

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B

19TH SEPTEMBER 2021

First Reading

Wis 2:12, 17-20

A reading from the book of Wisdom

Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.

The godless say to themselves,

‘Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.’

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 53:3-6. 8. R. v.6

(R.) The Lord upholds my life.

1. O God, save me by your name;
by your power, uphold my cause.
O God, hear my prayers;
listen to the words of my mouth. (R.)
2. For proud men have risen against me,
ruthless men seek my life.
They have no regard for God. (R.)
3. But I have God for my help.
The Lord upholds my life.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart
and praise your name for it is good. (R.)

Second Reading

Jas 3:16 – 4:3

A reading from the letter of St James

Justice is the harvest of peacemakers from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own

selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

See 2 Thes 2:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mk 9:30-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity ... All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, ‘The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.’ But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, ‘What were you arguing about on the road?’ They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, ‘If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.’ He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, ‘Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.’



IONA-MARYKNOLL & KOOWEERUP

PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP

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Safeguarding

Our Parish is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people with special concern for children, young people and adults at risk.

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MASS ONLINE FROM OUR PARISH

Our Sunday Mass from our parish will be available on demand from 9.30am on Sundays until the following Saturday at this link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL-fMRNQrnI0Y_VRgO0u0DQ

OR VIA THE PARISH WEBSITE

www.imkcatholicparishes.com.au

Mass on TV

Mass for You at home on free- to- air television, 6am Sunday morning on WINTV Gippsland, Channel 10 and 10HD or on demand

<https://10play.com.au/mass-for-you-at-home/about>

Mass from St Patrick's Cathedral:
Sunday at 11.00 am on Channel 44

Online Masses in our Diocese

www.cdsale.org.au/coronavirus provides a list of the live streams across the Diocese.

Weekday Mass

Daily Mass on Demand

<http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Our parishes acknowledges the Bunurong and Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners of this land, who have walked upon and cared for it for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

FAN THE FLAME

Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me;'

Mark 9:30-37

Our parishes in particular are challenged to renew the formation of children, young people and families who may not be strongly connected to the Church but who still have an 'instinct for the faith' which prompts them to seek the sacraments or engage in part with of the Church's life.

(Instrumentum Laboris #133)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/

Issues, concerns, reflections or questions about the **Plenary** or the agenda items are important, and you are welcome to contact the Sale Diocese members:

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Parish Events

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Bill Howie, father of Fr Darren Howie(Wonthaggi)

Anniversaries : Fr Thomas Hurley, Fr John Howard, Fr Daniel (Tim) Hourigan, Bill O'Donhue

Recent Deaths: Norbert Morrison—
Funeral Mass for Norbert Morrison will be held on Wednesday September 22nd at St Joseph's Iona at 1.00pm

"Eternal rest grant unto them , O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace."

OUR OFFERINGS TO OUR PARISH LAST WEEKEND

Iona: Stewardship—\$960.00 Presbytery— \$210.00

KWR: Stewardship—\$ Presbytery - \$20.00

Please use the following link if you would like to donate online, Thankyou

<http://imkcatholicparishes.com.au/donate>

SPECIAL COLLECTION FATHER'S DAY

****PLEASE SEE BELOW****

FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR THE PRIESTS' WELFARE FOUNDATION OF THE DIOCESE OF SALE:

This month the Special Collection is for the Priests' Welfare Foundation will go towards the support of the sick or retired priests and deacons of our diocese and the overseas priests in time of sickness. By clicking on <https://www.cdsale.org.au/priestswelfarefoundation> it will make it easy for you to make a donation.

All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible and a receipt for tax deduction purposes will be automatically sent if an email address is provided. Your donations may also be made through your local parish.

Baptisms

Parents who would like to have their child Baptised, please contact the Parish office—minimum 6 weeks notice please.

