

20th October, 2024, 29th Sunday in Ordinary time, Year B

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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In our Prayers: Bernard Jardine, Barry Carroll, Robyn Richards, Neville Caldwell.

For our Deceased: Carmel Carroll, Neil Thomson, Deceased Family, Friends,
Victims of war, violence, accidents and natural disasters

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Oct 26—27

Aria Park 6.00 p.m. Sat Mass

Mass

Barmedman 8.00 a.m. Temora 10.00 a.m. Sunday

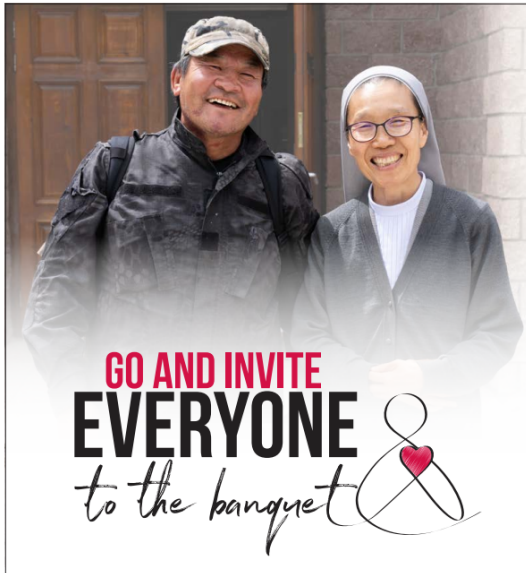
Liturgy

Ardlethan 9.00 a.m. Barellan 10.00 a.m.

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Reflection - *A Servant Leadership.* Some people use their authority to oppress others and win glory for themselves. They make their authority felt. Good leaders exercise their authority lightly, using it to help people live and work together. In today's Gospel Jesus describes his authority in terms of service and self sacrifice: he 'came not to be served but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many.' How do we exercise authority within our family, workplace, society and Church?

The readings today orient us to the ideal of servant leadership embodied by Jesus, and how this way of living and being completely subverts conventional power structures. A fascination with worldly power and prestige is a temptation anytime and anywhere, and today is no exception. Jesus is the model for countercultural leadership in the Kingdom of God, and it is lived out in the humble service of others. Power in the Kingdom of God is for the benefit and building up of others. For some, even those who have been close to Jesus in his ministry, this is not really the message that they thought they would ultimately hear, and not the kind of life they thought was their deserved reward and inheritance. As disciples, we are all called to a choice for service over lip-service to participate fully in the glory of God's reign. Discipleship will lead to the cross, but also to resurrection.

The synodal process reminds us that conversion to the mind of Christ is also a process, and God's mercy and grace remain present to us as we find our way forward together. As the psalmist sings, may your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. *Reflection written by Fiona Dyball*



This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Mongolia to help deliver essential services to people who need it most. Lack of access and social stigma mean that some of the most vulnerable people are not getting the support they require.

The House of Mercy will provide a haven for many people, including those affected by homelessness and domestic violence. Without your partnership, people in need will go without the assistance they require.

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to "Invite others to the banquet", and we invite you to share the warmth of God's love with our brothers and sisters who need it most in Mongolia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/mongolia, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.



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Humility Prayer – Show Me How to Be Humble

This humility prayer asks God for the grace to let go of our need to be admired and the centre of attention. It is hard to put God first when we are focused on ourselves. So this prayer asks for God to help us get rid of the self-centeredness which gets in the way of discipleship.

The original author of this prayer is unknown.

A Humility Prayer

God, I am far too often influenced by what others think of me.

I am always pretending to be either richer or smarter or nicer than I really am.

Please prevent me from trying to attract attention.

Don't let me gloat over praise on one hand or be discouraged by criticism on the other.

Nor let me waste time weaving imaginary situations in which the most heroic, charming, witty person present is myself.

Show me how to be humble of heart, like you.

Amen.

HSC EXAMS

Let us remember all HSC students in our prayers, their first week of exams has just been completed.



Roster Oct 27th

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