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27th Sunday Year A 3rd / 4th October,

In a nutshell

2020

The prophets of the Old Testament were sent to prepare the people for the coming of Christ.

When Jesus came, he was not accepted by the rulers and elders, but many of the people did believe in him. The Kingdom of God has been given to us too.

We must nurture our faith so that it will grow and produce abundant fruit for the people of our own time.

Today's Readings

Isaiah 5:1-7 The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel Philippians 4:6-9 Do these things and the God of peace will be with you He leased his vineyard to other farmers



In today's Gospel story, Jesus reminds the chief priests and elders of the prophecy of Isaiah, today's first reading. God is the creator of the vineyard, God's own people, on who God has spent a great deal of love and attention, but has not received the harvest which was expected. Jesus develops this image, focusing on those who are now responsible for the care of this vineyard: the priests and elders. They have begun to think of the people as their own possession and so reject the message of the emissaries of God, the prophets. Now is the time for final act, where they reject the Son, Jesus, and are about to kill him.

So what has all this to do with us today? First of all, we are responsible citizens. Each and every one of us has a care for everyone else and for what People Francis calls " our common home". We are all workers in the vineyard of the Lord. This is not something exclusively for church leaders, but for all of us. It's not something that relates only to religious things, but to everything and everybody who shares this planet with us. It's about making the world the place God wants it to be.

The role of God's people is to give witness to the possibility of such a reality, to produce the good fruits of God's vineyard. Jesus came to reinforce this message of peace and reconciliation and sent out his disciples to demonstrate a new way of living together the way of way of forgiveness and service. There is no place in God's world for violent oppression and exploitation of others. The death and resurrection of Jesus is God's answer to human selfishness and greed. Today, the disciples of Jesus, his Church, you and I, are the tenants responsible for producing the fruits of the harvest of God's vineyard.

The Living Word, 2020

Entrance antiphon:

O Lord, you have given everything its place in the world, and no one can make it otherwise. For it is your creation, the heavens and the earth and the stars: you are the Lord of all.

Response to the psalm: The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you

everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Readers

Saturday Vigil Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator)

October Sr Jan O'Neil November John Betros

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)

October: Peter Frost

Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator)

October 4th Gian Cornale

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor and other volunteers.

Money Counters—Parish Office

October 3rd: Group 2 October 10th: Group 3 October 17th Group 4 October 24th: Group 1

Ministers of Communion

October Vigil Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator)
October Michael Zador & others

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)

October Gary Keating

Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator)
October: Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.
Sunday 6pm Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator)

Paula O'Connor.

Sacristy & Altar Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller

Altar Flowers

Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros

Piety Stall (5pm Vigil Mass) Carol Miller

Mass Offerings: Your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased: Elizabeth Khoury, John Weber.

Anniversary: Brenda Dore, Ron McDonald, John McKeown, Steve Elias,

Rosa Chianese.

Other Deceased: Richard Healy, George & Ellen McKelleher, Scott Family.

Sick: Rob Williams, David Seward, Rita Koh, June Ferguson, Fay Wilcox,

Chris Simpson, Paula Hudson, Anne Stirling, Neil Thornton,
Tony Cruikshank, Diane Gordon, Chris Schneider, Therese Warfield

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Maximilian Naum.

The Story in today's Gospel, the vineyard represents the Jewish nation. The owner is God. The servants represent the prophets sent by God to challenge and call back those who have lost their way. Many of these prophets were killed. The son who finally comes is of course Jesus!

Something to Think About God has given us the world to look after and 'cultivate'. What are we doing to care for the world? What are we doing to care for the people of the world who have less than we do?

St Brigid's Parish Information

Mass Times Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30 am and 6.00 pm

Morning Tea Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass (NOT during Covid19)

Weekday Masses Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9.30 am

Reconciliation 20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass

Sacrament of Anointing During 9.30am Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month

Baptisms By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month,

after 9.30am Family Mass.

Marriages By appointment, arranged at least six months in advance

Parish Office: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm.

Phone 9315 7562.

(For pastoral emergencies, contact Fr Phil 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's This Week & Beyond

Baptisms We congratulate Amelia Elliot, daughter of James and Sonja, who is being baptised into our Parish Community after our 9.30am Family Mass.

Fr Phil will be on leave from 6th October - 16th October. All Masses will continue as normal and will be celebrated by Fr Bob Irwin and Fr Thang Nguyen.

Parish office will be closed Monday 5th October (Public Holiday) and Wednesday 7th October this week.

Thursday 8th October - Sacrament of Anointing during 9.30am Mass.

Note: New "Kid's Bulletin" and Holy Water dispenser available in the Church Foyer.



Please download the Service NSW app on your phone to sign in for all Masses

Fr Phil



Year 12 Graduations: Last week I had the honor of concelebrating the end-of-year Mass at Marcellin College . It has been a challenging year for these students and we wish them well in their upcoming exams. We will continue to hope and pray for all students as the HSC commences on Monday 20th October.

<u>Please write the name of a student</u>, you would like Parishioners to pray for before and during their HSC Exams, on the list in the church foyer.

Fr Phil



SPIRITUALITY ON THE SOFA (S.O.S) – 7th October 2020 (SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB IN CORONAVIRUS MODE!)

We invite you to join us 7th October to S.O.S by Zoom

TOPIC: "20/20 Vision – 2020 Plenary Council Update"

Speakers: Geraldine Doogue AO, an Australian journalist and broadcaster with an outstanding career in print, television and radio and Member of *Catalyst for Renewal*

Dr Fr Michael Whelan sm Parish Priest, St Patrick's Church The Rocks,

Sydney; Director of the Aquinas Academy, Sydney and Member of Catalyst for Renewal

Wednesday 7 October 2020 7.30pm -9pm. Enter the zoom room from 7.15pm flyers in the foyer

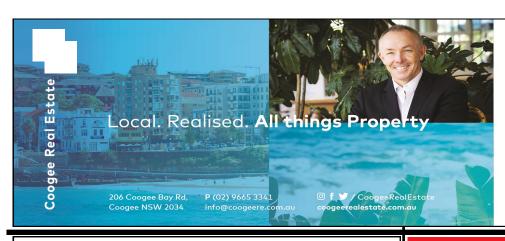


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