

Sunday 13 October 2024

Twenty-eight Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

**REFLECTION by Greg Sunter**

**Have you thought? The Gospel of Prosperity**

There are those within the ranks of Christianity who preach what is sometimes referred to as a 'gospel of prosperity'. They claim that wealth is a sign of favour, or approval, from God. They feel that if a Christian person is wealthy then they must be living a 'good' life that God is rewarding through material possession. They use this as justification for further accumulation of wealth. We can see from today's gospel that Jesus would have something to say about such an interpretation! Jesus reminds us that our reward is not in this world in the form of wealth and material possessions, but in eternal life.

**Gospel Focus – Sacrifice**

Sacrifice is a term that gets used quite a lot in religion and yet it's a term with which modern society is very uncomfortable. We're not really 'into' sacrifice. We're much more into feeling good about ourselves and comfortable in our existence. Jesus called on the rich man to make a sacrifice – to let go of what he really loved and valued. What Jesus really called the man to do was to place his trust in Jesus and not in material wealth – that was the sacrifice he was called to make. Ultimately, the man couldn't do that! He couldn't let go of certainty and security and entrust his life and soul to Jesus.

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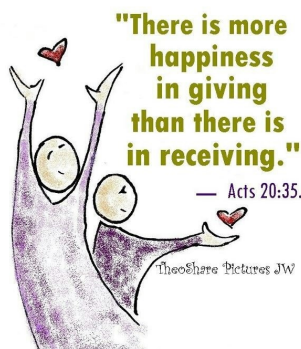
**REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA**

This Sunday's readings confront us with the need to make choices in life, choices for God. They also remind us that no significant choice is without its price. However, if we make the right choice, we are assured that we will be richly rewarded.

We all want to be happy in life. We just don't always know which doors to open, and how far to enter them. We need wisdom for that. The more options that are open to us, the more difficult it is to choose, but choose we must. To choose one option is to relinquish the others. The young man in the gospel wanted eternal life. Surely there is nothing more worthy than that. However, the price he was asked to pay was more than he had expected, and he went away saddened. To choose is to face the consequences of the word of God, and sometimes this is as sharp as a two-edged sword.

One of the mysteries of faith is the incomprehensible generosity of God. We choose wisdom instead of all of the good things of the world, and we receive these good things along with wisdom itself. We are asked to relinquish all of the things that we value, and we get them back a hundredfold. We are invited to take a step into the unknown. We are told that we will not fall. However, we are never sure of this until we take the step and discover that we have not fallen. God demands so much, but gives so much more.

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# Peak Downs Catholic Parishes

**CLUSTER MISSION STATEMENT**

*"We will live out the commission of Jesus to witness to him; seeking to grow in our faith and participating in the life of our church and the broader community".*

**Capella**

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PO Box 14 Capella, Q4723  
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PO Box 133, Clermont Q4721  
Ph: 07 4994 8355

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Principal: Mrs Sheila Challacombe

**Dysart**

St Therese of Lisieux Parish  
Cnr Adair & Shannon Sts., Dysart  
PO Box 43 Moranbah 4744  
Parish Contact: Bernadette Kaufuti  
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**Middlemount**

Holy Family Church  
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Middlemount Q4746  
Parish Contact: Jodie Crawler  
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**Moranbah**

St Joseph the Worker Parish  
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**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B**

**First Reading**

[Wisdom 7:7-11](#)

*Wisdom brings all good things.*

**Responsorial Psalm**

[Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14](#)

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

**Second Reading**

[Hebrews 4:12-13](#)

*Nothing is hidden from God.*

**Gospel Acclamation**

[Matthew 5:3](#)

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

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

*Alleluia!*

**Gospel**

[Mark 10:17-30](#)

*A man asks Jesus what he has to do to enter the kingdom.*

*or*

[Mark 10:17-27](#)

*A man asks Jesus what he has to do to enter the kingdom.*

*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land on which we worship. We recognise their continuing connection to the land, waterways, and community. We pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.*



**Complaints Pastoral Care & Management**

*The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton abides strictly with the principles and procedures of Towards Healing.*

*Contact the Response Coordinator*

*Ph: 1800 830 113 E: [prof-stdsrock@dfs.org.au](mailto:prof-stdsrock@dfs.org.au)*

