

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading

Jer 31:7-9

A reading from the prophet
Jeremiah

*I shall lead them back in mercy – both the
blind and the lame.*

The Lord says this: Shout with joy
for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout: The Lord
has saved his people, the remnant
of Israel! See, I will bring them
back from the land of the North
and gather them from the far ends
of earth;

all of them: the blind and the lame,
women with child, women in
labour: a great company returning
here. They had left in tears, I will
comfort them as I lead them back; I
will guide them to streams of
water, by a smooth path where they
will not stumble. For I am a father
to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-
born son.

The Word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 125. R. v.3

**(R.) The Lord has done great
things for us; we are filled with
joy.**

1. When the Lord delivered Zion
from bondage, It seemed like a
dream. Then was our mouth filled
with laughter,
on our lips there were songs.
 2. The heathens themselves said:
‘What marvels the Lord worked for
them!’ What marvels the Lord
worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.
 3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our
bondage as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap.
 4. They go out, they go out, full
of tears, carrying seed for the
sowing: they come back, they
come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves.
- (R.) The Lord has done great
things for us; we are filled with
joy.**

Second Reading

Heb 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the
Hebrews

*You are a priest forever in the line of
Melchizedek.*

Every high priest has been taken
out of mankind and is appointed to

act for men in their relations with
God, to offer gifts and sacrifices
for sins; and so he can sympathise
with those who are ignorant or
uncertain because he too lives in
the limitations of weakness. That is
why he has to make sin offerings
for himself as well as for the
people. No one takes this honour
on himself, but each one is called
by God, as Aaron was. Nor did
Christ give himself the glory of
becoming high priest, but he had it
from the one who said to him: You
are my son, today I have become
your father, and in another text:
You are a priest of the order of
Melchizedek, and for ever.

The Word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

See 2 Tim 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done
away with death,
and brought us life through his
gospel. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mk 10:46-52

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Mark

Master, grant that I may see.

As Jesus left Jericho with his
disciples and a large crowd,
Bartimaeus (that is, the son of
Timaheus), a blind beggar, was
sitting at the side of the road. When
he heard that it was Jesus of
Nazareth, he began to shout and to
say, ‘Son of David, Jesus, have
pity on me.’ And many of them
scolded him and told him to keep
quiet, but he only shouted all the
louder, ‘Son of David, have pity on
me.’ Jesus stopped and said, ‘Call
him here.’ So they called the blind
man. ‘Courage,’ they said ‘get up;
he is calling you.’ So throwing off
his cloak, he jumped up and went
to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, ‘What
do you want me to do for you?’
‘Rabbuni,’ the blind man said to
him ‘Master, let me see again.’
Jesus said to him, ‘Go; your faith
has saved you.’ And immediately
his sight returned and he followed
him along the road.

The Gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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Throughout this liturgical year we
have examined several aspects of
our faith. We have pondered the
history of our salvation, the
merciful compassion of God, God's
willingness to lead us out of the
bondage of our addictions. We
have meditated often and long on
the person of Jesus, on his life and
death, on the meaning of his
sacrifice, on his resurrection, on his
influence in our lives today. We
have considered our own ongoing
transformation as disciples of
Jesus, baptised into his death and
resurrection, commissioned to
bring the news of his love to all
those with whom we come into
contact. We have reflected on all of
these wonderful deeds of God, and
now we must ask the question:
What difference has it made?

Have we merely acquired some
information about the biblical
readings, about our religious
ancestors, about the ministry of
Jesus and the life of the early
church? Or have our eyes really
been opened; have we been
enabled to leave behind whatever
prevents us from living the
Christian life fully, to abandon our
exiles or the trappings of our
former lives? Have we accepted
more genuinely the Christian
responsibilities that are ours as
baptised followers of Christ, in our
own personal lives, in our families,
in our relationships with others, at
the workplace? To what degree
have we been transformed into
Christ? How open have we become
to the action of the Spirit in our
lives? Have we been made a new
creation? And do we recognise
Christ in our midst?

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SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday 24th - St Anthony Mary Claret,
bishop

Monday 25th - Saint Antônio de Sant'Anna
Galvão

Tuesday 26th - Saint Bean

Wednesday 27th - Saint
Fruentius

Thursday 28th -
St Simon, St Jude, apostles

Friday 29th -
St Narcissus of Jerusalem



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**2021
WORLD
MISSION
SUNDAY**

**Upcoming
Events:**

Church/Online:
Cenacle Prayer
Tues at 4.45pm

*The Marian
Movement*
of Priests

**Adoration: Friday at
5:30pm**



Bench Ministry:
Tuesday to Sunday
**9:30-10:30am. Front of
the Church**



All are welcome.

