



Sunday 19th October 2025

Ordinary 29



Sentence of the Day

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.

(Luke 18: 1)

Collect of the Day

Mighty God, strong, loving and wise, help us to depend upon your goodness and to place our trust in your Son; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever. Amen.

A Word from Jonathan

The Lectionary sets us two readings today that are about two different, but linked things; the Scriptures, and prayer. They are linked because prayer, at its best, is more about listening to God, than it is about attempting to persuade God of a particular perspective.

Ideally prayer that asks something of God, should happen in the context of the will of God. In other words, if we are in tune with God, we will be likely to pray for something we think God wants anyway. This is the best understanding of Jesus' words in John 14: 14, "If you ask me for anything in my name I will do it."

Sometimes we are told that our faith could be greater when we pray. James certainly suggests our prayers are not answered because we're asking for something that will lead to an indulgence of our pleasures. In other words, prayer is not a lolly scramble.

But there is another dynamic to prayer, and it is addressed in Jesus' parable today; and that is persistence. The parable, in King James Version English, is known as The Parable of the Importunate Widow. That means persistent, not giving up.

Readings

Jeremiah 31: 27 - 34

Psalm 119: 97- 104 *Pg 345 ANZPB*

2 Timothy 3: 14 – 4: 5

Luke 18: 1– 8

This morning's 8am service begins on page 404 ANZPB
and the 9:30am service will be on the screens



All are welcome to join us after the service for a cuppa and fellowship over morning tea in The Gathering Place.

This week we acknowledge with thanks

our dedicated gardeners and lawn mowing heroes – Anne, Eric, Dave, Julian and Paul. There is always room for more helpers, so don't hesitate to speak to one of the gardeners or to Alison in the office.



DIARY: October

Sunday 19 Knightsbridge service 11am
Tuesday 28 Vestry meeting 7pm in The Gathering Place

November

Tuesday 5 Women's Fellowship AGM meeting 10am Hall

Children's Ministry / Activities

is available during 9:30am Sunday services in The Gathering Place.



SPRING SALE

THIS SATURDAY 18 October from 10am

No Eftpos so bring cash

or use internet banking

In advance and in the expectation that this will have been a wonderful success and everyone had a great time and hopefully picked up some treats. Huge thanks to everyone who helped in anyway: donating items, baking, growing plants, beautiful quilts, making crafts and toys, staffing stalls, and all the work behind the scenes in preparation. You are all appreciated!

Spring Sale Raffle

Tickets on Sale. Be into win! 4 prizes:
\$5 for one ticket. \$10 for three tickets

Bring your Cash!

Please do not park in the church carpark on Saturday

– unless you are unloading items,
then park off site after unloading.

Duty Rosters for November, December and January
will be available in the foyer next week
and will also be emailed out

They will be available on the website from the beginning of November.
Thank you to everyone who offers to help on Sunday mornings.

If you would like to join a roster, please let the office know
(and you will be their next best friend!)

Regular Parish Activities

Sunday 9:30am service – children's ministry available during service

Monday 10am Home Group - in members' homes.
(1st & 3rd Mondays) Ring Ursula 094798036.

Tuesday 10am Women's Fellowship – Hall (1st Tuesday)
Ring Jenny Shaw 021 953 940

Tuesday Vestry 7pm - The Gathering Place (4th Tuesday)

Wednesday 10:00am - Holy Communion Service

Friday Contemplative Prayer Group 1pm - Church (2nd Friday)
Stephen Warnes

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Feedback welcome

If you have feedback on any aspect of parish activities,
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