



**29TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME YEAR B**

17 October 2021

LITURGY AND BULLETIN

OPENING PRAYER

*Lord our God, Father of all,
remove the blindness that cannot know you
and relieve the fear that would hide us from your sight.
Amen.*

FIRST READING: A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.
If he offers his life in atonement,
he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life
and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over
he shall see the light and be content.
By his sufferings shall my servant justify many,
taking their faults on himself.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**Response: Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.**

1. The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. (R.)

2. The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love.
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. (R.)

3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

SECOND READING: A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve
and to give his life as a ransom for all.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them: 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'



REFLECTION on Mark 10:35-45 by Greg Sunter

Living the Gospel – Servant Leadership

What does it really mean to practise servant leadership? It means placing the needs of others before your own desires for prestige or authority. We've all known people who have been given a position of leadership and they really only wanted the job as recognition of their popularity; a thank you for previous work done; an opportunity to demonstrate their

strength of will or cleverness with words. Servant leadership is about collaborating; it's about empowering people to do their best; it's about trusting others and about rolling up your sleeves and getting on with the job.

Have you thought? Integrity

Who do you really admire? Who would you really like to be like? Aside from sports stars, models and actors whose particular skills you might admire or even envy; who is a person who lives their life in a way that you would like to emulate? Perhaps it's not that you want to do exactly what they have done but rather it's the way they've gone about living their life. I would bet that there is a close match between what they hold to be true and the way they live their life – integrity!

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

For faith leaders and heads of state, that they will be freed of ambition and devote themselves in selfless service to the good of the community. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the leaders of nations, that they will take the decisive steps needed to deal with the climate crisis and protect the earth, our common home. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the poor of the world, that today's International Day for the Eradication of Poverty will spark renewed efforts to share the world's resources justly with them. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For public health workers engaging with culturally diverse communities, that they will help them respond effectively to the COVID challenge. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For young people struggling with mental health issues, that they will find the personal companionship and professional help they need. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For refugees and asylum seekers in Australia who see violence and injustice consuming their homelands, that their pain will be eased by local networks of support. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For all who suffer in mind, body or spirit, including Karen Sutor, Bob Haigh, Teonie McMahon, Jeremy Nelson, Helen Campbell-Davys, Ian Vardanega, John Shiels, Tony Riley, Rupert Ermet, Val Biggers and Celia Roach

For the recently deceased - Norma Flack and Geoff Hassell. . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will enjoy the eternal life won for them by the Son of Man. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Lord,
May your grace help us to remain faithful.
May it teach us the way to eternal life.
Amen.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We will be opening up slowly this weekend with the Vigil Mass at St Bede's School hall at 6pm and 8.30am at St Mary's Bungendore. As I have been blocked from trusting our parishioners, those who attend will need proof of double vaccination, this doesn't apply the following Sunday.

Next Tuesday there will be a Requiem Mass in Braidwood for Norma Flack, a person of great faith. We looked at possible venues for the funeral but couldn't find anything suitable, as a result there will be a team needed to clean the church from the dust and debris before the Mass. I am extremely grateful to Brother Brian for organizing both the school hall and the funeral for Norma. On Wednesday we will resume the 9am Mass at St Mary's.

On Sunday the 24th October there will be Mass at Gundaroo at 10.30am but the following Sunday the Krawarree Mass is cancelled due to numbers and the size of the building.

I have been in contact with the team from MenAlive and they are planning for a weekend beginning the 25th March 2022. Last weekend David Webster suggested we plan for a St Mary's Fair in March which sounds like a great idea.

Looking forward to gathering together after this extended lockdown. Continue to pray for our communities,

Yours in Christ,

Mick Burke

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesdays: 9am – 3pm; Fridays: 9am – 12pm

Next weekend Mass time: Vigil Saturday at 6pm in St Bede's School Hall.

Weekday Mass: Tuesdays commencing 26th October at 10am in the Presbytery courtyard.

Meditation: recommences Thursday 21st October in Presbytery at 10.30am

Social Justice Group: Tuesday 9 November. Place TBA

Krawarree Mass for this month is cancelled.

Dear Parishioners,

The church will be closed to the public for the duration of the roof repairs. Mass will now be held in the St Bede's school hall, Saturdays at 6pm. The hall can accommodate 40 people under the 4sqm rule so I would appreciate, if you intend to join us, your letting us know so that seating can be arranged accordingly. For 17th October Mass is available for double vaxxed only ☺. (NSW regulations, not ours). From 24th onwards all are welcome, regardless of vaccination status. Masks are still mandatory and communion will be distributed as before. Phone 4842 2444; Helen 0430 169 849 or Brian 0408 687 915. The 2 collections will once again be taken up during Mass.

The Mass of Christian Burial for Norma Flack will be held in the church at 11am on Tuesday 19 October 2021. Unfortunately, due to the 4sqm rule, attendance in the church is by invitation only. The service however, will be available to all via Zoom. The link is as follows:

Join Zoom Meeting (the Mass)

<https://zoom.us/j/94200893365>

Meeting ID: 942 0089 3365

Please note- When you enter the live stream, you will be placed in a waiting room until admitted by the host. Your device will automatically be muted. Please DO NOT unmute your device.

Please be aware that technical issues occasionally occur that may be out of our control due to internet and signal strength availability. RJ Sidney Craig

Pray the rosary with Archbishop Christopher - Every Wednesday and Friday at 4 pm sharp!

Zoom

link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85022458332?pwd=MDZ4ODFhNjlvdnFkd21aVDQzWnAydz09>

Or enter in the details below after opening the Zoom app. **Meeting ID:** 850 2245 8332

Passcode: 543675

Don't forget you can watch the Cathedral Masses 11am on Sundays and weekdays at 12.15pm

Online Link: <https://catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online>

COVID-19 Links for information: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19>

1st Collection: BSB: 062-786

Account: 00029248

Account Name: St Bedes Braidwood CPF

Reference: BRAIDWOOD & SURNAME

For 2nd collection: BSB: 062-786

Account No: 00017755

Name: St Bedes Parish Braidwood.

Reference: name or giving number if you have one.

Please note the small changes in bold for the 1st Collection. Some online banking have insufficient space for the previous 5 zeros.

Readings for next week: 30th Sunday Ordinary Time Year B:

1st: Jeramiah 31:7-9 2nd: Hebrews 5:1-6. Gospel: Mark 10:46-52.

Take care, keep safe and look out for each other,
Helen Hart