

Forward!

Welcome to our celebration today

20 September 2009

'I WAS IN PRISON'

Prison is a hell-like experience. The real separation that the prison wall creates as a consequence of judgement is a vivid image of hell.



But we need not be convicted of a crime to experience this separation from others. There are many kinds of imprisonment. Fear and anxiety can imprison us. We can experience the imprisonment of being trapped by circumstances -

feeling walled in and shut up. Christ proclaimed that He came 'to set the captive free'. His resurrection saw the destruction of the gates of hell and at His descent into death, S. Peter writes that He preached to those long dead and imprisoned. Because of the resurrection of Jesus there is nowhere and no situation where we can be separated from the love of Christ. If we live in His love, we should without fear seek out those who are trapped and lost to the world. In visiting them we will find Christ already waiting for us.

(Read again also the parable of the sheep and goats in Matthew 25.)

The Lord desired that we should rejoice and leap for joy in persecutions, because, when persecutions occur, then are given the crowns of faith, then the soldiers of God are proved, then the heavens are opened to martyrs. For we have not in such a way given our name to warfare that we ought only to think about peace and draw back from and refuse war, when in this very warfare the Lord walked first - the Teacher of humility, and endurance, and suffering - so that what He taught to be done, He first of all did, and what He exhorts to suffer, He Himself first suffered for us. Let it be before your eyes, beloved brethren, that He who alone received all judgment from the Father, and who will come to judge, has already declared the decree of His judgment and of His future recognition, foretelling and testifying that He will confess those before His Father who confess Him, and will deny those who deny Him.

S. Cyprian

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF BRISBANE

All Saints' Church,

Wickham Terrace

A FORWARD IN FAITH PARISH

Parish Priest: Canon Richard Martin SSC



**25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(COMMEMORATION OF THE
PROTOMARTYR OF MELANESIA,
JOHN COLERIDGE PATTESON, 1827-71)**

20TH SEPTEMBER 2009

HYMNS AT LOW MASS - 7.30am

ENTRANCE: 390 Firmly I believe and truly
OFFERTORY: 309 For the beauty of the earth
COMMUNION: 490 The King of love my shepherd is
RECESSIONAL: 518 Ye servants of the Lord

SOLEMN HIGH MASS

Setting: **MISSA DE ANGELIS**

INTRODUCTORY RITES

RITE OF SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER

The priest sprinkles himself, his ministers and the people with holy water to remind us of our Baptism in which we were joined to the dying and rising of Christ, our sins were washed away, and we became part of his priestly people.

Antiphon: Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean; thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Ps.51. Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Antiphon is repeated.

Priest: O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

*People: **And grant us thy salvation.***

Priest: O Lord, hear my prayer.

*People: **And let my cry come unto thee.***

Priest: The Lord be with you.

*People: **And with thy Spirit.***

Priest: Let us pray. Graciously hear us, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God: and vouchsafe to send thy Holy Angel from heaven; to guard, cherish, protect, visit, and defend all who dwell in this holy place. Through Christ our Lord.

*All: **Amen.***



HYMN

Firmly I believe and truly
 God is Three, and God is One;
 And I next acknowledge duly
 Manhood taken by the Son.

And I trust and hope most fully
 In that Manhood crucified;
 And each thought and deed unruly
 Do to death, as he has died.

Simply to his grace and wholly
 Light and life and strength belong,
 And I love supremely, solely,
 Him the holy, him the strong.

And I hold in veneration,
 For the love of him alone,
 Holy Church as his creation,
 And her teachings as his own.

- an Interlude is played on the organ -

Adoration ay be given,
 With and through the angelic host,
 To the God of earth and heaven,
 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE INTROIT OF THE MASS

The choir sings: I am the saving health of my people, saith the Lord God: out of whatsoever tribulation they shall pray to me, I will surely help them, and I will be their God for ever and ever. *Ps.* Hear my law O my people: incline your ears unto the words of my mouth. Glory be. (*Psalm 37:39,40,28; 78:1*)

KYRIE ELEISON *All sing:*

Kyrie eleison.
 Kyrie eleison.
 Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.
 Christe eleison.
 Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.
 Kyrie eleison.
 Kyrie eleison



Lord, have mercy .
 Lord, have mercy .
 Lord, have mercy .

