



Prayer to the Holy Spirit (St Augustine of Hippo)

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy.

Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy.

Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy.

Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy.

Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy.

Amen.



A reflection by the Venerable Servant of God, Archbishop Fulton J Sheen

James and John, who already had made themselves prominent by resenting the rudeness of the Samaritan villagers and asking Our Lord to destroy them, now made a request. The two brothers, who once had asked that fire descend upon their enemies, now asked that a great advantage be given to them. In irreverent presumptuousness, they asked Our Blessed Lord, immediately after He had spoken of His death, to become the tool of their own vanity. 'Grant that one of us may take his place on Thy right and the other on Thy left, when Thou art glorified' (Mark 10:37). There was some recognition of Christ's authority, for they implied that He was a King Who could grant requests; but the conception of His Kingdom was worldly. Family influence and personal preferment gave high places in a secular kingdom; James and John, assuming that the kingdom of God was worldly, thought that their promotion could be on that basis. But Our Blessed Lord answered them: 'You do not know what it is you ask. Have you the strength to drink of the cup I am to drink of, to be baptised with the baptism I am to be baptised with?' (Mark 10:38).

The bestowal of honours in His Kingdom was not a matter of favouritism, but of incorporation to the Cross. If He had to die in order to rise to glory, they would have to die to discover glory. If He had to drink the bitter cup to overcome evil, they must drink of the cup. The 'cup' was here used as a symbol of the defeat which would be poured out to Him by faithless men. In the baptism of blood, He would be totally immersed in it; but the imagery also implied Purification or Resurrection.

In answer to the question about drinking the chalice James and John answered, 'We can.' Though they did not understand precisely what they were accepting, Our Lord prophesied the fulfillment of their faith. James was the first to share in Christ's baptism of blood, being murdered by Herod. John, indeed, did suffer; he lived a long life of persecution and banishment. After being put into a cauldron of boiling oil, he was miraculously preserved and died at an old age in Patmos. James became the patron of all the Red martyrs, who shed their blood because they drink of His cup. John became the symbol of what might be called the White martyrs, who endure physical sufferings and yet die a natural death.

Now begins the quarrel. 'The ten others grew indignant with James and John when they heard of it' (Mark 10:41). They were indignant because they all shared the same desire. Our Lord called the ten others to Him. James and John had been given their lesson; now it was time for the other ten to receive theirs. The first lesson He gave them was a repetition of what He had suggested in Capharnaum when He placed a little child in the midst of them, namely, the lesson of humility. What they were now to be taught was not what would make them preeminent in His Kingdom, but rather the meaning of that pre-eminence. He suggested a contrast between the despotism of worldly potentates and the dominion of love in His Own Kingdom. In the earthly kingdoms those who rule, such as kings, and nobles, and princes, and presidents, are ministered unto; in His Kingdom, the mark of nobility would be the privilege of ministry or serving. In His Kingdom those who are the lowliest and the most humble will be the greatest and the most exalted. Though He regarded His Apostles as kings, they were, nevertheless, to establish their rights by being the least of men.

But the Saviour would not merely give them a moral injunction without pointing to His Own Life, as an example of the humility He wished them to have. The whole truth was that He came not to be ministered unto, but to minister. In effect, He was saying that He was a King and He would have a Kingdom; but this Kingdom would be obtained in a way other than the one by which secular princes secured theirs. He introduced the direct relationship between His laying-down His life and the spiritual sovereignty which that death would purchase. 'So it is that the Son of Man did not come to have service done to Him; He came to serve others, and to give His life as a ransom for the lives of many' (Mark 10:45). Here, as elsewhere, He spoke of Himself as 'coming' into the world in order to indicate that a human birth was not the beginning of His personal existence. He began His service long before men saw Him serve in compassion and mercy. His service began when He stripped Himself of heavenly glory and girded Himself with flesh woven in the looms of Mary. The purpose of His coming into this world was to supply ransom and redemption.

