Year C 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 21st September 2025 Liturgical Colour: Green



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PLEASE TAKE YOUR NEWSLETTER WITH YOU, DON'T PUT IT BACK!



This week we reflect on money and how we use it in our life. The old saying was that money is not everything but it is far more important than what comes second. For many people it is not love that makes the world go around but rather it is money.

Todays Gospel is another of those ones that has two parts, one of which may be read at Mass or indeed the whole Gospel may be read. Luke 16: 1-13 has 2 parts - Vs 1-9 and Vs 10-13. The former is about a clever steward who looked after his own welfare in case of dismissal, by ensuring that his master's debtors were able to reduce their debt to the master by falsifying the records.

The master actually praised the astuteness of the servant. A court of law would have had a different view. How true it is that God's ways are definitely not our ways. Remember the parable where the worker who starts the job just 5 minutes before closing time receives the same wage as the worker who was on the job all day. This is a stark reminder that God view of things is totally different from that of ours.

The other, much shorter part of the Gospel, is about the fact that we cannot answer to 2 masters. In this way we cannot have both God and money as a master at the same time. At various stages of our life we do try to juggle both with one or the other dominating at any given time. However at some point we hopefully do come to a balanced position between the two. In reality we need both but God is more important than what comes second.

Remember the story about the narrow gate (the eye of the needle) and how difficult it is for the rich man to get through the narrow opening because he is carrying too much baggage. Yes it is possible for the rich person to get through. The solution is to let some of the baggage go, to alter one's view about those things which impede our journey, one of which is money.

Let's be realistic. Everyone needs money, possessions etc to live life to a reasonable degree and to care for those in our family. However, it seems that people fit into one of 3 categories as to how they are situated in this regard. A) Those who struggle B) Those who essentially have what they need and C) Those who have far more than they need.

When we approach the narrow gate it will not be about our possessions etc but about which master we have tried to serve in life and how, within our means, we have tried to help people who were doing it tough, knowing that when we helped them we were helping Jesus, the Christ, in them.

How true is the saying: 'There are no pockets in a shroud".

#### Pat Condon

Faith Matters

We, the parishioners of the Catholic Parishes of Grovely-Samford and Mitchelton acknowledge the Turrbal People who are the Traditional Custodians of this land. We pay respect to the Elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People present.

#### **LITURGY TIMES**

#### 21st September—27th September

Grovely St William's

Monday: 9:00am Mass

Wednesday: 7:00pm Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament

Thursday: 9:00am Mass Cancelled

10:00am Mass - Anointing

Next Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:00am Mass

9:00am Mass 5:00pm Mass

Mitchelton Our Lady of Dolours

Tuesday: 8:30am Mass

St Pius of Pietrelcina

Wednesday: 8:30am Mass

Friday: 8:30am Mass

St Cosmas and St Damian

**Next Weekend Masses:** 

Saturday: 10:30am Adoration and

Reconciliation

4:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 10:00am Mass

Samford Sacred Heart

Thursday: 6:00pm Liturgy of the

Word & Holy Communion

**Next Weekend Masses:** 

Sunday: 8:00am Mass

### https://tripleygrovely.au

Use the link above to tune in for Meditation, Scripture, Mass over the airways, music that matters and more! Follow us on FB and Insta!

#### North West Deanery Saturday Masses

This Saturday 20th September Cancelled

Next Saturday 27th September Cancelled

## This Week's Readings: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 8:4-7 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Luke 16:1-13

## Next Week's Readings: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1, 4-7 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31

### **GROVELY**

#### ST WILLIAM'S CHURCH SHOP

A few **God's Word 2026** books are available in the church shop now, at \$22. We also stock Baptism candles, hand made Baptismal stoles, scapulars,

rosary beads, cards, children's bibles

children's bibles and books and much more.

You are very welcome to come in and browse after weekend Masses. We accept payments of cash and EFTS.

St William's SVdP
Conference thanks you for your support.





