

PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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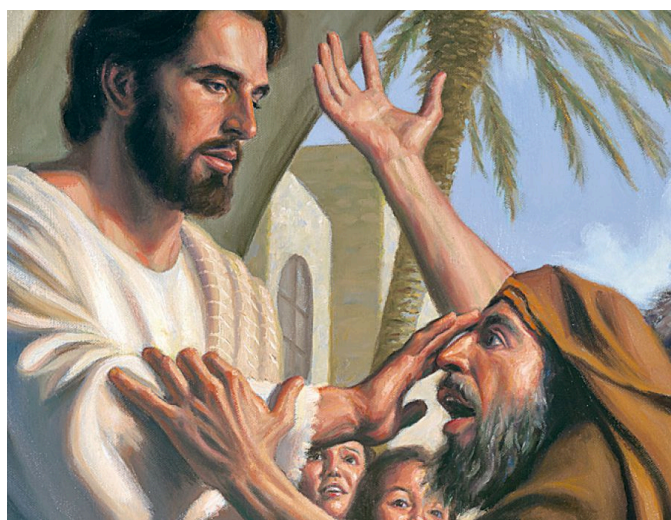
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**30th Sunday in Ordinary time, October
27 2024**

The Gospel: Mark 10: 46-52

Jesus healed Bartimaeus



Gospel exegesis: The context: Today's Gospel describes Jesus' final journey to Jerusalem through Jericho, an ancient city fifteen miles away from Jerusalem. Jericho was the first city conquered by the Israelites when they entered Palestine. It was a city of great wealth and remarkable beauty, supporting many date palm plantations and fig trees. Great numbers of merchants and Jewish priests made their homes in this pleasant city. The Mosaic Law required every Jewish male over the age of twelve and living within fifteen miles of Jerusalem to attend the Passover. Those who, for one reason or another, were exempt from this obligation would often line the roads to Jerusalem to greet the crowds of pilgrims as they passed toward the city. The Jewish rabbis on pilgrimage often taught religious lessons to the pilgrims on their journey. Beggars also capitalized on the increased traffic through the city to beg for money. One such beggar was the blind man known as Bartimaeus.

Jesus shows the mercy and compassion of His Heavenly Father by healing the blind Bartimaeus. Just as the blind and the lame were God's concern in the first reading, Jesus is concerned with the blind beggar, Bartimaeus of Jericho. On hearing that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by, Bartimaeus loudly expressed his trusting Faith in the healing power of Jesus by shouting his request, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" When Jesus invited him to come near, Bartimaeus threw aside his cloak, sprang up and came to Jesus. His meeting with Jesus gave Bartimaeus the gift of spiritual as well as physical sight, and the former blind beggar became a disciple of Jesus.

Life message

Instead of remaining in spiritual blindness, let us pray for spiritual sight. Each one of us may suffer from spiritual blindness. Hence, we need the light of the Holy Spirit to end our darkness and grant us proper spiritual vision. Let us learn to recognize the causes of our spiritual blindness. Anger, hatred, jealousy, evil habits, addictions, sloth etc. make us spiritually blind, and they prevent us from seeing the goodness and presence of God in our family members and neighbours. Hence, let us learn to think about and see the goodness in others without becoming unkind, critical, or judgmental.

Prayer to Our Lady of The Holy Rosary



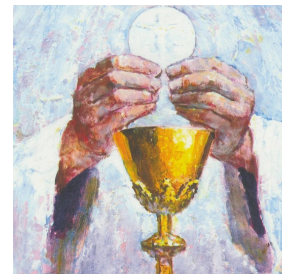
O Venerable Queen of Victories, O Sovereign of Heaven and Earth, in whose name the heavens rejoice and the abysses tremble, O glorious Queen of the Rosary, we your devout children, gathered in this Church and pour out the affections of our hearts and with the confidence of children we express to you our miseries. From the Throne of clemency, turn, O Mary, your pitiful gaze upon us, upon our families, upon Europe, and upon the world. May you take pity on the anxieties and travails that embitter our lives? See, O Mother, how many dangers in soul and body, how many calamities and afflictions compel us. O Mother, implore mercy for us from Your divine Son and win the hearts of sinners with clemency. Amen

**JOIN OUR PARISH FAMILY OF ST GEORGE ON
SATURDAY'S ROSARY FOR PEACE OF THE
WORLD AND PROTECTION OF FAMILIES—6pm**

Anima Christi:

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, embolden me.
Water from the side of Christ, Wash me.
Passion of Christ, Strengthen me.
O Good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds hide me.

Permit me not to be separated from you.
From the wicked foe, defend me.
At the hour of my death, call me and bid
me come to you.
That with your saints I may praise you
For ever and ever.
Amen



Mass Times

Saturday 26 October	6:30pm	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 27 October	9:30am 11:00am	Christabel Elsley RIP Jacob RIP
Monday 28 October SS SIMON & JUDE	10:00am	Agnes intentions
Tuesday 29 October Douai Martyrs	10:00am	J C
Wednesday 30 October	Sacristy	Private Intentions
Thursday 31 October	10:00am	Sanctification of Priests
Friday 01 November ALL SAINTS	10:00am 6:00pm	Tony Podesta
Saturday 02 November ALL SOULS--DEPARTED	10:00am 12:pm 6:30am	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 03 November	9:30am 11:00am	Parishioners

Our Lady’s Promises to those who say their Rosary.

11. By the recitation of the Rosary you shall obtain all that you ask of me.
12. Those who propagate the holy Rosary shall be aided by me in their necessities.
13. I have obtained from my Divine Son that all the advocates of the Rosary shall have for intercessors the entire celestial court during their life and at the hour of their death.
14. All who recite the Rosary are my beloved children and the brothers and sisters of my only Son, Jesus Christ.
15. Devotion for my Rosary is a great sign of predestination.

Mass Offering -20th October -£256.50

Standing orders-----£118.25

Sat. 6:30PM	Sun. 9:30am	Sun.11:00am
Roland Young	Richard Shrimplin	Paschaline Chiamaka

Confession is Saturdays 5-6pm,
30mins before and after mass and on request.

Our Parish Safeguarding representative is
Helen Clarke

THERE WILL BE MASS IN MALPAS NEXT
SUNDAY