

CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

Under the pastoral care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate



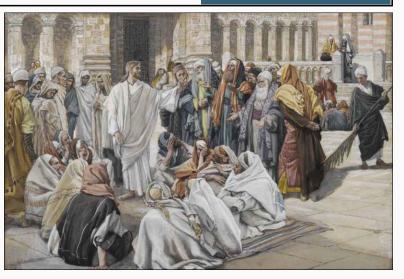
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

1ST SEPTEMBER 2024

This Sunday, our lectionary returns to Mark's Gospel after a number of Sundays in which we heard the Bread of Life discourse from the Gospel of John. Recall that we focus on the Gospel of Mark in Lectionary Cycle B, but substitute John's report of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes for Mark's report of this event.

In today's Gospel, Mark provides a significant amount of information about the Jewish observance of ritual-purity laws. Most scholars believe that Mark includes this information because his audience includes Gentile Christians who have no knowledge or experience of these laws. We can infer, therefore, that many in Mark's community were not Jewish Christians.

In this Gospel, Mark addresses the question of which Jewish practices would also be observed in the newly emerging Christian community. This was a significant question for the early Christian Church, especially in communities that included both Jewish and Gentile converts to Christianity.



The Pharisees Question Jesus, James Tissot (1836-1902)

We also hear this question addressed in the letters of Paul with regard to table fellowship. In Gospel passages such as the one today, we see the Gospel evangelists finding justification for a Christian practice distinct from Judaism in the remembrances of Jesus' teaching and the practice of his first disciples.

Jesus first criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition above God's Law. Here, Jesus is referring to the tradition of the elders, the teachings of the Pharisees, which extended the ritual-purity laws of Temple worship to everyday Jewish life. Jesus criticizes the Pharisees for making this tradition equal to and as binding as the Law of Moses.

Next, Jesus comments on the meaning behind the Pharisees' language of holiness—clean and unclean. Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions. In this teaching, Jesus unmasks a deeper question behind the one posed to him by the Pharisees. The real issue is holiness, which is not found in external acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is evidenced in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life.

If we read today's Gospel carefully, we will see a pattern in Jesus' teaching method that will be repeated in the weeks ahead. Jesus' first teaching is directed to the Pharisees who questioned him. Jesus' words are then directed to the crowd, teaching that a person is defiled by his or her words and actions, not by the food that he or she eats. In verses omitted in today's reading, we learn that Jesus returned home with his disciples, who in turn questioned him about what he had taught. The words we read at the conclusion of today's Gospel are addressed to Jesus' disciples. Mark's narrative shows several audiences for Jesus' teaching: his antagonists, the crowds, and Jesus' disciples. As we see in this reading, the words to the Pharisees are often words of challenge. The teaching to the crowds is often a general, sometimes cryptic, message. With the disciples, who often misunderstand Jesus' words, further explanation is offered about his message and its meaning.

Jesus' words challenge us as well. In our desire to show that we are holy, we might also give too much credence to externals, following rules without thinking about the intention behind them. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways.

Source: Loyolapress

This Week:

Responsorial Psalm

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruit of his creation. Alleluia!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - Twenty-third Sunday in Ord Time First Reading: Isiah 35:4-7

Then the ears of the deaf shall be opened and the tongues of the dumb speak.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:7-10 Praise the Lord, my soul! Second Reading: James 2:1-5

Has not God chosen the poor of the world to inherit the kingdom? Gospel Reading: Mark 7:31-37

He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

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: Saturday, 5pm-5:30pm - St Oliver Plunkett Church

Prayer Intentions Prayer Group: Every Friday at 9.30am - St Oliver Plunkett Church

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

Welcoming Mass: 1st Sunday of the month, 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church to welcome children receiving Baptism into the Parish community.

Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month held after the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church

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

Hospitality: 1st Sunday of the month following Mass at both Churches; Every Wednesday after 9:00am Mass at the Parish Hall.

COMING UP...

01 SEP - SUN: Little Lanterns Liturgy (during Mass) CH; Morning Tea (after Mass), CH & Tingalpa.

03 SEP - TUE: Connect Dinner, 6pm - 8pm

04 SEP - WED: World Early Educator's Day

07 SEP - SAT: St Ollies School Fete

08 SEP - SUN: First Holy Communion; Safeguarding Sunday.

14 SEP - SAT: Feast of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

21 SEP - SAT: Feast of St Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist.

29 SEP - SUN: World Day of Refugees and Migrants; Rosies Morning Tea for Parishioners (after Mass) CH

NB. Fr Vasanthan will be on annual leave for all of September. Mass as usual, celebrated by Fr. Josh & Fr. John

REGULAR MEETINGS

MON: Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Conf.

Fortnightly at 6:15pm

Next meeting: Monday, 2nd September

Contact: Paul 0418 750 367

TUE: Parish Leadership Team

Fortnightly at 6:00pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 10th September

WED: Parish Liturgy Meeting

Monthly at 4:30pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 25th Sept

THU: Parish Finance Council Meeting

Bi-monthly at 4:30pm Next Meeting: **TBA**

GOSPEL READING 1ST SEPTEMBER - MARK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

You forget the commandments of God and hold on to human tradition.

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me.
The worship they offer me is worthless,

the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these things come from within and make a man unclean.' The Gospel of the Lord.

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Deut 4:1-2, 6-8 You may add nothing to the word

which I speak to you - keep the commands of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 14:2-5

The just will live in the presence of the Lord. Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Be doers of the word.

