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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B – 15th September 2024

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

MARK 8: 27-35

"Who do you say I am?" Jesus asks his disciples in today's Gospel. Peter responds, "You are the Christ." But Jesus knows that Peter's understanding is incomplete. He begins to teach them about the true nature of his mission: suffering, rejection, and death.

Peter, like us, wants a triumphant Messiah, not a suffering Saviour. But Jesus shows us that true greatness lies not in power or glory, but in humble service and self-giving love.

As followers of Christ, we are called to embrace this same path. We must let go of our own ambitions and desires, and take up our cross daily. This means surrendering our will to God's, trusting in his plan, and finding joy in serving others.

Jesus' words, "Whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it," are both challenging and liberating. They invite us to re-evaluate our priorities and values, to choose between living for ourselves or living for Christ.

May we, like Peter, come to know Jesus more deeply, and may we, like Jesus, be willing to surrender our lives for the sake of the Gospel. May we find the courage to take up our cross and follow him, wherever he may lead.

Let us pray: Lord, help us to understand the true nature of your mission and to follow you on the path of humble service and self-giving love. Give us the courage to take up our cross and surrender our lives for the sake of the Gospel. Amen."

Fr Jose P CMI, Parish Priest

Today's Readings: Isaiah 50:5-9, St James 2:14-18, Mark 8:27-35

Response to the Psalm: I will walk with my God, in the land of the living.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Reconciliation 4.15pm

Mass 5.00pm Vigil

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

(Liturgy of the Word with
Communion – every other

Saturday at 11am)

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

Sept 8, 18 & 22 – 2pm

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion –
every other Sundays at 9am)

RUSSELL ISLAND

Sept 1, 15 & 29 – 2pm

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion –
every other Sundays at 2pm)

MONDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary – 8.30am

Mass – 9.00am

Rosary Crusade Pro Life –
9.30am

TUESDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary – 8.30am

Mass – 9.00am

Praise & Prayer – 7.00pm

WEDNESDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary – 8.30am

Mass – 9.00am

Art Group – 10.00am

Choir – 3.30pm

THURSDAY

St Rita's Church

Priest Day Off — NO MASSES

FRIDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary – 8.30am

Mass & Benediction – 9.00am

MAREBELLO

1st Wed – Eucharist

HEALING MASS

2nd Wed Mass – 9.00am



**St Vincent De Paul meet the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month,
at 10am, in the Ruby Room**

Meetings held Sept 2nd & 16th, Oct 7th & 21st, Nov 4th & 18th and Dec 3rd

MASS DUTIES FOR 5th SUNDAY OF SEPTEMBER

Readers and Communion Ministers at Mass, please be aware that this month has a 5th Sunday. The weekend of **Sat. 28th & Sun. 29th September will be looked after by the Readers and Communion Ministers of the 3rd Sunday of the Month Team.**

GOLDEN JUBILEE

This year *Star of the Sea* church is
50 years old!

To prepare for our celebrations,
we need memories and memorabilia.

If you have any of the coins showing the
church from 1974, the history booklets, or
any photos of that time,
we would love to see them.

If you or anyone you know were involved in
the planning and building of the church,
we would love to speak with you.

Please contact parish office: 07 3821 4902 or
cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au

FEASTS for SEPTEMBER

Mon 16th	Sts Cornelius & Cyprian
Tues 17th	St Robert Bellarmine St Hildegard of Bingen
Thurs 19th	St Januarius
Fri 20th	Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions
Sat 21st	St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
Mon 23rd	St Pius of Pietrelcina - Padre Pio
Thurs 26th	Sts Cosmas & Damian
Fri 27th	St Vincent de Paul
Sat 28th	St Wenceslaus St Lawrence Ruiz & Companions
Mon 30th	St Jerome

HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE



Meetings are held on

Tuesdays at 7pm

St Rita's Church



TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The firstfruits of hope
(Rom 8:19-25)

Each year from 1st September to 4th October, Christians unite in celebration of the Season of Creation. A time to reflect, to pray and review how we can protect our common home and its people. This year, the theme is *'To Hope and Act with Creation.'*

Creation and all of us are called to worship the Creator, working together for a future of active hope and action. Only when we work together with Creation can *the firstfruits of hope* be born. Pauline theology reminds us that both Creation and humanity are conceived from the beginning in Christ and, therefore, are entrusted to each other.

Resource: <https://seasonofcreation.org>

PRAYERS

For all those who are ill, especially Nicola Hardaker, Sebastian Ricca, Elaine Prestney, Maddy Brown, Bill Mellor, Annette Doherty, Lucas Bernal, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, Chris Venter, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Margaret Ross, Alan Williamson, Lois Hodges, Helen Stockwell, Marlie Meehan, Denise Fowler, Emma Heinrich, Paul Trubody, Jela Cicak, Matthew Scott and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

ANNIVERSARIES: *We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time, especially Margaret Berton, Nan McLennan and Michael McLennan.*

DECEASED: *We commend the recently deceased.*

Sacramental news

We celebrated the Renewal of Baptism promises & presentation of the Creed recently with the children preparing for Confirmation. They will soon be Confirmed, please pray for them:

Loving God, May Your light continue to burn brightly within these children and may these candles remind them of how special they are to You. May they walk always as a child of the light and may they keep the flame of faith burning brightly in their hearts. May Your Spirit fill them with grace and Your peace be with them always. May the Father Almighty bless you, who are reborn from water and the Holy Spirit. May He keep you in His Fatherly We ask this, through Christ our loving Lord. Amen.



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WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS:

RECENT ACTIVITIES – Temporary repairs to church gate latch, replaced three circuit breakers in switchboard in Ruby Room (identified in RCD test as not functioning), repairs to outdoor thermistor cluster for chapel AC (due to the thermistor being chewed by vermin).

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE – replace twisted/split church gate, replace rotted out timber planking in OSHC verandah (scheduled Saturday 13 Oct), complete the painting of OSHC verandah wall, removal of mould and sanding/ painting of presbytery window sills doors and door frames (scheduled for 2024), repair/replace damaged fence panel in church carpark (on hold), painting of presbytery gutters and eaves (on hold), plaster repairs to ceilings in presbytery.

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING – replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval).

If any parishioner observes any task on the Maintenance To-do List which they can carry-out or help in, please contact Mike Duggan



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CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Christian Mediation will take place
THURSDAYS at 3:30pm in the
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