

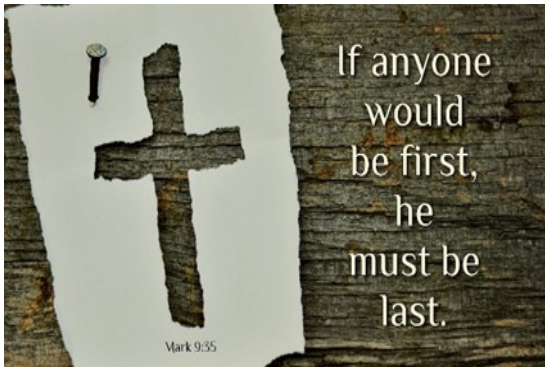


The Bathurst Anglican

The Newsletter of All Saints Cathedral Bathurst

With St Barnabas South Bathurst—St Peters Rockley— St Stephens Fitzgeralds Valley
Holy Spirit Turondale—St Pauls Yetholme

Sunday 22 September 2024 – Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost



If anyone
would
be first,
he
must be
last.

Mark 9:35

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which

Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to preparing his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behavior. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.

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Psalm 54

Save me, O God, by the
power of your name :
and vindicate me by
your might.

**Hear my prayer, O
God : and listen to the
words of my mouth.**

For the insolent have
risen against me :
ruthless men, who have
not set God before them,
seek my life.

**But surely God is my
helper : the Lord is the
upholder of my life.**

[Let evil recoil on those
that would waylay me :
O destroy them in your
faithfulness!]

**Then will I offer you
sacrifice with a willing
heart : I will praise your
name, O Lord, for it is
good.**

For you will deliver me
from every trouble :
my eyes shall see the
downfall of my enemies.

We worship on the traditional lands of the Wiradjuri people and we honour
and pay our respects to elders past and present.

Hymns

Gathering: The Servant Song	650
Gradual: Strengthen For Service	496
Offertory: Here Lord, We Take The Broken Bread	523
Anthem: The Lords Prayer	Brumby
Recessional: Guide Me Oh Thou Great Redeemer	569



Prayer Cycle

THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION *The Church of North India (United).*

NATIONAL CHURCH

The Diocese of Sydney with Archbishop Kanishka Raffel and regional bishops: Michael Stead, Gary Koo, Peter Lin, Peter Hayward, Chris Edwards, and Malcolm Richards along with Archdeacon for women, Kara Hartley, the Dean, Sandy Grant, clergy and people. Thank the Lord for the generosity of the Sydney Diocese, through whose gift, we are able to support our bishop and registrar.

BATHURST DIOCESE

The parish of Trundle - another parish without an ordained minister. Please pray for the licenced lay ministers who are carrying on with love and devotion – but also pray that the Lord will raise someone to minister across the parish and in the many centres, to the glory of God and the building up of his church. Pray also that the Lord will provide the funds needed to support a minister full time.

BIBLE VERSE

*Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. 32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.
Ephesians 4:31-32*

Parish News

SYNOD SERVICE—BISHOP RICHARD CONDIE

The Cathedral will host the Synod Eucharist this Friday, 20 September commencing at 7pm. The preacher will be Bishop Richard Condie of Tasmania, and the celebrant, Bishop Mark Calder. All are welcome.

A very warm welcome is extended to Bishop Condie who will also be our guest preacher at both 8.30am and 10am this Sunday 22 September.

ANNUAL REFUGEE SUNDAY SERVICE

The Annual Refugee Service will be held this Sunday 22 September from 3 pm and will be hosted at the Catholic Parish Centre, Keppel Street, Bathurst. This year, there is a focus on families finding freedom and some special contributions will be from some Ukrainian people now resident in Orange and Molong.

LIFELINE—CENTRAL WEST

Lifeline Central West will be running a specialised 1 day workshop 'Women With Disability' workshop at Bathurst Panthers on Thursday 17 Oct 2024 and you are invited to join in. For further details, phone Mardi on 1300 798 258 (ext166) or email msmoothe@lifelinecentralwest.org.au

DIOCESAN PRAYER: *Remove from our heart Lord God, all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Please Father, help us to be more and more like you: kind and compassionate, forgiving one another, just as through Jesus, you have forgiven us. May all relationships be shaped by this kindness, compassion, forgiveness. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.*

FINANCE AUGUST

Income:	\$ 26, 905
(collections, rent etc.)	
Expenditure:	\$ 40, 103
Net Loss:	\$ 13,198



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Hanging in there



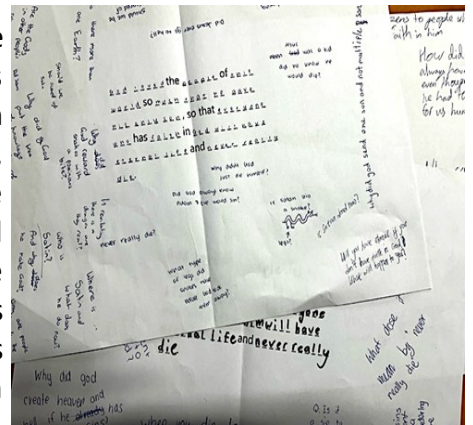
Help !

