

FR ALO WRITES...

“Tenants of God’s Graces”

(Matthew 21:33-43)

In psychology a person who has certain talents and qualities should claim them as his or hers. This is the way of making a person feel at home: accepting, appreciating and loving himself/herself as he/she is. In Christianity those talents and capacities are called treasures. The gospel of today speaks about treasures. What do you have that you treasure? You may think of your home and all that is in it, your garden, your savings, and smaller things which are dear possessions. You may think of the talents and skills that you use in your work and play. Maybe what you treasure most are the people in your life; family and friends. It could also be your faith in God, your relationship with him and your religious practices.

The Lord invites us to think of these treasures as the vineyard that he describes in this gospel story. The landowner planted it with care and put in it all that was needed. As I mentioned above, in psychology we are told to own those qualities. However, in Christianity we understand that they are leased to us. All that we treasure, we do not own. Everything we have is leased out to us and we hold them in trust.

As tenants of God’s treasures and free creatures indeed we are also free to choose to cultivate those treasures or not to do anything with them. Sometimes we need people around us to make us aware of our treasures and how to develop them in a proper way that will produce fruits. They are people sent by God to help us to grow. In the gospel of today Jesus was indicating that his presence and some other messengers as the ones sent by his Father to the vineyard to help those tenants. To his surprise, they are met with resistance and violence; the servants are beaten up and some of them are killed. They even killed his only Son.

The simple question is ‘How do we develop these treasures?’ There are lots of ways in which to develop them. Identification is the first step. The second step is claiming them not as mine but as gifts given to me to look after and to develop them in a proper way. What does it mean to develop them in a proper way? I used to think seriously how to develop my potentials. And there is a very simple thing that I tended to forget: “Give it away”. Once you decide to give your talents away for the sake of others and God, you will receive more.

It is amazing to see people give away what they treasure. Generous people give their time, energy and money in the service of their families and others in their local communities and beyond. Parents let their children go; my own parents spent their working lives improving and developing their farm and carpentry and would have wished that one of their children would stay to inherit the land and the carpentry skill. I remember my father did not allow me to enter Minor Seminary to train myself for the priesthood, because he wished that I would one day become a carpenter like himself. However, they made no protest when all four of us grew up and went away. How much better our world would be if we saw ourselves not as owners of what we have, but as tenants, and were ready to share the produce when asked to do so.



THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 4 OCT

6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 5 OCT

9:30am Mass + Kids Church, Morning Tea
3:30pm Indonesian Mass
6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 6 OCT

9:00am Mass
9:30am Reconciliation

WEDNESDAY 8 OCT

9:00am Mass

FRIDAY 10 OCT

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY 11 OCT

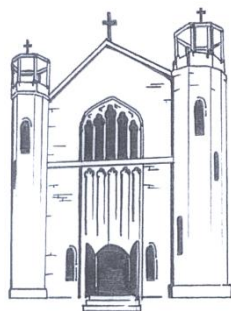
6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 12 OCT

9:30am Mass + Kids Church, Morning Tea
3:30pm Indonesian Mass
6:00pm Mass

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome! Let us know how we can support you in your faith journey. Please introduce yourself to the parish priest and/or one of the hospitality team at morning tea.



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 Maria Caetano (Mon-Fri 9am-1pm)

MASS TIMES
 Sat - 6pm (Vigil)
 Sun - 9:30am (Family), 6pm
 Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am
 Indonesian Mass Sun - 3:30pm
 French Mass Third Sun - 11am

RECONCILIATION
 Mon 9:30am or by appointment

HOLY HOUR + RECONCILIATION
 Thursday before 1st Friday - 7:00pm

INDONESIAN COMMUNITY
 Fr Aloysius Tamnge msc – 0426 042 624

BAPTISMS
 First Sunday - 11am, bookings required

WEDDINGS
 By Appointment

SACRAMENTS
 Contact parish office

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RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
 Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

FIRST READING
 Isaiah 5:1-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
 The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

SECOND READING
 Philippians 4:6-9

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

GOSPEL
 Matthew 21:33-43

COMMUNION ANTIPHON
 The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK
 Miriam McKoy, Fr Roger Duggan msc, Neville Dunn, Mr MacKenzie, Fr Chris Murphy msc, Tom Regan, Pam (Rose's friend), Derek Chick, Tony (Dulwich Hill), Br James Maher msc, Francesco Alessi, Fr Peter Robinson msc, Lucia Simeone, Assunta Ciaglia, Natalina Beghetto, Frank Zakrzewski, Llewellyn Samuel, Antonio Laquian, Joe Di Blasio, Rina Vecchief, Betty Mansfield, Anton's mum, Nella Custorella, Marie LaBrooy, Patty Ingram, Dee Piper, Rosaria Ciaglia, Frank George, Colleen Corcoran, Zanita Banzon, Angela Breen Ortega

