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## October 9 – 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)



“Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?” ([Luke 17:17-18](#))

These words were spoken by Jesus after He healed ten lepers and only one of them, a foreigner, returned to Jesus to thank Him. Ten were healed physically of their leprosy but only one received a much deeper healing. Upon returning to Jesus with a grateful heart, Jesus said to this one leper, “Stand up and go; your faith has saved you” ([Luke 17:19](#)).

Only this one leper, the one who returned with a grateful heart, heard our Lord speak these words: “Your faith has saved you.” This reveals that gratitude to God is not only our duty, it also brings forth manifest blessings in our lives. When we sincerely offer thanks to God for all that He has done, we are manifesting great faith in God as a result. We are pointing to Him and His goodness as the source of our blessings and it takes faith to see this and to profess it.

What is it for which you need to grow in gratitude in your life? What is it that you may take for granted and have failed to properly return to God and thank Him for? The truth is that everything in life is a gift. Everything. Even the struggles you endure can be turned into blessings. In fact, that’s exactly what happened in this story. The awful suffering of leprosy was turned into a grace from God. (*mycatholiclife*)

### XXVIII Domenica del tempo ordinario (ANNO C)

“La tua fede ti ha salvato”. Il lebbroso samaritano, il solo straniero nel gruppo che è andato incontro a Gesù per supplicarlo. Il solo, anche, a ritornare sui suoi passi per rendergli grazie. Il suo gesto religioso, prostrarsi ai piedi di Gesù, significava anche che egli sapeva di non avere nulla che non avesse ricevuto (cf. 1Cor 4,7). La fede, dono di Cristo, porta alla salvezza.

“E gli altri nove, dove sono?”. Gli altri nove avevano obbedito all’ordine di Gesù e si erano presentati ai sacerdoti, dando così prova di una fede appena nata. Ma non hanno agito di conseguenza, una volta purificati, tornando verso Gesù, la sola via per arrivare al Padre (cf. Gv 14,6), mediatore indispensabile per la glorificazione di Dio.

La misericordia di Gesù verso colui che non possiede altro che la sua povertà e il suo peccato, ma che si volge verso il Signore per trovare il perdono e la riconciliazione, non è solo fonte di salvezza personale, ma anche di reintegrazione nella comunità di culto del popolo di Dio. Nella Chiesa, la fede di coloro che sono stati riscattati diventa azione di grazie al Padre per mezzo di nostro Signore Gesù Cristo (cf. Col 3,16-17). (*lchiesa.it*)

### Joke of the week

An elderly man with one arm bumped into and old friend.  
 ‘Where are you off to?’ asked the friend.  
 ‘To change a light bulb,’ replied the one-armed-man.  
 ‘That will be a bit difficult for you, won’t it?’  
 ‘No, not really,’ said the one-armed-man. ‘I kept the receipt.’

(The book of senior jokes)

**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, Sonia Taranto, Norm McDonough, Evelyn McDonough, Diana Nash, Lori, Maurice, Domenic Cunsolo, Laurence, Amelia Testa, Blake, Floriano Pivetta, Margherita Costa, Bruna Zando, Rita Paladino, Hussan, Joe and Tony

**Upcoming funerals:** Salvatore Calvi, Monday, 10th October @ 1.30 pm (Rosary followed by mass)  
 Vincenzo Iannazzo, Tuesday, 11th October @ 11.15 am (Rosary followed by mass)  
 Domenico Cunsolo, Thursday, 13th October @ 11.30 (Rosary followed by mass)  
 Karmela Franin, 14th October @ 11.30 am

**Recently deceased:** Salvatore Calvi, Vincenzo Iannazzo, Domenico Cunsolo, Karmela Franin, Ellen Deguara, Paola Curatore, Rosa Cimino, Raffaella Matera, Aldo Bucetti, Giovanni Mantineo, Father Luigi Sabbadin.

**Anniversaries:** Graciano Madamba, Felipe Tangcay, Alberto T Leandro Galdo, Most Reverend Hilton Deakin, Filomena and Biondo Di Felice, Percy, Audrey, and, Garry Tinker, Giuseppe and Filippo Orifici, Paolo Manuzzo, Giuseppe Aliano, Annita Rubino, Ersilia Salvatori, Maria and Mario Salvatore, Piero Ruii, Antonio Esmaque

### Rosters for weekend masses (Oct 15/16)

#### Lectors:

Saturday 5.30 pm: J. Caparelli

Sunday 9.00 am: M. Raymond

Sunday 10.30 am : G. Gamberale

**Bus driver:** P. Capasso

#### Mass times

##### Weekday:

Tuesday-Friday 9.30 am

Wednesday: Novena mass: 6.00 pm

##### Weekend:

Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm

Sunday 9.00 am ; Sunday 10.30 (Italian mass)

Confessions are available on Saturday 5.00 pm—bookings are essential.  
 Contact the Parish Office.

### Safeguarding Children and Young People

St. Matthew’s Parish is trying to ensure that child safety is embedded within the culture of our parish and is reflected in the way in which our parish conducts our ministry.

The of the requirements of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Safeguarding Children and Young People Framework include:

- that all volunteers are required to undertake Working with Children Checks, and,
- that volunteers undergo child safeguarding training.

We will be running child safeguarding sessions for all volunteers on Saturday 5th November, and, Sunday 6th of November immediately after mass in the presbytery. Each session should take 45 minutes.

### Change of Parish email contact

To all parishioners of St. Matthew’s Parish—please be aware that as of September 27, 2022 the Parish email contact will change to [FawknerNorth@cam.org.au](mailto:FawknerNorth@cam.org.au).

Please update your email contacts to reflect this change.

**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/>