Christ, have mercy .
 Christ, have mercy .
 Christ, have mercy .

Lord, have mercy .
 Lord, have mercy .
 Lord, have mercy .

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Priest: Gloria in excelsis Deo:

The people SIT and the choir continues:

Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te. Glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe. Domine Deus Agnus Dei Filius Patris. Qui tollis peccata mundi miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi suscipe deprecationem nostrum. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dominus. Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris.
Amen.

(and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen).

COLLECTS

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy Spirit.**

Priest: Let us pray. O Lord, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church: and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour; preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness. Through Jesus Christ our Lord: who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

People: **Amen.**

Almighty God, who didst call thy faithful servants John Coleridge Patteson and his companions to be witnesses and martyrs in the Isles of Melanesia; and by their sufferings and labours didst raise up a people for thine own possession: Pour forth thy Holy Spirit upon thy Church in every land, that by the service and sacrifice of many, thy Holy Name may be glorified and thy kingdom enlarged, through Jesus Christ Our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

The people SIT

LITURGY OF THE WORD**THE FIRST READING**

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM 54

R. The Lord upholdeth my life

1 Save me, O God, for thy Name's sake * and avenge me in thy strength. 2 Hear my prayer, O God * and hearken unto the words of my mouth. **R:**

3 For strangers are risen up against me * and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.

4 Behold, God is my helper * the Lord is with them that uphold my soul. 5 He shall reward evil unto mine enemies * destroy thou them in thy truth. **R:**

6 An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O Lord * because it is so comfortable 7 For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble * and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies. **R:**

THE SECOND READING

James 3:16 - 4:3

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

ACCLAMATION *The choir sings:*

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: yea, all such as call upon him faithfully. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name. Alleluia. Alleluia. O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name: tell the people what things he hath done. Alleluia. (*Psalm 145:18,21; 105:1*)

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 9:30-37*

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Deacon: The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**
This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**



THE NICENE CREED

Priest: I believe in one God

People: the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God; begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, (All KNEEL) and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man: (All STAND) And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church:

I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the life of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON *The people SIT*

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon A. Fellows.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY



The choir sings: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shall thou refresh me, O Lord: thou shalt stretch forth thy right hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me. (*Psalms 138:7*)

HYMN

For the beauty of the earth
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies.

Refrain

*Christ, our God, to Thee we raise,
This our sacrifice of praise.*

For the beauty of each hour,
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon, and stars of light.

Refrain

For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight.

Refrain

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild.

Refrain

For Thy Church, that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love.

Refrain



For the martyrs' crown of light,
 For Thy prophets' eagle eye,
 For Thy bold confessors' might,
 For the lips of infancy.

Refrain

For Thy virgins' robes of snow,
 For Thy maiden mother mild,
 For Thyself, with hearts aglow,
 Jesu, Victim undefiled.

Refrain

For each perfect gift of Thine,
 To our race so freely given,
 Graces human and divine,
 Flowers of earth and buds of Heaven.

Refrain

INVITATION TO PRAYER

Priest: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People: The Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his name, and to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Priest: May thy sacraments guard us, O Lord: and ever defend us against the assaults of the devil. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

All: Amen.

PREPARATION OF THE COMMUNICANTS

The people are asked to make this Confession of their sins. Then:

All: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



The priest pronounces the Absolution.

All join in this prayer:

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy; Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his Blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most Precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Priest: Lift up you hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: **It is meet and right so to do.**

The priest continues with the Preface :

... we laud and magnify thy glorious name;
evermore praising thee, and saying:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of
Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Hosts, Heaven and earth are full

Pleni sunt coeli et terra of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O
gloria tua. Hosanna in Lord, Most High.
excelsis.

