Alleluia, alleluia! / A people in darkness have seen a great light: / a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mk 1: 21-28

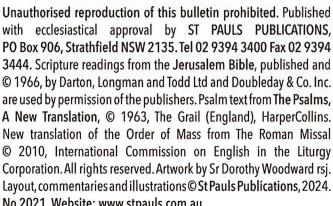
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.



Breaking Open the Word

LISTEN

Listening is a central part of being a follower

of Christ: listening to the Holy Spirit, to the

Word, and to each other. Today we are called

to listen and give undivided attention to the

Lord, to a prophet like Moses, and to Jesus in

Moses reveals that "God will raise up a prophet

like myself from among yourselves, from

your own people ... to him you must listen"

(Deut 18:15). He reminds the people that this

is what they have asked for. In the letter to the

Corinthians Paul addresses the anxieties of the

community as "the present form of the world

is passing away" (1 Cor 7:31). Paul expresses

his wish that they be free from anxieties by

The Gospel continues the beginning of Jesus

ministry in what I call "Jesus Central" -

Capernaum (Kefar Nahum). It is where Jesus

made his home during his Galilean ministry.

We notice it is Shabbat, the sabbath, and

Jesus is in the synagogue teaching. "They"

(those in the synagogue) are astounded by his

teaching. "They" are listening as he teaches

with authority. Juxtaposed with this is the

exorcism of an unclean spirit which brings

both amazement and the question: "what is

this? A new teaching with authority" (v. 27).

We hear that his fame spreads, but are they

truly listening, and do they recognise who he

is? Jesus proclaims the good news in word and

deed and expects a change of heart. How are

we listening today?

giving attention to the Lord.

the Gospel.



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

28 JANUARY 2024

FIRST READING

Deut 18: 15-20

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."'

■ The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 94: 1-2, 6-9. R. v. 9

- R. If today you hear his voice harden not your hearts.
- 1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; / hail the rock who saves us. / Let us come before him, giving thanks, / with songs let us hail the Lord. R.
- 2. Come in; let us kneel and bend low; / let us kneel before the God who made us / for he is our God and we / the people who belong to his pasture, / the flock that is led by his hand. R.
- 3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, / as on that day at Massah in the desert / when your fathers put me to the test; / when they tried me, though they saw my work.' R.



SECOND READING

1 Cor 7: 32-35

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord, that she might be holy.

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

■ The word of the Lord.

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-----MASS TIMES

- Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass
- Sun: 8.00am,10.00am,6.00pm
- Tuesday: 5.30pm
- Wednesday: 8.45am
- Thursday Saturday: 8.30am

4th Week in Ordinary Time YRB

28 Sun: Fourth Sunday in O/T

29 Mon: No Mass 30 Tues: Weekday O/T 31 Wed: St John Bosco 01 Feb Thu: Weekday O/T

02 Fri: Presentation of the Lord 03 Sat: Weekday O/T/ Vigil 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SACRAMENTS & PRAYERS

- Reconciliation: Sat 9am-9.30am
- Rosary: Sat 8am
- · Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Fri 9am-5pm
- Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wed 6.30pm
 - *For Baptisms & Weddings* Please call the Parish Office

PARISH FAITH FORMATION

- Bible Studies: Tuesday @6pm in the Parish Centre - All welcome.
- RCIA: Tuesday @7.15pm.
- Children's RE/Sacrament Prep: Thursday @4.30pm during school terms.

PARISH SCHOOLS

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St Maria Goretti's Catholic School 64 Morrison Street, Redcliffe WA 6104 6279 2000 | www.smg.wa.edu.au WELCOME TO MASS! A very warm welcome to all, especially to new visitors. Remember to hand sanitise on entry, face masks are optional wear whilst in church. Thank you for your cooperation.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

A TEACHING WITH AUTHORITY BEHIND IT. Power and authority usually go together and are often confused. If Jesus exercised authority, it was not in the oppressive fashion of many earthly rulers but in service of the poor. His power was directed towards liberating people from unjust laws, evil spirits, deliberating illnesses and the slavery of sin. It is this power that is at work in us.

MASS COLLECTIONS

Dear Parishioners, the COVID-19 crisis has impacted our liturgies and church celebrations. However, we still want to provide you with spiritual support, and we must continue to pay the bills. Please continue your monetary support to the Parish. Sign up to our Planned Giving program or you can use direct debit (contact Parish Office for details). Thank you.

