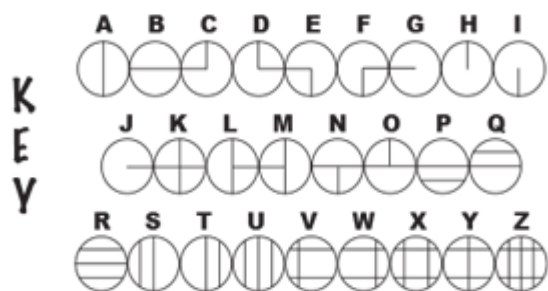


Bartimaeus' Healing

Learn about Bartimaeus' healing in Mark 10:46-52
Use the key to complete the phrase below.



"Go thy way;



10:51 (NIV)

Choose the word that best matches the definition.

1. Unable to see
A. mercy B. healed C. blind D. cheer
2. Making an urgent plea; asking for charity
A. blind B. sight C. quiet D. begging
3. Kind or compassionate treatment
A. faith B. sight C. mercy D. quiet
4. Making little or no noise
A. quiet B. mercy C. cheer D. blind
5. To make happier or more joyful; a shout of encouragement
A. begging B. cheer C. sight D. faith
6. Confident belief in the truth
A. cheer B. begging C. faith D. quiet
7. To be restored to health; cured
A. healed B. blind C. quiet D. mercy
8. The ability to see
A. faith B. begging C. sight D. mercy

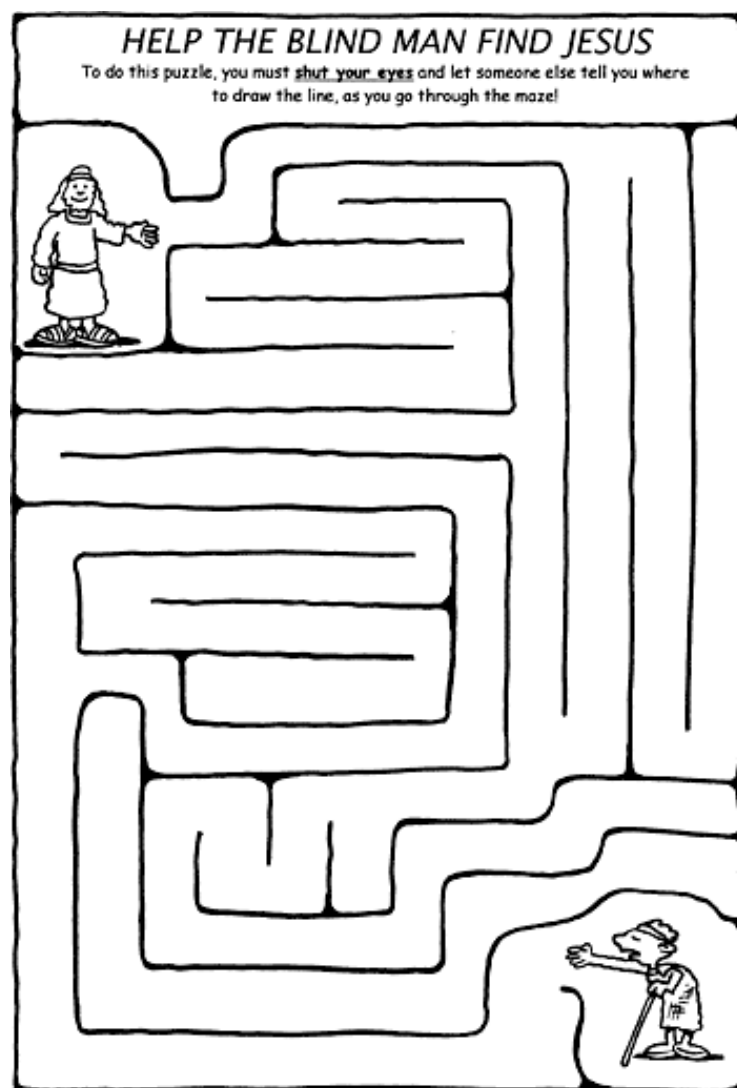
Blind Bartimaeus

"What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see." Mark 10:51 (NIV)

Words are taken from Mark 10:46-52 (NIV).

