

when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL : Luke 16:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
During your life good things came your way just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not

come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham, "let them listen to them." "Ah, no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord.

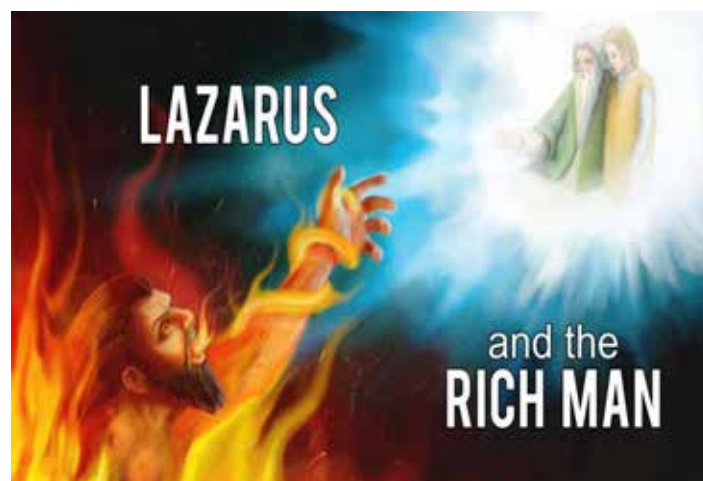
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Is 66:10-14;
2 Tim 1: 6-8, 13-14;
Mt 18: 1-5.



Mobile phones at Mass.

To maintain a spirit of reverence and solemnity, please turn off and refrain from using all mobile telephones and other electronic devices during Mass.

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MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY VIGIL:	6:00 pm.
SUNDAY:	8:00 am and 10:00 am.
MONDAY:	No Mass.
TUESDAY through to SATURDAY:	9.00 am Mass.
FRIDAY:	9.00 am Mass. Exposition & Benediction every Friday after Mass.
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday 5pm – 5.45pm or by appointment.
Baptism:	Every Sunday at 11.30am. Please contact Parish Office.
Marriage:	By appointment.
Anointing of the sick:	Please give names to Father Roberto Castillo.

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

24th / 25th September 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING: Amos 6:1. 4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos
You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria.

Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all.

That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

RESPONSE: Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **Response.**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. **Response.**

He upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. **Response.**

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy
Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called

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24/ 25 SEPTEMBER 2022 – 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM
Acolyte	R MORFUNI	A STANTON	G MOODLEY
Reader	J PERERA	Y LEUNG	VOLUNTEER
Offertory	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY
Projection			
Altar Servers	GROUP 4: WONG FAMILY	JOSH MULROE	GROUP 8: ELIE & ALYSSIA BARAZ
Welcomers	S CHAMISA		VOLUNTEER WANTED
Counters	GROUP 8: F KURNIWAN A NAGANATHAN D TAN		
Altar Flowers	J KEYSER	SEPTEMBER ATAR LINEN: MAUREEN PEARCE	

1 / 2 OCTOBER 2022 – 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM – FAMILY MASS
Acolyte	R MORFUNI	D ELLIS	G MOODLEY
Reader	V PERERA	E WHEELER	R DEARING
Offertory	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY
Projection			
Altar Servers	GRP 1: JAMES D'MELLO & AIDEN SHEEKA	JOSH MULROE	GROUP 5: DEARING FAMILY
Welcomers	S CHAMISA		VOLUNTEER WANTED
Counters	GROUP 9: C DABBAH T DABBAH A STANTON		
Altar Flowers	KAYSHINEE PERERA / TINA CHAMISA	OCTOBER ALTAR LINEN: MIRA SAVIC	

PARISH NEWS & NOTICES:

Request for Mass and Prayers.

We pray for those who have recently died especially Queen Elizabeth II. Also pray for those who celebrate anniversaries.

Please also remember to pray for those within our parish who are sick especially Sydney D'Mello.



Applications For Reconciliation for children in Year 2.

