

St Paul's Anglican Church - Balga-Mirrabooka

Paul's Epistle

28th October 2018

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to Church

Sunday Services

Eucharist

8.00 am

Sung

Eucharist

9.30 am

Sudanese

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Service

11.30am

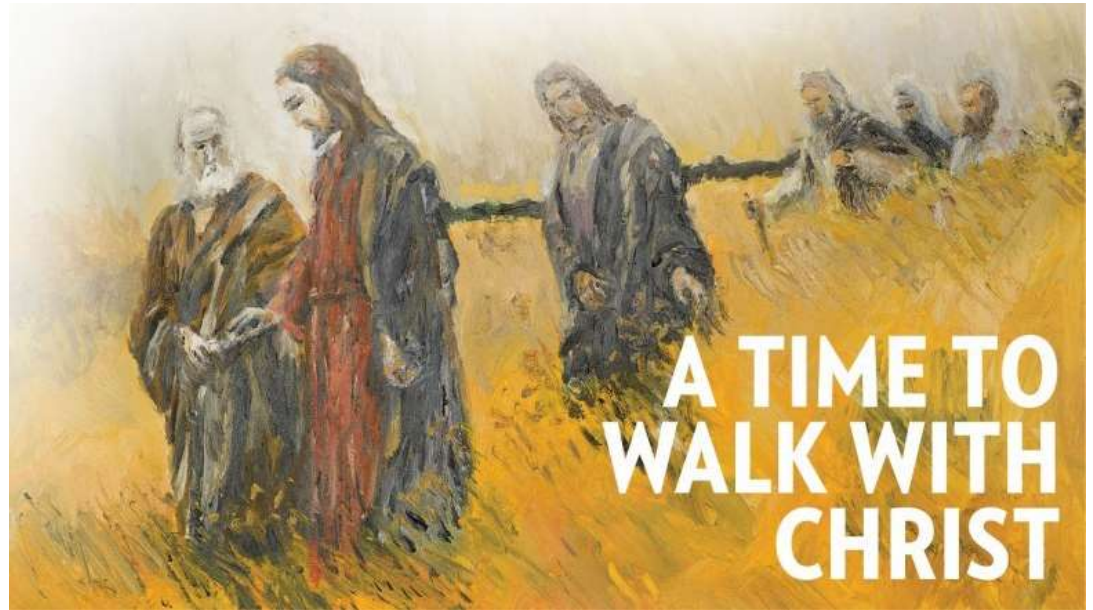
Parish

Priest

**Rev'd Rob
Day**

Associate
Priest:

**The Rev'd
Timon
Yanga**



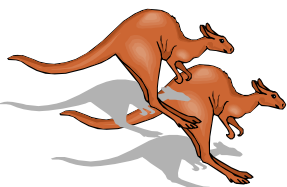
At times we can think of the disciples as something of superheroes. The stories told about them can make them seem like examples of faith. Today in our Gospel lesson we hear about another disciple, not one of the twelve, but a follower of Jesus nevertheless.

It's not an accident that the story of Bartimaeus follows immediately upon the story of James & John (Last weeks Gospel) In each story Jesus asks, "What do you want me to do for you?" That question is asked of us too. Will our answer be like the brothers who want to gain the system for their own glory? Or will our answer be like the blind Bartimaeus who seeks merely to see?

Though the brothers James & John were called by Jesus from the beginning it seems that Bartimaeus has a better self understanding. He is more humble and less grandiose than the "real" disciples, Bartimaeus, about whom we know very little, serves as a prime example of discipleship. What do we seek of Jesus? What do we want Jesus to do for us?

Sentence

Jesus said, 'You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide.'



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Questions to reflect on

Have you ever experienced blindness of any kind - physical, emotional, intellectual? How were your eyes opened to what you did not see or understand?

Did you ever fail to recognise the goodness of God in your midst during a difficult time in your life?

Who do you know who are among the faithful like Bartimaeus: individuals who, despite the poverty and challenges they face, show us the light and riches of God?

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Job 42.1-6, 10-17

Psalm 34.1-8 (19-22)

Hebrews 7.21-28

Mark 10.46-52

Perhaps the most difficult thing in the Christian's life is to submit to the will of God and to acknowledge God's sovereignty over all. Few of us will suffer what Job suffered, but his story serves to illustrate that our challenges are not without purpose nor is our perseverance in our faith and trust in God without recognition. Even the blind man had to call out to Jesus twice before he was healed!

Pray that we can empty ourselves of ourselves, thereby allowing us to taste and see that the Lord is good!

Pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

Text: The Rev Laurette Glasgow, Special Advisor for Government Relations for the Anglican Church of Canada and the Diocese of Ottawa.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY in October to

Kate Baker 3rd, Lily Knight 11th ; Karin Stacey 12th; Corinne Morris 14th;
Keith Kirkpatrick 19th; Ross Caporn & Lalita John 20th; Jeanette Mitchell 24th; Juanita Van Ranzow 31st



May the dear Lord bless you, Shower graces on you;
May He guide you forever: Happy birthday to you!

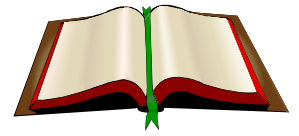
Bible Readings: 4th November

Ruth 1.1-18

Psalm 119.1-8

Hebrews 9.11-14

Mark 12.28-34



Readings

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Parish Diary for this week:

Next Sunday:

8.00am Service

9.30am Sung Eucharist

11.30am Sung Eucharist

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