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B J J C C L J J U M P E D G E

Jericho	city	begging	cheer	faith
Jesus	blind	shout	jumped	healed
disciples	Bartimaeus	mercy	feet	sight
crowd	roadside	quiet	Rabbi	followed



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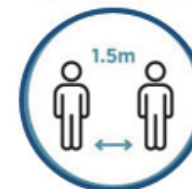
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DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA COVID UPDATE

As NSW has reached its 80% double dose vaccination target, parishes across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are opening their doors for private prayer, Reconciliation and for the celebration of Mass and sacraments such as baptisms, weddings and funerals. Please contact your local parish to check Mass and liturgy times and the COVID-Safe arrangements in place. www.parracatholic.org/covid19



Let us Pray for the Sick

Leonila Ahillon, George Alagiah, David Barrow, David Benjamin, Myrna G Cruz, Elizabeth Ehsman, Melvin Fernandes, Wendy & Klaus, Anslan Lawrence, Spencer Leon, Cynthia Lopez, Carmenu M, Gerard Marcello, Marie Marchand, Salome Pillay, Debra Price, Camy Ratnam, Sandra Roseworn, Susantha Seranayake, Bernie Sivapatham, Joan Spillane, Pummalin Sumcad, Sue Tipaldo, Natalie Woodward.

If you would like to add to our Sick List or know of any Parishioner that is unwell please contact Father Henry or the Parish Office on 9622 2920.

We can also arrange for Holy Communion or a visit if required.

Let us Pray for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Paul Mowbray, Denis Brophy,

Victor Azzopardi, Lina Cabaero, David Quan Hien Dang, Peter Diab, Emilia Fallarcon, Vivante Fenis, Rosie Flame, John Flores, Oscar Garin Sr., Marie Hossen, Aurora Javellana, Elenoa Ahomana Matavesi, Sylroy Menezes, Hanh My Thi Nguyen, Pablo Naobre, Macrina Noble, MA. Celina Palacios, Salvacion Palmos, Isabel Satumbaga, Thai Tran Van, Maria Ly Thi Tran.

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SECOND COLLECTION or Planned Giving Program

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. Projects completed include the Hall Kitchen renovation, Parish Meeting Room painting, Parish Office and Meeting Room Roof painted, Church roof cleaned and ceiling repaired and painted.

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FIRST READING
A reading from the prophet Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout: 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of the earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son. The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. (R.)	Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. (R.)
The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. (R.)	They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. (R.)

SECOND READING A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; And so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever. The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death
and brought us life through his gospel.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road. The Gospel of the Lord.



PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the
Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

POPE FRANCIS RECENT INTERVIEW (CONTINUED)

By Carlos Herrera

.....Well, Spain underwent a very intense and admirable reconciliation process for the whole world in the seventies of the last century. The problem is that historical revisionism has tried to render useless that admirable reconciliation in the world that was the Spanish Transition, which I imagine you knew in Argentina and it will not be strange for the Pope. Nationalism and sovereignty have sown Europe with deaths and immigrants. And this leads me to ask you: in the face of the immigration caused by various phenomena in which we are immersed right now, what position do we take? What happens when the number of those who ask for shelter exceeds the possibilities of reception of a country? Should there be no borders? Everyone anywhere, wherever we want, and however we want? Do the states have the right to set their rigid or less rigid rules?

