

Infant Jesus Parish

Morley

15 September 2024

Served by Teresian Carmelite Friars

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Morning Mass: Monday - Friday: 7am & 9am

Saturday and Public Holidays: 8.30am

Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday),

7.30am, 9.30am, 11.00am (English & Italian)

and 6pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10 - 11am and

5.00 - 5.30pm

Perpetual Novena in Honour of Our Lady of

Mt. Carmel: Wednesday 6.30pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Friday 9.30 - 10.30am

Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments:

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God bless you and all your family

Dear sisters and brothers,

Collect: *Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart.* This prayer was written in 538 by Pope Vigilius after the siege of Rome that year was defeated. After the crisis he wanted to return worship to its rightful place. The dynamic of the prayer is still relevant today. The more we participate in the liturgy, fully actively and consciously, the more we appreciate God's favour, mercy and pardon and the more we live our faith with love.

Today's **First Reading** gives us the Suffering Servant (Isa 50:5-9) as a prophetic link to today's **Gospel** (Mk 8:27-35). Jesus raises with his disciples the issue of his identity and mission. Readers of Mark's Gospel know from the start that he is 'the Messiah, the Son of God' (1:1). But this has been concealed from everyone in the story (except those who are possessed by 'evil spirits' who experience his power over them). Even his disciples wrestled with this question. After he calmed the stormy sea, they asked 'Who is this, then, that even the winds and the sea obey him?' (4:41).

Jesus asks the disciples, who do people think he is? It seems he is seen as a prophet. Jesus then directly asks the disciples the same question Peter speaks for Jesus and gives the right answer: 'You are the Christ (the Messiah).' Jesus swears them to secrecy until all is fulfilled. While being verbally correct, Jesus will not be the Messiah that Peter and the others are hoping for. Jesus prophesies that he will be rejected and killed by the powers that be. He has not come to be honoured and to be served but 'to serve and give his life as a ransom for many' (10:45).

Peter attempts to correct Jesus. How could the Saviour of Israel, suffer rejection and be killed? The second half of Mark's Gospel which we will now be reading week by week is an account of the long journey to Jerusalem during which Jesus tries, unsuccessfully, to put the disciples straight. But in Mark's Gospel only the women, not Peter and the other male disciples, show understanding and remain with Jesus in his suffering to the end (14:3-9; 15:40-41, 47). The males were caught in the way people understood the Messiah and their own ambition for power and prestige. Jesus had healed, set free and befriended the women and they responded with love.

In the Second Reading (Jas 2:14-18) James insists that living faith expresses itself not just in words but in compassion and charity for those in need. The Gospel is a love story: revealing the love of God for all humanity. Jesus invites us through the Spirit to create a new world of love. Say yes.

Blessings, Fr Greg



CONGRATULATIONS to our RCIC candidates

Six older children/teenagers will complete their Sacraments of Initiation at the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 22 September 2024. Please keep them in your prayers.



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We encourage you to apply and look forward to reading your applications.

Calendar of Saints

- 16 Sept:** Sts Cornelius, pope, martyr, and Cyprian, bishop, martyr
- 20 Sept:** Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest, martyr, Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions, martyrs
- 21 Sept:** St Matthew, apostle, evangelist



CCR Retreat 11-13 October, 2024

Catholic Charismatic Renewal is conducting a weekend live-in retreat with a number of presenters, at the Orchard

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To come to possess all, desire to possess nothing.
 To arrive at being all, desire to be nothing.
 -St John of the Cross

A Carmelite Day Retreat with Fr Adalbert Imperial, OCD

"Spiritual Detachment as the Path to Ultimate Freedom: Teachings from St John of the Cross"

Come and join us for a Day Retreat with Fr Adalbert Imperial, OCD as he explores the importance of total detachment in the spiritual life. Fr Adalbert will draw upon the writings of the 16th Century Carmelite saint and poet, St John of the Cross, who is numbered among the greatest mystics and spiritual masters of the Catholic Tradition. For some, the figure, reputation, and writing of St John of the Cross can be intimidating, inaccessible, and somewhat esoteric, however the aim of the day is to invite retreatants to encounter this great saint and lover of God who teaches us a way of encountering the God who loves us more than we can ever imagine.

Date: Saturday 5 October 2024 from 9.30am — 3pm

Venue: St Catherine's House of Hospitality
 113 Tyler Street, Tuart Hill 6060

Cost: \$30 pp (includes morning tea and lunch)

RSVP by 1 October, 2024

Please Note: Registration Limit - 35 persons
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Parish Prayer Concerns

Recently deceased: Jack Kinnaird;

Deceased: Beverley and Ashley Silver, Arthur Chemello, Constance Fernando, Lily Santa Maria, Rudolph Ludgwick and Leonard Sampson;

Anniversaries: Lelia Ricci, Brent Naughton, Rocco Lemme, Isabelle Freeman, Ines Gianotti and Peter McGinn;

The Sick of the Parish: Bryan Yeo, Joan Saliba and all those who are in need of our prayers.

"Trust in the Lord, he is your help and your shield."



The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady
 Private devotion this week.

