



St Mary's Catholic Parish Warwick

Vision Statement

To live the Gospel by celebrating together, sustaining a welcoming parish and serving Jesus Christ through the joys and sorrows of our wider community.

27th & 28th January 2024
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

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Hear His Voice

In this Sunday's responsorial psalm, the psalmist cries out, "O that today you would hear God's voice!" Listening for the divine voice and seeking out true prophets are the topics of this Sunday's readings. Sometimes we find a harmony of human and divine voices, while at other times, a cacophony can hinder our search. The readings this Sunday help us be attentive to God's authentic voice in the noise that surrounds us. This Sunday's first reading, from the book of Deuteronomy, is a vision of harmony. The passage establishes the role of a mediator between the Israelite community and God. As Moses reminds God's people, such a mediator "is exactly what you requested of the Lord, your God," a request the Lord was happy to grant, "What they have said is good" (Dt 18:16-17). This was in fact a normal role in the religions of the ancient world. Every culture identified certain inspired individuals who were capable of mediating between the divine and earthly realms of existence. Israel's God worked carefully to make sure human mediators would speak an authentic message.

Nevertheless, it was not always clear whether prophets spoke for God or for themselves. This Sunday's reading from Deuteronomy warns about this: "If a prophet presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded, or speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die" (Dt 18:20). Speaking for God was a serious business, and the need to be certain that a prophet was a "prophet like Moses" concerned pious Israelites in every generation. The book of Deuteronomy foretells the coming of such a prophet (Dt 18:15), but not many were capable of succeeding Moses as the definitive mediator of God's instruction. The prophet Elijah had the strongest claim to this title, but sacred authors usually imagined this prophet to be a hoped-for messiah, like the Son of Man in Daniel or the "anointed one" from the psalms. The Gospels contain several passages in which people questioned John the Baptist and Jesus to determine whether they were the "prophet like Moses." Jesus' disciples were those who came to believe that he was indeed the definitive mediator of God's voice. This Sunday's Gospel highlights Jesus in this role. The passage contains competing voices, the voice of Jesus and the voice of an "unclean spirit." With his voice of authority, Jesus preached to the astonishment of everyone in the synagogue, but is the unclean spirit that gets even more "narration time," filling the passage with more direct speech than most other characters in Mark's Gospel. In doing this, the evangelist subtly reminds followers of Christ that ugly voices can often threaten to overcome Christ's words. Nevertheless, Jesus' voice pierces the cacophony, and his few words prove more powerful: "Be quiet, get out of the man" (Mk 1:25).

Within our Christian tradition, the prophet like Moses is Jesus Christ. Throughout the Scriptures, God's people sought the definitive divine voice. In every age, Christians have found that voice in Jesus's Gospel message. Our task as disciples is to sift through competing voices and listen for the one voice that rises above all others. Our capacity to hear only grows as we come to know Christ's Gospel and recognize his risen presence still among us. Then we can fulfill the hope of the psalmist: "Oh, that today you would hear his voice!"

Victor Cancino, S.J.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

MASS TIMES

THIS WEEKEND

27th & 28th January

St Mary's

Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8:30am

REGULAR

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday Mass 9am
Tuesday Mass 9am
Wednesday Mass 7am
Thursday Mass 9am
Friday Mass 9am
Saturday Mass 9am

Regular Mass Times could change if there are any special celebrations for the week, please see inside the Bulletin for any updates.

St Mary's Sunday

8:30am Masses are live-streamed from St Mary's on YouTube or the website.

FEAST DAYS

Wed: St John Bosco
Fri: The Presentation of the Lord

NEXT WEEKEND

3rd & 4th February

St Mary's

Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8:30am

Yangan

Saturday 6pm

Greymare

Sunday 10am

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES: Les & Connie Noye, Burton Joyce Noye, Frank Nolan, Catherine Roche, Tom Dwan, Paul & Brendehn McConville, Mick Brewer, Mary Brewer, Peter Watt, Graham Watt, Jack & Nell Cantwell, Jack & Mary Maher, Millie Brown, Jack & Bridgee Ryan, Graham Ryan, Vince & Maree Phelan, Tom & Olive Fletcher, Rev Frs Thomas Concannon, William Hall, William Behm & Howard Crowe and all relatives and friends.