**Craft Group every
Thursday @ 10 am**

First Eucharist Retreat
Day 10am-2.30pm
Wed 4th November

Coffee Club
**resumes Thursday 4th
November**

THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

I was twenty one when I got spectacles for the first
time. My ophthalmologist warned me that when I
went outside into the bright sunshine to expect
everything to be very sharp edged. “Remember,
Mr Quigley, for most of your life you have been
living in a fog.”



He was right. As soon as I walked outside I saw for the first time individual
leaves in the sycamore trees that lined the street outside his consulting rooms.
Before that day I saw only a general mass of green foliage above a greyish
brown trunk. I knew my eyesight was not as good as that of my Australian
mates but I put that down to their being from the Bush and I was a migrant from
tiny Ireland. The wide open spaces of Australia meant they had inherited the
long distance eyesight that their forebears needed. Of course I was wrong and if
I had not received medical treatment I might have gone blind.

The blind beggar Bartimaeus of Jericho was not so blessed. His poor eyesight
had degenerated into blindness. Mark (10: 46-52) covers the story of
Bartimaeus regaining his sight as vividly as any good news reporter. In fact
Mark is a Good News reporter. Jesus' reputation had preceded him and when
Bartimaeus heard he was on his way out of Jericho, surrounded by an admiring
throng, he cried out in desperation from the side of the road: “*Jesus, Son of
David, have mercy on me!*”

Being afflicted by the curse of blindness he was despised as someone out of
favour with God. Many in the crowd told him to shut up. He was spoiling the
occasion. But Jesus heard the cry of the poor man. “**Call him here,**” Jesus
orders the mob. And to my surprise (and possibly to many in the mob) they
pass on an embellished but encouraging form of Jesus' request, “*Take heart;
get up; he is calling you.*”

Bartimaeus needed no second invitation. Throwing off his cloak he sprang to his
feet and approached Jesus. Jesus asks Bartimaeus the same question he
asked those ambitious brothers, James and John, in last week's gospel, “**What
do you want me to do for you?**” To which Bartimaeus, aware of his crushing
defect, both physical and social, in utter humility and with complete faith prays:
“*My teacher, let me see again.*” No vaunting ambition here.

“**Go, your faith has made you well,**” is Jesus' response. Immediately
Bartimaeus regained his sight - a miracle. And followed Jesus on the way - a
conversion to discipleship. And taught us all a lesson in humble and faith-filled
prayer. Like Jesus, may we continue to bring the touch of God's love to the
Bartimaeus' of today; the hungry, the homeless, those living with addiction and
disabilities, during this 2021 World Mission Sunday and always.

Joe Quigley

Pope Francis Monthly Prayer Intentions OCTOBER

Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel. . .

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Tues 26th: 5.30pm Mass
Wed 27th: 9am Mass
Thurs 28th: 9.00 am Mass
Fri 29th: 9.15 am Mass
Sat 30th: 9am Mass/
Rosary 9.30am
Reconciliation 6pm Mass
Sunday 31st: 9am Mass
5pm Family & Youth Mass

ROSTERS

23/24 October
Church Cleaning

M deSmet, J Maher & N Spaven (25-29)

Commentator

6pm P O'Kelly

9am A Jackson

5pm S Ebejer

Readers:

6pm P Nolan

9am M Lowe

5pm B Maynard

Eucharistic Ministers

6pm Sr Marie

9am L Stevens

5pm J O'Sullivan

Computer Screen

6pm T Jackson

9am T Jackson

5pm M O'Neill

REGISTRARS

6pm P Billington

9am B Basevi/M Lowe

5pm M Devine

30/31 October

Church Cleaning

B Coffey/M Paine (Nov 1-5)

Commentator

6pm Sr Marie

9am B Basevi

5pm M O'Neill

Readers:

6pm J Mackay

9am C Lowe

5pm S Ebejer

Eucharistic Ministers

6pm M Weatherall

9am C Schor

5pm B Maynard

Computer Screen

6pm K Conway

9am T Priest

5pm J O'Sullivan

REGISTRARS

6pm P Jobs

9am M & S Beashel

5pm M Devine

Please join with us to pray the rosary every day before Mass



HELP NEEDED: We need a parishioner to visit and take Holy Communion to an elderly lady in Surf Beach. It would be monthly as you would be part of a roster. If interested phone Marie Weatherall 0405 028 057

PARISH DAILY LIVESTREAM MASS



Sunday 9am Mass:
https://www.facebook.com/StBernardBatemansbaychurch/live_videos/

Tuesday to Saturday:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89462634718?pwd=UGhwWFhlWkZUQWZ0bmhRMUZYYUpXZz09>



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Take Note

MASS THIS TUES TO THURSDAY WILL BE AT THE CONVENT



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH FOR 2021

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

2021 World Mission Sunday October 24th



We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard

In the Holy Father's message for World Mission Sunday 2021, he says: 'Jesus needs hearts capable of experiencing vocation as a true love story that urges them to go forth to the peripheries of our world as messengers and agents of compassion'.