My answer would be this: first, with regard to migrants, four attitudes: welcome, protect, promote and integrate. And as for the last one: if you welcome them and leave them loose at home and do not integrate them, they are a danger, because they feel like strangers. Think of the Zaventem tragedy. Those who committed that act of terrorism were Belgians, the children of immigrants who were not integrated, turned into a ghetto. I have to get the migrant to integrate and for this, I have to take this step of not only welcoming them, but protecting them and promoting them, educating them, etc. The second thing, more to your question: the countries have to be very honest with themselves and see how many they can accept and up to what number, and here the dialogue between nations is important. Today, the migratory problem cannot be solved by one country alone and it is important to dialogue and see "I can go this far...", "I have more possibilities" or not; "integration structures are valid or not valid", etcetera. I am thinking of a country where a few days after arriving, a migrant already received a salary to go to school to learn the language, and then he/she got a job and was integrated. This was during the time of the integration of immigration by the military dictatorships in South America: Argentina, Chile, Uruguay. I am talking about Sweden. Sweden was an example in these four steps of welcoming, protecting, promoting, and integrating.

And then there is also a reality in the face of migrants, I have already referred to it, but I repeat it: the reality of the *demographic winter*. Italy has almost empty villages.

Spain too.

"Well, we're getting ready." What are you waiting for, to be left with no one? It is a reality. In other words, migration is a help as long as our integration steps are fulfilled. That is my position. But of course, a country has to be very honest and say: "This is as far as I can go".

Next year will mark the fortieth anniversary of St. John Paul II's speech on European identity. I would like to ask you about the places where the Pope can go as long as your health allows you to do so. Might be Haiti, or it may be your country, might be Santiago [de Compostela]. [It was there] that St. John Paul II said: "Find yourself again, be yourself, discover your origins. It would be a magnificent memory to remember this with you, taking advantage of the Jacobean Holy Year...

I told the president of the Xunta de Galicia that I would think about the matter. That is, I did not take it out of an eventual schedule. For me the unity of Europe at this moment is a challenge. Either Europe continues to perfect and improve in the European Union, or it disintegrates. The EU is a vision of great men—Schumann, Adenauer—who saw it. I think I gave six speeches on the unity of Europe. Two in Strasbourg, one when I was awarded the Charlemagne Prize. And there, I recommend the speech given by the mayor of Aachen, because it is a marvelous critique of the EU problem. But we cannot give up. One of the happiest moments I had was in one of the speeches, when all—or heads of state or heads of government—from the EU came. No one was missing and we had our picture taken in the Sistine Chapel. I'll never forget that. We cannot go backward. It was a time of crisis and the EU reacted well to the crisis. Despite the discussions, it reacted well. We have to do what we can to save that heritage. It is a legacy and it is a duty.

Your Holiness, if I do not ask you when the Pope will come to Spain, they will claim to me "how come you have not asked the Holy Father..." I dare to suggest to you that Your Holiness will not know the Holy Week until he comes on a Holy Tuesday to Seville to see the Virgin of the Candelaria. Are you not even curious?

Very much. Very much. But my choice so far of travel to Europe is the small countries. First it was Albania and then all the countries that were small. Now Slovakia is on the program, then Cyprus, Greece, and Malta. I wanted to take that option: first to the smaller countries. I went to Strasbourg but I did not go to France. I went to Strasbourg because of the EU. And if I go to Santiago, I go to Santiago but not to Spain, let's be clear.

Along the Journey of Europe [Sp.: al Camino de Europa].

Along the Journey of Europe. One Europe. But that is yet to be decided.

Is there anything the Pope has cried about in the last year, other than the pandemic, or does not the Pope cry easily?

I am not a person who cries easily, but from time to time I feel that sadness in the face of some things, and I am very careful not to confuse it with a Paul Verlaine-like melancholy: "*Les sanglots longs, de l'automne, blessent mon coeur*" [The long sobs / Of violins / Of autumn / Wound my heart...] No, no. I don't want it to be confused with that. At times, seeing certain things, they touch my heart and... and that happens to me sometimes....

You have been called "the pop Pope" or "the Superman Pope," which I know you don't like. Who is Francis really?

How would you like to be remembered?

For what I am: a sinner trying to do good.

Well, then we are two sinners at this table ...

There are two of us.

