# Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Parish

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#### OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Perhaps that was part of the dilemma of the rich young man that we come across in this weekend's gospel. I find him one of the most sympathetic and yet tragic figures in all of scripture. We can easily build up a picture of this energetic and thoughtful young man. I imagine him to be a good son, considerate and caring. He would have been aware of the plight of those around him and done his bit to lighten their load. He would have said his prayers and gone regularly to the synagogue. At school he would have been popular, in the family unit he would have been the peacemaker, to the outsider he would have looked like the perfect child.

It is this young man who approaches Jesus, drops to his knees, and pops the 64 thousand question: "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" I imagine for Jesus it must have been one of those tedious questions that he was asked over and over again. A bit like the dentist being asked what must I do to avoid getting fillings or the dietician who gets asked what must I do to avoid getting fat! So Jesus gives him the stock reply, observe the commandments!

But the young man is ready for him because he has done all that since he was a kid, what he wants to know is what more do I need to do – he is up for any challenge! So Jesus tells him, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." You feel for the idealistic young man and his sudden dilemma. And yet, I find his response as one of the saddest in all because it is the only occasion in the gospels where the call of Jesus to follow him was refused! "At that statement his face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions."

For the rich young man we know what was the one thing that was lacking! His inability to let go of that one thing invariably led to his rejection of Jesus' invitation to "come, follow me". But what about us? Are we so different? Sure, we are not in the same league as a Bill Gates, Mark Zuckerberg, Twiggy Forrest, Clive Palmer or a John Rockefeller but that misses the point! It is not necessarily about wealth but rather what obstacles we place between ourselves and accepting Jesus invitation to "come, follow me". Each one of us possess riches beyond compare! The ability to forgive, the power to build up, the capacity for compassion, the imagination to make a difference, the gift to set a person free. Riches that if used radically and freely can dramatically change our relationships, family units, circle of friends, interactions with our work colleagues and involvement in our parish family.

That is why we are all so much like the rich young man in today's gospel. The choice is ours, now, if during the coming week we end up being a mirror image of one of the saddest characters found in the pages of scripture or have we the courage to accept Jesus' invitation to let go and "come, follow me".

Fr Peter Brannelly



# 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B WEEKEND OF 9TH/10TH OCTOBER 2021

**Proper of the Mass** 

First Reading: Wis 7:7-11Second Reading: Heb 4:12-13 Gospel: Mk 10:17-30

#### We Need You!

Every week one of the most important ministries of our Parish Family takes place at Maleny and Caloundra. The Children's liturgy (Kids Club) that is successfully operating at the 9am Maleny and 9:30am Caloundra Masses, provides a vibrant and enjoyable place for younger members of our Parish Family to explore and deepen their faith. We need you to help us continue and expand this vital ministry. Would you consider joining a team? How about asking a friend to join you and going on the roster? You are always part of a team and the programme is coordinated and all the resources are provided. If you would like to find our more information or if you have any questions please email Dale Rolls <a href="mailto:dale.rolls@gmail.com">dale.rolls@gmail.com</a> Thanks for your support.

#### Please exercise caution

On this Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, work will begin on replacing the guttering on the South side of Our Lady of the Rosary church. To provide plumbers access, please refrain from parking beside the church during the week. Thank you.



Last Saturday evening, ten Aura parishioners gathered for dinner at Catherine and Pat McGrath's house in Baringa to discuss our new parish mission. This is the third time this growing group has gathered for food, prayer and discussion as we seek to forge new ways of doing mission and being a missionary parish in our community. While we will continue to meet monthly and come up with new and innovative ways of participating in the mission, our next step is to secure the lease on a building in Baringa to use as an operating base before the new P-12 Catholic school opens in January 2024. With 50,000 people moving into Aura before the end of the 2020's, it's utterly vital that we approach this new mission together with a sense of proactivity and urgency. Friends, this is an open space for *anyone* who would like to be involved in the mission of our church in an extraordinary way. Please

contact Fr Josh directly for more information: whiteheadj@bne.catholic.net.au

#### Support our Parish family

Your financial support of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish is always appreciated. Ways to financially support your Parish:

- The "Tap & Go" facility at the door of the church;
- Place your donation in the collection bags after Mass;
- Online donation, directly to the Caloundra website.

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#### THE CATHOLIC LEADER

The October edition of *The Catholic Leader* is available in the church.

Limited copies are available at each community and the cost is only \$4 each.

The Prayer for Priests prayer group meets for prayer and Eucharistic Adoration after Mass on Monday following the 9am morning Mass–all welcome.



#### **Ladies Lunch**

will be held at Thai Lime Twist, 24 Minchinton St Caloundra on Friday 15th October at 12noon. Please contact Deborah

on 0410531901 if you would like to attend.

