

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

LUKE

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

25 SEPTEMBER 2022

FOR WHAT WE HAVE FAILED TO DO. The rich man in today's Gospel is condemned for his inactivity towards the poor man. Lazarus was starving and covered in sores, but the rich man did nothing to help him. In the Penitential Act at Mass we ask forgiveness not only for the bad we have done but for the good we have failed to do.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Dan 3:31, 29, 30, 43, 42

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (striking the breast) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

V. Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are

seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

COLLECT

P. O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Amos 6:1, 4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos
You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria.

Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David,

they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all.

That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

The word of the Lord.

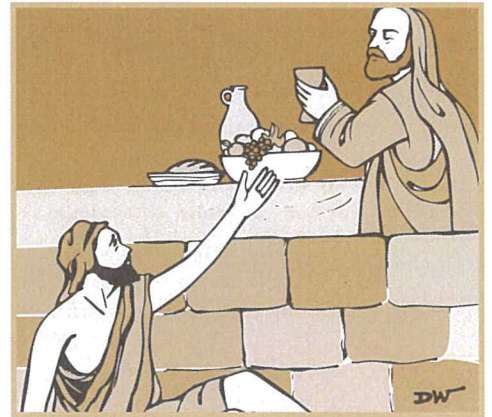
R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM

Ps 145:6-10. R. v. 2

R. Praise the Lord, my soul! (or R. Alleluia!)

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, / who is just to those who are oppressed. / It is he who gives bread to the hungry, / the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.**
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, / who raises up those who are bowed down. / It is the Lord who loves the just, / the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R.**



3. He upholds the widow and orphan / but thwarts the path of the wicked. / The Lord will reign for ever, / Zion's God, from age to age. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Tim 6:11-16

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

2 Cor 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 16:19-31

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

During your life good things came your way just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

"In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop any crossing from your side to ours."

"The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED
Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Grant us, O merciful God, that this our offering may find acceptance with you and that through it the wellspring of all blessing may be laid open before us. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON cf. Ps 118:49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May this heavenly mystery, O Lord, restore us in mind and body, that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ, to whose suffering we are united whenever we proclaim his Death. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

WEALTH AND CARE FOR OTHERS

Complacency can be a misguided, ill-founded and inappropriate response to power and privilege. The northern kingdom of Samaria was one that had a period of expansion and wealth while the southern kingdom suffered economically. Amos fearlessly proclaimed that a time of reckoning was approaching when such wealth would be no defence against the forces that would drag them into exile. He points out that it is their lack of concern for their brothers and sisters in the south that will result in them being the first to be exiled.

In a similar manner, Jesus used the parable of the rich man and Lazarus to remind his listeners that with wealth comes the responsibility to be attentive to the suffering of those who are less fortunate. The sudden reversal of the situations of the poor man and Lazarus is a powerful reminder that the time of accounting may find us unprepared, and our complacency at best a delusion.

As the first letter to Timothy concludes, Timothy is reminded of his responsibilities as a Christian leader and exhorted to keep faithful to the instructions he has been given. There is an air of solemnity as he is called to fulfil his duty in a spirit of faith, love, patience and gentleness until the return of the Lord at the end of time. As Jesus stood up to witness to the truth before Pontius Pilate, Timothy is challenged to let his leadership of the community serve as his testimony when the Lord returns.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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WELCOME TO ST. GREGORY'S—DONCASTER

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C (25/9)

Parish Office:

Hours: **Mon—Fri 9.30am to 3.30pm**

Tel: **9412 8425**

Email: Doncaster@cam.org.au

Follow us on: [@StGregsDonny](https://www.instagram.com/StGregsDonny)

 www.facebook.com/StGregsDoncaster

 Website: www.stgregs.org.au

Parish Priest: Fr. Charles Balnaves

Parish Secretary: Mon & Tue : Nadia Bolzonello

Wed-Fri: Vera Arief

Mon: Bernadine De Silva (bookkeeping)

MASS TIMES: (This Week)

Sunday: 9:00am, 10.30am & 5.00pm

Wed & Fri: 9:00 am (plus Tu/Thu 9:15 am St Kevin's)

MASKS, BE CAUTIOUS & CARING, ALWAYS SANITISE

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hab 1:2–3, 2:2–4, 2 Tim 1:6–8, 13–14, Lk 17:5–10

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 9.30-11am

By request before/after any Mass (come 15-20 m early)

BAPTISMS: Please ring the Parish Office for future bookings

ST GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC PRIMARY

SCHOOL: Principal: Michelle Verna

Tel: (03) 9848 4483

Email: principal@sgdoncaster.catholic.edu.au

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS:

Contact Margaret O'Donnell at DoncasterRE@cam.org.au

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP: !

Wednesdays at 9.45 am in the church meeting room.

Contact Terry Morton 0402 307 384.