(Life of Christ)



29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 20 OCTOBER 2024



"If I love Jesus, I ought to resemble Him. If I love Jesus, I ought to love what He loves, what He prefers to all else: humility."
- St Peter Julian Eymard

Entrance Antiphon: To You I call; for You will surely heed me, O God; turn Your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of Your eye; in the shadow of Your wings protect me.

First Reading Isaiah 53:10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord has been pleased to crush His servant with suffering. If He offers His life in atonement, He shall see His heirs, He shall have a long life and through Him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over He shall see the light and be content. By His sufferings shall My servant justify many, taking their faults on Himself.

◆ **The word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22

R: Lord, let Your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in You.

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all His works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with His love. **R.**

2. The Lord looks on those who revere Him, on those who hope in His love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May Your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in You. **R.**

Second Reading Hebrews 4:14-16

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Hebrews

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest Who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have One Who has been tempted in every way that we are, though He is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in

approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from Him and find grace when we are in need of help.

◆ **The word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation Mark 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia! The Son of Man came to serve and to give His life as a ransom for all. **Alleluia!**

Gospel Mark 10:35-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to Him, 'we want You to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want Me to do for you?' They said to Him, 'Allow us too sit one at Your right hand and the other at Your left in Your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking,' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at My right hand or My left, these are not Mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to Him and said to them, 'You know that among the pagans their co-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man Himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.'

◆ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Communion Antiphon: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear Him, who hope in His merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible





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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

We pray for: Repose of the soul of George V Turner (died. 20/10/1994); Repose of all those whose death anniversary occurs at this time; Repose of all souls in Purgatory.

the Recently Deceased:

Sr Mavis Dick rsm, Shirley Gleeson, Brenda McPhee, Jeanette Keightley, Margaret Kahler, Kaylene Maybury.

the sick:

Sue O'Brien, Julie Daley, Pat Gurr, Jim Hanlon, Craig Johnston, Peter Moroney, Christopher Pay, Neville Barwick, Fr Barry Leech, Lara Bentley, Danny Dickins, Elizabeth Albany, Fr David Crabb, Rebecca Lane, Brian Barker, and all the sick members of our parish. Please contact the priest on 67221103 for home visits to the homebound and the sick

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CLERGY AND THE PARISH

1st Collection: Presbytery (for support of priest)
BSB 082105 Account No. 001023550
Account Name: Sacred Heart Presbytery Inverell Savings Ac.
2nd Collection: Church upkeep, maintenance, expenses
BSB 082105 Account No. 001013072
Account Name: Sacred Heart Parish Inverell
For those on the Planned Giving Program could you please quote your surname and envelope number for the reference.

Planned Giving Program: If you wish to join the planned giving program, please contact the parish office.

OCTOBER - THE HOLY MONTH OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

MONDAY 21st

Feast Day of St Laura Montoya Upegui
No Mass - Church open from 8am to 1pm

TUESDAY 22nd

Feast Day of St John Paul II, pope
Rosary - 8.30am
Holy Mass - 9.00am
Holy Hour - 4.30pm to 5.30pm

WEDNESDAY 23rd

Feast Day of St John of Capistrano
Rosary - 8.30am
Holy Mass - 9.00am

THURSDAY 24th

Feast Day of St Anthony Claret, bishop
Holy Mass at McLean - 10.00am
Rosary - 11.30am
Holy Mass - 12 Noon
Adoration - 12.30pm to 1.30pm
Alpha Program - 6.00pm

FRIDAY 25th

Feast Day of St Tabitha
Rosary - 7.00am
Holy Mass - 7.30am
No Holy Hour

SATURDAY 26th

Feast Day of St Alfred the Great
Holy Mass of Sunday - 3.30pm at Tingha
Rosary - 5.30pm

Holy Mass of Sunday - 6.00pm

SUNDAY 27th

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rosary - 8.30am
Holy Mass - 9.00am

