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## January 30 — Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)



This gospel text is the continuation of last week's gospel, where Jesus announces his mission in his hometown. His program is to bring hope to the hopeless, and inclusion to the outcast. Here we learn of how his mission is received: initial approval very quickly turns to rejection! What Jesus is pointing out is that God acts unexpectedly and that God's love and care are available to all people, not just to the people of Israel, even though their needs may be great. One of their own has dared to challenge their preconceptions, and they vent their disapproval with violence—a violence that will culminate on the cross. Jesus leaves Nazareth and never returns. The remaining action in the Gospel of Luke occurs in Capernaum and on the road to Jerusalem, where the final rejection will come to completion (*frtonyshomilies*)

## IV Domenica di Avvento (Anno C)

Perché gli uomini rifiutano il profeta che parla in nome di Dio? Perché avvertono in lui un personaggio "scomodo", che li sveglia dal loro quieto vivere e condanna le vie sbagliate che percorrono, invitandoli a cambiare vita e a mettersi sulla strada indicata dal vangelo e dal modello di Cristo.

A Nazaret rifiutano Gesù, perché chiedeva un cambiamento radicale di vita, di abitudini, di mentalità. Allora trovano tanti pretesti per sfuggire all' ammonimento del profeta.

Il mondo ha bisogno di profeti del vangelo. Oggi più di ieri. Anch'io sono invitato a essere profeta, cioè a testimoniare il vangelo con la vita e la parola, in tutte le situazioni di ogni giorno: famiglia, lavoro, scuola, letture, conversazioni, impegno di carità, attenzione all'uomo, ecc. Debbo chiedermi: chissà se la gente che mi avvicina riceve da me uno stimolo al bene?

Ma prima ancora mi pongo questa domanda: come accolgo Gesù, che ogni giorno m'invita alla conversione? I miei criteri di giudizio, di scelta, non entrano in crisi quando leggo il Vangelo? È una verifica che dovrei fare con serietà, nella preghiera. Altri-

### Buste del Ringraziamento 2022

Le buste del Ringraziamento per il 2022 saranno disponibili nell'atrio dopo le messe del fine settimana. Negli ultimi anni il nostro reddito parrocchiale è diminuito notevolmente e continua a diminuire. Affinché possiamo continuare il livello di manutenzione che mantiene la nostra Parrocchia sicura e accogliente, mentre allo stesso tempo sosteniamo tutte le nostre spese, abbiamo bisogno del tuo aiuto e ti invitiamo a vedere se lo troverai nel tuo cuore per continuare, e se possibile aumentare, il tuo attuale livello di Ringraziamento.

### Thanksgiving envelopes 2022

Thanksgiving envelopes for 2022 will be available in the foyer after weekend masses. Over the past couple of years our parish income has decreased significantly and continues to decrease. In order for us to continue the level of maintenance that keeps our Parish safe and welcoming, while at the same time meeting all our expenses, we need your

**The sick in our parish:** Teresa & Con Lamonaca, Nola, John Markis, Elda Taranto, Panfilo Ambrosini, Carmela Renda, Lorraine, Patricia, David, Vanessa Borg, Peta Wright, Herrmann Family, Adam, Helen Rakuscek, Bob Brown, Rina Carfi, Angela Barto, Patrick Brennan, Maria Saracino, Rommel Montano, Leonora Aquino Morales, Sonia Taranto, Norm McDonough, Evelyn McDonough, Diana Nash

### Upcoming funerals:

**Recently deceased:** Arnold Sambaan, Luigi Lucente, Antonio Ferro, Alex Attard, Eleonora Miceli, Tommaso Ruberto, Marco Angelico, Giuseppe Cavalli, Lucia Vocale, Maureen Blood, Quirino D'Alessandro, Carmela Paterno, Michelina Bocale

**Anniversaries:** Angelina Oro Markis, Nabih and Franjia Chaccita, Vincenzo and Loreta Di Curzio, Teofila and Gianni Stefani, Caterina Costa, Maria Lamonaca, Wladyslaw Stopa, Giovanni Di Biase

*We especially pray for all the deceased St. Matthews parishioners, those whose names are on the Church pews & the Resurrection Chapel.*

O Lord, who art ever merciful and bounteous with Thy gifts, look down upon the suffering souls in purgatory. Remember not their

### Rosters for weekend masses (Jan 29/30)

#### Lectors:

Saturday 5.30 pm: ??

Sunday 9.00 am: ??

Sunday 10.30 am : ??

**(Rosters for lectors are available in the church foyer)**

### Mass times

#### Weekday:

Tuesday-Friday 9.30 am

Novena mass: Wednesday 7.00 pm

#### Weekend:

Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm

Sunday 9.00 am (Sunday 10.30 (Italian mass))

## Parish Council notes

### Meeting held 18th January, 2022

- School report (B. Brown)
- QR check in procedures
- The parish raised approximately \$2,000 from the Parish raffle (drawn in December 2021)
- The "In memoriam" display has been placed on the noticeboard in the church foyer. Entries are for the recently deceased. Only authorized entries are placed on the noticeboard
- The information sign in the church garden has been moved closer to the front fence to improve visibility from the street. The Council thanked Brad and Frank for moving the sign
- The St. Matthew's Liturgy group will be re-instated to plan activities during Lent and the Easter mass services
- The Parish Council will meet every two months

**St. Matthew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.**

The electronic version of the Parish bulletin is available on the Parish website @ <http://stmatthewsparish.org.au/>