



St Brigid's & St Michael's MIDLAND PARISH



Twenty-second Sunday In Ordinary Time / Year B

1st September 2024

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 Saturday 5:00pm to 6:00pm
Weddings/Baptism: Only by Appointment

Parish Calendar — 22nd Week of Ordinary Time

Sunday, 1st September, 2024

8:00am Mass (St Michael's)
 9:30am **Father's day**
 *Ralph Perrella RIP 3 yrs
 *Cosimo Monterosso
 (*Father's Day Remembrance*)
 *Prayer for Kevin Laidlaw
 *Adelaide Jumarang RIP 11 yrs
 *Jamil Zacharrias Perdoza
 (*Birthday Remembrance*)

10:30am **Morning Tea @Parish Hall**

6:00pm Mass
 *Anonymous-Thanksgiving

Monday, 2nd September, 2024

8:00am Mass
 7:30pm *Catechesis for Adult*

Tuesday, 3rd September, 2024

St Gregory the Great, pope, doctor



8:00am Mass
 3:30pm Catechesis Class for
 Confirmation Candidates

Wed, 4th September, 2024

9:30am Mass
 11:30am Mass
 (St John of God Hospital)
 7:00pm *Rosary for the late*
 Nancy Teresa Andrijich

Thursday, 5th September, 2024

8:00am Mass

9:30 am (*Italian Mass*)
 2:30pm **Funeral Mass** for the late
 Nancy Teresa Andrijich
 7:30pm *Catechesis for Adults*
 at the Parish Hall

Friday, 6th September, 2024

9:30am Mass
 6:00pm **Divine Mercy Benediction**

Saturday, 7th Sept, 2024

8:00am Mass
 11:00am **Immaculate Heart of**
Mary Mass
 5:00pm **Confessions**
 6:30pm **Mass**
 8:00pm **Neocatechumenal**
Community Mass
 (Parish Hall)

You FORGET THE COMMANDMENT OF GOD AND CLING TO HUMAN TRADITIONS.

The Pharisees claimed that the traditions of their elders safeguarded the law, but in fact it contravened the law Moses had given. By saying: *Your merchants mix water with the wine* Isaiah shows that the elders mixed their watery tradition with God's strict commandment. In other words, they enjoined an adulterated law which went against the law, as the Lord also made clear when he asked them: *Why do you transgress God's commandment for the sake of your tradition?* By their transgression they not only falsified God's law, mixing water with the wine, but they also set against it their own law, called to this day the Pharisaic law. In this their rabbis suppress some of the commandments, add new ones, and give others their own interpretation, thus making the law serve their own purposes. Their desire to

justify these traditions kept them from submitting to God's law that taught them about the coming of Christ. Instead, they even found fault with the Lord for healing on the Sabbath, which was not forbidden by the law, for in a sense the law itself healed by causing circumcision to be performed on the Sabbath. On the other hand, they found no fault with themselves for breaking God's commandment by their tradition and the Pharisaic law just mentioned, or for lacking the essence of the law, which is love for God. That this is the first and greatest commandment, the second being love of our neighbor, the Lord taught by saying that the whole of the law and the prophets depend on these two commandments. He himself brought no greater commandment than this, but he renewed this same commandment by bidding

his disciples love God with their whole heart, and their neighbor as themselves. Paul also says that *love is the fulfillment of the law*. When all other charisms fail, faith, hope, and love remain, but the greatest of all is love. Knowledge is of no avail without the love of God, nor is understanding of mysteries, faith, or prophecy. Without love all are vain and profitless. Love on the other hand perfects a person, and one who loves God is perfect both in this world and the next, for we shall never stop loving God-the longer we gaze upon him the more our love for him will grow.

Gospel: Mark 7: 1-8.14-15.21-23

Commentary: Irenaeus

EVENT: LEGION OF MARY COMMUNITY -WALK FOR MARY 8th September 2024, 2PM Hosted by the Legion of Mary Armadale and Schoenstatt Sisters, Leaving from Please contact Christyne Williams 0410 269 518 for further information **Dates to remember** September 05-7 Sept. 48 Hour Rosary Bouquet, 07 September Celebrating Mary's Birthday St Joachims Victoria Park, 18th Oct Lake Monger Rosary Procession.

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First Collection go towards the priest in the parish and to support priests across the Archdiocese who are retired, sick and for those who are in remote areas.

Second Collection will go towards for the maintenance, expenses of our church and growth for the parish mission.

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Parish Communities

 Mary Mother of Perpetual Help Wednesdays 7:00 PM	 Divine Mercy Devotion Fridays 6 PM Benediction 1st Friday of the Month	 Legion of Mary Wednesdays 10:30 AM	 Neocatechumenal Way Mass (Everyone is Invited) Saturdays 8:00 PM
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Next Sunday Readings: 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time / Year B

First Reading Is 35:4-7 **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 145:7-10 **R.** Praise the Lord, my soul.

Second Reading James 2:1-5 **Gospel Acclamation** Mt 4:23 **Gospel** Mark 7:31-37

PARISH NEWS

Happy Father's Day!

On this special day, we honor and thank you for your selfless love and dedication to your families. May God bless you and your loved ones.

From
FR RODRIGO & FR FELIPE

Our Sick

Please keep those who are sick at home, and in nursing homes and in the general community in your prayers. Let us keep our parishioners in our prayers:

Caty Jones, Phyllis Lee,
Marion Sands,
Graham Johnston

St Michael's News

Sunday September 8th Savoury Morning Tea after the 8 a.m. Mass . This will replace the timetabled Breakfast due to space constraints in the hall. Please bring a plate, come along and enjoy each other's company. On this day we will have a small marketplace stall so if you have any excess vegies, plants, fruits or jams please bring them along also.

Coming Events Rosary Month. October is the month of the Rosary. You are invited to come together to pray the rosary in parushioner's homes on the Fridays in October. Signup sheet to offer your home at the back of the church. More details later.

Requiescat in Pace

Nancy Teresa Andrijich and
All souls in Purgatory

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.



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CLINGING TO HUMAN TRADITIONS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON **CF. Ps 85:3. 5**

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

1st Reading **Deut 4:1-2. 6-8**

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **14:2-5**

RESPONSE:

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart. **R/**

He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. **R/**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R/**

2nd Reading **Jam 1:17-18. 21-22. 27**

A reading from the letter of St James

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created. Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves. Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **Jas 1:18**

Alléluia, alléluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. **Alléluia!**

GOSPEL **Mk 7:1-8. 14-45. 21-23**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture: This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these things come from within and make a man unclean.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you,

Lord Jesus Christ.