



**St John
Vianney**
Parish Morisset



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C SUNDAY 09 OCT 2022

The readings today, speak to us about the God of surprises. They challenge us to broaden our minds and widen our horizons. We need to be alert and open to God's saving grace, even in the most unlikely places and people.

The world often makes outsiders into enemies or rivals, but God calls us to greater openness to the surprising ways in which He conveys His presence. The Gospel makes it clear that God sees beyond appearances.

Today we hear, that Jesus met and healed ten lepers along the road between Samaria and Galilee. They had been isolated, and condemned to a life at the margins of society. .

In the light of the readings, let us pledge ourselves to create an environment where fear of differences, is replaced by encouraging all people to share their gifts. These people could be asylum seekers, the homeless, the indigenous, the victims of injustice, or Muslim refugees.

Ultimately, we are challenged to question our sense of entitlement, and to stretch our capacity to love. For that is where the God of surprises calls us to be.



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Awabakal People who, long before us lived, loved, educated and raised their children on this Country. We pay our respects to Elders past and present and we recognise the young people who are our future. We acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families in our communities. We respect their deep physical and spiritual connections to Country through their stories, traditions and living cultures.

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2. Worship and Prayer.	Uta France	Mon
3. Formation and Education		
4. Mission and Outreach.		
5. Leadership and Structure.	John France	Sat & Sun

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UPCOMING WORSHIP TIMES :

Saturday	9th October 5pm Mass— Cooranbong
Sunday	10th October 9.30am Mass— Morisset
Tuesday	11th October 9.30am Liturgy— Morisset
Saturday	15th October 5pm Family Mass— Morisset
Sunday	16th October 9.30am Mass— Morisset
Tuesday	18th October 9.30am Liturgy— Morisset

TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE

WE ENCOURAGE

**MASK WEARING
PHYSICAL DISTANCING
HAND SANITISING,
STAY HOME IF SICK**

Friendly Reminder for Rostered Ministries

Could everyone please check your roster and the bulletin to see when you are rostered on. If you are unavailable to do your rostered ministry please organise a swap with someone.

Copies of the spring Aurora are available at the back of the church.

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REFLECTION FOR 28TH SUNDAY O/T YR C 9TH OCT 2022

The main theme in each of today's readings defines THREE commitments we should try to uphold during our life in regard to our relationship to God.

- 1- Have a firm belief in His teachings, even when we experience trials & sufferings,
- 2- Seek His help & guidance with complete faith in His promises,
- 3- Be assured that we will share in His salvation.

Paul's letter to Timothy, written while in prison, is in itself a profession of faith. His own experiences of hardship, conversion, being in chains like a criminal, yet holding firm throughout it all, emphasise his complete belief in Christ's faithfulness.

The 1st Reading & the Gospel tell stories about healing people with skin diseases.

In ancient times a wide variety of skin diseases were loosely labelled "leprosy" & because of Jewish strict purity laws, those suffering from these conditions were automatically labelled "unclean" & were forced to live outside society - the assumption was that such disfiguration must be a punishment from God for sinful behaviour!

Jesus encounters the TEN nameless men while travelling along the border between Galilee & Samaria while on His way to Jerusalem. As we know, the level of distrust between the Jews of Galilee & the Samaritans was deep & abiding. The land was sparsely populated & mostly barren- so these men lived their whole lives as outcasts, on the border of society, welcome nowhere & belonging nowhere. In their utter desperation they cry out from a distance "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

We hear that Jesus healed ALL of them, thus giving them a new life by restoring them to their families & the community. At the very least, they will be grateful for such a miracle - but, alas, only 1 returns to thank Jesus! Perhaps the other 9 (presumably Jewish) are complying with Jesus' instruction to show themselves to their Priests & afterwards, perhaps they rush home, thrilled to share such good news with their family & friends, understandably, of course ---BUT they fail to acknowledge the graciousness of God which they have just experienced. ALL 10 were healed - yet, only the stranger, the foreigner, the Samaritan, who is not burdened by Jewish ritual, comes back to give thanks & praise to God- he alone has recognised God's action in his cure---he is not only HEALED BUT SAVED! He realises what the other 9 have missed---the gift of faith & a deeper life.