(to be continued)

POPE FRANCIS AT AUDIENCE: FREEDOM IS BORN IN GOD’S LOVE, GROWS IN CHARITY

By Christopher Wells

Recalling that, through Christ, “we have passed from slavery of fear and sin to the freedom of God’s children,” Pope Francis continued his catechesis on St Paul’s Letter to the Galatians by offering a deeper understanding of what is at the heart of Christian liberty. Freedom, he said, is very different from license; it is not found in giving in to our own selfish desires, but instead leads us to serve others. “True freedom,” the Pope said, “is fully expressed in love.”

Freedom in service

This, however, leads us to “the paradox of the Gospel: we are freed by serving, we find ourselves fully to the extent that we give ourselves; we possess life if we lose it.” The explanation of this paradox, said Pope Francis, as given by St Paul, “is as simple as it is demanding: it can be explained only by love.” “It is Christ’s love that has freed us, and again it is love that frees us from the worst slavery, that of self; therefore, freedom grows with love.”

Free for others

For St Paul, the Pope said, love does not mean doing as you please. If we act simply to please ourselves, we find that we are empty inside. Freedom is full and genuine, and involves us real everyday life, only when it is used for the good of others. Pope Francis noted that Saint Paul acknowledges that “all things are lawful,” but adds that not all things are useful or edifying. Against the idea of a self-serving freedom, St Paul places the demands of love. “Freedom guided by love,” explained Pope Francis, “is the only one that frees ourself and others.”

Common good

In contrast to the modern notion that “my freedom ends where yours begins,” St Paul sets Christian freedom, the freedom given by Jesus, that does not involve separating oneself from others, but instead being part of a community. “The social dimension is fundamental for Christians,” Pope Francis insisted, adding that “it enables them to look to the common good and not to private interest.” This understanding of liberty is especially important in our day, he said, when the pandemic has taught us how much we need one another.

Growth in charity

“It is not enough to know this,” Pope Francis said. “We need to choose it concretely every day.” The Pope concluded his catechesis with an exhortation. “Let us say and believe that others are not an obstacle to my freedom, but rather the possibility to fully realise it – because our freedom is born from God’s love and grows in charity.”

POPE FRANCIS RECENT INTERVIEW (CONTINUED)

By Carlos Herrera

Holiness, let us move on to another scenario. In Spanish society, you know that there have been some fractions and some concrete fractures. The referendum in Catalonia led to a particularly delicate situation. And you have said that “sovereignism” [Sp. “soberanismo”] is an exaggeration that always ends badly. What attitude do you think we should adopt in the face of an approach of rupture?

I would suggest looking at history. In history, there have been cases of independence. They are countries in Europe that today are even in the process of independence. Look at Kosovo and that whole area that is being remade. These are historical events that are characterized by a series of particularities. In the case of Spain, it is you, the Spaniards, who have to judge, looking at your attitude. But for me, the most important thing at this moment in any country that has this type of problems, is to ask myself if they have reconciled with their own history. I don’t know if Spain is totally reconciled with its own history, especially the history of the last century. And if it is not, I think it has to make a step of reconciliation with its own history, which does not mean giving up its own positions, but entering into a process of dialogue and reconciliation; and, above all, fleeing from ideologies, which are the ones that prevent any process of reconciliation. Moreover, ideologies destroy. “National unity” is a fascinating expression, it is true, that of national unity, but it will never be valued without the basic reconciliation of the peoples. And I believe that in this any government, whatever the sign it may be, has to take charge of reconciliation and see how they carry out history as brothers and not as enemies or at least with that dishonest unconscious that makes me judge the other as a historical enemy.....