Sacrament of Confession

Sunday: 8.00am to 8.30am
Tuesday: 5.00pm to 5.30pm
Thursday: 1.00pm to 1.30pm
Friday: 5.00pm to 5.30pm (except First Fridays)
Saturday: 5.15pm to 5.30pm
(and at any time upon request)

OTHER MASSES:

McLean Village Each 4th Thursday - 10.00am
2nd Saturday - Bundarra, St Mary of the Angels - 3.30pm
3rd Saturday - Ashford, St Patrick's Church - 3.30pm
4th Saturday - Tingha, St. Francis' Church - 3.30pm
5th Saturday - Yetman, St Joseph the Worker - 3.00pm
Baptism - Saturdays & Sundays at 10.30am
Marriages and Funerals by Appointment

PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

"By devoutly assisting at Holy Mass you render the greatest homage possible to the Sacred Humanity of Our Lord."

- St Leonard

ALTAR SOCIETY ROSTER FOR OCTOBER

Maree Chie & Mary Middleton

HOME ROSARY



"How beautiful is the family that recites the Rosary every evening." - Pope St John Paul II

Bernie & Colleen Graham
11 Diamond Street, Tingha
Wednesday 23 October at 4.30pm

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Pastoral Council - Wed 16 Oct 2024, 5.00pm
Liturgy Committee - Sat 19 Oct 2024, 9.00am
Sunday Morning Tea - Sun 10 Nov 2024, after Mass
Finance Committee - Wed 11 Dec 2024, 5.00pm
Winners of the 3rd 100 Club Fundraiser will be drawn after the 9am Mass this Sunday.
Prize Raffle. Tickets will go on sale for the prize raffle on 26/27 October. \$5 per ticket. 1st Prize - \$300 voucher from House to Home—Inverell Garden Centre. 2nd Prize - \$100 voucher from Lennon's Butchery. 3rd Prize - gift box to the value of \$50 from Campbell & Freebairn Chemist.
Mission Sunday Special Collection: This weekend there will be a special collection for the World Mission Appeal. Envelopes will be provided. Please donate generously.
Advertise your business: Do you have a business? Does someone you know have a business? Our Parish would like to support your business by providing advertising at a reasonable cost. This way we are helping your business and you are helping the parish in the printing costs of the Sunday bulletin. We would also like to be Catholics supporting Catholic businesses. If you could supply a business card size (approx. 9cm X 4cm) image of the details of your business, as in the example on the right, then for \$50 per month the advertisement will appear each Sunday. The ad can run for a mutually agreed period of months. Please contact the Parish Office for more details OR email your image and we will get started.

Prayer to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary

Queen of the Holy Rosary, inspire my heart with a sincere love of this devotion, in order that by meditating on the Mysteries of our Redemption which are recalled in it, I may be enriched with its fruits and obtain peace for the world. May I pray it worthily for the greater glory of God, for your own honour, and for the good of souls, especially my own. Amen.

Prayer to St Joseph After the Rosary for October: For the remainder of October this prayer to St Joseph, which was composed by Pope Leo XIII, will be prayed at the end of the Rosary. There is a partial indulgence granted, under the usual conditions, for those who pray it with devotion.

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.



MASS ROSTER	19Oct-Sat 6.00pm	20Oct-Sun 9am	26Oct-Sat 6pm	27Oct-Sun 9am
Projector	J Kelly	R McGregor	M Gaukroger	MJ Guest
Readers	M Casey-Ransom & S O'Brien	K Hutchings & D McMahon	J Harris & S Szumowski	S Hollis & J Thivakon
Commentator	N McCosker	MJ Guest	J Monie	M Robinson
Offertory	Volunteer	M Robinson	Volunteer	M Wales & volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	A Michael	MJ Guest	J Monie	J Rainger
Counters		G Chie & G Fleming		N Turner