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14th / 15th September 2024

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Dear Parishioners & Visitors,

Today's gospel reading is a turning point in Mark's Gospel with regards to the presentation of the life and ministry of Jesus. The preaching and action of Jesus have shown him to be the Son of God. Yet many, including Jesus' disciples, have not yet realized his identity. A moment came for Jesus to ask his disciples what others were saying about him, and who they thought he was. Jesus asked not because he did not know the answer, but to elicit a stance from his followers and to give a teaching about the nature of his mission. The disciples replied that some believed Jesus to be John the Baptist, or perhaps to be Elijah or one of the other great prophets of old.

The opinions of the people failed to reach any decisive conclusion about the person of Jesus. In short, they did not grasp at that moment the real meaning of the nature and mission of the Lord. To help focus the matter at hand, Jesus asked the disciples very directly, "And you, who do you say that I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Christ," that is, the Anointed One, the long-expected Messiah. This brief, decisive and emphatic answer of Peter is in sharp contrast with the confused opinions of other people. The statement by Peter breaks through the lack of understanding and unbelief that characterized the people in general and the disciples. Jesus took this opportunity to teach that as the Christ he would have to suffer, be rejected, put to death, but also rise from the dead.

This clarification of the saving mission of Jesus led to a protest on the part of Peter, telling Jesus that all this should not have to happen, at least the part about suffering, rejection and death. Jesus set Peter straight and gave a decisive teaching on the meaning of discipleship, the call to share in the way of the cross of Jesus, which indeed implies suffering and rejection, even death, but ending in glory. The rebuke of Peter by Jesus with the words, "You are not judging by the standards of God, but by the standards of man," is an invitation to let go of human ideas about the mission of Jesus and to be on the path of following in the footsteps of the Master, even unto death.

The Gospel passage this Sunday contains three steps or stages. First, the opinions of people, and these prove false, for Jesus is not John the Baptist, Elijah nor one of prophets. Second, the confession of Peter, which is correct but needs elaboration by Jesus. Third, the teaching of Jesus on the suffering and rising of the Son of Man, the full revelation of the unbounded love of God for the human race, and the call to everyone to walk in the way of selfless love taught by Jesus. From the outset it must be said that any disciple of the Lord must abandon human ways of thinking and acting and be converted to divine ways. This is only possible, of course, by the grace of God. But that does not eliminate requirements on the part of the follower. Jesus has said, "Come after me," and this carries obligations, often called "the cost of discipleship."

Peace be with you, Fr. Jacob

MASS Times: 16th September to 22nd September 2024

St Joseph's Church Hervey Bay

Monday 8am Mass Wednesday 5.30pm Mass

Thursday 8am Mass Friday 8am Mass

Saturday 8am Mass

6pm Vigil

Sunday 7am Mass

9am Mass

St Patrick's Church Howard

Mass: 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month @ 4pm

St Peter the Fisherman Burrum Heads

Mass: 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month @ 4pm



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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH: Saturdays @ 5pm or by appointment

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Prophet Isaiah 50:5-9 2nd Reading: Saint James 2:14-18

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

WE PRAY FOR:

THE SICK: Fe Adilan, Marivic Barrameda, Stuart Beilby, Roman Braczkowski, June Bearsley, Gerard Clinch, Marilyn Cotis, Martin Curtis, Joseph Darmanin, Bernie Gick, Carmen Hoolihan, Keith & Angela Mawer, Nina Mironov, Marilyn Monsour Tom Mullen, Dot Phillips, Marivic Quiobe, Elaine Sanders, Gerry Sharpe, Jo Shorrock, David Stevens, Pam Truscott, Len van Buren, Petrus Van Lierop John Wilson.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Betty McLune, Agnes Moore, Joseph Darmanin

ANNIVERSARY: Graham Allison, Potenciano Baculio, Beatrice Berecry, Neville Garner, John Hinchcliffe, Lilly Jerome, Josefita Magtolis, Edward O'Donnell, Cecil Porter, Bienvenido Olaivar, Diosdado & Soledad Parcon, Corazon Quijano, Leo Russell, John Tracey, Emily Vassallo, Augusta Yting

WE CELEBRATE:

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY: Hugh Mclaughlin & Tony Monsour **SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**



Please join us in the John Paul Centre for a cuppa after the 9am Mass this Sunday. **This Sunday 15/09 hosted by the Indian Community.** Next Sunday 22/09 hosted by El Shaddai

GROUPS	Meeting:	Time	Place
Legion of Mary	Mondays	8.45am	Sr Scholly Hall
St Vincent de Paul	Monday 23 rd September	3рт	Sr Scholly Hall
Ministry of Consolation	1st Tuesday of each month	2pm	Sr Scholly Hall
Parish Craft Group	1st Wednesday of each month	9am	John Paul Centre
Charismatic Praise & Worship	TBA		
Cenacle "Divine Mercy"	Thursdays	9am	Sr Scholly Hall
Mother Mary's Playgroup	TBA		
Cenacle of Prayer (Immaculate of Mary)	Fridays (No meeting on the 1 st Friday of the month)	8.30am	MacKillop Library
El Shaddai	Saturdays	1pm	John Paul Centre
Health Care with Christ	4 th Sunday of the month	10.30am	Sr Scholly Hall
Kids Club - grades 1-8	Sunday 15 th September	10.30am	Sr Scholly Hall

CONGRATULATIONS to the candidates who received their 1st Holy Communion on 7-8 September





Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? Lay first the foundation of humility.

- St Augustine of Hippo

GODS WORD 2025

The 2025 edition of God's Word is available and ready to be collected. Books cost \$15 each.



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herveybayparish.flocknote.com/register or the QR code on the right to sign up and register with the parish. If you have any questions or need help, feel free to speak with the Parish office.



SAFEGUARDING

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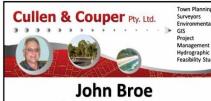
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