



Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading Wis 2:12, 17-20

The godless say to themselves, 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.

Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof.

Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) The Lord upholds my life.

1. O God, save me by your name;
by your power, uphold my cause.

O God, hear my prayers;
listen to the words of my mouth. **(R.)**

2. For proud men have risen against me,
ruthless men seek my life.

They have no regard for God. **(R.)**

3. But I have God for my help.

The Lord upholds my life.

I will sacrifice to you with willing heart
and praise your name for it is good. **(R.)**

Second Reading Jas 3:16 – 4:3

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start?

Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 9:30-37

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, '**The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.**' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, '**What were you arguing about on the road?**' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of

them was the greatest. So, he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, '**If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.**' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, '**Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'**

Communion Antiphon

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept;
may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.



Next weeks reading 26 SEPTEMBER 2021
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading	Nm 11:25-29
Second Reading	Jas 5:1-6
Gospel	Mk 9:38-43. 45. 47-48

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The NSW Health Department has enforced a full lockdown for Greater Sydney for a further 4 weeks until **30 SEPTEMBER 2021**

- **THE CHURCH BUILDING IS CLOSED.**
- **The Church is only available for Funerals** where a maximum capacity of 10 people in attendance is allowed. Masks & social distancing applies.
- **The Parish office is open 9am - 12 noon, Mon- Fri.**
- No Parish Activities.

SUPPORT DONATIONS

Even though our Churches are closed, We would like to thank those who have made contributions to our parish and priests at this time.

I again include these details for your information.

For EFT to the First Collection - supporting the priests

BSB	067 950
Account No	00004265
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Reference	6006 Your name

EFT to the Second Collection – for support of the Parish

BSB	067 950
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A DIOCESAN
Conversation
WITH REFUGEES
AND PEOPLE SEEKING PROTECTION

MIGRANT & REFUGEE SUNDAY 2021: 26 SEPTEMBER

On 26 September, the Catholic Church around the world celebrates the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (also known as Migrant and Refugee Sunday).

Pope Francis invites us to work *Towards an ever wider "we"* and embrace the resilience and contribution of Migrants and Refugees to the church and society. The "Diocesan Journey... Walking with Refugees" team invites you to a **Virtual Diocesan Conversation with Refugees** on 26 September from 3pm to 4.15pm.

RSVP via www.bit.do/diocesan-refugee. Find more information and resources at migrants-refugees.va and acmro.catholic.org.au.

THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA IS REACHING OUT TO YOUNG PEOPLE TO LET YOU KNOW WE ARE

WITH YOU



YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE DIOCESE – WE ARE WITH YOU

"I am with you always" – Matthew 28:20. The Diocese has launched a new website in response to the mental health crisis impacting our young people.

The website parracatholic.org/withyou contains links and information about services that can help young people whose wellbeing is suffering. Please share widely with young people and their families.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA LAUNCHES PLENARY COUNCIL RESOURCE WEBSITE

A new website provides re-sources for parishioners in the Diocese of Parramatta to stay involved in the Plenary Council, which is exploring what the future of our Church should look like. The first assembly starts in October, so visit parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/ to find a range of information, a Diocesan prayer and more.



FAN THE FLAME –

TOWARDS PLENARY ASSEMBLY ONE OCTOBER 2021

'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me' Mark 9:30-37

Our parishes in particular are challenged to renew the formation of children, young people and families who may not be strongly connected to the Church but who still have an 'instinct for the faith' which prompts them to seek the sacraments or engage in part with of the Church's life. (*Instrumentum Laboris #133*)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthe flame/

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF

For **Terrance Owen Trainor, Bruce Jackson, Marlon Fernando** who has passed recently, and for **Pauline Dugan** whose anniversary occurs at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

For Peter Philpott, David Ison, Antonio Cruz, Albien Macutay, Steven Back, Richard Curtis, Fr Chris Riley, Peter Philpoll, Jessica Dowd, Fr Jacques Lapointe, Bernie Good, , Joe Borg, Klaus Hahn, Kym Holden, Victoria Rix, Maria Robayo, John Reynolds, Christina McAuley, Betty Granata, Robert Waddell, Yvonne Hill, June Phelan, Helen Shaw, Grace Boitano, Josephine Robayo, Carmen Moreno, Victoria Tranilla, Ederlina Badiola, Daniel David and Pam Appathurai.