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October 23 —30th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)



'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector ...' The purpose of this parable is to shake the complacency of those who think that all they have to do is follow the rules to the letter of the law and that that is enough to guarantee them salvation, regardless of their attitudes towards others or the way they speak and act. There is a timelessness to this parable. It is as true today as it was in the time of Jesus. The Pharisee asks nothing of God. He is under the mistaken impression that he can fulfill all that is required of him by his own actions. He believes that as long as he adheres to the letter of the Law, that is all that is required. The tax collector, on the other hand, is aware of his brokenness and opens himself to God, asking for God's mercy. He rightly recognises his own sinfulness and sees that God is the only one who can fill the

void within him. Again, as is common in Luke's Gospel, it is the poor or the outcast who is on the right track and who will be exalted. The Pharisee, who should know better, will be the one who experiences God's dramatic reversal and will ultimately be humbled. *(the summit)*

XXX Domenica del tempo ordinario (ANNO C)

La parola del Signore che ci invitava, domenica scorsa, a perseverare nella preghiera - Dio ascolterà coloro che perseverano nella loro preghiera - risuona ancora alle nostre orecchie mentre il testo evangelico di oggi completa l'insegnamento sulla preghiera: bisogna certamente pregare, e pregare con insistenza. Ma questo non basta, bisogna pregare sempre di più. E il primo ornamento della preghiera è la qualità dell'umiltà: essere convinti della propria povertà, della propria imperfezione e indegnità. Dio, come ci ricorda la lettura del Siracide, ascolta la preghiera del povero, soprattutto del povero di spirito, cioè di colui che sa e si dichiara senza qualità, come il pubblicano della parabola.

La preghiera del pubblicano, che Gesù approva, non parte dai suoi meriti, né dalla sua perfezione (di cui nega l'esistenza), ma dalla giustizia salvatrice di Dio, che, nel suo amore, può compensare la mancanza di meriti personali: ed è questa giustizia divina che ottiene al pubblicano, senza meriti all'attivo, di rientrare a casa "diventato giusto", "giustificato". *(lachiesa.it)*

Catholic Mission Church Appeal (October 23)

This year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal continues the support for the people of Ethiopia. Many community members struggle to earn a stable income to provide for their families, lacking the skills or opportunities to secure work. In collaboration with the local community, Fr. Habte and the local church have begun to build the Goat Rearing Centre, which will provide agricultural training and jobs to desperately needed in the community. However, the Centre can only be built and succeed with partnership and support. Through this appeal, Catholic Mission invites parishioners to follow the call of mission by supporting the community of Emdibir and being a part of this life-changing program.

(Envelopes will be available beforehand for those that wish to donate).

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, Laurence, Amelia Testa, Blake, Floriano Pivetta, Margherita Costa, Bruna Zando, Rita Paladino, Hussan, Joe and Tony, Joe and Monica Zahra, Robert Di Pasquale, Cathy Taviane, Mena

Upcoming funerals: **Frank Rubini**, Tuesday, 25th of October @ 11 am (Rosary is recited before the mass)
Eleonora Iacopino, Thursday, 27th of October @ 11 am.

Recently deceased: Ferruccio Sansoni, Violette Seggal, Frank Rubini, Eleonora Iacopino, Isagani Layosa Cruz, Settimio Rocci, Salvatore Calvi, Vincenzo Iannazzo, Domenico Cunsulo, Karmela Franin, Fr. Giuseppe Molon

Anniversaries: Charlie and Jarrad Debono, Concetta Portelli, Myrtle and Herbert Eliyathamby, Blossom Weerasinghe, Nisa Noor, Sherlock De Zilwa, Lesley Wallace, Vincenzo and Santa D'Aspromonte, Sister Eleen Jones, Michele Malarbi, Peppino and Bellina Butera

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

Rosters for weekend masses (Oct 29/30)

Lectors:

Saturday 5.30 pm: A. Proud

Sunday 9.00 am: L. Iaria

Sunday 10.30 am : C. Surace

Bus driver: J. Butera

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.

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/>