SICK: Paul Ryan (BNE), Rylan Lean, Leo Ryan (Warwick), Kierstan Farrell, John & Lyndell O'Mara, John McMahon, Maurice Ryan, Joanne Small, Tom Willett, Mary & Douglas Hough, Karen Hynes, Michael Bunch (Bne), Jack & Marie Beard, Barry Donnelly, Angela Gannon, Des & Jan Buchbach, Anthony White and residents of Akooramak, The Oaks, Churches of Christ and patients at the Warwick Hospital.

Covid-19: Please use the hand sanitizer provided at the doors

ROSTERS	THIS WEEKEND 27 & 28 January 2024		NEXT WEEKEND 3rd & 4th February 2024	
	Vigil 6pm	8:30am	Vigil 6pm	8:30am
Bell Ringers	Vince Hemmings	Dave Carr	Paul Scerri	Greg Brosnan
Welcomers	Sharon Young	Pat Sheil	Tim & Megan Kajewski	Dave Carr
Altar Server	Alby Young & Will Wooding	Tom Lawton	Rose Walsh	Thomas & Felicity Madsen
Children's Liturgy		Emma Timmins		Elaina Haynes
1st Reader	Nick Nolan	Paul Coghlan	Bryan Slattery	Mary-Jane Cook
2nd Reader	Justin Walsh	Michael Ryan	Margurite Walsh	John Telfer
Prayer of Faithful	Pauline Stewart	Michael Gaffney	Mick Dwan	Mary Goyne
Gifts	Marie Stewart	McHardy Family	Anthony & Clare Blake	Marg Trahair
Communion Ministers	Sharon Young Richard Tartan Sally Lancaster	Sue Harris Penny Doyle Michael Gaffney	Justin Walsh Mary Noble Sharon Young	Jonathan Cruda Marty Harris Jill Hume
Powerpoint	Lachlan & Patrick Kajewski	Harriet Plummer	Andrea Curoopen	Gemma King
Musician	Debbie Cleary & Regina Henry	Tom Hodgson	Kathleen / Men's Choir	Michael, Rey & Val
Money Counters	Group 1—David Hynes		Group 2—Gerry Morrissey	
OTHER ROSTERS	WEEK COMMENCING 28th January		WEEK COMMENCING 4th February	
Akooramak	David Moran & John Telfer		Maree Ryan & Pat Sheil	
Home Communion	Maree Ryan & Patti Hemmings		Fr Franco	
Morning Tea	Margaret Waltisbuhl / Val Murphy			



Thank you for the continued financial support of our parish through your giving. Please see our details below for ways to give. **Ways to Give:**

1. Envelopes **2.** One-off deposit or credit card payment **4. Direct Debit - All NEW Direct Debits** will be via Archdiocesan Development Fund. Please contact the Parish Office for the form.

GIVING APP

You can now make a donation on your mobile phone. This can be a one-off donation or a recurring donation.



CHILD SAFE PARISH: Ours is a Child Safe Parish

All children, young persons and vulnerable adults, visiting or resident, have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned by any form of abuse that is immediate, you should call 000. A significant risk or harm, whether or not you have formed this belief on reasonable ground, should immediately be raised with our Parish Safeguarding Officers

Toni Cox 0419 613 278 or Denise Ryan 0456 154 277

Available from the Office:

Little Books for Advent & Christmas. The December & January edition of **The Word Among Us, the Australian Catholic Magazine, and Horizons magazine.**

LENTEN PROGRAM 2024

St Mary's will run the PIETA Lenten program this year. Please register your interest with the office.

Ph: 4661 1033

Email: warwick@ctwb.org.au

We are currently in need of **Religious Instructors** to teach in our State Schools. If you would be interested, please make contact with Fr Franco.

