



must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

#### ■ The Gospel of the Lord.

*Shorter form: 10:17-27*

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#### 'FOR GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE'

Many of us find it impossible to see the eye of a needle and the previously discarded needle threader is once again an essential tool. Indeed, many no longer bother with sewing or darning. So, the idea of a camel squeezing its gangly legs and neck and robust body through a tiny aperture is just absurd; never mind impossible. But wait, could that 'eye of the needle' be an opening enabling passage among rock formations, offering a possibility akin to an Indiana Jones adventure in the desert? No, it's not.

If we begin with the wisdom of the first reading, 'I prayed, and understanding was given to me; I called on God, and the spirit of wisdom came to me' we have some perspective on today's Gospel. If we team this with the words of Hebrews 'the word of God is living and active' we take another step on the journey. The Gospel begins with Jesus proceeding on a journey and we might contemplate elements of synodality with prayer, calling on God and travelling with the spirit of wisdom on a journey. Any of us could be that person who seeks the answer to the question of eternal life. We all lead good lives. This person fails the discipleship request to sell everything and give the proceeds to the poor. Is entering the kingdom of God so impossible? No, 'for God all things are possible'. Our journey with God, in prayer and with the spirit of wisdom in the company of others on the mission to which we are called, is the way of life that leads to eternal life. Let's go!

Dr Rosemary Canavan

#### FIRST READING

Wis 7:7-11

A reading from the book of Wisdom

*In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.*

I prayed, and understanding was given me;  
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.  
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;  
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.  
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,  
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,  
and beside her silver ranks as mud.  
I loved her more than health or beauty,  
preferred her to the light,  
since her radiance never sleeps.  
In her company all good things came to me,  
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

#### ■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 89:12-17. R. v. 14

**R.** Fill us with your love, O Lord,  
and we will sing for joy!

1. Make us know the shortness of our life / that we may gain wisdom of heart. / Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? / Show pity to your servants. **R.**
2. In the morning, fill us with your love; / we shall exult and rejoice all our days. / Give us joy to balance our affliction / for the years when we knew misfortune. **R.**
3. Show forth your work to your servants; / let your glory shine on their children. / Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: / give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

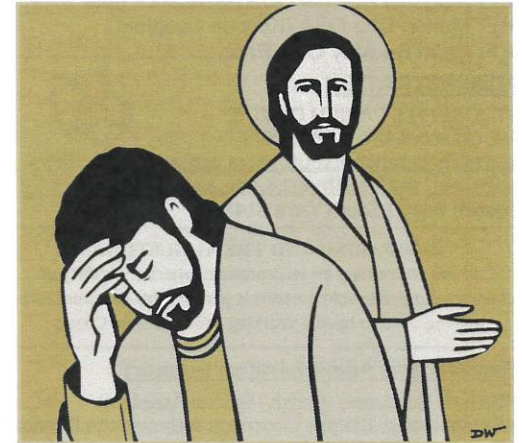
#### SECOND READING

Heb 4:12-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more



finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

#### ■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!  
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 10:17-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

*Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.*

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You



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**St Joseph's Catholic Church, 30 Fitzgerald Street**  
**St Thomas Aquinas' Church, 43 Bromby Street**

**In the Pastoral Care of the AUGUSTINIANS**

- ▶ Fr Luca Park OSA Parish Priest
- ▶ Fr Marydas Arackal OSA Assistant Priest
- ▶ Fr Matteo Cho OSA (Korean Chaplain)
- ▶ Fr Brian Buckley OSA Prior

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**OUR PARISH AND THE AUGUSTINIANS**

Commit to creating an environment where the safety of children and vulnerable persons is paramount. All volunteers are required to have a Working With Children Check.

**Pastoral and Administrative Support**

- ▶ Stefphy Coosnapa (Parish Pastoral Assistant) ▶ Juliet Oei (Business & Facilities Manager: Wed - Fri)
- ▶ Safeguarding: Stefphy Coosnapa ▶ Bernadette Dennis (St Joseph's Outreach Services)
- ▶ Toni Stuart (Parish Secretary, Weddings & SJOS Volunteer Co-ordinator: Tues/Thurs/Fri)

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

St. Joseph's • 10.30am Mass  
 Fourth Sunday of the month  
 (except school holidays and long weekends)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

St. Joseph's • Sat: 5.15pm – 5.45pm, by appointment or before/after Weekday Mass

**ANointing / HEALING MASS**

(Sacrament of the Sick) First Tuesday of the month 10am at St Joseph's Church

**HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME**

Anyone ill or housebound may contact us to request a visit for communion at home.