A call to missionary discipleship...



Pope Francis invites each of us to respond to what we have seen and heard - to carry those stories in our hearts - calling us to each be missionary disciples by sharing and

supporting vital work like the work of the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, as they reach out to Vulnerable mothers and babies and children from disadvantaged backgrounds



Envelopes are on the pews and at the front of the church for donations or you can donate online at catholicmission.org.au

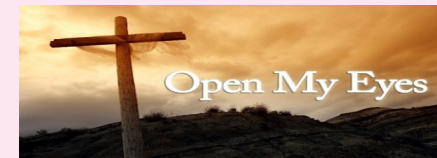
CANCELLATION NOTICE:

One day Retreat with Sr Catherine McCahill sgs on Mon Nov 15 has had to be cancelled and will take place in 2022.

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

If you would like to join the Parish e-platform giving for both the Priest and the Church, the details are as follows:
Acc. Name: St Bernard's Operating Account BSB: 062-786 Bank

LIVING FAITH IN THE EVERYDAY



A CHRISTIAN ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE WORLD

"Master, let me see again!" Bartimaeus begged.

Fr Ron Rolheiser reminds us to open our eyes and see God in the world:

Our spontaneous impulse is to protest, condemn, and point out the world's faults, its sin, its injustice, and its indifference to God.

But the world is still God's creation, still lives under God's primal blessing, and is still loved by God. Like the original chaos, so full of both life and potential, our world today is still spinning and creating itself under the influence of God's breath. Its marvellous achievements reflect both God's greatness and human cooperation with God's power. The world still honours both God and humanity.

But it also as a very mixed reality. On the one hand, the world is full of goodness, generosity, sincerity, creativity, imagination, and ingenuity. Daily we see real advancement in moral sensitivity, knowledge, art, and technology.

On the other hand, it is also full of infidelity, sin, injustice, greed, individualism, and many other rampant forces that constitute a virtual conspiracy against the poor, the family, sexual integrity, and compassion. It is a world within which progress itself often comes at the expense of the poor and progress itself causes us to be blind to those who fall through its cracks.

We must learn to comfort and bless the world's life and goodness even as we disturb and challenge its injustice and infidelities. We must comfort it in its pain, affirm its goodness, and help it direct its powerful life forces and energy towards the transcendent, towards God, towards community, towards justice, and towards compassion.

We must bless the world by letting it know that God still looks at it and says: 'You are my beloved Child in whom I am well pleased'; even as we prophetically challenge it to see the poverty of its practical atheism, its lack of community, its consumerism, its greed, its obsession with comfort and the things of this world, and especially with its failure to see the poor.

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Open my eyes Lord help me to see your face in every person and to reach out without judgement.



Death Anniversaries: Alice Stewart, Gregory Chatfield, Ann Smith, John Bradley, Norma Phillips, Vincenzo Biondo, Donald Walker, Maureen Kinross, Kenneth Bow.
We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community: Dr Bryan Chester, Waine Williamson, Pat Cooper, Theresa Humphrey, Linda Weatherall, John Mula, Eva Maria Easton, Allan Mitchell, Margaret Harris, Wayne O'Toole, George Fitzgerald, Gloria Gamble, Jeanette Urbanik, Robyn Lynette Mundy, Shirley Barber, Patricia Sweeney, Lorna Gunn, Savannah Leane, Bill Guist, Kevin Allen, Evelyn Young, Isobel Evans, Michaeline Hatton

Remembering the Sick:

Fr Kevin Murphy, Allan Rogers, Pam Wilson, Eileen Hogg, Antony and Andrew, Lois White, Rita Condon, Catherine Mylott, Ben Copland, Femia and Mark, Roberto Alivio, Vince Burns, John Dillon, James Lee, Trish Hamilton, Daniel Coffey, Jim Banks, Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, Diane Lanzon, Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Dawn Robinson, Allan Odum, Luke Ward, Andrew Morton, Ken Evendon, Judy Betts, Janet Thornberry, Anica Bautovic, Angela Mylott, Jeanette Clarke, and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital

Prayer For A Pandemic

May we who are merely inconvenienced
Remember those whose lives are at stake.
May we who have no risk factors
Remember those most vulnerable.
May we who have the luxury of working from home
Remember those who must choose Between preserving their health or making their rent.
May we who have to cancel our trips
Remember those that have no safe place to go.
May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market
Remember those who have no margin at all.
May we who settle in for a quarantine at home
Remember those who have no home.
As fear grips our country.
Let us choose love.
During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other,
Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbours.
Amen.

Ursuline Sisters of Louisville
Prayer: Historic Saint Paul Catholic Church

Coffee Club

Thursdays after Mass.
All are welcome @ Corrigans Cove



COFFEE N CHAT

MEN ALIVE

Kickstart will run on **Monday evenings 25th October and 1st, 8th, 15th November from 7:30 - 8:30pm.**
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