

GOSPEL: Mark 10:35-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them, 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Positions Vacant for 2019 – Family Educators

Applications are invited for the position of Family Educator based in 20 Catholic primary schools in the Sydney Archdiocese. To see locations please go to sydcatholicsschools.nsw.edu.au/category/positions-vacant to see the application pack. Applications close October 22, 2018. For further information contact meredith.lemos@syd.catholic.edu.au

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Catechist & Friendship Group: Bev Lamaro 0409 710 703; Choir: Line Collet 0410 568 103;

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil),

Sunday: 8am,

10am (Children's Liturgy),

6pm, 12noon (Polish).

THIS WEEK'S MASSES

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,
Friday & Saturday - 8.00am.

Nursing Home Masses

Wednesday - 10.00am Uniting

Vietnamese Mass

7 pm - 1st Thurs of each month.

DEVOTIONS

Benediction: Saturday 7.00am.

Rosary: Saturday 8.25am.

Divine Mercy Prayer:

6.30pm - 1st Wed of each month.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation:

Saturday 4.30 - 5.30 pm

Or by appointment.

Marriages: By arrangement with
at least 6 months notice.

Care for the Sick: Any time.
Please call the Presbytery.

Baptisms: Preparation classes are
held in the Presbytery on the
1st Sunday of each month
after 10AM Mass .



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Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve
and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Alleluia!

Comm Antiphon: The rich suffer want and go hungry, but
nothing shall be lacking to those who fear the Lord.

This weeks readings - Isaiah 53:10-11; Hebrews 4:14-16;
Gospel - Mark 10:35-45.

Next Weekend: 30th Sun Ord Time - Year B. Readings: Jer
31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Gospel Mark 10:46-52

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 21 October 2018

First Reconciliation 2018

Registrations for Sacrament of First Reconciliation are now open to all baptised children in Year 3 or above. The Sacrament will be celebrated this year on 28th November and *completed registration forms must be returned by Sunday 21st October*. The first parents meeting is on Tuesday 23rd October at 7pm in St Felix Hall. Blank registration forms may be found in the Church foyer.

New Readers & Ministers Roster

The new Roster for Readers and Ministers is now available from the Sacristy for you to pick up. Alternatively, if you would like a copy emailed to you just let the Parish Office know.

Youth and Young Adults—Upcoming Events

Wed 24th October — 7.30pm — Bible study followed by Adoration at 8.30pm
 Wed 30th October — 7.30pm — Bible study followed by Adoration at 8.30pm
 Wed 7th November — 7.30pm — Movie Night Pt 2 — St Padre Pio
 Wed 14th November — 7.30pm — Bible study followed by Adoration at 8.30pm
 Wed 21st November — 7.30pm — Catechesis Night
 All welcome. Keep in touch through facebook - [facebook.com/StFelix100](https://www.facebook.com/StFelix100)

Mass Intentions: Recently Deceased: Dominico Van An Nguyen; Diamond Jacob; Belen Valadores

Anniversary: Phaolo Phan Van Loc; Maria Nguyen Thi Tuu; Tonka Babic; Margarita Kavaliauskas; Stan Kavaliauskas; Tamam Mosses.

Deceased: Joseph Hieu - Anna Can

Sick: Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima Fernandes; Rukmani Krishnan; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Dinh Thi An; Teresita Martinez; Georgina Omeros; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Debbie Randall (nee Goodwin); Teresita Tenorio; Zenaida Elizondo; Maria Portia Mariano; Madelyn Nicole; Andrew Nguyen; Paul Truc Le; Jun Ibarra.