#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 7:00pm - 8:00pm St. William's

## **MITCHELTON**



## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Reconciliation

Saturday 10:30am - 11:30am Our Lady of Dolours

#### **Family Rosary**

This week: Isma McIntyre Next week: *Michael Bojar* 



#### **ROSARY IN THE PARK**

Please join us in praying the Rosary on Saturday, October 11th at Teralba Park, Mitchelton at 9am.

Sausage Sizzle/Lunch, Coffee and Drinks will be served afterwards.

All are welcome.



#### **Mothers Prayers**

We invite you to delight in the vocation of motherhood as we pray in surrender to the Lord. We have you, your children, and grandchildren covered in prayer.

**Weekly Meeting** 

When: Wednesday at 9:30am

Where: Daley Centre



#### **Faith Circle**

Faith Circle will take a break for the two weeks of the school holidays and return on Monday October 13th in the Daley Centre at 9.30 as usual. See you then.

#### **Christian Meditation Group**

All are welcome to join us at St William's Christian Meditation every Tuesday at 7pm in St. William's Church. Enquires to Bob on 0428 813 483

### **SAMFORD**

#### **Baptism**

We joyfully announce the Baptism of *Evie Rose Norris* and warmly welcome them into our faith community.



#### **Samford Rosary Circle**

The Samford Rosary Circle meets every Wednesday.

When: Wednesday at 10am
Where: Sacred Heart
Church, Samford. Come and

pray with us.

## Bring A Plate

Every fourth Sunday of the month Sacred Heart Church enjoys having a morning tea after the 8am Mass. Please join us for morning tea and if you can, bring a plate to share.

All are welcome!

## **COMBINED COMMUNITIES**

#### You're Invited: A Night of Storytelling about Auntie Rita and Jack of Hearts

Join us for an unforgettable evening of truth, laughter, and resilience as we gather to hear the powerful stories of **Auntie Rita** and **Jack of Hearts**—two voices whose journeys reflect the heart of Indigenous culture and spirit.

Through the ancient art of storytelling, their daughters Jackie Huggins and Ngaire Jarro, will share moments of deep struggle, cultural survival, and personal triumph. From the dusty roads of childhood to the sacred spaces of healing, their stories will take us through tears and joy, pain and hope—woven with wisdom, humour, and the strength of community.

This is more than a talk. It's a celebration of identity, a reckoning with history, and a call to listen deeply. Whether you come to learn, to honour, or to be moved, you'll leave with a renewed sense of connection and courage.

Date:16th October 2025

Time: 6 PM

Location: St. William's Grovely (Mary MacKillop Centre)

**Entry:** Free (please rsvp for catering purposes – refreshments and finger foods

grovely@bne.catholic.net.au or Tel. 07-33628785)

All are welcome. Come with open hearts.

### **COMBINED COMMUNITIES' NEWS**



## Faithful Departed

**Recently Departed:** Peter Pragnell, Roslyn Ivey and Sean Forrest

Anniversary: Leo Donohoe



## We pray for the Sick

**We pray for:** Jane Fraser, Kathy Malcolm, Bob Malcolm, Gloria Roughan, Loraine Burnett and Alicia Lee

**Please note** All requests to have a Mass offered for someone, or newsletter requests for the name of recently deceased family members, prayers for the sick and anniversaries, need to be given to the parish office in writing. Forms and Mass request envelopes are available from the sacristy at all 3 churches, or from the Parish Office. Completed forms/envelopes can be given to the priest or handed in at the office.

#### EVERGREENS

- FRIDAY 26th September Men's cuppa at 10am at Arana Leagues Club. All men of the Parish welcome.
- SUNDAY 28th September Cuppa and chat in the Daley Centre after 9.00am Mass. If you are a senior person and would like to meet more parishioners, you are very welcome to join us.

Other enquiries: John & Joan Broderick 0455503713 jobrod@bigpond.net.au

St Andrew's turns 40! Sunday, 12th October



## Calling all St Andrew's families, friends and staff- past and present!

As we prepare to celebrate 40 wonderful years of St Andrew's Catholic School, we're on the lookout for memorabilia to showcase our rich history.

If you have old photos, uniforms, yearbooks, trophies, programmes, or special keepsakes, we'd love to borrow or receive donations to display at the anniversary celebration.

