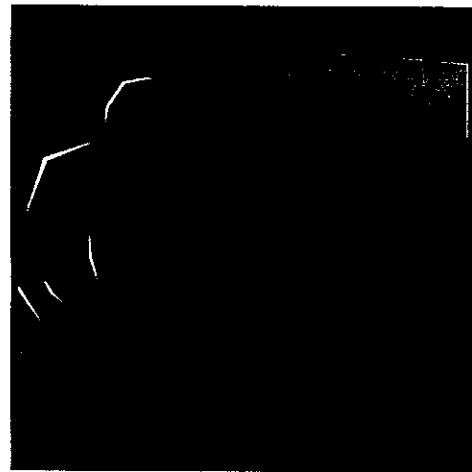
**Reflection** by Dianne Bergant CSA

When we set out to follow Jesus, faithful to the promises that we made at baptism to renounce sin and live lives directed by the Spirit, we normally do so with generosity of heart. However, after we have borne the burdens of this decision and realise some of the implications of our commitment, we begin to wonder if it was worth it. We believe that God will generously bless us. Still, would it be so wrong to hope for a little more, especially if we have made significant sacrifices along the way?

Of those to whom much has been given, much will be required in return. The closer we are to Jesus, the more we will be expected to mirror him. The great ones in the reign of God, the ones who exercise authority over others, must be the servants of the rest. Parents, teachers, civil authorities, managers of every kind, pastoral leaders must all be servants, as Jesus was a servant. We will also have to drink from his cup of suffering and be baptised into his death. As we draw close to the one who gave his life as an offering for sin, we will find that the same self-sacrifice is being asked of us. When we struggle with the misfortunes that we face because of our commitment to Jesus, we will have him as an inspiration and a model to follow. He can sympathise with our weaknesses, identify with our suffering. We can draw strength from his example and hope from his kindness.



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.'

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First Reading Is 53:10-11

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, and have long life.

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.
If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life
and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.
His soul's anguish over
he shall see the light and be content.
By his sufferings shall my servant justify many,
taking their faults on himself.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22

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

1. The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. (R.)
2. The Lord looks on those who
revere him,
on those who hope in his love.
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

Second Reading Heb 4:14-16

Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

Gospel Acclamation Mk 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The Son of Man came to serve
and to give his life as a ransom for all.
Alleluia!*

Gospel Mk 10:35-45

(or shorter form Mk 10:42-45)

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

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

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PARISH NEWS



'ZOOM MASS & ROSARY' AT ST PETER'S DAILY THROUGHOUT OCTOBER

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Through saying the Rosary, we meditate the mysteries of our Redemption. Please join as we pray **daily** a 'Zoom' Rosary commencing at **9.30am**, followed by Eucharistic celebration. Please use the following recurring link (same link that is used for the Wednesday evening Zoom catch up). Join Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6279668391?pwd=TTJlVlY1R0dThxaHM5WEQzQ3FjeXlZz09>

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ST PETER'S PARISH 'COMMUNITY AT HOME TIME'

All are welcome to join in our weekly 'Zoom' meetings, when we have a friendly chat and discuss mutually interesting topics. Our next Zoom 'get together' will be **Wednesday 20th October from 8-9pm.** (See 'Zoom' link above.)

2022 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Will be available to purchase when we reopen. If you would like to pre-order a copy, please contact the Parish Office. \$9 each.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

Working with Children Checks or VIT Registrations are required for **ALL** St Peter's Parish volunteers. Please check the expiry date on your card and ensure that it is still current. If you need any assistance either applying for or renewing a WWCC Card, please contact the Parish Office.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 18 Oct St Luke
Tuesday 19 Oct St Paul of the Cross
Friday 22 Oct St John Paul II

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC: TOWARDS A SYNODAL CHURCH

This weekend, the Church in Melbourne joins the rest of the world in the diocesan launch of the Synod on Synodality. It marks the beginning of an intentional process of mutual listening that will span two years and engage the people of God in a journey of communion, participation and mission.

The theme of the Synod is "*For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission*" and the two-year process of consultation begins at the local level (dioceses) and culminates in the Synod of Bishops gathering in Rome in October 2023. Pope Francis formally launched the Synod on Sunday 10 October at a Mass attended by clergy and laypeople from around the world. In his homily, the Pope said that the synodal process is one of 'spiritual discernment, of ecclesial discernment', and one that 'unfolds in adoration, in prayer and in dialogue with the word of God'.

In creating the opportunity for listening and dialogue, the Pope is calling the whole Church to rediscover its deeply synodal nature. As the *vademecum* (handbook) for the Synod states: "This rediscovery of the synodal roots of the Church will involve a process of humbly learning together how God is calling us to be as the Church in the third millennium."

God of all life...

May your love and light shine in and through me today
in a way that no mask can hide.
May my eyes dance with the laughter and joy
replacing my hidden smile.
May my actions of care and concern speak louder than my muffled voice ever could.
And may the generosity of my heart radiate out through who I am and how I respond to the world around me
so that others may not see my mask but your image shining out
moving in and through me today. **Amen**
Br Michael Herry fms

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MASS TIMES

Weekend Mass Times:

9.15am Saturday Morning Mass
6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass
8.30am, 10.30am & 5.00pm Sunday Masses

Weekday Mass Times:

9.15am Tuesday, Thursday & Friday (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction)
7.00pm Wednesday (followed by Benediction & Devotion to two hearts)

RECONCILIATION

9.45am Saturday; 5.30pm Saturday

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SCHOOL NEWS – WELCOME BACK

We welcome back the Prep, Grade 1 & 2 children to classrooms this week. Please remember the speed limit in Parkside Avenue and neighbouring streets is 40kph!

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