FROM FR. HENRY DUC

Dear Friends,
Throughout his ministry, Jesus, as the Gospels tell us, performed many miracles, and each of them was meant to verify his divine power and convey the message he aimed to teach his disciples and the crowds following him.
This Sunday we have the account about how Jesus gives sight to the man called Bartimaeus, the one our evangelist identified as the son of Timaeus. This is a very interesting detail, since it seems to imply the writer’s intention to us that Bartimaeus was a real person, whose family background could be traced back.
It is even more interesting with the title ‘Son of David’ Bartimaeus chose to address Jesus, for it is truly symbolic. Why? Because David was a very important figure in the history of the Jewish people and prophets had foretold that the messiah will be of his descendants.
In the beginning, David had a shepherd background and was thought to be a skilled harpist. He used a slingshot to eliminate Goliath, the Philistine giant, and was chosen by God to be the king of Israel.
During his reign, David made Jerusalem the capital of the Jewish nation, and built for him a palace of the finest materials. He then felt rather guilty about such an extravagance on himself, while the Ark of the Covenant had remained in a tent, so he wanted to build a magnificent temple to shelter the Ark. However, God through the prophet Nathan asked David not to carry out the plan, and promised to build a house of dynasty for him and bless it with peace and prosperity.
At first, Jewish people thought of God’s promises to David as a verbal guarantee to keep David’s son and descendants as rulers of the Israelites forever. However, what they had experienced in real life had been completely different, since one military power after another had kept on conquering the Jewish nation and executing one Jewish king to another.
Since God will always honor his promises, the Jews then reasoned they must have misunderstood what he meant and came to the conclusion that God’s promises would refer to a future descendant of David. They believed the person would be the messiah to conquer the world and rule for ever.
So, when Bartimaeus calls out to Jesus as ‘Son of David’ instead of ‘Son of Joseph’, he implicitly acknowledges that Jesus is the promised messiah, the descendant of David through whom God would fulfill his promises. This is such a significant step made by someone not from the core group of Jesus’ disciples.
More significantly, Jesus was quick to respond to Bartimaeus’ desperate calls for help. He dutifully granted him the visual healing he asked for simply through his powerful words ‘go, your faith has saved you.’ The result was so instant, the man was able to see immediately and join Jesus’ company as a living witness.
Apart from giving the blind man his ability to see, Jesus appears to make this occasion the platform to send out two underlying messages: Number one, he is the light of the nations that the prophets of old talked about, and he himself acclaimed later on in his ministry; and number two, he is capable of healing not just people’s visual impair, but also their spiritual blindness, meaning their inability to see the presence of God in Him, the Son of God, the light of the nations, and the Savior of the world.
Inspired by the Gospel story this Sunday, let us remember those have suffered by visual impair in our country and worldwide, especially in the underdeveloped countries, and pray for a better appreciation and support from their communities. Let us also pray for God’s grace to open our spiritual eyes, so that we may be able to see the presence of Jesus in people around us, particularly those in need of our care and assistance.

Have a service-oriented week.

Fr Henry

PARISH NEWS...



REOPENING OF OUR CHURCH

Due to the ease of restrictions with the 80% double dose vaccination target being reached, Churches will be able to reopen to our entire community from this Monday 18th October 2021, therefore weekday Masses at 8am resumed on **Tuesday 19th** October, along with our weekend Masses with the one person per 4m².
As per NSW Health, everyone is required to sign in by using the **QR CODE**.
To make this new mandatory requirement as easy as possible, please arrive 15-20minutes before Mass.
We will continue with the **Ministry Roster** that we had before lockdown .
Please note—until at least December 1, 2021 masks still have to be worn in the Church.



2021 CONFIRMATION PROCESS there will be an Information/First Parent Meeting on Tuesday 26th October at 6.30-7.30pm OR Saturday 30th October at 4.30-5.30pm. Confirmation will be administered by Bishop Vincent Long O.F.M Conv. this year on Thursday 18th November.

LOURDES OVER 50’s Melbourne Cup day 1st November has been cancelled.

