

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING** Gen3:9-15 **I will make you enemies of each other: your offspring and her offspring.**

The Lord God called to the man after he had eaten of the tree. 'Where are you?' he asked. 'I heard the sound of you in the garden;' he replied 'I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.' 'Who told you that you were naked?' he asked. 'Have you been eating of the tree I forbade you to eat?' The man replied, 'It was the woman you put with me; she gave me the fruit, and I ate it.' Then the Lord God asked the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman replied, 'The serpent tempted me and I ate.'

Then the Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this,  
 'Be accursed beyond all cattle,  
 all wild beasts.  
 You shall crawl on your belly and eat dust  
 every day of your life.  
 I will make you enemies of each other:  
 you and the woman,  
 your offspring and her offspring.  
 It will crush your head  
 and you will strike its heel.'

**RESPONSORIAL** Ps 129: R. **With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice! O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. R.  
 If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive? But with you is found forgiveness:for this we revere you. R.  
 My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word. My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak. R.  
 Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. R.

**SECOND READING** 2Cor 4:13-5:1 **We believe, and therefore we speak.**

As we have the same spirit of faith that is mentioned in scripture - I believed, therefore I spoke - we too believe and therefore we too speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God.

That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal. For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! The prince of this world will now be cast out, and when I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all to myself, says the Lord. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** Mk3:20-35 **It is the end of Satan.**

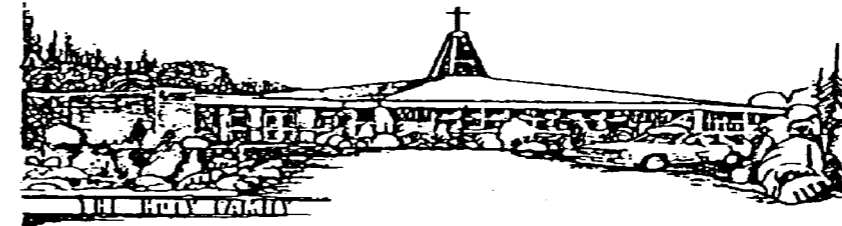
Jesus went home, and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind.

The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying: 'Beelzebul is in him' and, 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So Jesus called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom can not last. And if a household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he can not stand either - it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house.

'I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies: but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness: he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.'

The mother and brothers of Jesus arrived and, standing outside, sent in a message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.'

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY**



10<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024

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**TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
*Mark 3:20-35*

**Context Connection**

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus comes home after preaching at the seaside and then taking the selected Twelve up a mountain for specific instructions as his Apostles.

Jesus's reputation continues to spread throughout the whole region so much that a large group of people gathers around the house, and he is not allowing anyone to get in even to bring food. "When [Jesus's] family hears it, they go out to restrain him, for people are saying, 'He has gone out of his mind'" (3:21) or accusing Jesus of being possessed by Beelzebul. We know from 3:6 that the religious leaders are looking for an opportunity to destroy Jesus. The accusation that he is possessed by Beelzebul is done to discredit him. There are, however, those who are saying Jesus is crazy simply in an attempt to save him. They know that if he is brought before a court, he can then plead insanity. Jesus will have none of this, so first he calls the scribes to task. "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand" (3:23-24). Jesus is clear that his mission is to dispel Satan and that his alliance is to God, not to Satan. It is important that those listening understand that Jesus is possessed by God's spirit and that by Jesus's actions God is glorified and Satan is restrained. Because of Jesus's alliance with God, he brings about the forgiveness of all sins for the sake of the Kingdom of God. Those who cannot accept this Holy Spirit of God themselves are the blasphemers. "Whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness" (3:29).

When his family once again makes their presence known and asks for Jesus to acknowledge them—"Your mother and your brothers and your sisters are outside, asking for you" (3:32)—Jesus turn this opportunity into an occasion to learn a new meaning of *family*. "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother'" (3:33-35). Jesus defines *family* in a broader context than blood relatives; family is all those who obey God or do God's will. This statement in no way puts down Jesus's blood relatives but simply elevates the essential quality of kinship with him to a spiritual kinship of the commitment of doing the will of God.

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**Confirmation Celebration**

Next Tuesday, I will confirm 37 young people who have journeyed over the last couple of months in a program of preparation for receiving the gifts of the Holy Spirit through Confirmation.

We give thanks to the Lord for the blessings that they bring to the life of the Church here in this parish and to their families. I'm very grateful to Lorraine and Angela who have led this revised program of preparation.

Weekly Diary : 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2024—16 <sup>th</sup> June 2024		
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	: 9.30am	Mass Memorial of St. Barnabas, apostle followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
	: 6.00pm	Confirmation Celebration—Church
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	: 9.30am	Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group-Parish Board Room
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	: 9.30am	Mass Memorial of St. Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor followed by Rosary
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>	: 3.30pm	Confessions
	: 4.00pm	Vigil—11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2
	: 5.30pm	Mass at Banksia Park Hall, 27 Crescent Avenue, Hope Island
		St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal 15/16 June
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	: 7.00am	Mass—11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2
	: 9.00am	Family Mass—11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2.
	: 10.30am	Baptisms