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society: 28/10/18 Group 4: Phyllis Vujkovic, Margaret Eastburn, Giovanna LaBarbera, Denise Ashe, Chris Kreltszheim, Eric Valencia, Denice Severi, Bach Lam (*Florist*)

St Vincent de Paul: 28/10/18 D Rodrigues **4/11/18** J Obeid

Church Cleaners: 26/10/18: Mai Hai **Children's Liturgy:** 28th Oct - Donna

Weekend Choirs: 28/10 Saturday 6pm - Samoan Divine Mercy Group Choir
Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God **Sunday 10am** - St Faustina's Choir. **6pm** - St Mary Mackillop Choir

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	21 OCTOBER	8am	10am	6pm
C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Kiara Asuzu	Henrietta Owusu	Kathleen Mezentsef	
R	Patrick Abourizk	Maxwell Asuzu	Thu Ha Kim	Lucia Mezentsef	
A	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Cindy Hoang	Mesake Mar	Gordon West	Phu Nguyen	
M	Gloria Booby	Robyn Molloy	Rosa House	Amelia Mezentsef	

28 OCTOBER

C	Kalisiana Mar	Joseph Dang	Jennifer Nguyen	Charbel Eltarraf
R	Gabrielle Nguyen	Robyn Molloy	Emanuela Viner	Kenneth Gan
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Judy Jones	Thao Nguyen	Bev Lamaro	Jacinta Eltarraf
M	Gloria Booby	Melanie Campisi	Jeannette Chong	Loreto Eduardo

Reflection

The rich and the kingdom of God

To be admired was important in Jesus' time. The Roman Empire was a world of patronage. Prestige depended on cultivating connections with those higher up the social scale, one favour in exchange for another. Such norms were not alien to ancient Jewish culture: status was important even to the Pharisees. Today's Gospel tells of two fishermen who had abandoned their business to follow Jesus. They believed that he was going to be king of the Jews. Naturally, they anticipated favours in return for their loyalty. There seems to have been an expectation of rapid promotions when Jesus rose to power. The two brothers were not especially greedy, just products of the thinking of their time.

Jesus was a product of that same culture, yet over him ambition had no hold. Quite the reverse: the "magnetic pull" within him was away from himself towards people who were vulnerable and despised. He experienced a gut-wrenching compassion for anyone who suffered. Again and again, he turned aside to help and care and listen. His vision for the kingdom of God was not the substitution of one set of powerful rulers for another but a radical alternative. In the "reversed polarity" of God's kingdom it would be those who were poor and sick who mattered most. Leaders would no longer be driven by power and prestige but by the desire to be of service. The kingdom of God was to be a world turned upside down.

The Living Word

Catholic Mission Appeal Thank you

'How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news...' Isaiah 52:7

Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers, and for being a part of an "education revolution" in Myanmar. Your generosity makes it possible for programs such as the Pyinya Sanyae Institute of Education, as well as schools like St John's in Hakha, to provide quality, child-centred education to children. Thank you also to parishioners who have become an integral part of this inspiring work by joining as monthly giving partners.

For more information about the work of Catholic Mission around the world, please contact our friendly team at the freecall number below, or at catholicmission.org.au/about-us/contact. Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/Myanmar

Mass for Pregnant Mothers

Are you expecting a baby or know someone who is? You are warmly invited to attend the annual Mass for Pregnant Mothers to be celebrated by Most Rev Richard Umbers, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney, at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 18th of November at 10:30am. **RSVP and enquiries** can be directed to LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org or call 9307 8401.

Plenary Council 2020

The Australian Catholic Bishops have called a Plenary Council for 2020. This is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future and you are all invited to participate.

The Plenary Council gives us an opportunity to listen to what the Spirit is saying to the Church. In the preparation process, we are called to reflect, listen and share insights with one another as we respond to the three questions:

1. What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
2. What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Council to consider in 2020?
3. Do you have a story of your experience of faith, or the Church you would like to share?

There will be scheduled meetings in our Parish in the near future. After we talk together, we will collect our stories and ideas and the questions we have about the future of the Church and give our submission to the Plenary Council Working Group who will consolidate and then forward them to the Council for discussion. Your voice will be greatly valued.

More information can be found at: <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>