Special Collection

We would like to show our appreciation to Fr Bony for his 3 years of service to Warwick and purchase items for the presbytery at Goondiwindi. We will be taking up a Special Collection for the purpose of purchasing items to assist Fr Bony.

We will say farewell to Fr Bony at a morning tea in Assisi Place after Mass on Sunday the 4th February. Please come along to wish him well and show your appreciation for all the wonderful contributions he has provided in our community. Please bring a plate to share.

Our Bulletin can now be found on our facebook page and our new website.

www.stmarysparishwarwick.org.au/bulletins/

2024 Columban Calendars

Calendars are available from the Parish Office. Cost \$8.00 each



Employee Required

Part-time administration assistant.

2 days per week, hours and days flexible

Reception duties, phone answering.

Support with Sacramental preparation

(MS Office).

Entry into database and registers.

Filing.

Successful applicant will be supported by current Parish secretary.

Please apply to the Parish office.

Email: warwick@ctwb.org.au

CHURCH OPENING TIMES

PRIVATE PRAYER -
Tuesday & Thursday
3.45pm - 4.45pm

PARISH GROUPS

The Parish Rosary is said each day a half hour prior to Mass. Except the 1st Saturday of the month when it starts at 7.45am.

Anyone who has intentions or wish to join us are most welcome.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUPS

— If you are interested in joining our groups please contact Marguerite 0411 092 841

FIL-HAROMIX— Choir practice 1st Sunday & 2nd Saturday of each month.

PARISH GROUPS

MEETNG AT ASSUMPTIO PLACE

MEDITATION GROUP meets on Fridays at 9am. Contact Mary 4661 9907

FATHER'S PRAYER GROUP meets on Tuesdays from 4:00-5:0pm. Contact Kev Seaby— 4661 3133

LAY CARMELITES meet on 3rd Tuesday of each month following morning Mass. Contact Maria 0427 644 108

MEN ALIVE GROUP meets on Thursdays at 4-5 pm. Contact: Paul 0412 115 618

MOTHER'S PRAYERS GROUPS meet on **Thursdays** at 9:30am after Mass in the church Maria 0427 644 108

PARISH LADIES GROUP meets on 1st Tuesday of each month at 9:30am, New members are warmly invited to join this group. Contact Rita 4661 8144 or Bernice 4661 1107

Sychar Rural Library Service is available during Morning Tea on Sundays.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

“Every moment is a fresh beginning.” – T.S Eliot.

First Reading

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 94: 1-2, 6-9. R. v. 9

*If today you hear his voice
harden not your hearts.*

Second reading

Corinthians 7: 32-35

*The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord,
that she might be holy.*

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 4: 16

Alleluia, alleluia!

*A people in darkness have seen a great light:
a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death
Alleluia!*

St Mary's Catholic Debutante Ball

Calling all girls interested in making their debut at the Catholic Debutante Ball to be held on Friday, 14th June, 2024 in St Mary's Hall.

An information evening will be held on Sunday, 25th February, 2024 in Assisi Place at 7pm. All prospective debutantes and an accompanying family member will be most welcome to attend.

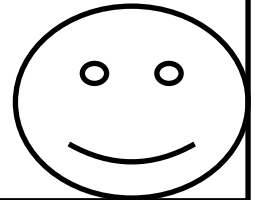
For more information please contact Sue Harris mobile; 0428619562 or email : tellsue@gmail.com

Sacrament Preparation

Classes for Reconciliation will begin with the return to school. Parents of students in year 3 can contact the office now to register your child for this program.

Email: warwick@ctwb.org.au

Ph: 07 4661 1033



Bulletin Submissions Deadlines

Please note the deadline for any submissions to our weekly Parish Bulletin is 12.00pm Thursday of each

LOST PROPERTY

31/12/23: A small purse was left at the front of the church. Please collect from the office. **All lost property is kept in the office.**

Mark 1:1-6

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life	save	good	evil	unlawful
accuse	days	forth	stand	Pharisees
restored	synagogue	sabbath	withered	heal

