



Parish Bulletin

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

3/4 February 2024

GOSPEL

Mark 1:29-39

He cured many who suffered from diseases of one kind or another.

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

The Gospel of the Lord

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples—they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives.

Caritas 60th Anniversary Celebration
All Caritas Supporters, young and old are invited to **join the Archbishop on Sunday February 25 for Mass at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral (11am)** followed by a coffee and sausage sizzle to commemorate **60 years of Caritas in Australia**, with its foundations proudly in Adelaide! **All are invited** to join in unity as we continue to support those most vulnerable in our world. We look forward to celebrating this milestone with all parishes, schools and anyone who proudly supports the good work of Caritas Australia - helping us to create a just and compassionate world. Make it a fun day out and join the **Adelaide Fringe – Festival of Hymns Event – Pipe Organ Recitals at 1pm in the Cathedral.**

Public Rosary – Praying the Rosary for Peace
First Saturday of every month. You are invited to join Our Lady and pray the Rosary outdoors, together united, **to pray for peace** in Mary MacKillop Plaza (adjacent to St Francis Xavier's Cathedral) at 8.40am (after the 8am Mass). **All welcome.** For more information please contact: Mr Patrick Greenrod – Legion of Mary – 0414 769 635.

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JESUS TOOK HER BY THE HAND.

We sometimes come to Mass poor, sick and troubled, much like the people who crowd around the door of Jesus in today's Gospel. In this Mass let us express our needs to Jesus. Let us ask him to take us by the hand and help us as he helped Simon's mother-in-law. Then, with our spirits uplifted, we will go out from Mass with a renewed desire to share God's love with others.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
Ps 94:6-7

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Job 7:1-4, 6 7

I am filled with sorrow all day long.

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery?
Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages,
months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of grief.
Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?' Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!' Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.
Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind.
Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.

The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
Psalm 146:1-6

Response: Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

1. Praise the Lord for he is good; sing to our God for he is loving: to him our praise is due. **R**
2. The Lord builds up Jerusalem and brings back Israel's exiles, he heals the broken-hearted, he binds up all their wounds. He fixes the number of the stars; he calls each one by its name. **R**
3. Our Lord is great and almighty; his wisdom can never be measured. The Lord raises the lowly; he humbles the wicked to the dust. **R**

SECOND READING
1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Punishment will come to me if I do not preach the Gospel.

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me. So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak: I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessings.

The word of the Lord.

Tranmere Parish Direct Giving App

You can now make your donations to the first and second collection online. Direct Giving via the Archdiocesan App is cashless, fast and secure. Download the Adelaide Archdiocese app. Find a mass on your mobile phone and set up Direct Giving to the first and second collections as well as special appeals. Or contact the Parish Office to set up Direct Debit or Direct Credit. The following website provides a direct link to Tranmere Parish from a pc, laptop, or tablet. Thank you for your donations!
<https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/qr/parish/tranmere>



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Parish Office Hours
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Mass Times

Sunday 9:30 am
Saturday Vigil Mass 6:30 pm
Tuesday to Friday 9:15 am

Confessions

Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary

Tues to Fri 8:45am

Adoration of the Eucharist

Friday before Mass 8:30am

Novena to St. Joseph

Wednesday after Mass

St. Joseph's Primary School

Principal - Adrian Grbin
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Parish Pastoral Council

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Parish Finance Council

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Anne Dudzinski Ph: 0418 847 804

Vinnies Assistance Hotline

1300 729 202 - 9:00am to 4:30pm

Rosters—10/11 Feb 2024 6th Week OT	
Time	Commentator/Readers
6.30pm Vigil	Edward Konieczny Fil Ciancio Giulia Giuliani
9:30am	Stephanie Roach Sandy Mazzarolo Sheila Hoogland
Children's Liturgy	Tania Loro Montin Angela Mealey
Count team	Paul Halliwell Denise Rutt Paul Roocke Danielle Roocke
Altar and Flowers	Dolores Arboit Christina Wong Sarita Ingham and volunteers

All those who have volunteered please arrive at least 15 minutes before the start time and report to the commentator for that Mass

SUNDAY COLLECTION SUMMARY	27/28 Jan 2024
Planned Giving	\$458.00
Open Plate	\$397.00
PARISH TOTAL	\$855.00

This week's contribution to the Diocesan Presbytery Fund : \$591.00

Pope Francis @pontifex



Let us pray together that the terminally ill and their families always receive the necessary medical and human care and assistance.

