

# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

15 SEPTEMBER 2024

WHO DO PEOPLE SAY I AM? In modern parlance, we could say that Jesus was seeking some feedback from his disciples about himself, especially how he was perceived, when he asked this question. If we were to ask Jesus, 'how would you describe today's Christians?', what feedback do you think he might give? How do you think a non-believer might describe the Christian community?

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** cf. Sir 36:18

**Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.**

## GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

## PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you are the image of the unseen God: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

P. You are the first born of all creation: Christ, have mercy.

**R. Christ, have mercy.**

P. You are the head of the body, the Church: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

**R. Amen.**

## GLORIA

**Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / 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.**

## COLLECT

P. Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

Isa 50:5-9

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah.**  
*I gave my body to those who struck me.*

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults.

So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me?

Then let us go to court together.

Who thinks he has a case against me?

Let him approach me.

The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### RESP PSALM

Ps 114:1-6, 8-9. R. v. 9

**R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living. (or Alleluia!)**

1. I love the Lord for he has heard / the cry of my appeal; / for he turned his ear to me / in the day when I called him. **R.**

2. They surrounded me, the snares of death, / with the anguish of the tomb; / they caught me, sorrow and distress. / I called on the Lord's name. / O Lord my God, deliver me! **R.**

3. How gracious is the Lord, and just; / our God has compassion. / The Lord protects the simple hearts; / I was helpless so he saved me. **R.**



4. He has kept my soul from death, / my eyes from tears / and my feet from stumbling. / I will walk in the presence of the Lord / in the land of the living. **R.**

### SECOND READING

James 2:14-18

**A reading from the letter of St James.**

*Faith without good works is dead.*

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Gal 6:14

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.**

**Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL

Mk 8:27-35

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

**P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.**

**R. Glory to you, O Lord.**



24th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

HOLY EUCHARIST & ST. MARY'S MALVERN EAST

15th of September 2024

ST. JOSEPH'S MALVERN

ST. ROCH'S GLEN IRIS

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**Parish Office Hours**

**Parish Coordinator:** Mrs Karina Burga R.

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**Administrative Assistant:** Ms Bernadette Winkels

**Location:** 91 Manning Road, Malvern East

**Office Hours:** Tuesday to Friday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Mass Times**

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary's
	9:30 a.m.	St. Roch's
	10:30 a.m.	St. Joseph's
	5:00 p.m.	St Roch's
Monday	5:30 p.m.	St. Roch's
Tuesday	9:15 a.m.	St. Joseph's
Wednesday	5:30 p.m. [Exposition until 7 p.m.]	St. Roch's
Thursday	9:15 a.m. [Exposition until 10:30 a.m.]	St. Mary's
	12:00 p.m.	Cabrini Chapel
Friday	9:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Saturday	9:15 a.m.	St. Mary's

**Confessions:**

Saturday	4:30 p.m.—4:50 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Sunday	8:00 a.m.—8:20 a.m.	St. Mary's
	9:00 a.m.—9:20 a.m.	St. Roch's
	10:00 a.m.—10:20 a.m.	St. Joseph's
	4:30 p.m.—4:50 p.m.	St Roch's

**Confessions**—will be heard after Mass during the week, including Saturday morning.

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS COMING WEEK**

Sat 14th Sept	5:00 p.m	Thanksgiving
Sun 15th Sept	8:30am	<i>Pro Popolo</i>
	9:30am	Karla Muirhead, for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary of her death.
	10:30am	Tom Kelly, for the repose of his soul on his anniversary
	5:00pm	Private Intention
Mon 16th Sept	5:30pm	Patrick Duffy McMahon, for the repose of his soul
Tues 17th Sept	9:15am	Norman Middleton, recently deceased
Wed 18th Sept	5:30pm	Norma McMahon, for the repose of her soul.
Thur 19th Sept	9:15am	Margaret D'Rosario, on the anniversary of her death
Fri 20th Sept	9:15am	Bert Nazzari, for the anniversary of his death.
Sat 21st Sept	9:15am	Norman Middleton, recently deceased, for the repose of his soul.

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE:**

**CURRENTLY SICK:** Sr. Mary Treacy LCM, Andy Basa, Sam Bernardo, Alonso Castelino, Chris Connaughton, Peter Conroy, Tony Davenport, Delfina Di Pasquale, Iris Dumenden, Linette Falckh, Gigi Falckh, Karl Falckh, Margaret Gladstone, Raymond Gibson, Classina Griffieon, Renee Lawrence, Arlette Lobo, Maria Lombardo, Gemma Lopes, Colleen Lloyd, Maureen Kaylor, Margaret Marriott, Mary Maconochie, Audrey Marden, Keith McDougall, Michelle Moore, Laila Petrie, Monique Poussin, Danuta Przekwas, Mercedes Sanabria, Corrin Stares, Maria Speranza, Frances Trainor, Ricardo Velandia, Leigh Wingate.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Anthony Horton Barber

**ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME:** Helena Adamsons, Salvatore Barnao, Gertrude Brennan, Margaret Brown, Hazel Buntine, Elizabeth Cassou-Dessus, Francoise Cassou-Dessus, Clorinda Dingli, Jack Gravener, Samuel Griffith, Elizabeth Hannan, William Hawting, Lily Jones, Edward Mackie, Monica McColl, William McKertich, Marjorie Murphy, Gregory Ridsdale, Elizabeth Roberts, Michael Smith, Sidney White.

### NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial  
with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was  
incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
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.

