



# THE SAVING WORD

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

7 JULY 2024

## FIRST READING

Ezek 2: 2-5

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

*The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a prophet in their midst.*

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

Ps 122. R. v. 2

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

1. To you have I lifted up my eyes, / you who dwell in the heavens: / my eyes, like the eyes of slaves / on the hand of their lords. **R.**

2. Like the eyes of a servant / on the hand of her mistress, / so our eyes are on the Lord our God / till he show us mercy. **R.**

3. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. / We are filled with contempt. / Indeed all too full is our soul / with the scorn of the rich, / with the proud man's disdain. **R.**

## SECOND READING

2 Cor 12: 7-10

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

*I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.*

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.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Lk 4: 18

Alleluia, alleluia!

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



# OUR LADY of MT CARMEL PARISH BULLETIN

## 14th Sunday Ordinary - 7 July 2024 - Year B

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

**REFLECTION: Beware of the Yeast of the Pharisees:** In Mark’s Gospel, Jesus is warning the disciples about the yeast of the Pharisees and the yeast of Herod. He is basically warning them about being influenced by the thinking of the world which is to live for pleasure or power or of the thinking of the old style of religion which we could summarise in saying “try harder and God might eventually accept you.” These two ideas are still at work in the Church and we are foolish to believe that we are not influenced by them. It is noteworthy to know how frustrated Jesus was when his disciples failed to understand what he was talking about. In Mark Chapter 8 he says “do you not perceive or understand, are your hearts hardened, do you have eyes and fail to see, do you not have ears and fail to hear, do you not yet understand?” If Jesus was to walk into our church this Sunday and see how we think would he be still rebuking us in the same way? After two thousand years is our understanding of Christianity any better than the Pharisees or has our reaction to the thinking of the Pharisees moved into the thinking of

Herod? Are we able to avoid the yeast of corruption and discover the pure message of grace and freedom that Jesus offers us?

**WINTER APPEAL – THANK YOU:** The response to last week’s Winter Appeal was overwhelming and we, the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, Hilton Conference, along with the disadvantaged people we visit, would like to sincerely thank you, the parishioners, for your generosity. The moneys received via the exit collection, the poor box, and postal donations, will go towards making a difference this Winter for the many families in the area doing it tough. We would also like to thank everyone who are responding to our ongoing food drive, great work. Kind regards and God bless... Ian Digney, President, 0428 121 152.

**THOUGHTFULNESS THIS WINTER:** Parishioners whilst we are blest with this Winter weather, could we please keep the internal doors closed and the external door / s open. With the visual of the external doors open it allows the public that we are “open for business”. The glass internal doors when closed would help to keep the lazy cold wind out. Thank you for your thoughtfulness of others.

**SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION FOR ALL CHURCH WORKERS (PAID / UNPAID):** All Church Workers (Volunteers or Paid) are to attend the Safeguarding Induction. A Church Worker is anyone in the parish in any role – paid or voluntary. If you haven’t attended the induction in the last 3 years, please register for

the upcoming session. To register please book online: <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction>. Mater Christi, 340 Yangebup Road, Yangebup. Thursday 11 July 2024. 7-8pm.

**CATHOLIC FAITH RENEWAL (CFR) PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENING:** Catholic Faith Renewal (CFR) invites you and your family to a Praise and Worship Evening on **Friday 5 July 2024 at 7.30pm at Saints John & Paul Church, Willetton**. Features Songs of Praise, Mass and Talk by Fr Gregory Donovan on “A Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission”. Admission is free. For further information contact Charles 0413 755 799 or Ivan 0428 898 833.

**SISTERS OF ST JOSEPH - A WEEKEND OF MEDITATION AND CONTEMPLATION:** Themed “Beneath the Cloud of Unknowing”, Retreat begins with an evening meal on **Friday 12 July 2024** and concludes on **Sunday 14 July after lunch. Kilmolee at Safety Bay, 182 Arcadia Drive, Safety Bay**. Facilitator, Frances Maguire rsj. Cost \$300.00 per person. Applications close on 21 June 2024. Further enquiries and registration: Dianne Colborne rsj, [safety.bay@sosj.org.au](mailto:safety.bay@sosj.org.au) or 08 9527 3240.

**IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP:** Pilgrimage **15-26 October 2024**. Find out more by phoning 02 8912 4812 or emailing [national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au).



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**RECONCILIATION - Saturday's:** 9.30-10am and 5.15-5.45pm or by appointment.  
**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Wednesday 5.30 – 6.30pm & Friday 9.30 – 10.30am.

