TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(28TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME) 13TH OCTOBER 2024



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Preparing for Today's Eucharist

Gospel: The Rich Man's Question (Mark 10:17-31)

In Mark's story, Jesus tells a rich man to sell his possessions, but unlike Matthew's version, there's no mention of aiming for perfection. The man is older, having followed the commandments from a young age, and now faces the challenge of giving up his wealth. Jesus highlights the danger possessions pose to everyone, not just the rich. It's common that the more people have, the more they want, while those with less are often more generous, understanding the value of what little they have. It's not just about avoiding distractions—wealth can bring good if one worries about using it responsibly. Throughout history, figures like St. Anthony and St. Francis have taken Jesus' words literally, giving up all they owned to focus on God's Kingdom. God's special blessing rests on the poor.

Questions for Discussion and Reflection:

- 1. Why were the disciples shocked by Jesus' words to the rich man?
- 2. What was Jesus asking of this man?
- 3. What does this reading have to say about the cost of following Jesus? Is money a blessing, a distraction, a worry, or an opportunity?
- 4. Does this passage teach us that living a good moral life is not enough? What is needed for us to receive eternal life?

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Please all stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 525

SIGN OF THE CROSS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

GREETING

The Lord be with you. And also with you!

ST PETER'S PARISH PRAYER

Almighty and Everlasting God, who has gathered us at St. Peter's to worship you in the beauty of Anglican liturgy, grant that we may nurture faith in our diverse community and share your love with all people. May we serve with compassion and grace, reflecting your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SENTENCE

There is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for Jesus' sake, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. *Mark 10.29-30*

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Let us pray:

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS

"Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." Jesus said: "This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself."

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (THE HYMN OF PRAISE)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. 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.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY / COLLECT

Let us pray.

Merciful God, in your Son you call not the righteous but sinners to repentance: draw us away from the easy road that leads to destruction, and guide us into paths that lead to life abundant, that in seeking your truth, and obeying your will, we may know the joy of being a disciple of Jesus our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated for the reading

FIRST READING

In the eighth century BC, Israel seemed to be doing very well, but Amos felt called by God to condemn social injustice, immoral dealings, shallow religion, and reliance on military might.

A reading from the Prophet Amos 5:6-7,10-15.

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Hear the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

PSALM 90:12-17 APBA

- 12 Teach us so to number our days: that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- 13 Relent, O Lord; how long will you be angry?: take pity on your servants.
- 14 O satisfy us early with your mercy: that all our days we may rejoice and sing.
- 15 Give us joy for all the days you have afflicted us: for the years we have suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your work: and let their children see your glory.
- 17 May the gracious favour of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper the work of our hands, O prosper the work of our hands!

SECOND READING

God's word is a source of true wisdom for us. It will help us to live as God wants us to live.

A reading from the letter of Hebrews 4:12-16.

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hear the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 131 vs 1 & 2 v 3

GOSPEL (Please stand)

Alleluia.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matt 5:3)

Alleluia.

The Lord be with you! And also with you!

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Mark 10:17-31.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, 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 shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother." He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.' Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GRADUAL HYMN 131 vs 3 & 4

SERMON

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Please stand as we affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed, each in our preferred language.

We believe in one God. the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is. seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God. eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures: he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified. who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the Forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION please kneel/sit

Our God knows our deepest desires and greatest needs. With trust and hope, we place our petitions before him.

(At the end of each section) Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Conclude the prayer with:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers:

Grant that what we have asked in faith, we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF APPROACH

[Let us pray.]

We do not presume

to come to your table, merciful Lord,

trusting in our own righteousness,

but in your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy

so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.

But you are the same Lord

whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,

so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

A rich young man came to Jesus seeking a better life. When told to give up his wealth to follow Christ, he went away sad. We too fall short in following Christ, held back by attachments.

Let us seek pardon and mercy for our lack of courage and generosity in embracing true discipleship.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.** The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please all stand

OFFERTORY HYMN 599

The offering is collected during the hymn. The gifts of the people, Bread and Wine and collection of money, are brought to the Lord's Table.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation:

Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (ORDINARY TIME)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, ever-living God.

