



CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

Under the pastoral care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate



*The call of Jesus Christ, heard within the Church through people's need for salvation,
draws us together as Missionary Oblates of Mary.' (Oblate Constitution 1)*

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

20TH SEPTEMBER

In today's Gospel, Jesus moves from Galilee to teach in Judea where he is sought out by great crowds and tested by the Pharisees on issues such as marriage and divorce. Jesus also encounters a rich young man who is unable to accept Jesus' demand that he leave his possessions to follow him. Jesus' response to the rich young man sounds very much like the conclusion we will find in today's Gospel: the first will be last and the last will be first.

On the surface, the parable of the workers in the vineyard appears to be an offense to common sense. Those who work a longer day ought to be paid more than those who work just an hour or two. When viewed in this way, the landowner seems unfair. That is because we are reading into the parable our own preconceived notions of how fairness and equality should be quantified.

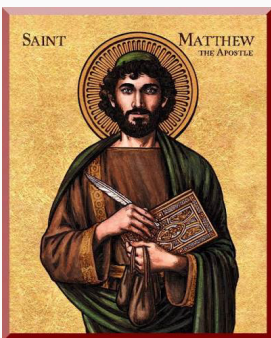
A close read shows us that the landowner paid on the terms that were negotiated. The landowner, it seems, has acted completely justly. The parable goes beyond that, however, and we come to see that the landowner is not simply just, he is exceptionally just. He is radically just. He has given those who labored in the field for a full day their due pay. But he has also given a full-day's wage to those who worked only a single hour. No one is cheated, but a few receive abundantly from the landowner just as we receive from God more than what is merely justifiable or due. God, like the landowner, is radically just and abundantly generous. The workers who complain are made to look foolish as they lament the fact that landowner has made all workers equal. Indeed, what more could one ask for than to be treated as an equal at work or anywhere else.

The parable reminds us that although God owes us nothing, he offers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people. When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms rather than to accept God's radically different ways.



Drops of Kindness

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Saint of the Week St Matthew - 21st September

Source: Loyola Press

St Matthew was a tax collector in Capernaum when Jesus called him to be one of his disciples. Tax collectors were often disliked by the Jewish people, yet Jesus saw beyond Matthew's past and called him with the simple words, "Follow me." Matthew immediately left his work and followed Jesus, becoming one of the twelve Apostles.

Matthew is traditionally recognised as the author of the Gospel according to Matthew. His Gospel presents Jesus as the promised Messiah and emphasises his teachings, especially the importance of faith, forgiveness and living according to God's will. Matthew's story is a reminder that Jesus calls people from all walks of life and that no one is beyond the reach of God's mercy and transforming love. Learn more here: <https://tinyurl.com/5cdb8v85>

This Week's Readings

First Reading - Isaiah 55:6-9

My thoughts are not your thoughts.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 144

R: The Lord is near to all who call him.

Second Reading - Philippians 1:20-24, 27

For me to live is Christ.

Gospel Reading - Matthew 20:1-16

Why are you jealous because I am generous?

This Week's Mass Intentions

20/09: Mazanod College, VIC

21/09: Burpengary

22/09: St Peter's, Hong Kong

23/09: Les Murdie, Pickering Brook

24/09: Oblate Youth Ministries

25/09: Springvale North

26/09: Rosies, VIC & QLD



MASSES & MEETINGS

Cannon Hill - St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - 9:00am

Saturday - 6:00pm; Sunday - 9:30am

Tingalpa - Holy Family Catholic Church:

Thursday - 9:00am; Sunday - 8:00am

Reconciliation: every Saturday, 5:00pm - 5:30pm at St Oliver Plunkett Church.

Eucharistic Adoration: 1st Friday of the month following 9:00am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church.

Anointing and Healing: first Wednesday of every second month, 9:00am at St Oliver Plunkett Church.

Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month held after the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. (Welcoming Mass combined with the Baptism Mass.)

Little Lanterns Liturgy: 1st Sunday of the month (except January) during the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. All primary school-aged children are welcome to attend.

Hospitality - Parish Morning Tea: 1st Sunday of the month following Mass at both churches; every Wednesday after 9:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.

THIS WEEKEND...

20 SEP - SUN: Oblate Youth Iona (see back page).

COMING UP...

21 SEP - MON: Feast of St Matthew.

21-27 SEP: Dementia Awareness Week.

23 SEP - WED: St Pius of Pietrelcina (Memorial).

24-27 SEP: Ignite Conference (see back page).

27 SEP - SUN: Baptisms; World Day of Migrants & Refugees.

29 SEP - TUE: Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel & Raphael.

30 SEP - WED: Saint Jerome (Memorial).

01 OCT - THU: St Therese of the Child Jesus (Memorial).

02 OCT - FRI: The Holy Guardian Angels (Memorial).

08 OCT - THU: Connect Dinner recommences, 6:00pm.

17/18 OCT: Catholic Mission Appeal Weekend.

REGULAR MEETINGS

MON: Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Conference

Fortnightly at 6:15pm

Next meeting: **Monday, 21st September**

Contact: Paul 0418 750 367

TUE: Parish Leadership Team

Fortnightly at 6:00pm

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 29th September**

WED: Parish Liturgy Meeting

Monthly at 4:30pm

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, TBA**

THU: Parish Finance Council Meeting

Bi-monthly at 4:30pm

Next Meeting: **Thursday, 8th October**

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

Why are you jealous because I am generous?

