

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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# Breaking Open the Word



# THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

13 OCTOBER 2024

‘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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**Wandong:** St Michael's, 33-35 Wandong Ave, Wandong Vic 3758

## MASS TIMES

**Saturday:** Broadford at 5.00 pm & Kilmore at 6.30 pm  
**Sunday:** Kilmore at 7.45 am, Wallan at 9.00 am & Kilmore at 10.30 am  
**Weekday Masses:** Kilmore, Tuesday—Saturday Mass at 9 am (Except: Wednesday at 9am in Wallan)  
**Reconciliation:** Tuesday after 9am Mass, Kilmore  
**Adoration:** Thursday after 9am Mass, Kilmore  
**Rosary:** Thursday at 2.00pm in the Church, Kilmore *(Not running during school holidays)*

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## ROSTERS:

	<u>12/13 Oct</u>	<u>19/20 Oct</u>
<b><u>BROADFORD 5pm (Sat):</u></b>	<b>12 Oct</b>	<b>19 Oct</b>
Reader	Brian O'Dwyer	Julie Fleming
Eucharist Minister	Cath O'Dwyer	Paul Fleming
<b><u>KILMORE 6.30pm (Sat):</u></b>	<b>12 Oct</b>	<b>19 Oct</b>
Reader	Rianne Emmanuel	Assumption
Eucharist Minister	Marg Fleischmann	Marita Dumaresq
PowerPoint	Boyd Family	Boyd Family
<b><u>KILMORE 7.45am (Sun):</u></b>	<b>13 Oct</b>	<b>20 Oct</b>
Reader	John Dixon	Justine Sapiano
Eucharist Minister	Kate Archer	Lance Phillips
PowerPoint	Justine Sapiano	Carroll Family
<b><u>WALLAN 9am (Sun):</u></b>	<b>13 Oct</b>	<b>20 Oct</b>
Reader	Max Carocci	Neomi Dsouza
Eucharist Minister	Annette Moore	Gabrielle Pannuzzo
PowerPoint	Chris Banon	Marie Hoban
	Fetu Thompson	Rosebelle Quinn
<b><u>KILMORE 10.30am (Sun):</u></b>	<b>13 Oct</b>	<b>20 Oct</b>
Reader	Ian Pirie	Christine Dodd
Eucharist Minister	Angela Liddle	Chandy Mathew
PowerPoint	TBA	TBA
<b><u>FLOWERS:</u></b>	Elisa Ferraresi	Helen Clancy
<b><u>HOME EUCHARIST:</u></b>	Helen Clancy	John Dixon
	Pauline Duff	Mary Donovan
<b><u>CLEANERS KILMORE:</u></b>	Lynne Beaumont	TBA
	Carry Eid	

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

### Sick List:

Gerard McCaughey, Sonia Savolokin, Shae Newey, Steven Campbell, Danny Prelac, Jim Ahearn, Robert Duncan, Pina D'agostino, Eva Aschberger, Ian & Sandy Domeyer, Richard Lloyd, Theo Aitchison, Lee Stewart, Tessa Borg, Kelly Borg, Peter Hanvin, Beth Murphy, Dot McIlroy, Susan Foster, Rita Devlin, Rosa Dahm, Guadalupe Agreda, Patrick Hogan, Nuvia Prelac, Bernadette McWhinney, Sandra McCaughey & all the sick of the parish.

### Anniversaries:

Edna Sophie Hart, Mary Liddle, Joan Hunt, Hugh Amarant, Barry Ambrose Skehan, Pauline Tighe, Bruce Harold Edward Nicholls, Catherine (Rena) Hanna, George & Mario Oudin and the anniversaries of all which occur at this time as well as all people who are in need of our prayers.

**Mon 14th Oct: 9am Communion Service, no Mass.**

**Wed 16th & Thu 17th Oct: No 9am morning Mass.**

**Parish Mass for Fr. Prakash's recovery:** Thank you to everyone who assisted in organising the Wednesday evening Wallan Mass for Fr. Prakash. Thank you also to the 140 parishioners who attended. Thanks to Fr. Jossy for the wonderful job with the Mass.

***There will be another Mass to be held on Saturday 19th October 2024 at 9am, at St Patrick's, Kilmore. This will be followed by a cuppa at the Kilmore parish centre, please bring a plate to share if you can. We will also have a Prayer Service on Saturday 19th October 2024 at 4.30pm, at Our Lady Help of Christians, Broadford. All are welcome!***

**Update on Fr. Prakash:** Fr. Prakash's family have advised the he is now out of hospital, and is at home with his family. Fr. Prakash is doing daily physical therapy and is improving. Thank you for all your prayers.

**Articles for The Shamrock Magazine:** The Editors of "The Shamrock" are looking for articles for the next edition. Photos would be great too. Please email articles to: [stpatsparishmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:stpatsparishmagazine@gmail.com)

**Cemetery Working Bee:** Our half yearly pre-All Souls Day working bee at the cemetery will be held on Saturday morning 26th October from 9am-noon. Plenty to mow and whippersnip. Morning tea provided. Brian Clancy 0429186830.



**Next weekend we will have a special collection for World Mission Sunday**

In Mongolia, Chuluunbaatar suffered a life-altering injury while trying to rescue a submerged vehicle, leaving him unable to work and reliant on scarce support services for basic needs. Without shelter and food, Chuluunbaatar faces the real risk of freezing to death. Resources are limited, but the Church in Mongolia is working hard to provide essential services to people in need.

**This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance these vital services. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope and tangible assistance to individuals like Chuluunbaatar.**

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**GO AND INVITE  
EVERYONE**  
*to the banquet*



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**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR B**

**Reflection by Maria Heiden**

**Pastoral Worker, Our Lady Help Of Christians, Narrewarren**

St. Padre Pio said, "In our spiritual life, he who does not advance goes backward. It happens as with a boat which always must go ahead. If it stands still, the wind will blow it back."

Have you ever been challenged? I know I love being challenged! And I'm sure we all love to win a challenge too! When I read this gospel, it reminded me of a life changing challenge that I had to face 13 years ago, when my husband was diagnosed with cancer, and I was expecting our third child. My husband would go for his operation, two weeks before the delivery of our baby. Like the rich young man in today's Gospel, I was truly challenged with the situation. I felt the Lord asking me to love Him and trust Him, even to the point of letting go of the one person I loved the most in this world. It was not easy! How do we know that we love God with all our hearts and all our minds and all our strength? I think only when we are tested. Like Abraham, are we willing to give up the one thing that we love the most? Or are we, like the rich man, who will go away from the presence of God sorrowful?

We live in a culture today where God must fit into our schedule, to suit our convenience. The concept of how God suits our convenience often manifests in several ways. We tend to personalise our belief or interpret religious teachings in a way that supports our desires, while disregarding or reinterpreting aspects that may challenge our comfort or convenience. Some of us prefer convenient worship! After Covid, we are still struggling to get back to being physically present at church. Online services seem more accessible. Just like the rich young man, we are struggling to make the sacrifice.

So, what is Jesus asking of us?

To put Him FIRST, above everything, and everyone to who we are attached to in this world. Like St. Padre Pio said, we need to advance, or we go backwards. When we surrender to Jesus, when we put Him first, everything else will be added (Mathew 6:33). He will provide the lamb for the sacrifice, just as He brought my husband back to good health. As Jesus said to Peter, every gesture of sacrifice will not go unnoticed, "for the sake of the gospel, who will not be repaid a hundred times over".

Let us pray for the grace today that the word of God, as in the first reading, which is active and alive, will cut through hearts and reveal to us the areas in our lives today where we have failed to put the Lord FIRST.

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