INVITATION TO SUNDAY MORNING TEA

Fortnightly, Sunday after the 8am Mass we host a morning tea. Please join us. Meet and talk to your fellow parishioners.

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This Week's Mass Schedule

11/09/2024	**Wednesday**	**8:00am**
12/09/2024	**Thursday**	**12.00pm**
13/09/2024	**Friday**	**8:30am**
14/09/2024	**Saturday**	**6:00pm**
15/09/2024	**Sunday**	
	Maryborough	**8.00am**
	Tiaro	**10:00am**

READINGS

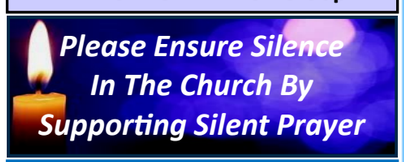
23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year B (p.687) in St Pauls Missal.

- **1st** - Isaiah 35:4-7
- **Psalm** - 145 Resp. hymns page
- **2nd** - James 2:1-5
- **Gospel Accl.** hymns page
- **Gospel** - Mark 7:31-37

Next weekend: 24th Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year B (p.690)

- **1st** - Isaiah 50:5-9
- **Psalm** - 114
- **2nd** - James 2:14-18
- **Gospel** - Mark 8:27-35

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm



Multi-Cultural Mass and Celebration
Sunday October 20th
Commencing 10 am.

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NEWSLETTER 8TH SEPTEMBER 2024
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — YEAR B

YOU ARE JUST, O LORD,
AND YOUR JUDGEMENT IS RIGHT;
TREAT YOUR SERVANT IN ACCORD
WITH YOUR MERCIFUL LOVE.

RECEIVE YOUR HEALING TODAY!

"Jesus took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly (Mark 7:33-35)".

Why did Jesus take the deaf man away from the crowd? And why did he have to go into such a detailed healing process when he could simply have said a word, and the man would be all right? I think that in these details of the story, Mark is saying something to us. By taking the deaf man far from the madding crowd to heal him, Mark is probably saying to us that to be healed of our deafness to the word of God, we needed to distance ourselves from the noisy masses around us, since the healing encounter with Jesus happens in the private intimacy of one's heart.

Again, we could see that this healing is very different from many other healings of Jesus, especially, the Canaanite woman's daughter which preceded it. In that story, Jesus did not take any action other than to announce the healing to the woman (verse 29).

But in this case, he goes into an elaborate ritual in seven acts: firstly, (1) He takes the man aside. (2) He put his fingers into the man's ears. (3) He spits and (4) touches the man's tongue. (5) He looks up to heaven and (6) he sighs. (7) He issues the healing command, "Ephphatha."

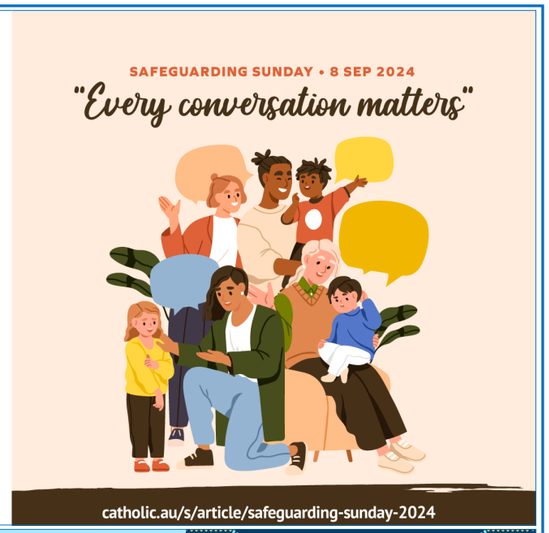
Why does Jesus go into all this? More importantly, why does Mark record all this? Probably Mark's church was beginning to develop their rituals of anointing and the use of special formulas. In that case this was a way of saying to the Christians that by participating in these early liturgical ceremonies they would experience healing. And then, after one has experienced this healing, nothing on earth could stop one from proclaiming Jesus, even in the unlikely circumstance that Jesus himself would ask them to keep silent.

Do we realize that we are sometimes spiritually deaf? Does it occur to us that, as individuals and as a church, we do not yet fully understand the message of Jesus? Is that not the reason why we have a speech impediment and the people of our time no longer understand us when we try to tell the Good News?

My dear people of God, as individuals and as a church, we need to come to Jesus for healing. We need to have a personal encounter with Jesus. And this can happen here and now, far from the madding crowds, as we prepare ourselves to receive the Lord in the privacy of the Eucharistic banquet.

Peace be with you!

Fr Lucius



Multi-Cultural Mass and Celebration

"Come Sit at My Table"

St Mary's Parish Multicultural Celebrations
Sunday October 20th 2024
Commencing 10am

Dear People of Faith,

The Multicultural Mass brings joy and celebration to us as a Family of Faith.