*** Benedictus qui venit in** * Blessed is he that cometh in
nomine Domini. Hosanna in the name of the Lord. Hosanna
excelsis. in the highest.

*During the Eucharistic Prayer the bread and wine become
our Lord's Body and Blood; we are then offered to the
Father in union with the perfect sacrifice of Jesus.*

COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

Priest: Let us pray.

As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and
taught us, we are bold to say: Our Father

All: **who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy
name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth
as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those
who trespass against us. And lead us not into
temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the
kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and
ever. Amen.**

Priest: ... throughout all ages, world without end.

All: **Amen.**

THE PAX

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

AGNUS DEI

**Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi: miserere
nobis.**

O Lamb of God, that takest away
the sins of the world:
have mercy upon us.

**Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata
mundi: miserere nobis.**

O Lamb of God, that takest away
the sins of the world:
have mercy upon us.

**Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata
mundi: dona nobis pacem.**

O Lamb of God, that takest away
the sins of the world:
grant us thy peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God;
behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

All: **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst
come under my roof, but speak the
word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

The choir sings the Communion Antiphon:

Thou hast charged that we shall diligently
keep thy commandments: O that my ways
were made so direct that I might keep thy
statutes. (*Psalm 119:4-5*)

Holy Communion is now given.





I am not
worthy
that Thou
shouldst
come
under my
roof

The choir sings:
CHRISTUS FACTUS EST, Anerio

Then ALL sing

I am not worthy, holy Lord,
That Thou shouldst come to me;
Speak but the word;
one gracious word
Can set the sinner free.

I am not worthy; cold and bare
The lodging of my soul;
How canst Thou deign to enter there?
Lord, speak, and make me whole.

I am not worthy; yet, my God,
How can I say Thee nay;
Thee, who didst give Thy flesh and blood
My ransom price to pay?

O come! in this sweet morning hour
Feed me with food divine;
And fill with all Thy love and power
This worthless heart of mine.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Priest: Let us pray. We beseech thee, O Lord, that the operation of the heavenly gift may so possess our minds and bodies: that not our own desires, but the effectual working of the same may ever prevail within us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

All: **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Deacon: Depart in peace.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Priest: The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



HYMN

Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus going on before.
Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe;
Forward into battle see His banners go!

Refrain:

*Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus going on before.*

At the sign of triumph Satan's host doth flee;
On then, Christian soldiers, on to victory!
Hell's foundations quiver at the shout of praise;
Brothers lift your voices,
loud your anthems raise. R

Like a mighty army moves the Church of God;
Brothers, we are treading
where the saints have trod.
We are not divided, all one body we,
One in hope and doctrine, one in charity. R

Crowns and thrones may perish,
kingdoms rise and wane,
But the Church of Jesus constant will remain.
Gates of hell can never
'gainst that Church prevail;
We have Christ's own promise,
and that cannot fail. R

Onward then, ye people, join our happy throng,
Blend with ours your voices
In the triumph song.
Glory, laud and honor unto Christ the King,
This through countless ages
men and angels sing. R

*The Angelus is said after the announcements
(see inside back cover).*

POSTLUDE SONATA NO 6 - FUGUE, MENDELSSOHN



+ PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED +

RECENTLY DECEASED - Fraser Young, Pr.

THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES & COMMEMORATIONS []:

- Sep 20** John Patteson, Bp. & Martyr, Muriel Winsaen,
Alfred Davies, Marion Morison, Jack Given, Pr.
- Sep 21 [St Matthew, Apostle]** Violet Silman
- Sep 22** Heather Hebdon, Stella Foote
- Sep 23 [St Pio of Pietralcina]** Ali Drummond, Jean Scheduling
- Sep 24 [Our Lady of Walsingham]**
- Sep 25** Sidney Choyce, Lillian Winterflood, George Muhling
- Sep 26 [Ss Cosmas & Damian]** Sydney Raffey, Mary Gray

ALL SAINTS' PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

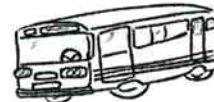
This Sunday at 11:30 a.m.



OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM,
MOUNT RUSSELL, (near Delungra,
NSW)

- weekend of 26/27 September,
an ecumenical

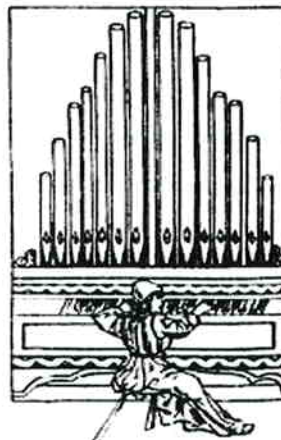
pilgrimage, overnighting at Inverell.
Transport and motel - \$150.00



**AT THE
PIPE ORGAN**

a recital by Philip Gearing,
Organist of St Luke's,
Toowoomba, Lecturer
University of Southern
Queensland, and
consultant for the
restoration and rebuilding
of All Saints' pipe organ -

3.00pm Sunday,
27th September.



As a boy two strong influences directed the heart of **JOHN COLERIDGE PATTESON** to the vocation of Christian Mission. One of these was Bishop George Augustus Selwyn, the newly consecrated Bishop of New Zealand. The other was the Reverend Samuel Wilberforce, then Archdeacon of Surrey, afterwards to take his place as one of the ablest prelates of the Church.

Patteson was educated at Eton College and Oxford University and on entering Balliol College in 1845 he came at once into contact with the issues of the withdrawal of John Henry Newman from the Church of England and thus the transferring of one of the greatest minds and one of the noblest natures from the University to the Church of Rome. The shock of that succession was felt amongst the students, and Patteson was one of many devout souls and fine minds which were won to support the Catholic claims of the Church of England.

Following his consecration and during the years of his missionary work in Melanesia Patteson preached to an overflowing congregation at All Saints', Wickham Terrace, Brisbane, on Friday, 8th April, 1864.

On 20th September, 1871, the Missionary Bishop of Melanesia met his death on Nukapu atoll - exchanging his mitre for a martyr's crown. His murdered body was set forth upon the water in an otherwise empty canoe. It had been rolled in native matting, 'still warm', the skull 'dreadfully battered', 'the features of the deceased Bishop' (and this can have been of little consolation to those who mourned him) 'still retained their accustomed placid smile'.

Buried at Sea his empty marble sarcophagus is today in Christ Church St Laurence, Sydney.

FOR YOUR DIARY:

SUNDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, High Mass and Holy Matrimony at 9.30am - the wedding of Travis Betts and Sarah Jane Robertson-Carsidine.

ALL SAINTS' DAY, Parish Patronal Festival,
Sunday 1st November
Low Mass 7.00am, Solemn High Mass 9.30am

ALL SOULS' EVE and ALL SOULS' DAY,
1st & 2nd November
Hallowe'en, (Sunday) 6.30pm Requiem Mass,
preacher, Fr Craig Moody, Rector-elect, Holy Trinity, Dubbo. *
All Souls' Day (Monday) 12.15pm Requiem Mass
* this Requiem Mass will replace Evensong and Benediction.

ST ANDREW'S EVE Evensong and Benediction for the City Churches of St Andrew, 6.30pm 29th November.

GOLDEN JUBILEE MASS for Fr Robert Long,
10.30am Saturday, 19th December.

SOLEMN EVENSONG AND BENEDICTION

First Sunday of the Month at 6:30 p.m.
at All Saints'

and, also, 6.00pm 3rd Sunday of each month at Holy Trinity, Fortitude Valley.

Flowers: To assist with their arranging, please contact Barbara Delminico, 'ph 3876 5986.