**HOLY TRINITY CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** Monday night's 7-9pm.

**VOTIVE CANDLES:** Please be aware that Votive Candles are 30 Cents each. Thank you.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS:** Christine Rhow, Veronica, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Martin, Norma Elliott, Rudi Tassell, Steven, Davina, Elisabetta Paddon, Edward Fortune, Beatrice Fernandez, Lisa Bubb, Romilda Marinelli, Aaron LoCicero, Jacqueline Paul, Lou Collova, Anne & Justine Tonti, Greenville Paul, Christine Schwarten Henry, Fr Joseph Angelo, Fr Anibal Da Cunha, Peter Scanlan, June McGinnity, John Brackovich, Alison, Sofia, Rebecca, Fr Liam Keating SMA, Fr Francis Sundararajan, Graham Lynch, Fr Greg Carroll, Fr Wilson Donizzetti, Bill Watkins, Daniel DiMarco, Joshua Oorschot.

**SAFEGUARDING PERSONAL DECLARATION:** Dear Parish Volunteers, if you have not yet filled in

your Safeguarding Personal Declaration Form, please obtain one from the foyer, complete it and send to the Parish Office as soon as possible. We have three weeks to comply. The deadline is on Wednesday 31 July 2024 to hand in completed information to the Safeguarding Office.

**WEEKEND OF PRAYER FOR THE ARCHDIOCESAN ASSEMBLY:** The Perth Catholic community is being invited to dedicate the weekend of **Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 July 2024** to prayer for the upcoming Archdiocesan Assembly. Vicar General, the Very Rev Fr Vincent Glynn said parishes, agencies and communities across the Archdiocese are invited to pray the Archdiocesan Assembly prayer at all Masses. This prayer has been sent out to all parishes and communities. The first-ever **Archdiocesan Assembly for Perth will be held on Saturday 13 July 2024**. This significant event follows a day of formation held for all delegates on 23 September 2023, setting the stage for extensive discernment and preparation over the last nine months. Prayer cards from the Bulletin Table in the Church Foyer.

**ARCHDIOCESAN ASSEMBLY PRAYER:** Please pick up your free prayer card from the foyer table near the parish bulletins.

**ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY:** Today, as we celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday, we recognise and

honour the diverse cultures and histories of the First Australians. Let us come together in a Spirit of unity and respect, bringing our Prayers and worries before God. We seek Healing, Justice and peace for all people, and trust in the power of Community and love.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** Jesus you are the Good Shepherd who is always mindful of your Church. Watch over those who are Baptised in your name and grant peace and harmony to all families. We ask you to choose from the families of our Parish many priests, deacons, sisters and brothers who will gladly spend their lives making you known and loved.

**CATHOLIC MISSION:** On the weekend of 27-28 July 2024 we will be having a mission speaker coming to all Masses for this year's Catholic Mission Appeal at our parish.

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**Saturday 6 July**  
**9am Mass:** Intention of Donor  
**6pm Mass:** Fr an Augusto (Ann)  
**Sunday 7 July**  
**7.30am Mass:** Manuel Telo (Ann)  
**9am Mass:** For The People  
**3-4pm: Holy Hour**  
**Tuesday 9 July**  
**9am Mass:** NO MASS  
**Wednesday 10 July**  
**9am Mass:** NO MASS  
**Thursday 11 July**  
**9am Mass:** Ivan & Marin Resic (Ann)  
**Friday 12 July**  
**9am Mass:** Margarita Cucevic (Ann)



### GOSPEL

Mk 6: 1-6

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

*A prophet is despised only 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.



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# Breaking Open the Word

## A PROPHET AMONG THEM

In the first reading Ezekiel relates his call from God to be a prophet to the people of Israel. This is a major challenge for him considering their rebellion against God plus their insolence and obstinance. God asks Ezekiel to tell them, whether they listen or not, that there is a prophet among them.

The context of being a prophet is echoed in the Gospel as Jesus is rejected in his own town, Nazareth. From the beginning of Mark's Gospel, we know who Jesus is, but we have already seen his rejection by the leaders of Israel (3:6). Now, after he has left the place where he healed the haemorrhaging woman and restored Jairus' daughter to life (last Sunday's Gospel), he comes to his own town, and his disciples follow him there. On his arrival on the sabbath he teaches in the synagogue as might be expected. His listeners' astonishment turns to disbelief. Jesus words to them convey his threefold rejection: 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' Such unbelief leaves Jesus unable to use his power though he did heal a few of the sick. Jesus' amazement at their disbelief is in sharp contrast to the faith shown by the woman in the crowd who touched him, and recalls his question to his disciples in the storm, 'Have you no faith?' The journey of his teaching goes on now towards the critical question in 8:29, 'who do you say that I am?' Can we see and hear the prophets among us?

**Dr Rosemary Canavan**