ALL OLOL MINISTERS please update your contact details, by ringing or emailing the parish office, or on the MSP app. secretary@olol7hills.com.au



ENCYCLICAL LETTER **FRATELLI TUTTI** OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS
ON FRATERNITY & SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP
CHAPTER ONE - GLOBALIZATION AND PROGRESS WITHOUT A SHARED ROADMAP

29. With the Grand Imam Ahmad Al-Tayyeb, we do not ignore the positive advances made in the areas of science, technology, medicine, industry and welfare, above all in developed countries. Nonetheless, “we wish to emphasize that, together with these historical advances, great and valued as they are, there exists a moral deterioration that influences international action and a weakening of spiritual values and responsibility. This contributes to a general feeling of frustration, isolation and desperation”. We see “outbreaks of tension and a buildup of arms and ammunition in a global context dominated by uncertainty, disillusionment, fear of the future, and controlled by narrow economic interests”. We can also point to “major political crises, situations of injustice and the lack of an equitable distribution of natural resources... In the face of such crises that result in the deaths of millions of children – emaciated from poverty and hunger – there is an unacceptable silence on the international level”.**[27]** This panorama, for all its undeniable advances, does not appear to lead to a more humane future.

30. In today's world, the sense of belonging to a single human family is fading, and the dream of working together for justice and peace seems an outdated utopia. What reigns instead is a cool, comfortable and globalized indifference, born of deep disillusionment concealed behind a deceptive illusion: thinking that we are all-powerful, while failing to realize that we are all in the same boat. This illusion, unmindful of the great fraternal values, leads to “a sort of cynicism. For that is the temptation we face if we go down the road of disenchantment and disappointment... Isolation and withdrawal into one's own interests are never the way to restore hope and bring about renewal. Rather, it is closeness; it is the culture of encounter. Isolation, no; closeness, yes. Culture clash, no; culture of encounter, yes”.**[28]**

31. In this world that races ahead, yet lacks a shared roadmap, we increasingly sense that “the gap between concern for one's personal well-being and the prosperity of the larger human family seems to be stretching to the point of complete division between individuals and human community... It is one thing to feel forced to live together, but something entirely different to value the richness and beauty of those seeds of common life that need to be sought out and cultivated”.**[29]** Technology is constantly advancing, yet “how wonderful it would be if the growth of scientific and technological innovation could come with more equality and social inclusion. How wonderful would it be, even as we discover faraway planets, to rediscover the needs of the brothers and sisters who orbit around us”.**[30]**

Excerpt from Pope Francis, Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation FRATELLI TUTTI—to the people of God and to all persons of good will.]

23/24 October 2021		
Acolytes	Vigil: Derick Soares 8am: Ernie Gartner 9.30am Kilifi Huihui	
Ministers	Vigil: Anna Bellissimo, Rosey Soares 8am: Maricel Santos, SUB REQ 9.30am: Barbara Chandler, Antony Terrance	
Readers	Vigil: Laura Bellissimo, Catherine Rodrigues 8am: Pepito Ferriols, Erika Hien 9.30am: Kamela Huihui, Fayelene Kennedy	
Altar Servers	Vigil: Alexa Bagatella, Lucas Laus, Amelia Laus 8am: Sean, Philip & Diana Park 9.30am: Chloe Attard, Gabrielle Wanandy, Florencia Wanandy	
Morning Tea	Kamela Huihui	
Flowers		
Church cleaning	27 Oct	Sue Abela, Jessie Borg, Anne McNally
Welcomers	Vigil: Ram Ugure 8am: Rita Paolini 9.30am: Maria Michael	

30/31 October 2021		
Acolytes	Vigil: John Jordan 8am: Fayelene Kennedy 9.30am Ramzee Michael	
Ministers	Vigil: Benno Motha, Abel Do Rosario 8am: Eugene Miu, Michael Mifsud 9.30am: Carole Brooks, Maria Michael	
Readers	Vigil: Alison Punch, Marinela Simic 8am: Pepito Ferriols, Nina Arambulo 9.30am: Mercy Aquino, Christina Diaz	
Altar Servers	Vigil: Noah Ebb, Dominic Sant, Alex Spadaro 8am: SUB REQ 9.30am Leo Culili, Sofia Culili, Rynan Michael	
Morning tea		
Flowers	Team	
Church cleaning	3 Nov	Suzy Nemorin, Carole Brooks, Novelo Paylaga, Lourdes Spiteri
Welcomers	Vigil: Mary Bonnici 8am: Joyce Hillbrick 9.30am: Kathy Chamberlain	

PARISH NEWS...

