

GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-48

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

See that you are prepared.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.

'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.' Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Discovering Global Mission

How can our skills create better opportunities for disadvantaged people? Communities in Timor Leste, PNG, Samoa, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to build local capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes. Find out how teacher Colleen Malone assisted both educators and students in Papua New Guinea, and how sharing your skills can immerse you in a world of deep cultural discovery. Qualified medics, teachers, tradies, business and admins are always required. Palms Meet and Greet: Sunday 1 September 2019, 10:30am. Arts Centre Café Art Gallery Rd, CAMPBELLTOWN. www.palms.org.au



A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police.

If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or

safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil),

Sunday: 8am,
10am (Children's Liturgy),
6pm, 12noon (Polish).

THIS WEEK'S MASSES

Tuesday - 8.00am

Wednesday - 8.00am

Thursday - 8am, 9am & 7pm

Friday - 8.00am

Saturday - 8.00am

Nursing Home Masses

Friday - 11am Bupa Greenacre

Vietnamese Mass

7 pm - 1st Thurs of each month.

DEVOTIONS

Benediction: Saturday 7.00am.

Rosary: Saturday 8.25am.

Divine Mercy Prayer:

6.30pm - 1st Wed of each month.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation:

Saturday 4.30 - 5.30 pm

Or by appointment.

Marriages: By arrangement with
at least 6 months notice.

Care for the Sick: Any time.
Please call the Presbytery.

Baptisms: Preparation classes are
held in the Presbytery on the
1st Sunday of each month
after 10AM Mass .



"...You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.."

Luke 12:40

Responsorial Psalm

R. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

You know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

Comm Antiphon: O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

This weeks readings - Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:32-48

Next Weekend: 20th Sun in Ord Time - Year C.

Readings: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10; Hebrews 12:1-4; Luke 12:49-53

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C - 11th August 2019

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Thursday 15th August

Thursday is a Holy day of Obligation. Mass times will be at 8.00am, 9.00am and 7.00pm.

Small Steps Presentation

Small steps is a free anxiety awareness program which is being presented at St Felix Primary School Hall on Friday 16th August at 9.00am. The presentation will last between one-two hours and cover: The difference between normal anxiety and anxiety disorders; Types of anxiety disorders; Signs and symptoms of anxiety disorders. This visual presentation will be presented by a speaker from the WayAhead - Mental Health Assoc. NSW. All welcome. See flyer on Bulletin backboard.

Josephite Association

The Josephites are meeting in the presbytery on Sunday 11th at 2.00pm. New people welcome!

St Brendan's Friendship Club - trip to the Hunter Valley

Sunday, 29th September, 2019 (School Holidays)

The trip will include morning tea at Mooney Mooney on the Hawkesbury River and an all-you-can-eat buffet lunch at the Maitland Bowling Club. After lunch - winery visits and shop at the Pokolbin Village. Cost is \$60 adults and \$50 children. The coach will depart from St Brendan's at 8.30am. For bookings and further information, please contact Venero or Catina on 9707 1403 or 0403 852 811

Mass Intentions:

Recently Deceased: Maria Cecilia Tran Thi Tuyet; Maria Luu Thi Tuoi

Anniversary: Maria Nguyen Thi Nguyet.

Deceased: Mathew Chu Van Tuynh; Daminh Tiem; John Field; Jean-Noel Luc Dasivla

Sick: Christopher Amodeo, Marie Abi-Saab, Tom Quilty, Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima Fernandes; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Dinh Thi An; Teresita Martinez; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Madelyn Nicole; Andrew Nguyen; Jun Ibarra; Abida Gill; Vo Van Kiet; Maria Portia Mariano; Maria Bui Thi Don; Josette Ackad; Linda Yusnanda; Nivea Wani; Diana Emilie Perez (daughter of Rosa House).