Next Sunday's Readings / 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Numbers 11:25-29 Psalm 19
James 5:1-6 Mark 9:38-43 & 47-48

Offertory Receipts for last week \$ 1250.95

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SUNDAY SERVICES

7.30am Low Mass

9.30am SOLEMN HIGH MASS

6.30pm Evensong and Benediction 1st Sunday of the Month

- WEEKDAY MASSES -

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday - 12.15pm

Wednesday & Friday - 7.45am

Saturday - 9.00am Resumes in Advent

SOCIAL EVENTS: Champagne & Orange Juice is served after the 7.30am Mass, (in All Saints' forecourt under the Jacaranda) and **MORNING TEA & WINE** is served after **HIGH MASS** in the All Saints' Centre, with all profits going towards our missionary giving. Note that the "cost" of Morning Tea is a gold coin. Volunteers are needed to complete the Roster for morning tea following High Mass. Contact Bev Fellows if you can help, say, one Sunday per month.

BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES, & FUNERALS:

For details contact the Parish Office.

THE HEALING SACRAMENTS of Reconciliation, Anointing, and Holy Communion for the Sick are available at home, in church, or in hospital by appointment with the clergy.

ALL SAINTS' SINGERS sing at High Mass and Evensong on Sundays. New members are always welcome. For further information and auditions contact the Director of Music: Darryn Jensen on 3365 2218 or d.jensen@law.uq.edu.au

THE SOCIETY OF MARY meets for fellowship, teaching and to pray the Rosary after High Mass on the first Sunday of each month.

For details contact the clergy or Lorraine Hines (3208 4988)

"ALL SAINTS' CENTRE" is available for functions, seminars and conferences. Please call Tarnya on 0409 080 777 or email: tarnya@powerup.com.au

ALL SAINTS' WELFARE MINISTRY (including SOUP ON SUNDAY):

This enables parishioners and others to reach out to those in our part of the inner city needing pastoral care and other kinds of support. We support this outreach by providing cooked meals. Further information from the Parish Office.

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME: Sets of envelopes are available for any who would like to begin supporting All Saints' in this way (and we need the regular, sacrificial and generous support of all parishioners). Please contact Marica Cox on 0412 246 296

PARISH ROLL AND MAILING LIST: If you wish to be on the Parish Roll or to receive Parish information, please complete a form available at the back of the church and hand it to one of the clergy or Sides People or drop in the offertory plate.

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now read on...

Wisdom 2:12 & 17-20

It is a sad fact that it can be embarrassing to meet some of the people who call themselves 'Christian'. And, with sorrow, we must admit that Christians, ourselves included, have often scandalised others by our behaviour. But we should also recognise, as the author of Wisdom does, that there are times when the simple fact that we are God's children angers people who have rejected or turned away from God. The very fact that we know we need the saving power of Jesus Christ calls into question the wisdom of non-believers, and can move them to bitter persecution. In the Book of Wisdom, the wicked plot to see how the good and religious man will react to that kind of persecution. Will God help him out? If you have been bullied or taken advantage of because of your faith, you will know how painful this can be; and yet, though we do not go about looking to suffer for our God, we can rejoice if we are chosen to bear painful witness to the Lord (Acts 5:41). When we suffer for righteousness' sake, we are close to Jesus, who gave His life for all mankind.

SS. COSMAS & DAMIAN (Saturday's saints)

The world has forgotten. People wonder whether someone called 'Cosmos' could ever be a saint, people recollect Damian only from a horror movie, and there was even the tale of



the cleric who refused to give the name at a baptism. But our saints, twins who had the gift of healing, are still proper examples. They took no money for the cures they performed, generosity which turned many to Christ, it is said.

During the persecution of Diocletian in the late 3rd century, they and three brothers were finally beheaded, after the usual botched attempts to kill them. Generosity and faithfulness, virtues we still need. May they pray for us.