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - 26TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

First Reading - Ezekiel 18:25-28

The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 24

R: Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading - Philippians 2:1-11

In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading - Matthew 21:28-32

He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.



I would like to say, especially to the young, do not wait, but respond enthusiastically to the Lord who calls us to work in his vineyard. Do not delay, roll up your sleeves, because the Lord is generous and you will not be disappointed! Working in his vineyard, you will find an answer to that profound question you carry within you: what is the meaning of my life?

Pope Leo XIV, St Peter's Square, June 2025

JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA

Every Wednesday

Cannon Hill - After 9:00 am mass

First Sunday of the Month

Tingalpa - After 8:00 am Mass

Cannon Hill - After 9.30am Mass

Everyone is welcome!!!



Plate Collections for 13th September 2026

First (Oblates): **\$544.40** | Second (Parish): **\$414.90**

Thank you for your ongoing support.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS

PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY

...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Mark 10.14

The Archdiocese of Brisbane protects the safety, dignity, and rights of children, young people, and vulnerable adults. Every church member must ensure their protection by maintaining respectful relationships, following the Archdiocesan Code of Ethical Behaviour, and obeying state laws.

This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners.

See more here: <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/safeguarding-in-the-archdiocese/>



PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

OUR SICK

Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is sick and would appreciate a home visit.

We pray for those in the community who are sick.

May the healing spirit of Christ bring them comfort and hope.

Denise Power, Deborah Sirett, Tony Vorrasi, Keenan Wiltshire, Baby Margaret Rose; Ed Pender, Mary-Jane McAuliffe, Anna Slawek, Gary Smith, Lameki Eketi, Eli Jorna, Marina Gilbert, Vincy Law Tan, Athol Young, Ken Drego, Karen Marrinan, Carol-Ann Marrinan, Jeanette Hill, Lucia Giaccio, Rob Connolly, Ashley Anthony, Daniel Normyle, Carol Flannigan, Catherine, Elizabeth and Monika, Harry Lynas, Michael Simpson, Imelda Khoo, Lorretta Stephenson, Brian Crimmins, Angela White, Mary Stevenson, Veronica Roberts, Melisa Duffy.

RECENTLY DECEASED

John La Spina

ANNIVERSARIES

Fr. Lino Valente; Ray Webb,
Dennis Scanlan

In Loving Memory of
Giovanni (John) La Spina
St Oliver Plunkett Church
Wednesday, 7th October
11.30 am

Alpha Course / Connect Dinner



The Alpha Course has drawn to a close for another year. We extend a huge thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who have so generously given their time and energy to make each session of the 10-week course such a success.

A big thank you also to all our participants for your commitment, enthusiasm, and for faithfully joining us each week. It has been a wonderful journey together, and we're so grateful to everyone who has been part of it.

Our fortnightly **Connect Dinners** will recommence on **Thursday, 8th October**. Please join us for good food, good company and interesting conversations.

Archdiocesan Safeguarding Updates

The new Archdiocesan **Safeguarding Charter** has been introduced.

The Safeguarding Charter is an important addition to the Archdiocese's safeguarding framework. It sets out our shared vision, values and commitment to creating a safe and respectful environment for everyone. It is also a clear demonstration of strong leadership and support for safeguarding across our Archdiocese.

The Safeguarding Policy for Parishes, Communities and Ministries is a new policy developed to support the practical implementation of safeguarding for all parishes, communities and ministries under the jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Brisbane. For more information, please see links below:

Safeguarding Charter: <https://tinyurl.com/4hv9yejt>

Archbishop Shane's video: <https://tinyurl.com/29cu9vcv>

Safeguarding Policy: <https://tinyurl.com/yc3wc852>

Safeguarding Commitment: <https://tinyurl.com/jj5cwu7k>



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Be part of our community by joining our official parish database. All parishioners and visitors are warmly invited to sign up or update your contact details to receive the latest news, events, and updates from Cannon Hill Parish. Stay informed, stay involved!

Use the QR Code to register or go to:

www.cannonhillparish.flocknote.com/register



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Principal: Mr Trevor Goodwin

Rector: Fr. Joe Antony Manickam OMI

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CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH



OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00am - 2.30pm

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From the moment the Oblates arrived in Fremantle in 1894, they have dedicated themselves to the mission of the Church in Australia. They dedicate themselves to serving the poor in parishes, schools, prisons, among the youth and with those on the streets. The Oblates preach Christ to the poor and the most abandoned and have served them in Australia for more than 100 years.

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DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for your ongoing generosity and faithful support. Your contributions play a vital role in sustaining our parish ministries and enriching the lives of those we serve.

Donations can be made via the EFTPOS terminal at the church entrance (split between 1st and 2nd collections), or through our secure online direct debit facility (please contact the Parish Office to arrange).

For information regarding Bequests, contact the

Catholic Foundation

on 3324 3200 or the

Parish Office on 3853 7490.

Donate using the QR Code or
<https://tinyurl.com/parish-donate>



OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS



The Cathedral of St Stephen
— WARMLY INVITES COUPLES —
who are celebrating 50 years of marriage
and above to the annual

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

 SATURDAY,
26TH SEPTEMBER 2026  11:30AM

 THE CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN
249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane

 Family and friends
are welcome to attend



One heart One family One charism

DE MAZENOD FAMILY GATHERING 2026

As we celebrate 200 years of the Constitutions and Rules, join us as one family to share stories, strengthen friendships, and celebrate the charism that unites us. All are welcome.

22 - 25 OCTOBER

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