Please come and collect an application for your child's Reconciliation after Mass. This form needs to be completed and returned to the presbytery (8 Inkerman Road, Denistone) ASAP along with the contribution fee.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents that the **Parent Information Evening** will be held on the **19th October 2022 in St Therese Church.**



Nominate a committed parishioner.

We would like to take the time to acknowledge those within our parish who help us so much with their dedication to the parish, community minded friendship, christian values and so much more.

So please use the voting slip and write the full name of a person whom you think we should recognise. So have your say with your vote.

We will add the numbers of votes and recognise FOUR parishioners.

We will acknowledge these people at the Parish Luncheon.



Would You Like to Help the Parish With A Monthly Donation?

If you currently do not contribute to our envelopes and now wish to help support the parish please contact the Parish Office to arrange YOUR set of Planned Giving envelopes or take a copy of the credit card authority form from the front foyer.



Parish Celebration.

PARISH LUNCHEON

Sunday 16th October 2022, at 12 midday.



Please write your name on the clipboards in the front foyer as numbers are needed for catering purposes.

We are celebrating the feast day of our patron, Saint Therese, with a parish luncheon at the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club.

Once again, Fr Roberto has decided to subsidise the costs of the luncheon, and there is now a further discount, **as a generous person gave a small donation which we are using to subsidise the children's meals at the luncheon.**

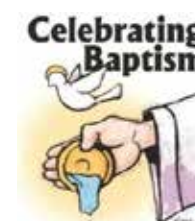
Cost per head - children 5yrs to 12yrs is now \$10.

Adults (12 yrs and over) \$50 per head
children (5yrs to 12 years) \$10 per head.
Children under 5 are free!

Please continue to pay for your tickets, give the money to Fr Roberto or put the money in a clearly marked envelope in the parish letterbox at 8 Inkerman Road, Denistone.

Baptism.

This Sunday we will welcome into our faith community Juliette Gougerot. We congratulate her parents Anita & Clement Gougerot and their families.



Social Justice Statement.

In a tradition reaching back to 1940, the Australian Catholic Bishops release major social justice statements each year in time for Social Justice Sunday. Through this tradition they contribute to the development of local Catholic Social Teaching. The statements encourage the Catholic community to reflect and act on social, economic and ecological issues. They remind us of the social dimension of the mission of the Church. Previously Social Justice Sunday was celebrated on the last Sunday in September. From 2020, Social Justice Sunday will be celebrated in Australia on the last Sunday in August.

Some copies of the latest statement "RESPECT CONFRONTING VIOLENCE AND ABUSE" are available from the church foyer.



ST THERESE FEAST 2022

St. Therese's Feast day will be celebrated on the weekend of the **1st and 2nd October 2022** at St. Therese Parish Denistone.

We invite parishioners to bring flowers for St Therese to thank our saint for all the favours and blessings we have received throughout the year.

Vases will be available at all Masses.



St Thérèse has been a highly influential model of sanctity for Catholics and for others because of the simplicity and practicality of her approach to spiritual life. Together with Francis of Assisi, she is one of the most popular saints in the history of the church.

Saint Therese is one of those great saints who went to Heaven following a more simple path; the path of love, humility, simplicity and surrender. Her "Little Way" as she called it.



Noted below are some beautiful thoughts from her:

"Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing."

"The world's thy ship and not thy home."

"If every tiny flower wanted to be a rose, spring would lose its loveliness."

"God would never inspire me with desires which cannot be realized; so in spite of my littleness, I can hope to be a saint."

DAYLIGHT SAVING BEGINS

in NSW on Sunday 2nd October 2022. Don't forget that clocks go forward one hour at 2:00am.



THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY
THE CHURCH. ALL OF IT.

- DAI LE: Western Sydney talks back
- Campion Ball: A Knight to Remember
- Building up the FEMININE GENIUS
 - Reaching out to Africa
 - Movie review: *Padre Pio*
 - The horror we don't mention