

# THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B

24TH OCTOBER 2021

## First Reading

Jer 31:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

*I shall lead them back in mercy – both the blind and the lame.*

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob!  
Hail the chief of nations!  
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:  
The Lord has saved his people,  
the remnant of Israel!  
See, I will bring them back  
from the land of the North  
and gather them from the far ends of earth;  
all of them: the blind and the lame,  
women with child, women in labour:  
a great company returning here.  
They had left in tears,  
I will comfort them as I lead them back;  
I will guide them to streams of water,  
by a smooth path where they will not stumble.  
For I am a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

## The Word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 125. R. v.3

(R.) The Lord has done great things for us;  
we are filled with joy.

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
It seemed like a dream.  
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs. (R.)
2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!'  
What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad. (R.)
3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.  
Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap. (R.)
4. They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing:  
they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves. (R.)

## Second Reading

Heb 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*You are a priest forever in the line of Melchizedek.*

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

## The Word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

See 2 Tim 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has  
done away with death,  
and brought us life through  
his gospel.  
Alleluia!



## Gospel

Mk 10:46-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*Master, grant that I may see.*

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

**REFLECTION** See Page 4

# IONA-MARYKNOLL & KOOWEERUP

## PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP

Parish Office: Iona - 0456000990 Kooweerup - 59971510

Parish Website:

### Parish Team

Fr. Peter Kooloos (Parish Priest)

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Bec Kollaris (Principal)

St John the Baptist Primary School, 5997 1653

### 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.

Anne Nunn (KWR) Marlene Dalziel (Lang Lang)

Email: kooweerup@cdsale.org.au

Liz Harrison & Ray Hearn (Iona)

Sharon Sparks (Maryknoll)

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**Weekend Masses are limited to  
20 fully vaccinated attendees  
bookings essential**

Monday 25/10	Kooweerup	8.00am
Tuesday 26/10	Iona	9.30am
Wednesday 27/10	Iona	9.30am
Thursday 28/10	Kooweerup	9.15am
Friday 29/10	Nar Nar Goon	9.30am
Saturday 30/10	St James NNG	6.30pm
Sunday 31/10	Kooweerup Iona	9.30am 11.00am
Liturgies 31/10	Maryknoll Lang Lang	9.00am 9.00am

Reconciliation: Saturdays 5.30 to 5.50 NNG

1st, 4th and 5th Sundays 9.00 to 9.20 KWR

### 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.

**Weekend Masses:** These will now resume as normal but we are limited to the number who would like to attend. To attend one of these Masses **you must book in** at our parish office at Nar Nar Goon (phone 0456 000 990 or email) or Koo Wee Rup (phone 5997 1510 or email) as numbers will be limited to 20 this weekend and next weekend, in accord with the current State Government Covid-19 regulations.

Due to the rapidly changing situation, we are also currently making plans to celebrate Masses for those parishioner who are not vaccinated.

**Please note** that breach of Covid-19 regulations could make the parish liable for a fine up to \$109,000 and potentially leave the parish liable for negligence damages of which the parish would have to pay the first \$25,000. On top of that there would be the loss of reputation.

**For a full list of Online Masses please go to  
[www.cdsale.org.au/coronavirus](http://www.cdsale.org.au/coronavirus)**

**Synod of Bishops:** Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The People of God are invited to use a guided, prayerful reflection method to consider a series of questions and make submissions via an online portal. Those submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Find out more at: <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

# Parish Events

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Sick:** Fr Brian O'Connor

**Anniversaries :** Fr Peter Curran

**Recent Deaths:** John McMaster, John Duiker

*"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—\$400.00 Presbytery— \$0

KWR: Stewardship—\$0.00 Presbytery - \$207.50

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

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

Or contact your Parish office. Thank you

### TODAY IS MISSION SUNDAY

*Please see page 4 for more information  
Collection envelopes available*

Many parishioners would be familiar with the name Fr. Walter Silvester sac, who ministered from Pallotti College Retreat Centre, Millgrove. Fr. Wally died 16 years ago, and every year since there has been a 1 ½ hour free Public Lecture at the Australian Catholic University in his honour.

On Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 5:30 – 7pm (AEDT), you are cordially invited to the 'on-line' Public Lecture being presented by Jason Kelly, a Mutthi Mutthi/Wamba Wamba man, and Fr. Frank Brennan, SJ AO. The Topic is: 'Truth, Treaty and Transformation'. It promises to be a very informative evening!!

No Registration required. Click on the Link:

<https://acu.zoom.us/j/84877950748>

## 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

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## Parish Reading Rosters

30TH/31ST OCT	READERS	MUSIC / LEADER	SPECIAL MINISTER
NNG	Therese V		
KWR	Nella		
IONA	Mary S		
MKNOLL	VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEE
LANG LANG	Volunteer	VOLUNTEER	
6TH/7TH NOV	READERS	MUSIC/LEADER	SPECIAL MINISTER
NNG	THERESA VAN B		
KWR	CARMELINA		
IONA	SAM		
MKNOLL	KERRY	MAM	GADY
LANG LANG	MARY C	MICK K	

## Eucharistic Ministers for the Sick

DATE	IONA- MARYKNOLL	KOOWEERUP
24/10	LUCY/FRANCES	
31/10	ALISON	

## Church cleaning/flowers

MKNOLL	IONA	NNG
OCTOBER—KERRY	31ST OCT— Denise O'Hea	17/10 TO 30/10 KARA & GEHAN
NOVEMBER—WIN	7TH NOV— ALISON	31/10 to 13/11 Jenny and Paul

## 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 Franz, 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 21st 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 as soon as restrictions allow. 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

## For we CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING about what we have SEEN & HEARD

ACTS 4:20

This week Catholic Mission will share the story of Churai\*, who having experienced much heartbreak in childhood, turned to the Mother and Babies Home run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok when her partner cast she experienced rejection as an adult, abandoned by her partner and pregnant.

Without this program, many vulnerable mothers like Churai will have nowhere to turn when they need love and care the most.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope, going online at [catholicmission.org.au/thailand](http://catholicmission.org.au/thailand) or by texting 'GIVE' to 0488 854 436. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

\*Name and images altered to protect identity



Freecall: 1800 257 296  
[catholicmission.org.au/thailand](http://catholicmission.org.au/thailand)



## Gospel Reflection By Greg Sunter

In this healing of blind Bartimaeus, we see what Jesus has been trying to teach the disciples. As a blind man, Bartimaeus would be regarded as 'imperfect' – incomplete – and consequently in a permanent state of uncleanness. He would not be allowed to live within the bounds of normal society, nor have contact with people. So it is that Jesus encounters Bartimaeus on the side of the road, outside the city walls as he is leaving Jericho. Learning that it is Jesus passing by, Bartimaeus calls on Jesus to help him and the crowd tries to shut him up and remind him of his status. But Jesus calls Bartimaeus to him and, placing the needs of the other first, asks 'What do you want me to do for you?' When Bartimaeus makes his request, Jesus announces that it is his faith that has saved him and his sight is restored. Bartimaeus, like a good disciple, then follows Jesus on the road.

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 ethos, prayer, and ministry with young people.