We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

(Let us proclaim the mystery of faith)

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray, each in our preferred language:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

BREAKING THE CONSECRATED BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, **for we all share in the one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

THE INVITATION

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

God invites everyone to gather around his table. We extend an invitation to all baptised Christians to come forward and receive this Holy Sacrament. Others are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing by crossing arms over chest.

COMMUNION HYMN 496

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

May God give to you and to all those whom you love, his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy, in this world and the next; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen!

DISMISSAL HYMN 590



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Years Mind

Joyce Brown, Joy Husband, Glenn Hearn, and Hilda Werkwerth, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Prayers for the Church

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines (Bp Nestor Poltic); Merri Creek Melbourne (Peter Carolane, James Hale, Patrick Senn, Rebecca Miller, Robert Miller); The Diocese of Armidale (Bp Rod Chiswell, Clergy & People); Peninsula Grammar (Stuart Johnston, Principal); St John's Toorak – Confirmation service (Bp Genieve Blackwell); Pastoral services: St John's Upper Beaconsfield (Bp Paul Barker); Casey Anglican Dinka Congregation (Bp Paul Barker).

Prayer of the Week

Almighty God, in your wisdom you have so ordered our earthly life that we must walk by faith and not by sight: give us such trust in your fatherly care that in the face of all perplexities we may give proof of our faith by the courage of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Daily Readings

Monday	Galatians 4.22-5.1	Ps 113	Luke 11.29-32
Tuesday	Galatians 5.1-6	Ps 119.41-48	Luke 11.37-41
Wednesday	Galatians 5.18-25	Ps 1	Luke 11.42-46
Thursday	Ephesians 1.1-10	Ps 98.1-7	Luke 11.47-54
Friday	Ephesians 1.11-14	Ps 33.6-12	Luke 12.1-7
Saturday	Ephesians 1.15-23	Ps 8	Luke 12.8-12
Sunday	Isaiah 53.4-12	Ps 91.9-16	Mark 10.17-31

OFFICE OPENING DAYS

Over the next few weeks there are some changes to the **office days of operation**. There will be three Fridays when the office will not be open but will open on different days. (You can always reach me on 0398995122 if you need to check.)



Office open Tues Oct 15 & Thurs Oct 17, Office closed Fri Oct 18 Office open Tues Oct 22, Fri Oct 25 Tues Oct 29, Sat Nov 2, Office closed Fri Nov 1 Office open Tues Nov 5, Wed Nov 6 Office closed Fri Nov 8

WINE DRIVE

Well done on supporting the since October last year to the end of September. Our total profit is \$480.00.



Fri Nov 8 afternoon & Sat Nov 9 morning

It is less than a month till our market! For planning, we would like to know how many volunteers we have. If you can give an hour or two, or longer, please see Hilary or email the office to let us know. All offers very welcome. We need you!

Set up: Wednesday 6th afternoon/ all day Thursday 7th/ Friday 8th morning **Volunteering on stalls**: Friday 8th afternoon / Saturday 9th morning **Clean up**: Saturday 9th afternoon

We will also have flyers to be delivered to the local letterboxes beforehand and will have appropriate maps of small areas for you.

2025 ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDARS

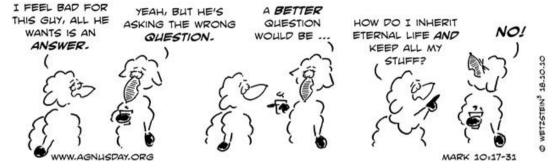
These are now available to order via Michele Mitchell – Contact on email; <u>themitchells01@bigpond.com</u> or mobile: 0408 531 045. The cost this year is \$15 each. They make wonderful Christmas presents as well as one for your kitchen/study.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE October 27

Shoebox Sunday is only a couple of weeks away! Finish packing your boxes and deliver them to the church from now on and up to and on Shoebox Sunday.

