



**29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY**  
**ORDINARY TIME YEAR A**  
**11 October 2020**  
**Liturgy and Bulletin**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

*Almighty ever-living God,  
grant that we may always conform our will to yours  
and serve you in sincerity of heart.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.*

### **FIRST READING** A reading from Isaiah

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
whom he has taken by his right hand  
to subdue nations before him  
and strip the loins of kings,  
to force gateways before him  
that their gates be closed no more:  
It is for the sake of my servant Jacob,  
of Israel my chosen one,  
that I have called you by your name,  
conferring a title though you do not know me.  
I am the Lord, unrivalled;  
there is no other God besides me.  
Though you do not know me, I arm you  
that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun  
that, apart from me, all is nothing.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Response: Give the Lord glory and honour.**

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,  
sing to the Lord all the earth.  
Tell among the nations his glory  
and his wonders among all the peoples. (R.)

2. The Lord is great and worthy of praise,  
to be feared above all gods;  
the gods of the heathens are naught.  
It was the Lord who made the heavens. (R.)

3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples,  
give the Lord glory and power,  
give the Lord the glory of his name.  
Bring an offering and enter his courts. (R.)

4. Worship the Lord in his temple.  
O earth, tremble before him.  
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'  
He will judge the peoples in fairness.

**SECOND READING:** A reading from First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

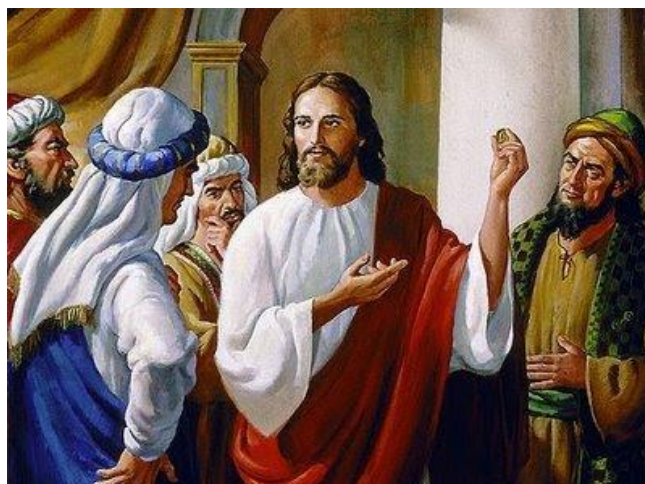
We know, brothers and sisters, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Shine on the world like bright stars;  
you are offering it the word of life.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'



## REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The frequency with which we consider the question of insider-outsider is an indication of how important universalism and the breaking down of boundaries is within our religious tradition. All peoples, all lands are called on to praise God. Furthermore, God cares about and cares for all people (see Is 19:25), and God works through all people to accomplish good in the world: Gandhi, a Hindu of Indian origin; Martin Luther King, Jr, a Baptist minister; Susan B. Anthony, a suffragist; Nelson Mandela, a Black South African, etc. Human beings have always realised that, in comparison with the grandeur and expansiveness of the universe within which they live, they are weak and vulnerable creatures. This has led them to believe in and offer homage to a divine being, or beings. Praise of God has always been an expression of awe and gratitude as well as humility.

If neither gender, nor race, nor age, nor class nor culture qualifies one for being an insider, what does? Today's readings suggest that it is service of others. In breaking down the walls of prejudice, the social activists of our own age liberate not only the oppressed groups to which they belong, but also those who oppress them. The lives of these dynamic people show us that service of others draws them into our circles and encircles us in theirs. With open arms God invites all into an embrace of divine love. As God has embraced us, so we are called to embrace all others.

### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Reader: For the Church:

That it may carry out God's work with strength and love. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For nations under attack:

That they will have peace and justice. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For those who serve in government jobs:

That they will carry out their work with fairness and honesty. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For our parish:

That we may always give God thanks for the many blessings we have received.

Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For the sick, including

Dennis Dempsey, Bobbie Beale, Ann McDougall, Val Biggers, Celia Roach, Cilla Ryan, and Mark Sissian, that they will be shown compassion and understanding....

Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For those who have died, especially

Les Millikin, Bob Bradley, Maria Pullen and Billy George, will enjoy eternal life with God. .. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

### CONCLUDING PRAYER

*Lord,*

*Help us to remain faithful to you.*

*May you teach us the way to eternal life. Amen.*



Hello St Bede's Parishioners,

Mass last Saturday evening was attended by 35 parishioners. Social distancing, hygiene requirements and recording attendance procedures will have to be observed. **Please try to arrive in good time** as all these regulations and requirements will take time.

**Tuesday Mass:** 10.00am in the Church.

**Meditation:** Thursdays at 10.30am in the Presbytery.

**Adoration:** Everyone is welcome to Adoration every Friday 9am-10 am as an opportunity for private prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament. **Please feel free to come at any time during this hour for as long as you desire.** Lighting of candles for special intentions is available. Entry is up the side ramp entrance of the church.

**Social Justice Group:** meets in the Church Sunday 7th November at 10.30am.

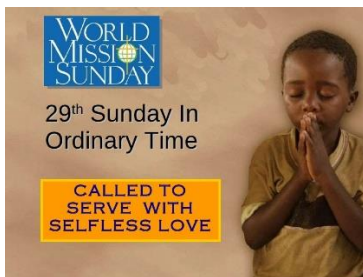


**Father Praveen:** Dear brothers and sisters in Christ  
Indeed I am very glad to be part of St Bede's Parish, Braidwood.  
I have been in our diocese for 5 years.  
I am from Kerala, India. My previous pastoral ministries were in Gungahlin, Tuggeranong and Young.  
Now I am with you. I look forward to working with you individually and collectively.  
God bless you all  
Fr Praveen Paul

**Markets in Ryrie Park: 8am - 2pm next Saturday.**

We have missed our markets so let us support them as well as we can.  
Produce; Crafts; Plants; Antiques & Collectibles; Trash & Treasure;  
Monthly wood Raffle; Donations of cooking etc gratefully accepted.  
Enquiries: Geraldine 4847 5061 AH.





**Today is World Mission Sunday** which supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio, the Pope’s charity for world mission, you will help missionaries like Sr Nilcéia share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which will sustain the future of our Church. Please call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit Missio’s website to donate. Individual supporters can give directly through our secure website. Simply visit [missio.org.uk/donate](http://missio.org.uk/donate) and select ‘World Mission Sunday’ to help build a future of hope around the world.

**Concerned Catholics of Canberra-Goulburn** invite all to join in a Public Forum (Zoomed) on Thursday 22nd October 5 to 6.30pm, on the topic: **How can *The Light from the Southern Cross* shine in dioceses?** **Speakers:** Susan Pascoe AM and Virginia Bourke. **FORUM CHAIR** Andrea Dean. Further information about the speakers and Zoom details visit [www.concernedcatholicscanberra.org/new-events](http://www.concernedcatholicscanberra.org/new-events)

**Next week’s Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup>: Exodus 22:20-26. 2<sup>nd</sup>: 1 Thess. 1:5-10. Gospel: Matt. 22:34-40

**Ministry Rosters for Restrictive Masses**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Welcomer</b>	<b>Readers</b>	<b>PowerPoint</b>
17 Oct	James	Cathy F	Helen B/Germaine	Helen H
24 Oct	Geoff	Geraldine	Trish/Ann	Helen H
31 Oct	Felix	Helen P	Rod/Wendy M-B	Helen H
7 Nov	James	Cathy F	Wendy H/Cathy F	Helen H

Please let me know as soon as possible if you won’t be attending Mass so other arrangements can be made.

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

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

**Masks are not yet mandatory** but recommended. Please feel free to wear one to Mass if you wish.

Look after yourselves,  
Helen Hart