Come Along & Join A Parish Group

KIDS CLUB:	Thursday 3.45-5pm Cathedral/Hall
FELLOWSHIP:	1st Monday of month, 10.30am—Bring your Handwork/Lunch. Phone 6331 4711 for venue
	Tuesday 7:30pm—Call James 0449 556 566
	Wednesday 7:30pm—Call Phil 0411 281 915
	Thursday 7:30pm call Phil 0411 281 915
MU:	Mothers Union—4th Tuesday each month, 5pm—Abbott Room, Cathedral
PRAYER:	1st Monday each month, 5.30pm—Abbott Room
CHOIR:	Each Thursday, 7.00pm—Abbott Room
BELLRINGERS:	Wednesday 6pm—Belltower. For enquiries phone +Richard 0409 633 789

10 AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE *with Phil Howes*

Questions about God and faith are so good! This term at 58's we've been looking at questions in various formats, especially questions that they've specifically asked. It's been fascinating to see how much these have changed over the last 25 years. Questions about identity, technology, health and death seem to be popular. One of the activities we did was for the kids to chat together in small groups and ask questions of some key texts together, then see if they can come up with some answers. Have you ever wondered "Did God always know Adam & Eve would sin?" or do we have "eternal life in this body?". Other questions they had from their own discussion on John 3:16 were "What types of legs did snakes have before God took them away?" or "Why does Satan hate God?", "are the gods in other people's religions like our God?", "are some sins different levels to God?"



It has been so wonderful this term to see not only the penny drop on answers to some of their issues but also joining the dots and being able to refer back to things from weeks before to answer some of each other's questions. Next term we'll be getting into what it looks like to follow Jesus.

Special congratulations to Lenard McDaid getting confirmed today.

DIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

This is a special invitation, open to all the women in the Bathurst Diocese! We would love for you to join with other women from across our Diocese for the Diocesan Women's Conference. The conference will be held at the **Bathurst Cathedral on Saturday 19 October, from 9am to 3pm**. It will be a wonderful day of both teaching and fellowship. Please bring a plate of morning tea to share. Also BYO picnic lunch to have with others or feel free to enjoy lunch at one of the local cafes. Our speaker, Clare Deeves, will be opening up the book of Hebrews. Clare is an assistant minister at Kallaroo Anglican Church in Perth, with particular responsibility for women and coordinating the church's training. To register for the FREE event, visit www.bathurstanglican.org.au/event/womens-conference/. We really hope to see you there! Best wishes, Sho Howes and the Organising Committee

SERVICES

Cathedral	
Monday	8.30am
Tuesday	
Wednesday	8.30am
Thursday	8.30am BCP
Friday	10.00am
Saturday	5.00pm (6pm DST)
Sunday	
<i>Choral Eucharist</i>	8.30am
<i>Contemporary</i>	10.00am
St Barnabas	
Sunday	10.00am
3rd Thursday	10.30am
St Peters Rockley	
1st Sunday	10.30am
St Pauls Yetholme	
1st Sunday	11am
St Stephens Fitzgeralds Valley	
4th Sunday	2.00pm
Holy Spirit Turondale	
Third Sunday	2.00pm
Healing Service	
1st Sunday	4.00pm

PARISH INFORMATION

CLERGY

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 Rev James Boardman
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 Rev Clare Percival
 Bishop Richard Hurford
 Rev Anastasia Webster-Hawes
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 If you wish to give by Direct Giving these are the deposit account details.

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USEFUL ONLINE LINKS

Bishop's You Tube Channel

In your browser search Mark Calder you tube. A variety of services are available there.

Website

www.bathurstanglicanecathedral.org.au

Cathedral Facebook Page

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**A READING FROM THE PROPHET JEREMIAH
11.18-20**

It was the Lord who made it known to me,
and I knew;
then you showed me their evil deeds.
But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.
And I did not know it was against me
that they devised schemes, saying,
'Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
so that his name will no longer be remembered!'
But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously,
who try the heart and the mind,
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

For the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

**A READING FROM THE LETTER OF JAMES
3.1-12**

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

For the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

**A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING
TO MARK 9:30-37**

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he

will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

READINGS IN CONTEXT

James 3:1-12 *Far from being theoretical and speculative, James's concept of wisdom is thoroughly practical. It is the understanding and attitude that result in true piety and godliness.*

Mark 9:30-37 *In this passage, the disciples fail to understand Jesus' second prediction of his suffering, death and resurrection. Then they show that they don't understand Jesus' convictions about greatness and humility, either.*

"Ambition!

We must be careful what we mean by it.

If it means the desire to get ahead of other people—which is what I think it does mean—

then it is bad. If it means simply wanting to

do a thing well, then it is good."

C.S.Lewis

Answers to Questions on Christianity