We, as humans, are often as guilty as the ungrateful 9 because it is SO easy to take God's many blessings for granted ----the gift of life itself, of family & friends, a new day of work & play, the list goes on. Let us take the time to recall 10 miracles God has wrought in our lives. Some thoughts to contemplate, enjoy the week.

"Let us humbly thank God for trial & for blessing alike". St Mary MacKillop 1875

"The grateful heart sits at a continuous feast". Proverbs 15:15
Heather White



MELBOURNE CUP HIGH AFTERNOON TEA

On Tuesday 1st November 2022 there will be an Afternoon Tea held for Melbourne Cup, commencing at 1.30pm for sweeps, and Afternoon Tea will be served at 2pm. Cost is \$10 and numbers are capped at 25,

due to social distancing. Marcia and Michell will be at Mass this weekend and next weekend to take your name if you would like to come. There will be a prize for the best hat / fascinator.



COORANBONG CHURCH GARDENS ARE YOU ABLE TO GIVE SOME SUPPORT TO OUR WORK PARTY ?

Which will be held on Wednesday 19 October 2022 at 8.30am (weather dependent of course)

With maintenance a little out of hand due to Covid, rain and age! we are inviting members of our community to gather on this one morning to spread donated and delivered mulch around existing trees and gardens.

Support us for 1 hour or a few, every little bit helps! Our work saves the parish many thousands of dollars!

Come any time after 8.30am, suitably attired with gloves, hat, sunscreen, and boots and hopefully armed with wheelbarrow (if possible) and spade or fork.

Denis, Frances, Kerry, Kevin, John, Juliet, and Jim (with the mulch). Any queries to John France.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION – UNIFIED CONSCIOUSNESS:

ONE MIND ONE HEART

On Saturday 22 October, you're invited to attend a Christian Meditation event at the St James School Hall (Vista Parade, Kotara) from 9am until 12pm. The morning will be chance to reconnect and feel "oneness" again. Cost is \$10 per person; morning tea will be provided. RSVP: annecuskelly@hotmail.com or 0407 436 808.

PINTS WITH A PURPOSE: MENTAL HEALTH MONTH WITH GUEST SPEAKER ELLEN HAZELTON

Mental Health Month is a chance to share activities and ideas that can have a positive impact on our daily lives and the lives of others. The last few years have been incredibly challenging, and many of us have experienced times where we haven't felt a strong sense of hope. Hope plays a big role in helping us get through tough situations, but it's not something that you can just "switch on" – it's important to acknowledge and reflect on what you're experiencing. Hope can come and go over time, we can work to help it grow when things aren't great.

One way to build up hope is to tune in to others' experiences and learn how other people got through their struggles. You can also build hope through sharing things you've learnt with others.

Ellen Hazelton is an experienced mental health nurse who will facilitate discussion around mental health, mental illness and all the ways we can manage our lives in every way including our faith.

Date: Monday 10 October Time: Dinner from 6.00pm

Talk from 7.00pm-8.00pm

Location: Sydney Junction Hotel, 8 Beaumont Street, Hamilton (The Hudson Room) For further enquiries contact Mary-Anne de Luca on 0409 077 373



DO YOU HAVE AN UNUSED MOBILE PHONE?

Lakes Salvos and St Joseph's Toronto are looking for donations of second-hand mobile phones to help people in their community. They can clear the memory, replace the SIM card and offer the phone to someone in need. A phone is a lifeline to those who may not have a place to call home

or the money to buy a phone.

Please bring any old, unused phones and charging cords to the church (140 Wangi Rd, Toronto). They are working with the Salvos at the Toronto Community Kitchen each Thursday night at the Hub, 97 The Boulevard, Toronto.



LITURGY MATTERS: THE POWER & IMPORTANCE OF SILENCE

What watching the Queen's funeral has taught me.

