



Parish of St Mary Magdalen, Jordanville

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St. Mary Magdalen's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

30 September/1 October 2023

26th Sunday on Ordinary Time

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28
*The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness
deserves to live.*

Responsorial Psalm: Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11
In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32
*He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and
prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.*

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

In every life there is a struggle between obedience and disobedience, and this struggle takes various twists and turns. At times we are willing to conform to regulations set from the outside, and at times we are not. We are invited to choose in favour of the reign of God, or we are free to ignore the invitation. Those who are fundamentally righteous sometimes fall from grace, and people considered evil to the core sometimes reform their lives. What ultimately counts are not the promises made, but the actions taken.

We are called to discipleship, and there may well be urgency in this call, but it is an invitation that is to be accepted freely. As is the case with life itself, options are placed before us all the way along the road. We are invited to choose in favour of the reign of God, or we are free to ignore the invitation. However, the invitation always remains open to us, because God's desire for our acceptance is persistent and enduring.

The real choice set before us today is the imitation of Christ. The specific characteristic of Christ today is his humility. Since demanding one's rights can undermine the loving quality of community, Jesus' humility is offered for our imitation. It is very clear that whichever aspect of discipleship we examine, some aspect of community is also present. To be a disciple of Jesus is to follow him humbly as a member of a believing community.

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday:	Mass 10:00 am	Rosary 10:30am
Wednesday:	Morning Prayer and Service 10:00am	Rosary 10:30am
Thursday:	Mass 12:00 noon	Rosary 12:30am
Friday:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass 12:00 noon	11:00 am
Saturday:	Mass 10:00 am	Rosary 10:30am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday:	Vigil Mass 6:00 pm
Sunday:	Mass 9:30 am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: After Mass when a priest is available.

BAPTISM: During Sunday Mass or at 12:00 noon after Sunday Mass. Email the Parish office to book.

NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

September 30th & October 1st	6:00 pm Vigil	Sunday 9:30 am
Commentator	Michael Bampton	Lidia DiNunzio
Readers 27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Helen Selwood	Chloe Huet-Peka
Special Ministers	Kate Davis	Mary Boyle
Meet & Greet	Stephen Goss	Seion Emmanuel, Bojana Pearson
Data Projector Operator	Phillips Family	Romelia Fernando
Counting – Sunday 10 am	Toni Simonz, Remy Fernando, Yvonne Huggett	
Church Cleaning	* Maree Van Reyk, Nilusha Perera, Cathy Tran	

Any notices that need to be included in the weekly newsletter, email the parish jordanville@cam.org.au by Thursday.

We include in our prayers this weekend the following:

Recently Deceased:


Anniversaries:

The Sick:

Prayer Requests - If you would like to include any names for the sick, death anniversary or recently deceased in the Parish Newsletter, please email it through to jordanville@cam.org.au or phone the Parish Office on 9807 1466 by Thursday prior to publication before 12 noon.

Please indicate if you wish to have the name published in the Newsletter as shown above. Following the Victorian Privacy Act, consent for names to be published in the Parish Newsletter can only be provided by the individual or direct family members.

SAVE THE DATE! Night of the Witnesses – 22 November 2023, 7pm at St Patrick's Cathedral. *Aid to the Church in Need* invites you to an evening of prayer, testimony, song, adoration and reflection to honour the witness of twelve recent Christian martyrs and to stand in solidarity with Christians all over the world who are suffering persecution for their faith in Jesus Christ. Archbishop Peter Comensoli will preside and His Beatitude, Patriarch Joseph Absi of the Melkite Greek Catholic Church will be one of the international guest speakers who will share personal testimony of persecution for the faith. We hope you will join us. For more information please visit: www.aidtochurch.org/notw

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ST MARY MAGDALEN'S PARISH

SUNDAY 22ND OCTOBER

Let's Celebrate 70 Years Together

12.00 – 4.00pm

Adults \$30 5-14yrs \$20 >5 Free

- **Parish Hall**
- **BYO Drinks**

Delicious meal & entertainment

Please pre-purchase tickets. Numbers must be finalised by Oct 15. Tickets on sale at weekend Masses, Sept 30 /Oct 1st and 7/8 Oct 2023.

All are welcome

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will hold their Annual Mission Fair on Saturday 14 October 9.00 am – 2.30 pm at 154 Cotham Road, Kew. This year the proceeds will be for the renovation and extension of a school in Zambia run by Franciscan Sisters of the Presentation for marginalised children.' Enquiries Phone: 9817 3715.