#### **NET UPDATE**

In the second week of the school holidays the team took some time to relax and start preparing for our last term at Unity. We also took some time to see some sights including hiking around Noosa National Park and Australia Zoo! Recently I've been feeling especially grateful to be living in such a beautiful place with such incredible sights around us. Its so easy to take it for granted when we live so close to these amazing places, but talking to people from Brisbane and other places has reminded me how blessed we are to live in this special part of the world that other people only come to enjoy during their holidays!

Have a great week, the NET team.

#### In Transition

We pray for *Jean Bromley* & *Mario Fais* whose funeral rites were held last week. May their souls and all the souls of our deceased priests, religious and parishioners

Rest in Peace.

#### Parish Diary Monday 11 Oct

St John XXIII Mass (OLR) 9am

Tuesday 12 Oct Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Wednesday 13 Oct School Liturgy 9am

Mass (Lt Mt) 9.30am

**Thursday 14 Oct** 

St Callistus I, pope, martyr Mass (OLR) 9am Mass (Unity) 8.30am Mass (Currimundi) 9.30am

Friday 15 Oct

Mass (OLR) 9am Mass (Landsborough) 9am

Saturday 16 Oct

Confession (OLR) 8.30am Mass (OLR) 9am

Vigil Mass Mass (OLR) 5pm Mass (Beerwah) 5pm

Sunday 17 Oct

29th Sunday in Ordinary time
Mass (OLR) 6.30am
Mass (Landsborough) 7am
Mass (Unity) 8am
Mass (Kawana) 8am
Mass (Maleny) 9am
Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am
Mass (OLR) 9:30am
Mass (Lt Mt) 10.30am

The Syro Malabar Catholic Community celebrate their Eucharist each Sunday afternoon at 5pm at Our Lay of the Rosary Caloundra.

Family Mass (Unity) 5pm

#### A VOCATION VIEW:

If we really believe in something, it does not seem to be a sacrifice to give up everything else to pursue that one dream.

Jesus asks for total dedication, promising in return rewards that no one else can promise:

"Go and sell everything

you own ... then come; follow me."

#### **THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

Sunday 10 Oct: 28th Sunday in Ordinary time

- ♦ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass.
- ♦ Illuminate Youth Group at Unity for grades 9-12 6-8pm.

#### Monday 11 Oct:

- ♦ Adoration after the OLR Mass each Monday All welcome.
- The Prayer for Priests prayer group meets after the 9am morning Mass—all welcome.
- ♦ The OLR craft group meet every Monday 9am-12noon in the Parish Centre. For more information please contact Helen McGlynn on 0409 050 722.

#### Tuesday 12 Oct:

- ♦ Women's Prayer and Friendship Group every Tuesday in the Parish Centre. from 9.30-10.45am, all welcome. Enquiries contact Vivienne 0409 897 673.
- ◆ The Tuesday Club hosts cards in the Caloundra Parish Centre weekly beginning at 8:30am, all welcome.
- ♦ Maleny Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8.30am, Mass 9.00am, Rosary 9.30am after Mass.
- ♦ OLR St Vincent de Paul meet every Tuesday at 3pm in the Parish Centre. We make daily visits to those in need. New members welcome. Phone Dawn 5430 9390 for further enquiries.

#### Wednesday 13 Oct:

- ◆ Maleny cards 6pm in the Pat Daley Centre.
- ♦ OLR Men's Sharing Group 10am-11:30am in the Parish Centre meeting rooms. 2nd & 4th Wed each month please call John 0416154144 for details.
- ♦ Bible Study Group is held every Wednesday night at Caroline Kettle's place from 7-8.30pm. If you are interested and want details, please call Caroline on 0435 828 092.

#### Thursday 14 Oct:

- Bible Study Group is held every Thursday morning at Caroline Kettle's place from 9am. If you are interested and want details, please call Caroline on 0435 828 092.
- ♦ Our Lady of Good Counsel St Vincent de Paul conference meet at 9.30am in the Parish Centre. New members welcome. Further enquiries contact Peter on 5492 4402.
- Caloundra Catholic Community Social Justice Network (CCCSJN) in the Pastoral Care Boardroom 3.30pm-5.00pm. Visitors and enquiries welcome but it is essential to contact Bob before the meeting to receive papers. bngcullen@optusnet.com.au

#### Friday 15 Oct:

- ♦ Landsborough Mass at 9am followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession available while adoration is on.
- ♦ Ladies Lunch will be held at Thai Lime Twist, 24 Minchinton St Caloundra today Friday 15th October at 12noon. Please contact Deborah on 0410531901 if you would like to attend.
- ♦ Lighthouse Youth Group for grades 6-8 in the Parish Centre 5:15-7:15pm.

#### Saturday 16 Oct:

♦ Individual Reconciliation 8.30am in the OLR Church.

Sunday 17 Oct: 29th Sunday in Ordinary time

- ♦ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass.
- ♦ Illuminate Youth Group at Unity for grades 9-12 6-8pm.

## FOR CANNOT KEEP SPEAKING about what SEEN & HEAR!

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