PARISH	First Collection	on EFT Details	Second Collection EFT Details		
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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER								
Mass	Acolyte	Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers			
Saturday 3 rd Feb 6.00pm	Mikaele Piliae		G Ottaway T Hanson	M Jackson L Nguyen	J Chapin I Sharp I Rajakaruna			
Sunday 4 th Feb 8.00am	George Sekulla	S D'Castro	J Joji C Parnham	K Nguyen M Smith	P Sekulla			
Sunday 4 th Feb 10.00am	Ashley Rebeiro	A Semaan	J Branchi C Neville	A Semaan V Erskine	A & M Alcantra Z Chong			
Sunday 4 th Feb 6.00pm	Pedro Borja		G Godfrey V Conier	J & R Fernandez	A Leo J Mai			

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Parish Events

Masses in the Parish

As of Friday 4th November 2022, the State Government announced that WA was no longer in a State of Emergency, however some restrictions will still apply. Sunday 4th September 2022, 'The Sunday Obligation' for the faithful was re-instituted by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe. This means that you are required to attend Sunday Mass, unless you are unwell. Although Maskwearing is no longer mandatory in places of worship, it is your right to exercise common sense. If you wish to continue to wear a face mask while attending Mass, you are free to do so. Please hand sanitise as you are entering the church. If you are unwell or have a cold, please stay home until feeling better.

Mass at Home available on CH10 6am Sunday morning or go www.massforyou.com.au

Pilgrim Statues

If you wish to have one of 'Our Lady's statues visit your home for a week, please contact Sandra Robinson on H: 9277 2872 or M: 0405 117 138. 27th January 2024: J Turner U6/30C Chester St, Belmont & M Piliae 1 Rendition Place, Redcliffe.

Parish Dinner Dance Fundraiser April 6th 2024

Get those Dancing Shoes out of moth balls and get ready, we are having a Dinner Dance in April 2024. \$35.00 per person, includes Dinner, Sweets, Tea & Coffee. BYO Drinks & Drinkware. Theme: Floral. Prizes for Best Dressed. See noticeboard for full details. Tickets are available after Mass or from the Parish Office. Cash Only.

New Readers for Sunday Masses

We are looking for people to volunteer to be part of the Proclaimers of the Word for all Masses but particularly the 8am & 6pm Sunday Masses. If you would like to be added to the Reading Roster, contact Leonie in the parish office via email with contact details. Many thanks.

Working with Childfren Card

Timely reminder to all Special Ministers, Choir Leaders, Children's Catechist & Acolytes to please check the expiry date on your WWC Card. It is a requirement of the Archdiocese to have a current card to cary out our various ministries. If you need to renew, this can be done online or see Leonie in the Parish Office for forms.

Funeral for the Coming Week

Thursday 1st February: Requiem Mass @ 10am in the Church for the late Mrs Veronica Kathleen Honey followed by refreshements in the Parish Centre.

Start of the New School Year for 2024

The new school year commences Wednesday 31st Janaury, we wish all students, parents & teachers well for 2024. Please be mindful 40kms in school zones will start as well.

After School Liturgy Classes 2024

Will commence in the Parish Centre at 4,30pm on Thursday 1st February. Children from 7 years onwards that do not attend Catholic schools are invited to the classes to help prepare them for the sacraments and their Christian journey. Please bring copy of Baptismal Certificate on the day. Contact Muriel mbijoux@optusnet.com.au for more information.

Around the Archdiocese

Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for 'January' Evangelisation - for the gift of diversity in the Church. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognise the gift of different charismas within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

Memoirs of B J Hickey, Emeritus Archbishop of Perth Emeritus Archbishop Hickey has completed his memoirs titled 'My Spirit Land'. It is a fascinating and insightful read, documenting not only the last 80+ years of the Catholic Church in WA, Priests, Cardinals, Popes and Catholic agencies and policies, but also the journey of one of our Archbishops who was called to the priesthood in Western Australia.

This is now available for purchase @ \$44.95 per copy. Details of how to purchase are on the notice boards.

Banksia Grove Blessing of Rosary Garden & Presbytery

Fr Joseph Dong Vinh together with the parishioners of St John Paul II Catholic Church Banksia Grove invite all to the Mass & Blessing of their Rosary Garden & new Presbytery on Sunday 28th January 2024 @ 9.30am. The main celebrant will be Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB.

Notre Dame Community

Morning Tea – First Sunday of the Month

Morning Tea will be served next Sunday - February 4th after the 8am & 10am Masses. All welcome.

Containers for Change

The parish has registered for the Containers for Change Scheme. Take your cans, bottles & plastics to 'TOMRA RECYCLING CENTRE' 41 - 43 Abernethy Rd Belmont (just past Wheeler St) scan the bar code and follow instructions. All monies will be paid into the 'Parish Building Fund Account'. Flyers available with all details on including the 'barcode' to scan.



In Our Prayers...

In Memoriam

We commend to the Father's love all our faithful departed especially: Raymond Joseph Kessler, Augusta Clark Kessler deceased members of Kim Nguyen's family, Gerard Douglas, recently deceased Veronica Kathleen Honey, Denzil DeVisser and all souls in Purgatory.

Parishioners who are unwell:

Peter Butcher, Deacon Al & Aileen Atkinson, Anne Redmond, Maureen & Oliver Daly, Ravi Ratnayake, Fran Carter, Marjorie Williams, Glen Arathoon, Wilton Ottaway & Allan Jones.