



St. Rita's Catholic Parish

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27th Sunday Ordinary Time —Year A 8th October 2023

This Week's Readings: Isaiah 5:1-7, Ps 79:9, 12-16, 19-20, Philippians 4:6-9, Matthew 21:33-43

Next Week —28th Sunday Ordinary Time —Year A: Isaiah 25:6-10, Ps 22, Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20, Matthew 21:1-14

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Wild Grapes at Harvest

(Matthew 21: 33 - 43)

It sounds like the same story repeated from Isaiah: a vineyard fails to produce a harvest. But this time, it's not grapes that fail, but the farmhands who work the land. The harvest is available, but the workers won't give it up to the owner. They're willing to go far beyond selfishness. They'll accept bloodshed to hold onto what they see rightfully theirs.

Isaiah's parable presents sin in a passive light: a failure to produce what's good. Jesus tells a story of sin that's about actively choosing to pervert the good. These two kinds of sin have been called "acts of omission and commission" by the church. They are "what we have done and failed to do," as we confess at Mass. We are responsible for both behaviours: choosing not to do good as much as the deliberate decision for evil. Even in Jesus' time, people boasted of keeping the Ten Commandments, as though that fulfilled their obligation to God. But the absence of active evil is not the same as the presence of love.

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Farewell Fr Ladu!



St Rita's Parish Staff and Community thank you for your service. We wish you well in your future service. We will miss you!

WEEKLY DIARY

Daily (MON, TUES, WED, FRI)

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church

MONDAY'S

9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church

9:30am Rosary Crusade Pro Life

TUESDAY'S

9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church

7:00pm Prayer & Praise

WEDNESDAY'S

9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church

10:00am Art Group

3:30pm Choir - St Rita's Church

THURSDAY'S

Parish Priest Day Off (No masses)

FRIDAY'S

9:00am Mass & Holy Hour—
St Rita's Church

MASS TIMES

ST RITA'S CHURCH

Weekdays 9am (Except Thursday)

Saturday 5pm (Vigil)

Sunday 7am & 9am

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4:30pm

HEALING MASS: 2nd Wednesday of

the Month 9am

MAREBELLO: 1st Wednesday of the

Month 9:30am

BAY ISLAND MASS CENTRES

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND - Coochiemudlo
Island Community Hall,

345 Victoria Parade,

Coochiemudlo Island

11:00am Saturday (21st Oct)

MACLEAY ISLAND—Church of the Holy

Spirit, Scotts Road, Macleay Island

2pm Sunday Mass (8th, 22nd Oct)

9am Liturgy (1st, 15th, 29th Oct)

RUSSELL ISLAND

Bay Islands Community Services

55 Jackson Rd, Russell Island

2pm Sunday Mass (1st, 15th, 29th Oct)

2pm Virtual (8th, 22nd Oct)



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For safeguarding inquiries or to raise any concerns, disclosures or allegations please contact our

Local Safeguarding Representative: Bob Snoke on 0419 247 698 sa.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

<https://tinyurl.com/Safeguarding-Incident-Report> <https://tinyurl.com/New-Protecting-Children-Laws>

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Please take a moment to pray for:

All those who are ill, especially Ross Cooper, Pauline Walker, Elaine Prestney, Bill Mellor, Annette Doherty, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, Chris Venter, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Margaret Ross, Alan Williamson, Lois Hodges, Toby Bernal, Helen Stockwell, Marlie Meehan, Denise Fowler, Emma Heinrich, Paul Trubody, Kay Grieve, Jela Cicak, Matthew Scott and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.



We commend all the recently deceased.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

If you wish to have a loved one's name mentioned in the Parish Newsletter for an anniversary, a remembrance or a prayer for the sick, please contact the Parish Office. Envelopes to request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions are available at the back of the church. Mass Cards are available.

A Notice from Fr Ladu

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As you all know that my ministries comes to an end this weekend. As on Monday, 9th October 2023, I begin my mission in St Paul's Parish Woodridge.

I would sincerely like to thank you all for your generous support and prayers during my 4 years of ministry in this parish of S Rita's. Special thanks and appreciation to our wonderful parish staff for their excellent service.

May they be blessed and rewarded by our God whom we serve. To our Finance Council and Parish Council, thank you for your service. To all our Volunteers in all the sectors of our Parish, thank you too for your service to this faithful community, job well done. To our benefactors, thank you for your generous contributions to our Parish community, much appreciated.