FR ANDREW DOOHAN PUBLISHED OCTOBER 04, 2022

One of the things that struck me repeatedly as I watched the various ceremonial events around the funeral preparations for the Late Queen Elizabeth was the presence of silence in places where you would typically not expect to find it.

The City of Edinburgh is, I am reliably informed, usually teeming with the hustle and bustle, with noise from this and that, and yet, during the procession of the Queen's coffin from Holyrood House to St Giles' Cathedral, there was a profound silence across the parade route and the City in general.

The formal procession of the Queen's coffin from Buckingham Palace to Westminster Hall was accompanied by military bands playing the usual and expected funereal marches. Yet, that music pierced a level of silence pervasive not just across the parade route but the broader City of London—a place that is not precisely known for lack of noise.

Even the various events within Westminster Hall took place within a general aura of silence, broken occasionally by both sung and silent prayer and the sound of footwear on the flagstones. No unnecessary sound was heard; silence was the general background, making the sounds more powerful.

Similarly, the funeral service itself in Westminster Abbey had profound moments of silence where words were unnecessary, and silence reigned supreme. The national moment of silence crept out of the Abbey into the surrounding parklands and streets and, again, was palpable - and, therefore, much more significant.

Silence, of course, is not simply the absence of sound. Silence is a deliberate choice, something we consciously choose to do or practice. It has a long history in the tradition and practice of the Church, as can be seen in some of the monastic orders in which silence is the norm of daily life (see, for example, Chapter 6 of The Rule of St Benedict).

Silence is an almost counter-cultural reality in a world where noise is pervasive, and any absence of sound must be an opportunity for something to be said or done. For some people, silence is frightening, something to be avoided at all costs, lest it demands something of them. But, on the other hand, we can quickly rush to fill any silence with words, even if they are not strictly necessary to be spoken, all because silence has become something alien to our existence.

And yet, it's not.

At least, it shouldn't be.

More appropriately, it shouldn't be for Christians who seek to listen to what God is saying to them.

As it is valid for all human communication, it is impossible to hear what God is attempting to say to us when we do all the talking. Therefore, like all human communication, sometimes it is vitally important for us to remain silent so that we can listen and hear what God is attempting to say to us.

And the difference between listening and hearing is for a discussion at another time!

Speaking for myself, some of the most profound prayer experiences I have had during my life have been when I sat in silence and waited upon the Lord. Of course, it is not always easy to organize such times, particularly given the almost frantic pace of contemporary life, but they have been beautiful times when they have taken place.

The place of silence in our Christian lives, with the accompanying assumption of a chosen preparedness to step out of the day-to-day rush, is not always something to which I (and I suspect others) give much thought.

And yet...what am I at risk of losing when I attempt to avoid silence, or do not allow for the possibility of silence in my life?

Acknowledgements

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The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred in our St John Vianney Church Morisset on Friday 14th October at 7pm and Friday 21st October at 7pm. We ask that you keep our children who are preparing for this sacrament in your prayers.

DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF MINISTRY WITH YOUNG PEOPLE:

BR. DAMIAN PRICE RETREAT

The Diocesan Council for Ministry with Young People is hosting a retreat on Saturday 29 October 2022 with Br Damian Price. Attending guests will have the option to attend a second Strategic Vision Planning Day on Sunday 30 October from 10am-3pm at the Newcastle Diocese Meeting Rooms. Br Damian Price is a Christian Brother of the Oceania Province; he has worked in youth ministry for years. The retreat will be based on the following words from Pope Francis:

"An evangelising community gets involved by word and deed in people's daily lives; it bridges distances, it is willing to abase itself if necessary and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others. Evangelisers thus take on the "smell of the sheep" and the sheep are willing to hear their voice. An evangelising community is also supportive, standing by people at every step of the way, no matter how difficult or lengthy this may prove to be."