Fr Roy will be in Vatican Rome In February

Next week Fr. Roy will be going to Vatican- Rome for the International Conference on the Ongoing Formation of Priests, entitled "Fan into a flame the gift of God that you possess" (2 Tim 1:6) In his absence the Parish pastoral needs are looked after by Rev. Frs. Leon Czechowicz, Dean Marin, and Michael Romeo
Sincere thanks to all the priests. We wish Fr Roy a safe journey. Prayers and blessings.

Let's pray together

Please remember in your prayers
We pray for those listed and all the deceased relatives and friends of our Parishioners.

For the Repose of the Soul:
Joe Tan

Death Anniversary:
Francesca Costa

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; present them to God the Most High.

Sick:
We pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish and our relatives and friends who are unwell.

If you know of sick or elderly parishioners who are house-bound or in care and would appreciate a visit, please phone and leave a message with the parish office.

Australia Day Mass
Friday, January 26 at 9am in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral
For over 60 years a special celebration of the Eucharist has been held in St Francis Xavier Cathedral to celebrate Australia Day. We come together to celebrate and give thanks for this wonderful country and to recognise the richness and diversity of the people who call Australia home. All are welcome to join us on this special occasion.
For more information please contact Archdiocesan Events on (08) 8210 8220 or events@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Fringe Festival 2024 - Pipe Organ Recitals at the Cathedral of St Francis Xavier
21 February 1pm: Amir Robin-Karas
25 February 1pm: Festival of Hymns by James Lloyd
28 February 1pm: Jacinta Jakovcevic
6 March 1pm: Graham Bell
17 March 1pm: Young Organists

MORNING TEA 11 FEBRUARY AFTER SUNDAY MASS

Please come and join us!



LOVE ADELAIDE - WALK FOR LIFE
Join us as we walk for life to bring an end to abortion

Saturday 10th of February 2024
10:00am -12:00noon
Pennington Gardens
Opposite St Peter's Cathedral

\$5 Donation Parking
Adelaide Oval carpark
Enter from Pennington Tce

Gates
Gates will be open from 9am. Bring your ticket!

Don't forget to bring a drink bottle; and remember to slip, slop and slap!



Tickets
FREE entry tickets at loveadelaide.org.au

PLEASE WEAR A WHITE SHIRT
NO megaphones or personal signs, Love Adelaide will provide official signs for the walk. Please follow the direction of the marshals & police and walk peacefully with love.

Free Tickets at trybooking/CLZHK

Please follow the event guidelines.

Every life is a gift

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2024
ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL & ROSTREVOR COLLEGE

RECONCILIATION

Workshops—

- Monday 4th March at 6:30pm in Parish Hall
- Monday 25th March at 6:30pm in Parish Hall

Celebration— Wednesday 8th May at 7.00pm



CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST

Workshops—

- Monday 13th May at 6:30pm in Parish Hall
- Monday 3rd June at 6:30pm in Parish Hall


Rehearsal—Sunday 23rd June after parish mass
Celebration— Sunday 30th June 11:00 am

If you have children who would like to join the sacramental program, please contact the Parish Office.
Tel: 8431 6932 Email: info@stjosephsparishtranmere.org.au


Caritas' annual fundraising for Project Compassion will begin in February. Project information is available on the posters and bulletin notice. Donation boxes and donation envelopes are available at each entrance of the church.
For more information, please visit:
<https://fundraise.projectcompassion.org.au/>

The Kids' Bulletin
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 4th, 2024




At the end of today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells Simon that they will go to the nearby villages to preach. Can you find your way through the maze to the nearby village?


Spending Time with God



In today's Gospel reading, Our Lord went to Simon and Andrew's house, where He spent the evening healing the sick and casting out demons. But early the next morning before the sun came up He went away into the wilderness to pray.



At first we wonder why Jesus would have to pray- He is God, after all! But He was also human so He needed to take some time to be with His Heavenly Father. And that is what real praying is- it's being with God and talking to Him and listening to Him.



Like Jesus, we also need to spend time with God. Even if we are always doing His work, like helping people or studying His truths, we still need to take some time to talk with Our Father in Heaven. Starting today, take a few minutes every day to go to a quiet place and talk with God.

Answers to picture puzzle: top:5, 2, middle: 4, 6, bottom:1, 3.

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