I am so grateful for my 4 years of ministry in the Parish. May God bless us all.

Thank you.

Fr Ladu Yanga



Pope's Prayer Intention October 2023

For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



Cathedral Masses

<https://tinyurl.com/St-Stephens-Cathedral-Masses>

PUBLIC ROSARY

14th October 2023

A public rosary will be held on Saturday 14th October at 11am at the Capalaba (in the park next to Bunnings off Pittwin Rd).

A map and brochure will be at the back of the church.

Bring a chair, hat and water.

For more information, please call Maria from St Luke's 0423 300 685.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

Our faith will sustain us through challenging times.

Please keep supporting your Parish by continuing your weekly offering if you can, either by using our periodic direct debit or credit card facility or by direct deposit.

Our planned giving bank account details for direct deposits are as follows:

BSB: 064 786

Account No: 100027374

Account Name: Parish Donation

Kindly **reference** your deposit with your **surname** and your **planned giving number/envelope** number if you have one. Please contact the parish office for further information on 3207 9177.

The total for both collections for the weekend of **1 October 2023** is **\$TBA**

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS:

RECENT ACTIVITIES – removed rotted-out back-up barriers in school/church carpark, carried night-time assessment of possible pole light upgrades/additional in school/church carpark (quote received for improvements)

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE – annual termite inspection and pest control spraying (scheduled 9 Oct), WH&S Audit by Archdiocesan Workplace Health & Safety Advisor (scheduled 10 Oct), polishing vinyl flooring in church, clean second half of OSHC verandah wall & paint, clean & paint inside walls of OSHC building, repairs to corroded church/school gutters (repairs scheduled for Sept school holidays, hopefully), removal of mould and sanding/ painting of presbytery window sills doors and door frames (scheduled for 2024), repair/replace damaged fence panel in church carpark (on hold), painting of presbytery gutters and eaves (on hold),

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING – replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval), plaster repairs to ceilings in presbytery.



Sacramental News

Congratulations to the children making their Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. May the Lord always protect you now you've Confirmed your faith. May He love, may He guide you and help you live your lives with grace.



HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

Come and experience God's presence,
as we develop our relationship with Him.
All are welcome to join our praise and worship group,
which meets at St Rita's Parish Chapel,
Tuesday nights, 7:00pm - 8:30pm



(Supper provided)

Our Pixie Friends Sponsor and Supporter Celebration

You're Invited to a Morning of Appreciation!

Join us as we thank our incredible sponsors and supporters. Your unwavering support has brought smiles to countless faces. It's time to celebrate YOU!

Date: November 10th

Time: 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM

Location: My Horizon: 1-15A Runnymede Road, Capalaba, 4157

Hear about the pixie magic you've helped to sprinkle in our community, meet like-minded individuals, and enjoy a delightful morning tea.

Please RSVP by November 3rd to ensure we have enough spritzletastic treats for everyone.

Let us know you'll be there to share this special moment with us by emailing ourpixiefriends@gmail.com. Please notify us of any dietary requirements.

If you would like to bring your team along, you're more than welcome! Your ticket is free, but anyone else you wish to invite will cost \$15 per person to cover the costs of catering.

We can't wait to celebrate with you and express our heartfelt gratitude. Together, we've made a difference, and together, we'll continue to shine!

-Siobhan and The Our Pixie Friends Team

Elijah Tennant



*Will be Baptised Sunday 8th October 2023.
We welcome Elijah and his family
into our Parish Community.*

Catholic Mission Sunday 8th October 2023

We would like to thank Tam from Catholic Mission for her time in coming to speak with us this weekend.

You will find donation envelopes on your seat.

Thank you.



This week Catholic Mission will offer the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to address gaps in medical care, and provide families with essential health care and knowledge, equipping them with the confidence to act and autonomy over their health and well-being.

The Maria Auxiliadora Clinic is a vital project for the Salesian Sisters and the Church in Venilale. Since its establishment, the clinic has provided life-saving treatment for families in need, like Petrolina's, whose daughter Vitoria was found to have tuberculosis. But, with an increase in the demand for treatment, the Sisters resources can only carry them so far.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/timor, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

NOTICE

READERS AND COMMUNION MINISTERS for the weekend of 28th & 29th Oct
Will be looked after by the 4th Sunday Roster Readers and Communion Ministers.

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