

**SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 4:6-8. 16-18**

**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy**

**All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.**

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me - may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.**

**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL: Luke 18:9-14**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**  
**The publican returned to his home justified; the pharisee did not.**

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else. 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful

to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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



**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

**We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.**

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Wis 11: 22-12:2;**

**2 Thess 1: 11-2:2;**

**Lk 19: 1-10.**

**The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office:** If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney please call the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office on 02 9390 5812 or **speak with our Parish Safeguarding Support Officer Helen Vaz through the Parish Office.**

**View the Archdiocese of Sydney website.**

The Archdiocese Policies, Protocols and guidelines are public documents and are available on their Archdiocese website.

## PARISH OF ST. THERESE, DENISTONE



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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.

## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

**22<sup>nd</sup> / 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2022**

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

**Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.**

**FIRST READING: Sirach 35:12-14. 16-19**

**A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus**

**The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.**

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable, nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**RESPONSE: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. **Response.**

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. **Response.**

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. **Response.**

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**22 / 23 OCTOBER 2022 – 30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM
Acolyte	T DABBAH	D ELLIS	M MORELLI
Reader	J PERERA	Y LEUNG	VOLUNTEER
Offertory	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY
Projection	V PERERA		
Altar Servers	GROUP 4: WONG FAMILY	JOSH MULROE	GROUP 8: ELIE & ALYSSIA BARAZ
Welcomers	S CHAMISA		VOLUNTEER WANTED
Counters	GROUP 1: B. CLARK	A. STANTON	P. BRODERICK
Altar Flowers	J KEYSER	OCTOBER ALTAR LINEN: MIRA SAVIC	

**29 / 30 OCTOBER 2022 – 31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM – FAMILY MASS
Acolyte	R MORFUNI	D D'MELLO	G MOODLEY
Reader	V PERERA	E WHEELER	R DEARING
Offertory	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY
Projection	J KENNY OR J MCLEOD		
Altar Servers	GRP 1: JAMES D'MELLO & AIDEN SHEEKA	JOSH MULROE	GROUP 5: DEARING FAMILY
Welcomers	S CHAMISA		VOLUNTEER WANTED
Counters	GROUP 2: T DABBAH	C DABBAH	
Altar Flowers	N HAHN	OCTOBER ALTAR LINEN: MIRA SAVIC	

**PARISH NEWS & NOTICES:**

**Request for Mass and Prayers.**

We pray for those who have recently died especially Therese Richardson and Lina Scolaro. Also pray for those who celebrate anniversaries.



**Applications for Reconciliation for children in Year 2.**

This weekend we welcome the children from our local schools who are going to start our First Reconciliation programme. The children will be presented to the parish community at Mass **THIS Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 6pm Vigil Mass** or **Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 8am or 10am Masses.**

The **FIRST** session of the programme begins on **Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm** in the church.



**BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY**

This week Catholic Mission offers us the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to help prevent malnutrition, especially in babies and young children, and help disadvantaged families provide food for their loved ones.

The Deberety Goat Rearing Centre is a dream of the local Church and community in Emdibir. When established, the Centre aims to provide nutritious goats milk for families in need, like Neela's\*, so that babies like Ajani\* can be healthy and strong.

Please give generously today to help kickstart this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope provided, going online at [catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia](http://catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia), or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

\*Name altered to protect identity



Freecall: 1800 257 296  
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**October is the Month of the Rosary.**

Every October, the Catholic Church asks the faithful to spend some time thinking about the Blessed Virgin Mary and saying a prayer closely associated with her: the rosary. So let us all renew our regular praying of the rosary and our devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.



**Parish Luncheon last weekend.**

Our parish lunch was a wonderful success, people were so happy to be able to take time and share a meal and good conversation with parish friends.

During lunch Fr Roberto thanked all our volunteers but a special thank you was given to those voted by you, our parishioners. Therefore, it was a pleasure for Fr Roberto to specially acknowledge:

John Kenny,  
Jan and Vern Keyser  
and Elizabeth Wheeler.

All of these wonderful people have been devoted to help here for many years and in so many ways!

**Altar Servers Party.**

Fr Roberto is very grateful to all the children who have persevered and been so helpful and faithful. Therefore we are organising a thank you party for the Altar Servers on **Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> November at 9am at Top Ryde Timezone.** Thomas Dabbah and his Mum, Fadwa, will supervise the children along with any parents who wish to stay and help. **The cost for each child will be \$10 only as the parish will subsidize the rest of the costs.**



**Rite of Commitment for First Reconciliation.**

Priest: Are you Ready to present your child for the Sacrament of Reconciliation?

**Parents: Yes, I wish to present my child for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I realise my responsibility for my child's faith development and I promise to support my child in the preparation for this sacrament of God's forgiveness and love.**

Priest: My sisters and brothers, will you support by love and prayer, these families who are preparing for this sacrament?

Priest: May the Holy Spirit guide you in the time of preparation for this sacrament and help you to grow in God's love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**



**November Masses.**

*"It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins."*

2 Maccabees 12:46

It is already this time of the year, when we remember our loved ones by offering special Masses for them during November.

Throughout this month and beyond, Masses will be offered for all your relatives and friends for their eternal repose.

Please use the November envelopes provided (*in the foyer*) and clearly write on it, the names of your family members and place them in any of the two collections or give them to Fr Roberto.

The offerings you place in the envelopes are used to support your priest.

So take the time this November and remember your loved ones. Please note that all our parish Masses celebrated throughout November are offered for our dearly departed.

**All Saints Day.**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> November the parish will celebrate at the usual Tuesday 9am morning Mass, where we will praise all the saints both past, present and future.



**All Souls Day Mass.**

On the Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> November the parish will offer ONE Mass for the faithfully departed at 9am.

**Daily Mass books.**

Every year we purchase new daily Mass books for those who regularly attend weekday Masses.

We have placed our order for the 2023 books.

If you wish to buy your own individual copy, please tell Fr Roberto or Gayle. The books will cost \$25.00 each.

2023 DAILY MASSBOOK