I 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  
adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and  
apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the  
resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

### SOCIAL @ THE MALVERN

For those aged 30-45 years

Join us on the last Friday of the month for a  
casual evening of food/drinks and mingling.  
Dinner available for those interested.

The Malvern Hotel (sofa area)  
Cnr of Malvern & Glenferrie Rds  
**Next: Friday 27th September, 7pm**

All parishes welcome.

### PIZZA AND PRAYER

Students in Year 9-12  
6:00 - 8:30pm  
St Roch's, Narthex  
200 Burke Rd, Glen Iris  
\$10 donation for pizza appreciated  
2nd Sunday of each month

*Youth from all parishes welcome.*

**Next: Sunday 13th of October**

### YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT

For youth aged 18-30 yo  
The Malvern Hotel  
Cnr Malvern & Glenferrie Rd

Drinks & food available at bar  
prices.

3rd Sunday of the Month,  
6:30pm onwards.

*Youth from all parishes welcome.*

**Next: Sunday 15th of September**

### SAVE THE DATE—DAY OF REFLECTION

Organized by Fr. Tom Christie and Sr. Loretta Brennan

**Date: Saturday, November 23, 2024**

**Location:** Holy Eucharist Gathering Space

A Try Booking sign-up link will be available closer to the date.

For more information, please speak Susanne Tepe or email the Parish office  
at [mmegi@cam.org.au](mailto:mmegi@cam.org.au)

**BEHOLDING Beauty** AN EXHIBIT SHOWCASING THE CREATIVE WORKS OF CATHOLIC ARTISTS

FRI	OPENING NIGHT, 7PM	FRIDAY 20TH –
SAT & SUN	EXHIBITION OPEN, 10AM – 5PM	SUNDAY 22ND
SUN	HOLY HOUR WITH SACRED MUSIC, 7PM	SEPTEMBER

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ST JOSEPH'S MALVERN MUSIC MINISTRY  
IN COLLABORATION WITH  
CABRINI CHOIR  
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20 SUNDAY  
OCT 2PM – 3PM  
Cabrini Malvern Chapel  
183 Wattleree Rd Malvern

Entry by donation at the door

All funds support the  
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### MIGRANT YOUTH FESTIVAL

Celebrating the 110<sup>th</sup> World Day of  
Migrants and Refugees. The  
Migrant Youth Festival is a unique  
opportunity to connect with like-  
minded youths in encountering  
Jesus and to deepen their faith and  
relationship with God.  
Lunch and dinner will be provided.

**When: 29 Sept 2024 from 9am**

**Where:** Cathedral Hall,  
ACU Melbourne.

**Register:** [trybooking.com/CSAYK](http://trybooking.com/CSAYK)

Registrations close 15 September

### A FAITHFUL PROMISE: CATHOLIC MARRIAGE—COVENANT AND CALLING

The ACU Centre for Liturgy is pleased to announce a short course on  
marriage, presented by Professor Clare Johnson, Director of the Centre for  
Liturgy. This program is ideal for anyone involved in ministry to married or  
engaged couples, those working in marriage education and formation, as well  
as teachers, clergy, seminarians, liturgists, pastoral associates, parishioners,  
and anyone with an interest in Catholic sacraments.

**Dates/Times:** The course will take place over four Tuesday nights:

**October 15, 22, and 29, and November 12, 2024, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM  
AEDT. The sessions will be conducted live via Zoom.**

**Cost:** \$100 for the entire course or \$25 per session.

**Registration:** please visit [www.acu.edu.au/marriage\\_short\\_course](http://www.acu.edu.au/marriage_short_course)

*You are the Christ . . . The Son of Man was destined to suffer much.*

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## HOMILY

### PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

*Or the Nicene Creed may be said.*

**I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.**

### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:*

**R. Blessed be God for ever.**

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Look with favour on our supplications, O Lord, and in your kindness accept these, your servants' offerings, that what each has offered to the honour of your name may serve the salvation of all. Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

**R. We lift them up to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**R. It is right and just.**

### PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

*After the Preface, we sing or say:*

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

### THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

**All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.**

### COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .**

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

**All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

**R. Amen.**

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*All exchange a sign of peace.*

### LAMB OF GOD

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON cf. Ps 35:8

**How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May the working of this heavenly gift, O Lord, we pray, take possession of our minds and bodies, so that its effects, and not

our own desires, may always prevail in us. Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

### THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

#### 'WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?'

This quintessential question arises today in two ways: 'who do *people* say I am?' and, 'who do *you* say I am?' The setting for this event that forms the turning point in Mark's Gospel is 'on the way' to Caesarea Philippi. Being on the way is being on the journey with Jesus. It is not clear whether they enter the villages. This conversation is often envisioned as occurring beside the rock wall of the waterfall with its niche and caves and the spring that emerges at the base of Mount Hermon. This cultic setting of the Temple of Pan, other deities and a marble temple to Augustus might distract from Mark's purpose. Meandering along the stream under a Roman bridge, past a water mill, a synagogue and a palace might be enough context to consider the questions on Jesus' lips.

To the first question 'they' – the disciples – answer variously, 'John the Baptist ... Elijah ... one of the prophets.' Peter answers the second question definitively 'You are the Messiah.' This is a crystallisation of the identity of Jesus that we have known from the first line of this Gospel. Yet, it is still not to be told and has been misunderstood so far. What is important for the disciples, and for us, is the first of the passion predictions that follow, and the reality of Jesus' mission. After the rebuke by Peter, Jesus declares to the crowd as well as the disciples 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.' In light of this, how will you answer, 'who do you say I am?'

DR ROSEMARY CANAVAN

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