Gospel Reading: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 You forget the commandments of God and hold on to human tradition.

"You leave the commandment of God and hold fast the tradition of men." Mark 7:8

With these words, Jesus wants to caution us too, today, against the belief, that outward observance of the law is enough to make us good Christians.

... it is not the external things that make us holy or unholy but the heart which expresses our intentions, our choices and the will to do all, or the love of God.

Pope Francis

Mass Intentions

Week beginning 1st September 2024 - 9 am

03/09 Tuesday: Beijing Community, PIMs

04/09 Wednesday: MAMI & DMF

05/09Thursday: N.D. Parish and Hong Kong Schools

06/09 Friday: St Mary's Seminary & CTC

Weekend Masses offered for the intentions of all in the Parish

PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

We pray for those in the community who are sick. May the healing spirit of Christ bring them comfort and hope.

Karen Marrinan, Carol-Ann Marrinan, Jeanette Hill, Sharon McKenzie, Lucia Giaccio, Ashley Anthony, Daniel Normyle, Catherine, Elizabeth and Monika, Harry Lynas, Marion White, Carmel Pender, Michael Simpson, Mary Stevenson, John la Spina, Lani Clow, Beryl McInally, Rob Connolly, Von Leeman, Lorretta Stephenson, Imelda Khoo, Brian Crimmins, Veronica Roberts, Angela White, Ken Drego, Melisa Duffy.

RECENTLY DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES

Judith Baker, Judith Buckley

Names will remain on Our Sick list until advised otherwise. Please submit any items for the newsletter via email, including sick, recently deceased and anniversaries, by Luigi Giaccio, Ron Moulden Thursday morning at the latest. Thank you.

TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL FATHER'S Happy Father's Day



We never outgrow our need for Fathers. Because we are never too big for Fathers to stop holding us, nurturing us. That's the character of a Father. Even Jesus, King of Kings, our Lord Bowed and cried, Abba, Daddy, Father,

> Today we thank our heavenly Father for giving us the gift of earthly Fathers.

NEW DONATION TERMINAL



Our new donation terminals have arrived and will be available for use this weekend. These user-friendly devices allow you to easily select the donation amount that suits you. You will find the terminal conveniently located in the church foyer.

having you as part of our flock

Keep in touch with us via email



Signup Today! Just use the URL or OR code

FLOCKNOTE SEPTEMBER SIGNUP

For the past 3 years, the archdiocese has been working with parishes to develop more efficient and contemporary ways to reach parishioners and visitors. Parishioners and visitors are invited to sign-up to Flocknote, our communication and engagement tool. Our Parish (and the Archdiocese of Brisbane) has officially adopted Flocknote as a safe, new, and improved way of communicating. Flocknote is free for parishioners to use, and there is no need to download anything. Your info is kept secure and private. It only takes a couple minutes to sign up to receive emails from the parish. You are even able to reply directly to those emails so we can

get feedback and hear from you. Parishioners and visitors are invited to use the link below or QR code and signup and register with the parish. If you have any questions, please see Norma, or call the parish office.



www.cannonhillparish.flocknote.com/register

CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH



OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00am - 2.30pm

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Parish Leadership Team:

Sachin Rasquinha, Briony Russell, Aaron Tippetts, Ronda Vorrasi, Guy Elliot



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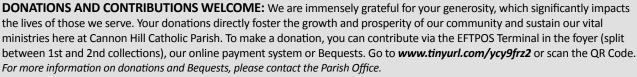
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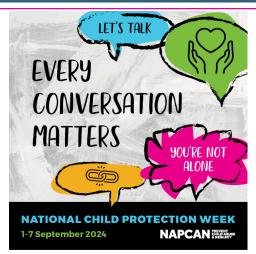
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OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS



NAPCAN Child Protection Week 1 - 7 September 2024

This year National Child Protection Week will continue to champion the message 'Every child in every community needs a fair go'

This message captures the essence of National Child Protection Week which aims to promote a safe and supported life for every child, now and into the future. In 2024, the message that 'Every child in every community needs a fair go' will be complemented with the theme 'Every conversation matters.' Conversations are powerful tools to keep children and young people safe and well. Therefore, this year we are calling all Australians to start a new conversation. For more info see

SYNOD24 PRAYER

Creator Spirit, whose breath of life makes all things new.

We gather around Your table of communion, as many parts of one body, grounded in the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

We open our minds and hearts, so we can be nourished and enlivened by Your presence, ready **to be** the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

We make space for the many stories of hurt, exclusion and silence of those within, and on the very edges of our communities, so we may be *in service* of the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

As your breath of life flows in us and through us, may we be a vessel for Your bold creativity so we may be the *hands and feet* of the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

We ask this in the name of the Risen Christ, Amen.

CATHOLIC QUIZ

In what source is found a majority of the law governing the Catholic Church?

- a. The Mosaic Law
- b. The Code of Canon Law

www.tinyurl.com/4nse54yf

- c. The Catechism of the Catholic Church
- d. Business Law.

Answer: b. The Code of Canon Law



MEDIA SPOTLIGHT

THE FORGE IN CINEMAS NOW

www.flicks.com.au/movie/the-forge/



A year out of high school with no plans for his future, a boy is challenged by his single mom and a successful businessman to start charting a better course for his life. Through the prayers of his mother and biblical discipleship from his new mentor, he begins discovering God's purpose for his life is so much more than he could hope for or imagine.





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