BELOVED DECEASED
 Jenny Browne (mother of Fr Paul Browne msc), Marie Hill

ANNIVERSARIES

ROSTERS

OCT 4/5	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Dennis Fenech	Roel Castillo	Terry Gormley
Readers	Linda Irlia Sr Monica Donnan	Nani Widarto Ross Martin	Jim Nguyen Selvi Ung
E. Ministers	Jan Nicholas Judith Lynch	Mary Martin Nani Widarto Henny Ramali Robyn Kildea Stephen Gatt Hartono Ong	George Bedirian Grace Pandiangan
KidsChurch	Aubrey Curley, Holley Curley		
Counting	Terry & Val Gormley, Ratna Santoso, Rob Payten		
Comm to Sick	Roel Castillo, Robyn Kildea		
OCT 11/12	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	John Allen	Fred Luca	Roel Castillo
Readers	Judith Lynch James Lynch	Toni McGuinness Kelsey McGuinness	Will Thorp Tony King
E. Ministers	Dewi Suryani Vien Suhadi	Ana Corpuz Brigid Siely Amelia Iovanella Francine Pirola Margaret Rigotti Roy Rigotti	Lyn King Susan Taumoepenu
KidsChurch	9:30am: Michelle Nash, Erin Beavis, Harriet Beavis 6:00pm: Francine Pirola		
Counting	John Moore, Ray Delohery, Selvi Ung		
Comm to Sick	Thomas Chia, Mary Martin		

YOUTH

Big KidsChurch

Join the team and lead the 9:30am Mass every fourth Sunday. Ages 10-15.
Contact: Ana Corpuz – 0416 166 149.

KidsChurch**Sundays 9:30am & 6pm Mass**

Mass can be pretty difficult for young children to understand. It can also be challenging for their parents to focus and pray when little ones need their attention. KidsChurch runs from the beginning of Mass until the Offertory where children return to their parents in the Church for the Eucharistic prayer, giving parents some well-deserved time to pray and listen to God's Word. But it's not just a childcare service. It's a complete child focused catechesis on the Sunday readings, developed to engage your children and nurture their faith. And now, it's available at both the Sunday morning and evening Masses so that families who have sport in the morning can still have a valued time with our Lord.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY

REMEMBERING MARRIAGES AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

Those married at St Mary's Cathedral are invited to return with their families for a special **Mass of Thanksgiving, Blessing and Renewal of Vows on Sunday, 12 October at 10.30am**, followed by morning tea in the beautiful and historic Chapter Hall. Certificates will be presented for 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th or 60th anniversaries. Those with ancestors married at St Mary's are also invited to join in this wonderful celebration. To register your interest, **RSVP the Event Coordinator** via email valentina.markovina@sydneycatholic.org or phone **Helen** on **(02) 9220 0414**.



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PARISH CHAT.....

Holy Hour**First Thursday Vigil (7pm)**

This Hour of Grace and Mercy is a time to encounter the healing presence of Jesus and refresh your soul. Reconciliation is also available during Adoration.

Your Faith Alive**Sunday | 11am****Want to know more about what we believe and why we believe it?**

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is not just for people preparing to become Catholics. It is also a brilliant refresher for existing Catholics who are a little rusty or who want to deepen their faith. Meetings are on Sundays after the morning Mass. Contact Br Pat or Fr Alo for more information.

Feast of
Our Lady of the Rosary

Join us for a Parish Picnic to celebrate our Feast Day.

Sunday October 12
11:30am -2:30pm

Centennial Park, Lachlan Reserve,
cnr Dickens and Parkes Drive
(Map available on the Park website).

BYO – food, drinks, chairs, picnic blankets, balls, games, good humour!

OLSH Class of 1989 Reunion

An OLSH Class of 1989 Reunion will be held on **Saturday, 15 November at 7pm** at Kensington. Partners are welcome. For further details, please contact the OLSH 89 Reunion Committee via aolsh89@gmail.com

Casual Domestic Employee
OLSH Convent Kensington

Immediate Start. Would suit person wanting a position during school hours two mornings per week. Must be reliable and conscientious. For more details please phone Irene on 9662 1777 between 9am and 3.30pm.

WE'RE CELEBRATING...

NOTICES

AN INVITATION TO YOUNG WOMEN FROM THE SISTERS OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Join us for a weekend of prayer, reflection, and conversation and find out more about us. Please see the flyer for more information or visit: www.goodsams.org.au.

Be A Compeer Volunteer. Change A Life!

Compeer is the St Vincent de Paul Society's friendship program which trains volunteers to be matched with someone who is lonely and experiencing mental illness in their local community. Compeer volunteers provide friendship to their new friend by catching up regularly for simple social activities, such as having a cuppa, going for a walk or attending a community event. We currently need male and female volunteers aged 30 – 70 across Sydney. Training and ongoing support is provided, as well as the opportunity to connect with like-minded people at social events. An hour a week of your friendship can have a big impact on your new friend's quality of life. To find out more call **9568 0295**, email Alexandra.Irving@vinnies.org.au or visit www.compeer.org.au.

JOKE CORNER

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray: "Take only ONE. God is watching."

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

WICKED TENANTS



In this parable, Jesus is warning the leaders of his community about rejecting God's servants. His words suggest that even Jesus himself will be rejected and killed. Find out what Jesus said at the end of the parable by following the arrows to solve the puzzle.

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