First Reading Am 6:1. 4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

The almighty Lord says this: Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 145:6-10. R. v.2 (R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

Second Reading 1 Tm 6:11-16

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 16:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke Jesus said to the Pharisees: `There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things come your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not Mr. Craig Deayton all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours."
'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to

my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning, so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Copyright © Confraternity of Christian Doctrine; All Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." | or Christian Doctrine; All rights reserved. The "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to | Alleluia and Gospel him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they Verses will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

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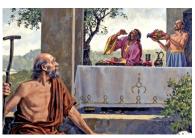




St. John the Baptist

Dear Friends,

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us to beware of riches. The parable of the rich man and the poor Lazarus is about the danger of riches to our eternal salvation. God condemns the rich man to an unhappy eternity away from God's love. But He rewards Lazarus with eternal happiness in His loving embrace. The rich man is not condemned because he is rich but because he does not use his riches for the



good of others, especially Lazarus, at his door. He is condemned because selfishness has blinded him to the needs of others. Lazarus is not saved because he is poor and needy, but because he puts his trust in God and is not attached to the things of this world. Riches are not evil. But the failure to share them with others, especially the poor is sinful because it allows some to live in excessive luxury while others die in misery and poverty. Furthermore, the poor are not saved simply because they are poor but because they rely on God and allow God's love and goodness to guide their actions. If those who are poor become greedy and jealous of the rich they too will be excluded from the love of God. Moreover, Jesus is critical of the religious leaders for whom riches and wealth are a sign of God's favour and blessing, because they avoided their responsibility of service to the poor and the weak. Social justice does matter and it affects our relationship with God. The rich man who thought that his riches were a sign of God's blessing but who does nothing for the needy, in this life, found himself in torment, far from the love of God in the afterlife. Lazarus, who thought himself to be quilty and punished by God, in this life, was warmly welcomed by God in the afterlife. Therefore, riches, or the things in this world, are not a sign of God's favour, neither is poverty a sign of God's punishment. God's judgement is impartial. He treats everyone with love and mercy. God does not favour one or the other. God wants us to show mercy and love to one another, including our enemies. If we are Christ-like in this life, then we will be pleasing to God. If we refuse to share what we can or do not welcome others with joy and respect then we will find ourselves far from God's love in the afterlife. May the Virgin Mary Mother of God pray to Jesus for all.

Fr. Guy Riolo

PARISH DIARY September—October 2019

28 Saturday, St Lawrence Ruiz and companions, martyrs

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St. John's

29 Sunday, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St. John's

30 Monday, StJerome, priest, doctor

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
 1 Tuesday, St Therese of the Child Jesus, virgin, doctor
- 9.00am Mass at St John's2 Wednesday, The HolyGuardian Angels
- 8.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9.00am Mass at St. John's

3 Thursday,

•12.00pm Mass at St John's

4 Friday, St Francis of Assisi

• 9.00am Mass at St John's

5 Saturday, Mass of Virgin Mary

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 9.30am & 5.15pm Reconciliation at St. John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St. John's

6 Sunday, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St. John's

Church Foyer & Kitchen Floor Repairs

Repair work to the flooring of the church foyer and kitchen will commence on Monday 7 October. The weekday Masses will be held in the Parish Meeting Room during this work. The Weekend Masses will still be held in the church during this time. Fr. Guy Riolo

Spring High Tea

Thank you to everyone who helped to make this such an enjoyable and successful afternoon – those who attended, those who made a donation and not forgetting the guests who helped with the clearing up afterwards. The High Tea, including the silent auction, raised \$1698. The raffle raised \$386. 65 and was won by Bobby Court. All proceeds will be forwarded to the Don Bosco Technical School in Biratnager to support students to gain employable skills.