For more info or to register, visit: www.eventbrite.com.au/e/diocesan-council-for-ministry-with-young-people-br-damian-price-retreat-tickets-418380706957

MENTAL HEALTH BREAKFAST

The Diocesan Social Justice Council invites you to its annual Mental Health Breakfast. The event celebrates National Mental Health Month. This year's theme is BUILDING RESILIENCE: COMMUNITIES AND CONNECTIONS. Guest speakers from the State Emergency Service (SES) and The Rosewood Centre, will share their experiences working in our community to support people going through difficult times. Hear how these connections with others have helped build them up and keep them mentally strong. For more information or to book your spot, visit: www.eventbrite.com.au/e/diocesan-social-justice-council-mental-health-breakfast-2022-tickets-413804058077

SUPPORTING THE CLERGY / 1ST COLLECTION

We wish to thank those who have continued to support the Clergy and are asking for those who are not doing so to consider making contributions to support the Clergy / 1st Collection at Mass in the BLUE bucket or electronically using the Online Payments button on the Parish Website Home page, the Diocese App or set up a direct debit arrangement (contact the parish office for this option).

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH / 2ND COLLECTION

We wish to thank everyone who has continued their support of our Parish during these very different times. You can support our Parish at Mass via the RED bucket or deposit directly into the Parish Account our details are: Account Name: CDF 96014 Morisset Parish BSB:062815 Account Number: 00328161 Ref: 5004 2nd Collection or 5004 PG and Giver Number, or you can use the Online Payments button on the Parish Website Home page or the Diocese App.

WEEKEND ROSTERS

		<u>THIS WEEK</u>	<u>NEXT WEEK</u>
<u>Presiders</u>	5PM 9.30AM	Mass Mass	Mass Mass
<u>PROCLAIMERS:</u>	5PM 9.30AM	P Melvey K London	M Melvey J France
<u>PSALMIST:</u>	5PM 9.30AM	M Melvey J Vipan	P Melvey J Shamley
<u>GIFTS</u>	5PM 9.30AM	H White P Herbert J Hutchins K Amon	H White Jo Patrick J Vipan K London
<u>SERVERS</u>	5PM 9.30AM	J France M Melvey	J France V Paulo
<u>AV</u>	5PM 9.30AM	M Foo J Vipan	U France U France
<u>SOUND / VIDEO</u>	5PM 9.30AM	U France U France	R McArdle J France
<u>WELCOMERS</u>	5PM 9.30AM	TBA TBA	J Andersen TBA
<u>COVID TEAM</u>	5PM 9.30AM	L Hutchinson P Robertson B Hutcheson J Hutchins	A Walker G Walker L McRae L McRae
<u>COVID CLEAN- ING</u>	5PM 9.30AM	All available Covid team members	All available Covid team members
<u>CHURCH CLEANING</u>	COOR MOR	A Dussin P Herbert T Alexander	XXXX R Hay C Hay

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle has an abiding commitment to promote the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults. If you have any concerns for a child or vulnerable adult please contact the Office of Safeguarding (ph: 4979 1390 or email: childprotection@mn.catholic.org.au), or visit their website for further information (www.officeofsafeguarding.org.au).

UPCOMING FEAST DAYS MEMORIALS AND SOLEMNITIES

SAINT TERESA OF JESUS— 15TH OCTOBER
SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH— 17TH OCTOBER
SAINT LUKE— 18TH OCTOBER
SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE— 28TH OCTOBER
ALL SAINTS— 1ST NOVEMBER
THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED— 2ND NOVEMBER
SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO— 4TH NOVEMBER
THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA— 9TH NOVEMBER
SAINT LEO THE GREAT— 10TH NOVEMBER

Please pray for those who are sick, in hospital or recovering at home:

Fiona McAlinden, Stephen McKay, June Purcell, Jeremy McMullen, Harry Goldman, Yvonne Beecroft, Bernadette Martin, John Francisco, Joan Gillett, Bruce Gillett, Koby Smith, Patricia Jones.

Please pray for those who have been called to eternal life may they always be in our prayers.

Recently Deceased: Josie Scully, Kevin Yates



PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE BULLETIN

If you would like the parish to pray for a family member who is sick, recently deceased or you would like remembered please call or email the parish office or complete a prayer card for each person and place in the mail box near the parish office door. Cards are available at the back of the church and at the Parish Office.