If you have any stories, we would also love to hear these too!

Please send me an email aimee.riedel@gmail.com to arrange drop-off/pick-up or to share digital copies.

Every piece of history helps us tell the story of our amazing St Andrew's community."



### **FAITH MATTERS - GSM**



#### www.faith-matters-gsm.com.au

Here is some information about the popes of the Catholic Church since St. Peter. Some information below is taken from the Archdiocesan historian Fr. Chris Hanlon, when he used to speak once a year at a Faith Matters night, during which time he covered all the major periods in the history of the Church.

There were 265 past Popes recognised by the Church and this makes Pope Leo XIV our 266th Pope. I say recognised, because over the centuries, about 37 people were regarded as anti-popes and a number of these operated in opposition to the Vatican appointed Pope of the time. A book of significance in this area is "The Popes" (450 pages) written by John Julius Norwich, (published 2011), a noted author of quite a few books, especially history.

From the time Christianity became the official religion of the Roman Empire under Emperor Constantine in the early fourth century there were often major disagreements between the emperors and Popes down through the ages. Each tried to have power over the other. Some Popes actually led the attacking force into battle. This problem was more or less settled by about 1200 AD or so, although it did break out again in various ways from time to time later on.

The book is an excellent read if you ever have the time and is a good example of the fact that Jesus was under no illusions that the church he later started via the apostles was being accomplished by people who were very much human and who would make many mistakes down through the years.

So often, in the Scriptures, God is forever straining to ensure that each person he created in his image and likeness, **including each one of us**, is saved for life with Him in eternity. There are so many parables where Jesus stresses this fact. The shepherd in Jesus' time loved each one of his flock but what does he do when one of them is missing and possibly in danger? He leaves the other 99 sheep and goes searching for the one which is lost and rejoices when it is found. **God's ways are so different from ours.** 

Let's finish this **Season of Creation**with some of our time and effort in caring
for our little patch of the planet
weeding, mulching, planting our
Laudato Si' garden.



Join us at Sacred Heart Samford on Saturday 4th October anytime from 7:30 - 10am when we will wrap up with a cuppa. (BYO gloves and tools)

#### **Bible Quiz**

This week's question: According to Peter, what "covers a multitude of sins"? **Answer:** Next week

Last week's question: After the angels had announced the birth of Christ and left the shepherds, what did the shepherds do?

**Answer:** Went quickly to Bethlehem (Luke 2:15-16)

Why is Adam considered the fastest person in the Bible?

He came first in the human race.



## A Vocation View Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

You cannot serve two masters. Whom do you choose to follow? You must make a choice. (Luke 16:1-13)

www.vocationbrisbane.com

#### SACRAMENTAL NEWS

Thank you for the prayerful support of our wonderful and their families.

Reconciliation commences in early October with the parent information sessions on 8 and 9 October. Please keep our sacramental children in your prayers and on your rosaries!

# Mass of Anointing



Thursday, 25th September,
10:00 am
St. William's Church
Followed by a morning tea
Please bring a plate to share
Parishioners of Mitchelton, Samford
and Grovely all welcome

The Sacrament of Anointing will be celebrated during Mass.

Please note this Mass will take place during the school holidays so there will be plenty of parking available.

### **COMBINED COMMUNITIES' NEWS**

GSM Parishes 21st September—27th September			
Monday	9:00am	Gathering Space	SVDP - Mitchelton
Monday	7:00pm	Daley Centre	SVDP - Grovely
Tuesday	7:00pm	St William's	Christian Meditation
Tuesday	12:30pm	Gathering Space	Treble M
Wednesday	9:30am	Daley Centre	Mother's Prayers
Wednesday	10:00am	Sacred Heart	Samford Rosary Circle
Wednesday	11:00am	Daley Centre	Evergreen's Exercise



**Treble M** a Mitchelton Community based choir needs new members. If you love to sing we would love to hear from you.

Our treble voice (SSA) choir meets weekly on a Tuesday between 12:30pm and 2:00pm at Our Lady of Dolours Church's Community Centre adjacent to the Catholic Church in Suez Street Mitchelton.