CORNERSTONE YOUTH GROUP: First Friday of the

month from 6pm-9pm

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: (has restarted)

Monthly 4th Fridays from 7:15pm—9.30pm

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE: Third Monday of

the month at 7.30pm in Church meeting room

ST GREGORY'S TENNIS CLUB: Membership enquiries:

Gianna Alessio (President) 0438 410 506

Please pray for:

Those who are **sick** at this time including Gilbert De Claro, Gabrielle Byrne, Brian Croft, Chee Choong Seng, Chee Mee Lian, Chianna Sacco, Roy Dos Santos, Lilia Go, Theresa Yong, Maria Stone, Eliseo Pardillo, Siat Lin, Vincent Aloï, Margaret Dobran, Andrew Wilson, Fr Matthew Abraham CSsR, Wang Wei Qiao, Paul Materazzo, Ian Angus, Eliasari, Dennis Clarke, Marisa Rodolfo, Angel Gustavo, Margaret Hansen, Angelique Giacomini and Maureen Tresise.

And Those who died recently - for the repose of the

souls of Giovannina Muccillo and all those whose anniversaries occur at about this time.

... from the PP's desk ...

In the past two weeks I have had two requests for new parish activities: a prayer group and extra gatherings during Advent and I've received a request for us to host a speaker from the Columban Mission Centre. And recently we've had Archbishop Ha concelebrate Mass with us and hosted those lovely celebrations for my birthday, for Bishop Tony and for Bishop Les. Oh, and we had the forum session with ministry groups across the parish and the youth and young adult groups are operating. Ah! And the Charismatic Mass and Adoration. It seems we have well and truly come alive "post-Covid". Yet ...

Still we are missing over a third of pre-Covid Mass attendees and I wonder where they are? And I wonder what you and I can do to assist our friends to come back and be part of our community. Call them? Invite them? Ask them what needs they have that we might help with.

Alongside this we need to renew our ranks of people willing to help make things happen. More people to assist as readers and to help with Communion at Mass and to those at home and in aged care. More people to assist with designing / preparing liturgies, especially for Advent/Christmas. More people to assist with organizing and running morning tea and special events.

What is your gift? What can you offer to assist? What is the Holy Spirit asking you to assist with? I had someone tell me recently 'all I can do now is pray' - well that is a gift of the Holy Spirit and I would love to have a group that takes on a ministry specifically to pray intentionally for the parish and what we are seeking to do to grow as a community that is alive and as a community that invites others to come and learn about Jesus. God bless, Fr Charles.

PS: At a funeral recently there were over 300 mourners 10% with masks. This could be a spreading environment: Could we all be a bit more careful?

PPS: A New Prayer Group: Fortnightly for an hour—the exact form is to be decided but one element would be to read the readings for Sunday and reflect on them (a bit like Lenten Groups)? Interested? Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. First gathering October 6th 7 pm in the parish room.

PPPS: 2022 Knox Public Lecture Wednesday 12th October at 7.30pm "50 Years of Theological Education in Context: Then, Now, What Next?" Bookings and Info: ctc.edu.au/knox-public-lecture Enq: sarah.styring@ctc.edu.au or Ph 9412 3333 Venue: Celtic Hall, Catholic Leadership Centre,

Asylum Seekers and a newly elected Australian Government

Online Parish Presentation 29 September evening:

Online registration TRY Bookings <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=956800&>

Veterans of the armed services

If you are a former member of the Young Christian Workers (YCW) movement in the Archdiocese of Melbourne you may be entitled to financial benefits under a patriotic fund established by the YCW in 1949. The fund includes coverage of former YCW members who were in the armed services in the 1960s and early 1970s. If you are, or know of, a Veteran who was involved in the YCW, or you know of a Veteran who may have been involved in the YCW, please contact Brian Lawrence at brianlawrence@optusnet.com.au

'Mindfulness & Meditation', via Zoom, Saturday 15 Oct 2022, 10am-2pm (AEST). email info@heartoflife.melbourne or tel 9890 1101

St Gregory's is committed to growing a Child Safety Culture with Love

THIS WEEK

Sat 6.00pm
 Sun 9.00am
 Sun 10.30am
 Sun 5.00pm

LECTORS

Rebecca Law, Ian Barnes
 Greg James, Rachael Kay
 Karen Chay, Aidan Leung
 Margaret Wheatley, Benedicta Wong

MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

Robert & Dianne McHugh
 Brian Setter, Margaret Wallace
 Tony Ting, Maggie Yong
 Caterina Gioffre, Seleana Ng

Nita Pereira, Viviana Pereira (Cltrs)

CARE OF THE CHURCH

Andrew Khalil, Yvonne Tan

MORNING TEA: Caroline Tang & Mary Liew

FLOWERS: Geraldina Donato

NEXT WEEK 1 Oct/ 2 Oct

Sat 6.00pm
 Sun 9.00am
 Sun 10.30am
 Sun 5.00pm

LECTORS

Robert McHugh, Frances Cannizzo
 Ray Lewis, Kay Lewis
 Chris Perera, David Perrin
 Francis Yim, Dot Haynes

MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

Iris O'Farrell, Lorna Philip
 Ray & Kay Lewis
 Sauro Antonelli, Ivan Ivas
 Margaret O'Donnell, Tina Paolino

Francis Yim, Alfred Lee (Cltrs)

CARE OF THE CHURCH

Stephen Ma, Louise Moule

MORNING TEA: Luisa Yambao

FLOWERS: Irene Dharmawan

MASKS!!!! Christian Charity (Good Citizenship) demands we be extra careful given the new Flu/Covid variants.

Weekday Mass times in the coming week: Tue/Thurs: 9:15 am St Kevin's Lower Templestowe; Wed/Fri: 9:00 am St Greg's Doncaster.

For those who are Coeliac, we can provide low gluten (<20ppm) hosts or a separate chalice.

Anointing of the Sick, can be provided before, during or after any Mass. Just let the Sacristan or the Priest know.

Facebook: Live-streaming: Normally 9:15 am from St Kevin's Tu/Th; Sunday morning 10:00 St Kevin's or 10:30 St Gregory's (alternating). Any Mass with children participating will not be live streamed.

Transport: Know someone who can't get to Mass but would love to: offer a lift or let us know at the Parish Office.

Inviting Back: Who could you offer help to? There are 1001 reasons people can't rejoin us. Perhaps you will hear of someone who needs some assistance: ask, offer. Gently of course.

St Gregory the Great Catholic Primary School - Open Days In 2022

Tue 8th Nov from 9am—1pm. Register at www.sgdoncaster.catholic.edu.au/ events If you would like to have a School Tour prior to this date please contact the School Office on 98484483.

Parish Facilities: The Tennis Club Room and Courts and the Hall and the Parish Room are available. Room bookings can be made: st.gregoryhall3108@gmail.com and Jess will get back to you. Tennis club use for tennis playing: contact Gianna on 0438 410 506.

ST GREGORY THE GREAT PARISH

We warmly invite parishioners and friends to join us for fellowship, food and fun at our



on Sun 16 Oct 2022 after the 10.30am Mass

Multicultural food and drinks provided (please do not bring any food to share). Outdoor sports and games available.*

SILENT AUCTION & RAFFLE

* Parents and carers are requested to please supervise their children at all times. Please be mindful of food intolerances or allergies, as food and drinks may contain allergens.

We will be holding a silent auction and a raffle during our event, to raise funds for social activities in our parish. Please come along, to bid for items at the auction and buy tickets for the raffle.

You can also contribute by donating items for the auction and the raffle. Please hand them to Fr Charles, or leave them in the church foyer (on the table marked "Donations for Silent Auction & Raffle") by Mon 3 Oct 2022.

Need more details? Please call Pia (0409 582 029) or Yvonne (0421 788 413).

Thank you for your support and see you there!

URGENT!!! ALL volunteers must have a valid Working with Children Check (WWCC) and sign an new Code-of-Conduct (it is over two years since you last signed one so it is time for renewal). Please Renew your WWC and Sign the Code of Conduct available in the church foyer or our website. If you like them emailed please email the office.

**The Young Adults Group**

extends a warm invitation to all between 18 and 30 to join our gathering in person in the Parish Meeting room next to the school hall on **Friday**

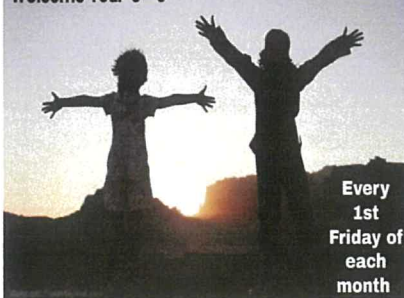
30th September 7:15pm to 9pm. Dinner will be provided and we will be watching "The Chosen". Looking forward to seeing you there!

**YOUTH NIGHT**

Join us 7pm till 9pm

@ The Parish room at St Gregory the Great

Welcome Year 6 - 9



Every 1st Friday of each month

Inviting Youths in grade 6 to year 9 to join us for our Cornerstone Youth group meeting on the first Friday of October (**7th Oct**) from 7pm to 9pm.

This session will be focusing on Rosaries and will include games for all. Cornerstone group will meet on the first Friday of each month. Our youth group is not only a good place to stay connected with friends, but to grow your faith towards God. Come journey with us!"

Are you interested in BECOMING A CATHOLIC and learning about Jesus? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will soon begin its next series of meetings at St.Gregory's. For more information, phone Cathy & Noel on 9848 5447 or leave your details with the Parish Office or speak with Fr.Charles. Please give this notice to anyone who might be interested.

