



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.

7/8 October 2023

27th Sunday on Ordinary Time

First Reading:

Isaiah 5:1-7

The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm:

The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

Second Reading:

Philippians 4:6-9

Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

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!

Gospel:

Matthew 21:33-43

He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

The metaphor of the vineyard, cherished by both ancient Israel and the early Christians, suggests that while vines might be hardy, they are also vulnerable. So is the reign of God. It must be tended and protected from what might endanger it, so that it may produce abundant and delectable fruit. In the gospel account, the vine does indeed produce an abundant crop. In fact, it is the very productivity of the vineyard that sets the stage for the treachery described. We can see ourselves in both uses of the vineyard metaphor. There are times when, regardless of what God seems to be doing for us, we simply rebel against God's plans. We stand in defiance. There are other times when we, who are disciples of Jesus, act as if the kingdom is ours. We might even marginalise or force out others with whom we do not agree, so that we have sole control.

When we consider the justice of God, it is important that we place it within the right context, lest we create a picture of God that is false and misleading. It is because of God's tender love for the vineyard that treachery cannot be tolerated. If we have produced unacceptable fruits, it is for our own good that God steps in and dismantles the structures that enabled us to produce bad fruit. It is appropriate that God would snatch the vineyard from our grasp and entrust it to one who will faithfully carry out God's plans.

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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

October 14 th & 15 th 2023	6:00 pm Vigil	Sunday 9:30 am
Commentator	Helen Selwood	Chloe Huet-Peka
Readers 28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Michael Bampton	Lidia DiNunzio
Special Ministers	Rukmin Silva	Joan Fernando
Meet & Greet	Deborah D'Souza	John Francis, Christene Francis
Data Projector Operator	Phillips Family	Leyna Nguyen
Counting – Sunday 10 am	David Forrest, Pascal Ahlit, Leyna Nguyen	
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

Vinnies Revitalisation Initiative – Next Sunday, the Jordanville Vinnies Conference will be presenting their revitalisation program at the end of the 9:30am Mass. Parishioners are invited to join the Vinnies in their charitable work and outreach programs for the community.