Please call or text: Christine on 0431 666 712 or Judy 0408 559 328

#### Verse for Vinnies - September 28th

Gerry Mannion's the dinky-die Irish, came from Galway in nineteen -ninety-one. He just loves being labelled an Aussie, with our climate, our people, our fun. He soon learnt as musician or singer that he lacked the finesse that you need, But he sure has the gift of the blarney, and this talent he's used to succeed. He has warmed to the Bush Poet genre, with its narratives, metre and rhyme. Loves traditional poems and ballads, has composed his own verse, quite sublime. And success came last year at the Ekka, in three sections he gave it a go. He gained First and then two Second placements,

deemed the Overall Champ of the Show. Now this champion's your Feature Performer,

this emerging young talent with verse and your entry fee goes to the battlers it's this cash, Vinnie's folk will disperse.

Where: St. William's School, 67 DAWSON PARADE GROVELY When:1.30pm Sunday, September 28th

**Cost:** \$15, pay cash only at the door. Your ticket includes Afternoon Tea.

Contact: Noel at <u>noel@noelstallard.com</u> to book seats.

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C calls us to reflect on our use of worldly resources and our responsibilities to others. The readings challenge us to live with honesty, justice, and faithfulness to God above all else.

**Justice for the poor:** The first reading reminds us that God cares about the poor and condemns cheating and exploitation. We are called to treat others with fairness and care for those in need.

Honesty in daily life: The Gospel warns against dishonesty and urges us to act with integrity. God sees how we handle small things, and our choices reveal our loyalty to Him.

Prioritizing God over wealth: Jesus teaches that we cannot serve both God and money. We must decide where our true allegiance lies and choose what leads to eternal life.

Prayer for all people: The second reading encourages us to pray for everyone, including leaders and those in authority. This reminds us that peace and order come from God's guidance and our prayers.

Responsible use of resources: The Gospel challenges us to use our talents and possessions wisely for God's kingdom. Earthly goods are tools for doing good and helping others.

**Faithful service to God:** Jesus calls us to be faithful in our responsibilities. By serving God with sincerity, we show our love and trust in Him.



#### LAUDATO SI'



750 years before Christ, the Hebrew prophet Amos (to take note of Fr Tom Elich's words in Break Open the Word p.128) could have written this in the 'news' media this week, "Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor...when will the new moon be over so that we can sell our corn....lowering the bushel...raising the shekel...by swindling and tampering with the scales" (Amos 8:4-7). Pope Leo is learning about the power of the Holy See's public diplomacy by being quoted in any number of media outlets this week on his prophetic call-out of billionaires and inequality. Do we believe our prayer for such people is important? What do our ecumenical traditions, traditional elders and all people of good will say about chaos and order? The many resources for Season of Creation (e.g. https://seasonofcreation.org) make links between the evolving consciousness and conscience. They link prophets' and wisdom literature and gospel writers and mystical and oral and scholarly traditions. They engage theology and liturgy with science, myth, sign, symbol and sacrament. As Laudato Si' says (LS 91, 117) everything is connected. https://www.vatican.va/ content/dam/francesco/pdf/encyclicals/ documents/papa-

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Biosite: https://bio.site/laudatosibrisbane



Please note parish communications such as event information and updates will be sent via Flocknote.

It is free for parishioners.

**URL:** <a href="https://gsmparishes.flocknote.com/">https://gsmparishes.flocknote.com/</a> register

QR Code:



Saturday, 27 September 2025, Pilgrimage to Marian Valley, celebrating the Feast of Saint Lorenzo Ruiz and Saint Pedro Calungsod

Bus transport is available for \$30pp return (payment upon booking).

Pick-up times/venues:

6:30am Holy Spirit church, Bray Park;
7:00am Sacred Heart church, Sandgate;
7:15am Bus Stop along Handford Rd opposite St. Flannans church, Zillmere;
7:30am Bus Stop along Appleby Rd. opposite Queen of Apostles church, Stafford.

For booking and further info: Jima 0432374239