

Wednesday 28 August

- 10.30am BED Scripture Group Library
- 6.30pm Legion of Mary Library

Thursday 29 August

- 9.00am Playgroup - Hospitality

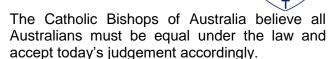
Saturday 31 August

- 7.15pm AA - Library

Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick and those whose anniversaries occur around this time Francisco Papas, Zina Catalano, Domenico Pizzica, Mavis Steele, Ron Steele, Joanne DeWolf and the recently deceased Stephanie Kitchen, Vilma Ghouse, Mary (May) Gordan.

Statement from Archbishop Mark Coleridge, President of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference

The Victorian Court of Appeal has today announced that, in a 2-1 decision, Cardinal George Pell's appeal against his convictions for child sexual abuse offences has been dismissed.



Cardinal Pell's legal team has said it will examine the judgement in order to determine a special leave application to the High Court.

The Bishops realise that this has been and remains a most difficult time for survivors of child sexual abuse and those who support them. We acknowledge the pain that those abused by clergy have experienced through the long process of the trials and appeal of Cardinal Pell. We also acknowledge that this judgement will be distressing to many people.



We remain committed to doing everything we can to bring healing to those who have suffered greatly and to ensuring that Catholic settings are the safest possible places for all people, but

especially for children and vulnerable adults. August 21, 2019

From the Parish Secretary

Applications for the postion of Parish Secretary here at Our Lady of Graces, close on August 28, 2019. If anyone is interested or if you know someone who might be interested, please see the advertisement below. *Ashleigh Vasta*

Our Lady of Graces Parish

invites applications for the part time position of *Parish Secretary*

30 hours per week Monday to Thursday (negotiable)

Official start date of employment will be

Monday 14 October 2019

The successful applicant will have:

- Demonstrated ability in providing reception services and administrative support.
- Well-developed written and oral communication skills and interpersonal skills for providing excellent customer service to internal and external stakeholders.
- Demonstrated capacity to work both independently and with others.
- Current computer skills.
- A willingness to work within the Mission and Vision of the Catholic Church.

Specific responsibilities include:

The day-to-day running of the parish office including reception, general office responsibilities, routine financial duties, publish weekly newsletter, liturgical booklets, database entry, routine correspondence, maintaining parish registers, diary management for parish priest, photocopying and filing.

Additional information, including a position description can be obtained from James Herd on 3324 3331 or email herdi@bne.catholic.net.au. Applications close on Wednesday, 28 August 2019.

To apply for this position, please email your current resume and a covering letter outlining your suitability for the position to James Herd, herdi@bne.catholic.net.au. Applications should include the name of two (2) referees one of which preferably should be a Parish Priest.

Remuneration will be based on the suitable candidate's skills and experience and be paid in line with the Clerks Private Sector Modern Award 2010.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.

Last Week's 2 nd C	ollection 🖽	
Loose	\$703.20	
Planned Giving	\$3,241.51	
Total	\$3,944.71	

Planned Giving Program

To obtain envelopes, Direct Debit or a Credit Card request, please complete the form on the back page of this newsletter and place on either collection plate or deliver to Parish Office.

St Vincent de Paul Raffle

Thanks to a generous parishioner, we are now in posession of 2 gorgeous hampers that we will raffle off, with the proceeds going to St Vincent de Paul. The raffle tickets will be sold after the masses next week and the following weekend 31 August and 1 September. The tickets are

1 for \$2 and 3 for \$5. Help support Vinnies!

Lost Property

There will be an opportunity over the next few weeks to sift through the lost property box for any of your own personal pocessions you think you may have left here at the church. After that, if no one has collected their belongings. they will be donated, so make you you come and check it out!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Clairvaux Mackillop College

Friday, 30th August 2019: 9.00am - 11.00am Presentation in the Auditorium followed by a College tour with our Student Leaders. There is an opportunity to meet with our Principal and members of the Leadership Team. Bookings recommended. To book a space, please visit the College website www.cvxmck.edu.au via the Enrolments tab. Any questions please call our Enrolment Secretary - ph. 3347 9223 or email: enrolments@cvxmck.edu.au

Volunteer Opportunities

The Cagliero Project is an initiative of the Australia-Pacific Province of the Salesians of Don Bosco, providing overseas volunteer experiences Australians who wish to work with disadvantaged young people. We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers for January 2020 departure. Our volunteers placements run for 6-12 months and are centered around working with young people in educational settings. We have multiple volunteers opportunities throughout Cambodia, Samoa, Timor Leste and the Solomon Islands. Cagliero volunteers commit themselves to working in the 'Salesian way'. This means that young people are the central focus in all work. The Salesian way also means approaching life in a joyful way with a loving heart. The experience as a Cagliero volunteer is not about the volunteer. but is focused on the people we go to serve. However, serving as a Cagliero volunteer will probably be the most rewarding thing you ever do! Applications close October 15, 2019. For more information, or to send us an inquiry, follow this link: http://cagliero.org.au/

Contact: Lauren Hichaaba, Director of the

Cagliero Project

Email: Ihichaaba@salesians.org.au

SOMETHING FUNNY



"What would you say if I told you there's a way to fit all of that on just one tablet?"

PLENARY COUNCIL

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared a passion for participating in the missionary nature of the Church and desire stronger support, involvement and formation among all the baptised who make up the Church. The data also identified the need to reach out and communicate more effectively and to find new ways of living and proclaiming the Gospel in Australia today. There was a call for the strengthening of leadership and ministries in parishes and schools, training to equip leaders for ministry, pastoral support for various groups within parish and faith communities, and a desire for a unified voice in engaging social issues such as life and religious freedom.

Read more about this time at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



CATHOLIC LEADER

Catholic leaders are available at the back of the church for \$2.

- The Catholic Leader journalist Mark Bowling recalls East Timor's troubled and violent beginnings of it's path to independence 20 vears ago.
- A senior priest in Papua New Guinea turns to Australia seeking compassion for refuges and asylum seekers in our off-shore detention system.
- Church leaders speak out on the Morrison Government's decision to not support all the stipulation of declaration from smaller island nations at the Pacific Island Forum.

Become a part of the parish Planned Giving Program to help your Parish grow.

We thank, sincerely, all Parishioners who contribute to Planned Giving. Your ongoing commitment and contribution assists the parish to budget for operating expenses (wages, rates, electricity, phones, maintenance etc) as well as parish pastoral planning (faith education, sacramental preparation, resources etc). To obtain Planned Giving Envelopes or to contribute by direct debit, complete this form and place on the plate, or contact the Parish Office. Planned Giving contributions are not Tax Deductable.

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