THIS WEEKEND — 15 September 2024—24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Bruce Erneste	Cyril Mathew	Marion Wayne	Hari Geigenmuller
Altar Servers	Shawn; Josemiguel; Andres and Mathan	Ria and Lia	Victoria; Manuel and Ruben	Alex; Dorothy; Bryant and Alden
Proclaimers	Donna-Marie and Sabrina	Liz and Marie	PAS Mass—Joanne	Anna and Pramila
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Chris A; Sejin; Marie and Tracy	Valerie; Nevellene; Carl and Josie	Roma; Errol; Tanya; Patrick; Annette and Aileen	Eloise; Ivor; Thuy and Tristan
Hospitality	Meghan and Naethan	Angela and Selina	Deb. Loretta and Danny (PAS)	Joanne and Marina
Church Cleaning	Team D— Friday, 20 September 2024 @ 10.30am			

NEXT WEEKEND — 22 September 2024—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John Tomczak	David Ward	Chris Yapp	Tung Nguyen
Altar Servers	Abigail; Savio and Ethan	Aaron and Frank	Crissanto; Cesar and Leah	Tim and Dan
Proclaimers	Sylvia and Tang	Bernie and Clare	Bebbin and Barbara	YOUTH MASS—Naethan/Meghan
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Chris T; John; Teresa and Chris A	Brian; Debbie; Kathleen and John	Josephine; Marlene; Evelyn; Christina; Sr Justin and Magdalene	Sr Chau; Sr Le; Sr Oanh and Emily
Hospitality	Marisol and Donna-Marie	Mavis and Sally	Sophie and Sr Chitra	Rita and Fely
Church Cleaning	Team A—Saturday, 28 September 2024 @ 9.30am			

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First Reading Is 50:5-9

I gave my body to those who struck me.

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance,
neither did I turn away.
I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face
against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help,
so that I am untouched by the insults.
So, too, I set my face like flint;
I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand.
Does anyone start proceedings against
me?

Then let us go to court together.
Who thinks he has a case against me?
Let him approach me.

The Lord is coming to my help,
who dare condemn me?

(Quiet reflection time)

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 114:1-6. 8-9. R. v.9

*(R.) I will walk in the presence
of the Lord,
in the land of the living.*

or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him. *(R.)*
2. They surrounded me, the snares
of death,
with anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name.
O Lord my God, deliver me! *(R.)*
3. How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me! *(R.)*
4. He has kept my soul from death,
my eyes from tears
and my feet from stumbling.
I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living. *(R.)*

Second Reading Jas 2:14-18

Faith without good works is dead.

Take the case, my brothers, of someone
who has never done a single good act but
claims that he has faith. Will that faith
save him? If one of the brothers or one of
the sisters is in need of clothes and has
not enough food to live on, and one of you
says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself
warm and eat plenty,' without giving them
these bare necessities of life, then what
good is that? Faith is like that: if good works
do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind:
'You say you have faith and I have good
deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith
by showing you my good deeds – now you
prove to me that you have faith without any
good deeds to show.'

(Quiet reflection time)

Gospel Acclamation Gal 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

*My only glory is the cross of our Lord
Jesus Christ,
which crucifies the world to me
and me to the world.*

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 8:27-35

You are the Christ ... the Son of Man was destined to suffer much.

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages
round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he
put this question to his disciples, 'Who do
people say I am?' And they told him. 'John
the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others
again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he
asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke
up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And
he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone
about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of
Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be
rejected by the elders and the chief priests
and the scribes, and to be put to death, and
after three days to rise again; and he said
all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside,
Peter started to remonstrate with him.
But, turning and seeing his disciples, he
rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind
me, Satan! Because the way you think is
not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples
to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a
follower of mine, let him renounce himself
and take up his cross and follow me. For
anyone who wants to save his life will lose
it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake,
and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

There are several messianic traditions,
each one characterising the anointed
one of the future in a unique way. Do
we expect a prophetic figure who will
enter our world and reform the
structures of society, or a strong leader
who will overturn these structures and
establish a new order? Are we waiting
for a teacher who will transform our
minds and hearts, or a judge who will
punish us for our infidelities? Are we
expecting someone who will renew the
face of the earth, or someone who will
come in fire and brimstone to destroy
it? What kind of a messiah do we
expect? For what kind of a change are
we preparing ourselves?

Jesus seems to overturn our
expectations. We look for one who will
save us from the predicaments in
which we find ourselves, and he
comes to us as one who seems to be a
victim of his own predicament. God's
thinking seems to be the reverse of
ours: Those who save their lives, lose
them; those who lose their lives, save
them; the seed must die before it can
bear fruit; Jesus will be killed, but will
then be raised from the dead.

Can we claim to understand Jesus? Or
are we more like the people in James'
community: people who profess faith
in Jesus, but who do not live it out;
people who speak pleasant words to
others, who say the right things, but
who do not back up their words with
good works? Is our faith really living?

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Entrance Antiphon: Cf Sirach 36:18

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

Communion Antiphon: Cf Psalm 35:8

How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.