

“The harvest is rich,” Jesus tells the seventy-two in today’s Gospel, “but the workers are few.” The situation is the same today. How can I help with God’s harvest? Am I called into the field? Am I one who could provide food or shelter or wages to those who toil in the fields of the Lord?

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Focusing the Gospel
(Luke 10:1-12, 17-20)

Key words and phrases: “Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God is at hand for you.’”

To the point: This week we learn more about what it means to be a disciple of Christ. Jesus sends out his followers to all of the towns he intends to visit enroute to Jerusalem and tells them to bring good news about the harvest, referencing both the crop planted and himself, the Bread of Life. Jesus delegates. He sends out a number of teams, not individuals, to bring peace on behalf of himself. No one goes alone. Partnership is valued, and when Jesus gives instructions, he trusts that his disciples will follow them.



Connecting the Gospel

To the first and second readings : In the second reading, Paul reminds us that signs of holiness are not, in fact, holiness. Circumcision is a sign of dedication to the Lord, but it is not dedication to the Lord. When Paul boasts, or is successful, it is not he who is successful, but the Lord, through Paul. The first reading is an intimate discovery of a maternal relationship, with the Lord as the mother who nurses us. There is perhaps no more tender a relationship than that of a mother nursing her child, comforting and giving life.

To experience: The Trinity is our model of relationship, both with the Lord and one another. Even monks who commit to hermitage are in relationship with the Lord, emptying themselves in contemplation and prayer to be filled by God. We are given this striking image from Isaiah when he says, “Oh, that you may suck fully / of the milk of her comfort, / that you may nurse with delight / at her abundant breasts!” Can you imagine that kind of intimate relationship with the Lord?

ARISE Charismatic Prayer Group

ARISE prayer meetings will be in recess for two weeks of the school holidays.

The acronym for ARISE:

Arise, shine, for your light has come and the glory of the Lord rises upon you (Isaiah 60:1)

Raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above (Colossians. 3:1)

In love, shall you show you are my disciples. (John 13:35)

Seek the Lord with all your heart and with all your soul, you will find him. (Deuteronomy 4:29)

Exalt you, my God the King. (Psalm 145:1)



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DATE	CHURCH	PARISH CENTRE
Mon 4 Jul	9:00am Mass 9:30am Rosary	7:30pm SdVP – Rm 1
Tue 5 Jul	9.00am Mass 9:30am Rosary	
Wed 6 Jul	9:00am Mass 9:30am Rosary	9:30am Craft – Rm 3 & Kitchen 7:00pm Liturgy Meeting – Rm 1 7:30pm Encounter Evening – Rm 3
Thu 7 Jul	9:00am Mass 9:30am Rosary	
Fri 8 Jul	11.20am Rosary 12:00pm Mass	
Sat 9Jul	9.00am Mass 9.30am Recon/Novena 5:30pm Vigil Mass	10.30am Men’s Group Bible Sharing - DWWJ 3:00pm T4C – Hall & Kitchen
Sun 10 Jul	7.30am Mass 9:00am Mass 10.30am Mass 2:30pm Silent Adoration 3.00pm Divine Mercy	1st Reading Deut : 30 : 10 – 14 2nd Reading Col : 1 : 15 – 20 Gospel Reading Lk : 10 : 25 – 37

MINISTRY TEAM

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Vinnies' #CeoSleeputAu 2022



Friends and families, our sincere gratitude for your support and encouragement for our participation at the Vinnies' #CeoSleeputAu this year. Aside from sleeping out on a hard cement floor through a cold winter night, what impacted us most are the stories of the homeless people. These are hallowing stories of abuse, despair and loss of dignity. But they are also stories of courage and of the indomitable human spirit. At the sleepout, we met and heard from Matt Vapor, who, having suffered violence and abuse through his formative years, managed to turn his life around. He completed his university degrees; and is today a successful business leader. While Matt still suffered many effects of his traumatic childhood, he chose to channel his past traumas in positive ways, advocating and supporting social causes such as homelessness, domestic violence, mental health and addiction. Matt posed this question to us on the night: "When does homelessness end for a person?" It is a sobering thought. The experience of the Sleepout helps us understand we cannot solve homelessness by simply putting a physical roof over someone's head. It is a complex multi-facet issue. We were introduced to the work of Passages, a youth engagement hub supported by the Vinnies and the Rotary Club, where displaced young people can come, not be judged, but just be themselves. Whether it is to speak to a councillor or just do simple tasks like laundry; in Matt's words, "just to exist". Thanks to all our supporters, our team has reached a donation total of over \$51k, a figure that exceeds our expectation. But this is but a little step. Today, let us individually reflect on how blessed we are. And whatever differences we might have in our own families, our loved ones are a blessing in our lives. **Finally, if you would still like to donate to our team, the donation portal will remain open for a short period. Go to <https://rebrand.ly/ceosleeputau>**

Blessings to you, our friends and families. Fr Thai, Fr CJ, Louis, Ken, Byron, Howard

Coming up St Vincent de Paul Cake Stall 16/17 July 2022

Our annual cake and knitted goods sale will be held after all Masses on the 16/17 July weekend. The stalls will be in the parish hall. Vinnies would like to thank parishioners for past donations including weekly groceries and support with our Christmas Hampers. We will really appreciate your "bring and buy" involvement to our cake stall. Proceeds will be used to help people in need.

Thank you from the Vietnamese Dominican Sisters....

We wish to say a very BIG Thank You to all the parishioners of Sts John & Paul Catholic church. Your generosity is much appreciated. If you missed out last week and wish to give us a donation; our bank account details are as follows: **BSB : 086 006 Account Number : 166805853 Account Name : Vietnamese Dominican Sisters. God Bless.**

Bus Drivers for the Growing Vine Seniors Group

URGENTLY seeks bus drivers (on a roster system) for its seniors group which caters for the 65 years and older members in our community. Only car license required for a 12-seater bus. The GV meets every Friday at the parish centre during school terms. The GV also invites new members to spend the day with other seniors, sharing time, talent and treasure and engaging with others in fun activities and outings. **For more information, please contact Richard on 0419469025.**

Please note that we will have half and hour of Silent Adoration before singing/reciting The Divine Mercy Chaplets on Sundays.

John Paul Care

John Paul Care is a Pastoral Care Program in our parish. The program is operated by parishioners who generously volunteer their time and talents in helping out those in need. If you or you know of someone who needs help or you would like to volunteer, please contact one of the co-ordinators listed below.

Rosa Pasquale	0417 994676	General/Gardening (jpcare@willettoncatholicparish.org.au)
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