St James' : All weekends during 6.00pm Mass

St Joseph's: 1st Sunday of the month during 11am Mass

Holy Family: 2nd Sunday during 8.00am Mass

St Mary's : 3rd Sunday during 8.00am Mass

St John's KWR: 4th Sunday during 9.30am Mass

Baptism Co-ordinator KWR Carmelina 0401911092

Email: carmelinadecesari@gmail.com

Parish Reading Rosters

25TH/26TH SEPT	READERS	MUSIC / LEADER	SPECIAL MINISTER
NNG	SHARON	GADY	
KWR	PETER KERR		
IONA	MARY S		
MKNOLL	NO LITURGY		
LANG LANG	VOLUNTEER	MARY C	
2ND/3RD OCT	READERS	MUSIC/LEADER	SPECIAL MINISTER
NNG	Theresa V B	Paul	
KWR	Sue V G		
IONA	Sam Franzi		
MKNOLL	Kathy	Gady	Kerry
LANG LANG	Mary C	Mick Kerr	

Eucharistic Ministers for the Sick

DATE	IONA- MARYKNOLL	KOOWEERUP
19/9	LUCY/FRANCES	
26/9	ALISON	

Church cleaning/flowers

MKNOLL	IONA	NNG
SEPTEMBER—ANN	26TH SEPT—RACHEL	5/9 TO 18/9 Carol & Sharon
OCTOBER—KERRY	3RD OCT—MARY S	19/9 TO 2/10 KAREN LAWLOR

PRAYER GROUP IONA

Meets every Thursday morning at 9.30am at Iona.
FOR DETAILS CONTACT: MARY SAYERS: 5629 5339

FRIENDS OF JESUS DISCUSSION GROUP KWR

2nd Tuesday of the month 1.00pm at the St John's meeting room. Next meeting TBA

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US, ALL WELCOME

Parish Events/Information

PARISH OFFICES

Iona-Maryknoll parish office is located behind St James Church. 60 Nar Nar Goon Rd Nar Nar Goon
Open Mondays 9.00 to 2.00 and Friday 9.00 to 1.00—Sharon (parish Secretary) Ph. 0456000990
Email: ionamaryknoll@cdsale.org.au

Kooweerup Parish office is located at the Presbytery. 166-168 Station Street Kooweerup (facing Salmon St)
Contact Anne Nunn. Phone 59971510 Mob. 0457971265 Email: kooweerup@cdsale.org.au

IONA-MARYKNOLL PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE Des Wynne (Chair), Gady Noonan (minutes) Frank Rovers, Leo Garvey, Sharon Sparks, Ray Hearn and John Van Boxtel
Next meeting: TBA

KOOWEERUP FINANCE COMMITTEE: Members—John Hester, Enzo Buccheri, Harold Keily, Peter Feltham
Parish Finance committees advise the Parish Priest on financial policies and matters of the Parish.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Iona-Mknoll reps: Sam Franzi, Miriam Pace-Bonello Therese Ventura. KWR reps: Harold Keily, Peter Gallagher, Peter Damon, Bernie Hance. Minutes secretary—Sharon Sparks

Ex officio members: Andrew Greco, Chris Dortmans, Bec Kollaris **Next meeting October 14th at St James**

HALL HIRE: For hire information of our Parish halls please contact - Iona hall— Liz Harrison. Mob. 0437759844,
Fr Pooley Hall Maryknoll— Sharon Sparks. Mob. 0411500364.

ST.VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Meets on the 4th Sunday of the month.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: It is hoped that 1st Eucharist will be celebrated over 3 weekends when restrictions ease. As density limits are still likely to be in place it is VERY important that anyone intending to be at any Mass makes a booking through the Parish office as early as possible each week— please phone 0456000990 or email ionamaryknoll@cdsale.org.au or kooweerup@cdsale.org.au



Gospel Reflection By Greg Sunter

Like so many gospel images there is more going on here than meets the eye. Children were regarded as complete nobodies in the culture of the time. They had no status and absolutely no authority. Jesus is saying to the disciples, don't argue about who will be the greatest; this child – this nobody – is greater than anyone who lords it over others. If you treat a nobody like this with respect, you treat me with respect.

Jesus tells his disciples that if anyone wants to be first, they must make themselves last of all and servant of all. This is as challenging to us today as it was to the disciples and early Christians. Our world seems to revolve around position, status and power – whoever has the most toys wins! But what Jesus advocated was a leadership based on being of service to others. Being powerful simply means you are in a position to help even more people. Putting yourself last, instead of first, gives respect, dignity and power to others rather than to yourself. © Greg Sunter

Greg Sunter has worked in Catholic Education (Brisbane) for many years, most recently as a member of the Religious Education team and Mission and Formation team. He has extensive experience of praying with young people and forming others to lead prayer with young people. He is the author of books on adolescent faith, is a regular speaker at youth and evangelisation conferences, and is a retreat and reflection facilitator and presenter. His areas of interest include religious education, theology, scripture, spirituality, Catholic