# MASS TIMES

## 28TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

**Saturday 12 October**

Clermont 6.00pm Liturgy

**Sunday 13 October**

Moranbah 8.00am Mass

Dysart 10.30am Mass

**Tuesday 15 October**

Clermont 5.00pm Mass

**Wednesday 16 October**

Clermont Montcler 9.30am Mass

**Thursday 17 October**

Clermont Mass 9.00am

**Friday 18 October**

Clermont Mass 5.00pm

### Remember in your Prayers:

John Russell, Anne Lynam, Todd Dennis, Carmel Smith, Jan Palmer, Don Smith, Mary Walker, Diana Kidd, Peter Mahony, Anna King, Patsy Denis, Yoshiaki Tokue, Fr Robert Hollow, Prue Loneragan, Leonie Keune, Jim Cook, Cath McNee, Andrew Woods, Paul Torrissi, Hugh Williams, Fr Peter Tonti, Brendan Flohr

### Baptisms

20/10/2024 Clermont

*Lincoln, Adaline and Teejay*, children of Harlee and Jessica Gimm

*Cooper and Toby*, children of Shaun and Chloe Johnson

27/10/24 Clermont

*Kenzie*, child of Shaun and Chloe Johnson

*Elizabeth*, Child of Christopher and Jemimah McCann

8/11/2024 Moranbah

*Rachael Sherrie Archer*, the daughter of Jonothan and Sherrie Archer

### Anniversaries

### Confirmation and First Holy Communion

Saturday 19 October 6pm Moranbah

Sunday 20 October 8am Clermont

*As a Church Family,*

*we pray for the young people receiving their Confirmation and First Holy Communion.*



## 29TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

**Saturday 19 October**

Moranbah 6.00pm Mass—

*Sacrament of Confirmation & Eucharist*

**Sunday 20 October**

Clermont 8.00am Mass—

*Sacrament of Confirmation & Eucharist*

Capella 10.00am Mass

Middlemount 4pm Mass

**Tuesday 22 October**

Clermont 5.00pm Mass

**Wednesday 23 October**

Clermont 9.00am Mass

**Thursday 24 October**

Clermont Mass 9.00am

**Friday 11 October**

Clermont Mass 5.00pm



**ALL SOULS DAY**

To commemorate All Souls Day members of the parish are invited to send a picture of someone you have lost and wish to be honoured in a Diocesan Facebook Reel on Saturday, 2 November 2024.

Kindly send your pictures to [communications@rok.catholic.net.au](mailto:communications@rok.catholic.net.au) by Friday 25 October to allow time for the reel to be created.

### DATE CLAIMERS

**Bishop Michael's visit to Clermont and Moranbah**

*For Confirmation and First Holy Communion*

Saturday 19 October 6pm Moranbah

Sunday 20 October 8am Clermont

# Cluster Community Notices

## CAPELLA

### Mass Times

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month –

Mass 10.00am

4<sup>th</sup> Saturday – Mass 5.00pm

2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month – 9.30am

Cathedral Mass online

## DYSART

### Mass Times

2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month

Mass 10.30am

### St Therese's Thrift Shop

Open Tuesday and Thursday mornings

## CLERMONT MASS TIMES

### SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER

LEADER: HANNAH CHARLES

READERS: SHEILA CHALLACOMBE

MINISTER OF COMMUNION: TBA

COMPUTER: REGINA GILLIES

### SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER

PRESIDER: BISHOP MICHAEL MCCARTHY

READERS: CHILDREN

MINISTER OF COMMUNION: JOANNE DENNIS, PEG WILLIAMS

PROCESSION OF GIFTS: CHILDREN

COMPUTER: SHEILA CHALLACOMBE

### DATE CLAIMER

ST MARY'S PARISH

*Christmas Fair*

5pm, Friday 1st November



### The Pope's Prayer Intention for October

'For a shared mission'

*"Let us pray that the Church continue to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity."*



## MIDDLEMOUNT

### Mass Times

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month –

Mass 12.30pm

**Thrift Shop** also available

## MORANBAH

### Mass Times

1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday each month –

Mass 6.00pm

2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month – 8.00am

### DATE CLAIMER

*Miner's Memorial*

6 pm, Friday 8 November,  
Town Square Park

*Miner's Memorial Race Day,*  
Sunday 9 November

*Christmas Fair*

5:30pm, Friday 29 November



### Psalm 129:3-4

*If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But with you is found forgiveness,  
O God of Israel.*



COVID AND WINTER ILLS AND CHILLS are lurking about.

Be aware! Do your bit and contain the spread. **If ill, stay home.** Otherwise minimal contact. Wear a mask, cleanse hands, don't use the Holy Water font, refrain from taking the Chalice at Communion.

PLEASE: HELP NEEDED!

If you know of any parishioners who are housebound and would like a visit from the priest, please contact Alan on **0429 939 232** or email [guilliea@matilda.net.au](mailto:guilliea@matilda.net.au)

**"KEEPING THE MISSION ALIVE"**