What we would like you to be part of:

1) The choir for the Mass and/or entertainment after mass on the front lawn.
2) Contributing a prayer of Intercession to reflect your country's or families' intercessions.
3) Contribute a food platter of your national treat to share, at morning tea/lunch after the mass. It will be set up like previous years on the front lawn of the Church pending weather.
4) Come dressed in your colourful and/or national dress and if you have a flag, please bring it along to join in the colourful celebration.
5) Consider joining the committee to assist in the organising one of the following the entertainment-decorations and food contributors.
6) Setting up prior to mass on the Sunday - early 8am start as Mass will be at 10am (lots of people required for this job byo ladder).

If there are any ideas that you would like to share, please contact a member of the Parish Council or Father Lucius (who will pass the idea on). We are looking forward to another wonderful day of celebration.

Next meeting – Will be determined from the response to this invitation.

Unfortunately, I will not be here for the celebration as I will be away from the Parish from late September until mid-December, so we will need to have things in place before I leave. If you are willing to assist from now till the day, please let Antony know and we will contact you with arrangements. I thank you all in anticipation of your assistance to organise this wonderful event of celebration. *Eris Duffy (coordinator).*

Sunday Mass—8/9/2024 (First Holy Communion)

Entrance: Together As One

Let us come (Let us come)
Together as one (Together as one)
We will sing (la la la la)
And praise His name (Alleluia!).

We come to pray, we come to sing
We come today, to share everything.

Together in Christ, God's only son
Together with him, and love everyone.

Let's sing in praise, let's sing for joy
Every woman, every man
Every girl, every boy.

Praise our God, Jesus the Son
The Holy Spirit
And praise them one.

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Psalm:

I will lift up you name - Psalm 145

Refrain: I will lift up you name:
praise to my king and God,
for you are holy
Oh, I will lift up your name:
praise to my king and my God on high!

I will give you glory, Lord:
I will bless your name forever.
I will praise you day after day. R/.

Always faithful, kind and gentle,
slow to anger, filled with love.
Oh, how great is the Lord of all! R/.

Ev'ry creature great and small,
tells the glory of your name,
and proclaims to all your mighty ways. R/.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick .
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Communion: Come to the Table

We all start on the outside
The outside looking in
This is where grace begins
We were hungry we were thirsty
With nothing left to give
Oh the shape that we were in
Just when all hope seemed lost
Love opened the door for us.

He said come to the table
Come join the sinners who have been redeemed
Take your place beside the Savior
Sit down and be set free.

Come to the table
Come to the table

To the thief and to the doubter
To the hero and the coward
To the prisoner and the soldier
To the young and to the older
All who hunger all who thirst
All the last and all the first
All the paupers and the princess
All who fail, you've been forgiven
All who dream and all who suffer
All who loved and lost another
All the chained and all the free
All who follow all who lead

Anyone who's been let down
All the lost you have been found
All who have been labeled right or wrong
To everyone who hears this song
Oh Come to the table
Come join the sinners you have been redeemed
Take your place beside the Savior
Sit down and be set free
Oh Sit down and be set free
Come to the table
Come to the table
Sit down and be set free
Come to the table

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These Hands

These Hands, this heart
This voice, my God
These Hands, this heart
This voice, my God

With these hands I pray to You
With these hands I work for You
With these hands I show my love for You.

These Hands, this heart
This voice, my God
These Hands, this heart
This voice, my God.

With this voice.. I speak to You
With this voice.. I sing to You
With this voice.. I share my love for You.

These Hands, this heart
This voice, my God
These Hands, this heart
This voice, my God

With this heart I share Your love
With this heart I feel Your love
With this heart I live my love for You

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Thanksgiving: Jesus Strong and Kind

Jesus said that if I thirst
I should come to Him
No one else can satisfy
I should come to Him.

Jesus said if I am weak
I should come to Him
No one else can be my strength
I should come to Him.

Chorus: For the Lord is good and faithful
He will keep us day and night
We can always run to Jesus
Jesus, strong and kind

Jesus said that if I fear
I should come to Him
No one else can be my shield
I should come to Him. (Chorus)

Jesus said if I am lost
He will come to me
And He showed me on that cross
He will come to me (Chorus)

For the Lord is good and faithful
He will keep us day and night
We can always run to Jesus
Jesus, strong and kind
Jesus, strong and kind.

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Recessional: My Lighthouse

In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out.
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

In the silence, You won't let go
In the questions, Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

My lighthouse, my lighthouse
Shining in the darkness. I will follow You
My lighthouse, my lighthouse
I will trust the promise
You will carry me safe to shore (oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
Safe to shore (oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
Safe to shore (oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
Safe to shore

I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

(You are my light)
(My lighthouse .....)

Fire before us, You're the brightest
You will lead us through the storms.
(My lighthouse .....)

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