Today is Social Justice Sunday

This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: 'Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world'. It shares Pope Francis' challenge to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world'. It points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this world, but active citizens shaping it. For further details about the Social Justice Statement, visit the Office for Social Justice website (www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or call (02) 8306 3499. Order the Statement online at: bit.ly/socialjusticeshop Follow us on Facebook: @socialjusticeACBC or Twitter: @JusticeCatholic

New Evangelization Summit: Global Summit Day

Event will be held on Saturday 5th October, 8am-4.30pm, in the Murphy Room, Diocesan Centre, Tower Road. It's an international event that will inspire thousands of Catholics to be engaged in the New Evangelization. Hear great ideas about evangelisation, and discuss them with locals. **Speakers**: Cardinal Gerald Lacroix, Fr James Mallon, Michelle Moran, Michele Thompson, Fr Jon Bielawski, and Michael Dopp. **Register by October 1st:** Christine Wood on 6208-6236 or christine.wood@aohtas.org.au. **Cost**: free. **Information**: https://www.newevangelization.ca/

I will be away on my annual retreat in Melbourne from this Sunday till next Saturday 5th October. Fr Peter Rankin will be here during this time. *Fr. Guy Riolo*

A Walk through the Liturgical Year with Fr. Brian Nichols

Thanks to Fr. Brain Nichols who presented practical insight into the seasons of the Liturgy. It was well attended and appreciated by all.

Legion of Mary

Rosary will be recited at St John's Church during the month of October Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 9.30am.

Annual Retreat | Saturday October 19, 2019 | Commencing 9.30am for 10.00am start @ St Paul's Catholic Church, Paice St. Bridgewater. A plate to share for lunch would be appreciated. Please RSVP and contact:0434998180 (John Bereton) to arrange transport.

Parish Volunteers,

To meet legal requirements as a result of the Royal Commission on sexual abuse, all parishes must ensure all staff and applicable volunteers have required compliance checks in place, namely a **current Police Check** as well as **Working with Vulnerable People Registration.** We are compiling a list of the status of all these checks and you may find that we contact you to arrange to have these checks in place if you do not already have them. Please contact Sr. Pamela Davis at the parish office as soon as possible.

Fr. Guy Riolo

Vocation to the Priesthood

Fr Brian Nicholls will lead a vocation reflection day from 10am to 4pm on Saturday October 5th at Campbell Town Parish. Any young man who is interested in exploring a vocation to the priesthood is most welcome to attend. More information will follow.

OUR SICK - Please remember in your prayers:

Leonie Hills, Monique Matzner, Carol-ann Jones, Zayden Direen, Mary Nichols, Charlie White, Patricia Mc Donah, Sarah Gill, Nance Bennette, Kate Hayes-Newington, Patricia Leamey, Maila Beekmeijer, Ted Grainger, Lani Baron, Alida Beric, Nell Smith, Peter Drake, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Doreen Street, Fr Bob Curmi, Frances Direen, Anne Hansch, Lynn Priest, Tom Carty, Rodolfo Gonzales and Ken Young.

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially Augusto Di Tommaso, Marie Knight, Esther Underwood, Gwen Foster, Graziano Ceron, Peter Crane, Stephen Cooper, Steven Stivicic, Stan Brach, John O'Brien and Kevin Walsh. Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

WEEKEND MASSES

St John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Saturday
- 6.00pm Saturday Vigil
- 10.00am Sunday

St. Monica's, Chigwell

• 8.30am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Mon, Tues, Wed, Friday, Sat.
- 12.00pm Thursday

ROSARY

At St. John's, Glenorchy

8.40am every Saturday

RECONCILIATION At St. John's, Glenorchy

• 9.30am & 5.15pm Sat.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT At St. John's, Glenorchy

• 8.00am Wednesday

LEGION OF MARY at St. John's, Glenorchy

● 6.45 pm Every Tuesday

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUP at St. John's. Glenorchy

 1st Wednesday of the month at 9.30am

COUNTERS' ROSTERS

Bridget Hayde's Team

30 Sept

7 Oct

Next Week :

This Week:

Mary Parsissons' Team

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
Envelopes:	\$ 1,378.45
Loose Plate:	\$ 1,006.95
Direct Deposit:	\$ 145.00
TOTAL:	\$ 2,530.40
Week's Budget: \$ 2,500.00	
Deficit	\$ 30.40