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VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED if you are available to spare some time for various jobs around the parish, please call the parish office 9622 2920

OLOL PARISH CALENDAR		
OCTOBER 2021		
26	CONFIRMATION –Parent meeting	6.30pm
28	FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING	8.00pm
30	CONFIRMATION –Parent meeting RPT	4.30pm
NOVEMBER		
1	ALL SAINTS DAY	
2	ALL SOULS DAY - Mass	8.00am
2	CONFIRMATION Meeting	6.30pm
6	CONFIRMATION Meeting - RPT	4.30pm
8	SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM for 2022 Info Night (Reconciliation & FHC)	6.30pm
9	CONFIRMATION PRACTICE	6.30pm
10	PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING	7.30pm
17	BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING	7.30pm
18	CONFIRMATION	7.00pm

DIOCESAN NEWS

PASTORAL LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF PARRAMATTA ON THE RETURN TO WORSHIP—Letter from Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv.

<https://www.olol7hills.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Pastoral-letter-22.10.2021.pdf>

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA LAUNCHES PLENARY COUNCIL RESOURCE WEBSITE

A new website provides resources for parishioners in the Diocese of Parramatta to stay involved in the Plenary Council, which is exploring what the future of our Church should look like.

The first assembly starts in October, so visit parracatho-lic.org/plenary-2021/ to find a range of information, a Diocesan prayer and more.

UPDATE: Social Justice COVID-19 Food and Toiletries Drive

During lockdown, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) and House of Welcome (HoW) cannot receive physical food and toiletry donations. However, many refugee families are still relying on their foodbanks or the provision of food vouchers. In this difficult time, please support JRS and HoW with a cash donation if you can. Find more information at parracatho-lic.org/diocesanfooddrive or call JRS on (02) 9356 3888 or HoW on (02) 9727 9290.

OFFICE FOR SAFEGUARDING OFFERING ONLINE TRAINING TO KEEP OUR PARISHES SAFE.

The Office for Safeguarding is providing an opportunity for all of us to develop our awareness and skills in ensuring our parishes are safe and welcoming places for all. If you are interested or have any questions about the Safeguarding Training, please email our Safeguarding office on safe-guardingtraining@parracatholic.org or maria.kervin@parracatholic.org.

VINNIES SUPPORT CENTRE ARE STILL AVAILABLE TO THOSE IN NEED

St Vincent de Paul Support Centres across Greater Sydney are still available and taking calls to arrange for food vouchers or other items to be provided to those in need. If you need assistance, call the Support Centres in Blacktown on (02) 8861 9777, Harris Park on (02) 8861 9757 and Penrith on (02) 8861 9770. To find out more about what support is available, visit <http://vinnies.org.au/covidsupportnsw>

DIVINE RETREAT CENTRE ONE DAY PILGRIMAGE RETREAT:

The Divine Retreat Centre in Somersby, NSW is hosting a one-day pilgrimage from 9am to 1pm on Sunday 31 October. All retreats are held with NSW COVID-Safe compliance and masks are mandatory. Bookings are required and limited numbers are available. Please call (02) 4372 1598 or email drcretreatrego@gmail.com to confirm attendance. Visit www.divineretreatcentre.org.au for more information.

DIVINE RETREAT CENTRE DIVINE CENTRE MERCY 5 November

The Divine Retreat Centre in Somersby, NSW is hosting a Divine Mercy Friday celebration from 6pm to 8.30pm on Friday 5 November. All retreats and programs are held with NSW COVID-Safe compliance and masks are mandatory. Bookings are required and limited numbers are available. Please call (02) 4372 1598 or email drcretreatrego@gmail.com to confirm attendance. Visit www.divineretreatcentre.org.au for more information.