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society: 18/8/19 Group 3: Youth Group, Samoan Divine Mercy Group, Tram Vu (Florist)

St Vincent de Paul: 18/8/19 D Rodrigues **25/8/19** Andrew Nguyen

Church Cleaners: 16/8/19: Vinh Nguyen **Children's Liturgy:** 18th August- Denice

Weekend Choirs 18/8/19: Vigil - St Anne's Choir **Sunday 8am** - Singing Servants of God
Sunday 10am - Samoan Divine Mercy Group. **6pm** - Youth Choir

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	11 AUGUST	8am	10am	6pm
C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Maxwell Asuzu	Helen Vujevic	Elias Eltarraf	
R	Gloria Booby	Kiara Asuzu	Jessica Vujevic	Charbel Eltarraf	
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Emmanuel Icard	Thao Nguyen	Rosa House	Paul Ngoc	
M	Cindy Hoang	Melanie Campisi	Tu Nguyen	Phu Nguyen	
18 AUGUST					
C	Patrick Abourizk	Joseph Dang	Thu Ha Kim		
R	Kalisiana Mar	Imelda Dela Cruz	Mary O'Hea		
A	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Gloria Booby	Mesake Mar	Ala Pesamino	Amelia Mezentsef	
M	Judy Jones	Robyn Molloy	Joe Luongo	Loreto Eduardo	

Reflection

Be alert

Years ago, most families had only one or two clocks in their home. Today, we have clocks everywhere—on our walls, on our microwave ovens, on our DVD players, on our cell phones, and so on. As a family, go through the house and count how many clocks (time-telling devices) your family has. Talk about important events for which family members need to be on time. Recall experiences of being late for something, either as individuals or as a family. Explain that in this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus talks about how important it is for us to be aware and alert, otherwise, we will miss something.

Read aloud Luke 12:32-48. Talk about the parable that Jesus told and discuss how the master will feel if he arrives to find his servant doing his job. Discuss what our job is as disciples of Jesus. Explain that, just as we need to be aware of the time so that we don't miss anything important, we also need to be alert and focused on our jobs, our responsibilities as followers of Jesus.

Encourage each family member to place a sacred symbol near the clock that they use most in the house and to use the symbol and the clock as a reminder that it is always "time" for us to be acting like disciples of Christ.

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Help stop the legalisation of Abortion in NSW

Earlier this week, the *Reproductive Health Care Reform Bill 2019 (Bill)* was tabled in NSW Parliament. If passed, it will make abortion legal up until birth in NSW, for any reason, as long as two doctors agree if the baby is more than 22 weeks' old.

There has been no community consultation on this Bill. Attempts to rush the Bill through Parliament intentionally exclude the voices of all concerned citizens, including people of faith, from the debate. **We must act immediately to try and stop this Bill.**

Please **urgently** contact your NSW State Member of Parliament and ask them to vote against this Bill. Your local member's details are: Tania Mihailuk Phone: 9708 3838 Email: bankstown@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Simply phone the electorate office during business hours and let them know that you are from the local area, and would like to ask the Member to vote against the abortion bill.

Some reasons you can provide for asking them to vote against the Bill include:

It would allow abortion up until birth with the approval of two doctors, for any reason.

It does nothing to provide alternatives for women who feel distressed at being pregnant and feel they have 'no other option.'

It provides no protection for women experiencing violence (According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, 48 per cent of women who report violence from a former partner were abused during pregnancy, as are 18 per cent of women who report violence from a current partner.)

It overrides conscience of doctors and other medical professionals or institutions, requiring them to disclose their objection and refer to another doctor or institution who will perform the abortion.

It will leave unborn children and distressed pregnant women even more at risk.

There has been no community consultation on the Bill.

Voters have been denied the opportunity to have their voices heard in this debate.

Catholics believe that women and babies deserve better than abortion.

If you know a woman experiencing difficulty because of an unexpected pregnancy, please know that there is help available. The Church, through its many agencies, can provide support to women who feel they have no choice available to them other than abortion.

Thank you for your willingness to help in building a culture of life in NSW!