TO MAKE YOU SMILE

A Brit, a Frenchman and a Russian are viewing a painting of Adam and Eve frolicking in the Garden of Eden. "Look at their reserve, their calm," muses the Brit. "They must be British." "Nonsense," the Frenchman disagrees. "They're naked, and so beautiful. Clearly, they are French." "No clothes, no shelter," the Russian points out, "they have only an apple to eat, and they're being told this is paradise. Clearly, they are Russian."





TO RESIST THEM WAYS





START A PETITION



CALL THE BISHOP



USE

SOCIAL MEDIA



TAKE DIRECT ACTION



THE PLANS



IN THE WAY



BRIBE SOMEONE TO REEP THINGS AS THEY ARE



SING A PROTEST SONG



CARRY OUT LATE NIGHT SABOTAGE



THE CHURCH



BOYCOTT SUNDAY SERVICES



THREATEN TO PAY COLLECTION IN SMALL CHANGE



RAISE FEAR AND ALARM



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COUNTING	Elizabeth B, Lyn B	Charles B, Margaret R	
MORNING TEA	Rosemary, Peter W, Barbara M	Elizabeth B, Margaret R, Jenny F, Jan	

OUR INFORMATION

FIRST AID KIT – Located in the office and kitchen.

TOILETS – Located in the Church Hall and in the church building through the church doors front right.

WHEELCHAIR – Located near the toilet for the disabled upstairs.

FIRE & EMERGENCY – Please make yourself aware of the nearest escape route in the event of an emergency or fire. OH&S – Please ensure that any

Unas – Flease ensure that any

incidents/accidents are reported to the Vicar or Wardens and incident report completed.

Mission Statement

At St. Peter's, we celebrate Anglican liturgical worship, nurture Christian faith within our diverse community, share God's love across all communities, and serve with compassion and grace to all people. **Vision**

To ensure that there continues to be a living, committed, communal Anglican presence

of liturgical celebration, nurture and outreach.

St Peter's is part of the Anglican Church of Australia and the worldwide Anglican Communion. St Peter's church is on the land of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation and we acknowledge them as the traditional custodians of this land.

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE All child safety concerns must be reported to Kooyoora Professional Standards 1800 135 246

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Week Ahead

SUNDAY 13.10.24

8.00am Eucharist, 9.30am Eucharist
11.30am Mandarin service
2.00pm Dinka service, *church*2.00-7.00pm Sudanese group, *hall*9.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

MONDAY 14.10.24

Vicar's day off 6.30-9.00pm Narc Anon Undercroft 1.00-6.00pm Sudanese group, hall 6.30-8.30pm Celestial Tai Chi, hall 9.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

TUES 15.10.24

Teresa of Avila (d.1592) 8.30am-12.30pm Office open 9.00 onwards Parish People@Work 6.00-8.00pm Bellydancing, *hall* 9.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

WED 16.10.24

Hugh Latimer & Nicholas Ridley,bisops & martyrs, d.1555) 8.30am-12.30pm Office open 9.30-11.30am Playgroup, Undercroft 10.30am Eucharist 10.00-11.30am Tai Chi, hall 8.00-9.00pm Choir practice, Undercroft 9.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

THU 17.10.24

Ignatius of Antioch bishop & martyr (d.c.115) 6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL 6.30-9.00pm Sudanese prayer group, church 9.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

FRI 18.10.24 8.30am-12.30pm *NO* office today 9.00-11.00pm Sudanese Bible study, *church* 9.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

SAT 19.10.24 10.30am-1.30pm Sat School, *U'croft, hall* 9.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

SUN 20.10.24 8.00am Eucharist, 9.30am Eucharist 11.30am Mandarin service 2.00pm Dinka service, *church* 9.30pm Evening Praver on Zoom

For the Diary

September 30 - October 28

Vicar on leave

October 9-12 Svnod

October 27 Shoebox Sunday (Boxes available from Jan)

November 8 & 9

St Peter's Market, hall

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