**EVENTS AND MEETINGS**

- ▶ RCIA Thursday 7pm Parish Centre
- ▶ Liturgy Committee: Thursday 17 Oct 6pm
- ▶ Parish BBQ: Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November



**"ST AUGUSTINE – LIFE LONG OR SHORT**

"If speech, which is but a noise, produces such a wonder, what must the almighty Word of God accomplish! Understand

and savour the Word you've just heard, meditate on the grandeur and the wonder of it, and think ever loftier thoughts concerning God. God is greater than any light, greater than any music, greater than any thought. We must desire God, yearn for him with love, and so experience the joy of the hearts that seek him."  
 (Sermon 38)

**VOLUNTEER SACRISTANS NEEDED AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH**

We invite parishioners to volunteer to help to take care of the sacristy and its contents (sacred vessels, linens, books etc.) Sacristans help the Priest to set up the altar for Mass and pack up after Mass. Please speak to one of the priests or call the parish office if you would like to join this ministry.



**COLUMBAN ART CALENDARS 2025**

Are available for purchase from the parish office. \$10 each. Be sure to receive your copy by contacting us.



**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:**

Robert Huggins, Margaret Wallin, Mark Ho, June Cochrane, Ronald Seaman, Mitos Gloudemans, Anne Rigg, Ced John Netto, Julie Mahony, Paul Chong, Isabella Chong, Thomas Bedier, Luke Dennis, Sonia Guzman, Damien Ryan, Stephen Soh, Cecil D'Cruz, Joanna Howe and Christine Rodrigues, Janine Forster & Ellen Allery.



**IN LOVING MEMORY**

**Recently Deceased**

✦ Marlene Martin

**Anniversaries**

- ✦ Patricia Breen
- ✦ Joan Heyhoe
- ✦ Raymonde Wroblewski
- ✦ John Meagher
- ✦ Peter Wong
- ✦ Dawn Lucas



**BECOMING A CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN**

We invite anyone who would like to know more about the Catholic faith, or adult Catholics yet to receive the Sacraments, to an information evening on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 7pm. Please contact the Parish office for more details. 9826 9677

**CATHOLIC MISSION SUNDAY**



The annual appeal for Catholic Missions comes around next weekend. Envelopes will be available in our churches.

**THE SCRIBBLE**

The Spring issue of our parish magazine is available at the church door this weekend. Please take your copy.



**PARISH BBQ NOVEMBER 24<sup>th</sup>**



Volunteers are needed to help with ticket sales, catering, entertainment, cooking, setting up and cleaning. Please contact the parish office for details.

**MASS COLLECTIONS 6/10/2024**

<b>Clergy (Augustinian Community)</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Collection, CDF & bank deposits.	\$ 563.25
<b>Church (Parish Ministries)</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection .....	\$ 362.65
Envelopes.....	\$ 100.00
Direct Debit/EFT/ CDF Pay/ Cr Cards	\$1110.00
Tap Point Terminals.....	\$ 384.00
<i>Thank you for your generosity</i>	

**Liturgical Calendar** for the week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> October 2024

DAY	ST JOSEPH'S	ST THOMAS AQUINAS'
	TIME	TIME
<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>6.00pm Vigil Mass</b>	
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October</b> <b>28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>10.30am Mass</b>	<b>9.00am Mass</b>
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October</b> <b>Bl Gonzalo of Lagos</b>		
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October</b> St Teresa of Jesus	<b>10.00am Mass</b>	<b>12.45pm Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	<b>10.00am Mass</b>	<b>12.45pm Mass</b>
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October</b> St Ignatius of Antioch	<b>10.00am Mass</b>	<b>12.45pm Mass</b>
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October</b> St Luke	<b>10.00am Mass</b>	<b>12.45pm Mass</b>
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00am Mass</b>	

**SOUTH YARRA PARISH COUNCIL REPORT OCTOBER 2024**

The Parish Council met on Wednesday evening. Some items discussed were: Work on the Safeguarding Risk Assessment Tool is almost complete; Mt Waverley Parish Korean Choir to sing at St Joseph's 10.30am Mass on Nov 17; Planning for the Annual Parish BBQ Sun 24 Nov.