All prayer requests require permission from a family member or the person. Due to Australian privacy laws.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite
myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.



Live stream Mass every Sunday at 9.30am at
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SUNDAY PRAYER SERVICE

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Sunday 09 Oct 2022

The Introductory Rites

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples as Australia's First Peoples and the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which we work to build a stronger, more equitable, kinder society that values children, young people, families and individuals.

We honour the wisdom of and pay respect to, Elders past, present and emerging. We acknowledge the spiritual culture of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across Australia.

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle is located on the traditional lands of the Awabakal, Biripi, Darkinjung, Kamilaroi, Wiradjuri, Wonnarua and Worimi people.

This diocese acknowledges the important Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander occupation and care of the land on which we live. We acknowledge our Traditional Custodians' continual spiritual and cultural connection to Country. We acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as having been on this land for over 60,000 years.

This is the acknowledgement made in the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan launched on 18 August 2022.

Gathering

The Lectionary/Roman Missal or a Bible may be placed on a table together with a candle and a cross.

Sign of the Cross

Leader:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All:

Amen.

Greeting

Leader:

Blessed be Jesus who makes us one,
and strengthens us
by the power of his Spirit.

All:

Blessed be God forever.

Introductory Remarks

Leader (in these or similar words):

Friends in Christ,
although we cannot celebrate the Eucharist this day,
we gather in God's name

for when two or more come together

God is always with us.

We worship in union with the whole Church
keeping this day of the Lord holy.

Opening Rite

Litany Of Praise

Leader:

Before listening to the Word of God

let us praise the Lord Jesus Christ.

A brief period of silence follows.

Leader:

Lord Jesus, you cleanse us from our sins: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Christ Jesus, you show mercy to those who believe in you: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, your message reaches to the ends of the earth: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader:

May almighty God have mercy on us,

forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life.

All:

All: Amen.

Opening Prayer

Leader:

Let us pray.

All pause for silent prayer.

God our Father,

you open the doors

and welcome all to your feast of love.

May we ready and worthy when you call our names.

We ask this through Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

for ever and ever.

All:

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

2 Kgs 5:14-17

A reading from the second book of the Kings

Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaims:

The word of the Lord.

All reply:

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation. **(R.)**
2. The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel. **(R.)**
3. All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord all the earth,
ring out your joy. **(R.)**

Second Reading

2 Tm 2:8-13

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him.
If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.
If we disown him, then he will disown us.
We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful,
for he cannot disown his own self.

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaims:

The word of the Lord.

All reply:

Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Reader:

From the holy Gospel according to Luke.

All:

Glory to you, O Lord.

Lk 17:11-19

It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

Reader:

The Gospel of the Lord.

All:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All are seated.

Reflection on the Word

Q. Why do the men ask Jesus to have pity on them, rather than asking to be healed?

Q. In what ways do the men's reactions reveal that they didn't expect to be fully healed?

Q. Why is it significant that the grateful man is a Samaritan?

Q. In what way can the 'leprosy' of the story be applied as a metaphor for today?

Profession of Faith

Leader:

In union with the whole Church
let us profess our faith.

All:

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**

At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow.

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the Faithful

Leader: Dear friends, giving thanks to God, let us bring our prayers before the Father of all.

Reader: That our Holy Father Pope Francis will lead the Church in faith and the promise of eternal life with Christ.

(pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That leaders of nations will hear and protect the poor and marginalised.

(pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That missionaries will be blessed in their journeys as they bring the Word of God to all.

(pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That our parish community will always praise God for the gift of faith.

(pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That the sick will be healed through God's saving power, especially those in our community and families..

(pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That those who have died will dwell forever with God, especially those in our community and families.

(pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Loving God, your Son teaches us to give thanks. Hear our prayers today, and keep our faith strong as we live our lives in praise of your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

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The Lord's Prayer

Leader:

At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to say:

All:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Concluding Rite

Blessing

Leader:

May the Lord be with us
and protect us
now and for ever.

All make the sign of the cross during the blessing.

All:

Amen.

Dismissal

Leader:

Let us go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.

All:

Thanks be to God.

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