



Rivonia Catholic Church  
**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

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## ***24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B***

*In today's gospel reading for the first time, the Lord reveals to his disciples that he, the Son of Man, is to suffer many things, to be rejected by the authorities, to be killed and on the third day, to rise again.*

### ***The Pope's Prayer Intentions for September 2018***

***Universal: Young People in Africa – that young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.***

#### ***Weekday Mass Times***

Monday	17 September	08h30	St Robert Bellarmine, BD
Tuesday	18 September	08h30	
Wednesday	19 September	<b>06h30</b>	St Januarius, BM
Thursday	20 September	08h30	Ss Andrew Kim Taegon Pr, and Paul Chong HaSang & Companions, Ms
Friday	21 September	08h30	St Matthew, AE
Saturday	22 September	No Morning Mass	
<b>Confessions</b>	<b>Saturdays</b>	<b>11h30-12h00 and 16h30-17h15</b>	

#### ***Mass times for Sunday***

Saturday	22 September	17h30
Sunday	23 September	07h30, 09h30, 17h30

#### ***Prayers for the Sick and those who care for them:***

Churchill Ebersay, Nicky Callaghan, Mike Lawrence, Marcelle Christian, Lexi Oliver, Eliza Jockuat, Gerhard Pretorius, Bianca Minucci, Ventura Rosenthal, Charlie, Benedict Kirama, Marilyn Davies, Fabio Renieri, Peter Combes, Maria Xavier, Therese Ingle, Marion Boers, George Chadinha, Tony de Quintal, Carey Sachse

#### ***INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIR: CELEBRATING HERITAGE DAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2018***

*The CWL, in partnership with the PPC, is organising an international food fair to celebrate Heritage Day on Sunday **23 September 2018**. Please join us in celebrating our rich cultural diversity, sample the cuisine from several countries and perhaps win a prize for the best traditional outfit! Contact: **Pinky: 079 662 7827 or Beatrice: 072 228 2185***

## A MARRIAGE PRAYER



*Lord God, thank you for the gift of my spouse and our sacrament of marriage. Thank you for the life we have shared with each other and our children. In our marriage, continue to show us your way to live and love freely without fear or self-pity. Teach us wisdom and thoughtfulness, gentleness and trust. Make us quick to discover the best in each other and slow to find fault. Teach us never to take each other for granted. Encourage us to make time to grow together, to be generous with kind words and compliments and mean with criticism. Keep us from selfishness and hasty judgements, criticism and hurt. When we hurt each other, open us up to forgiveness. Instil in our minds, hearts and souls the passion and compassion of Jesus so that we may live our lives in unity for his glory. Amen*

## **PARISH NOTICES**

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**Father Peter will be on leave** from 19-28 September 2018. During this period, church services will be as follows:

***Weekday Masses*** : Masses will be replaced with prayer/bible services.

***Sunday Masses***: Will take place as usual.

**Confessions**: There will be **no confessions** on Saturday 22 September 2018.

**October: Rosary Month**: During October, Fr. Peter will join families of the parish for the Rosary in their homes. Please see the roster on the table at the entrance to the church.

**Baptisms**: An appointment with the Priest is required before a child's baptism.

**Baptism Talk**: The next talk will take place on **Wednesday 3 October 2018 at 18h00**.

**Marriages**: A notice of at least three full months is required before an intended marriage.

**Marriage Talk**: For anyone wishing to enquire about the requirements for preparation for marriage. The next talk will be on **Wednesday 10 October 2018** at 18h00 in the Office meeting room. Kindly contact the parish office to confirm attendance.

**Catechism and Confirmation Classes**:

***Catechism classes***: Sunday mornings from 8h30-9h15 – Grades 1-7.

***Confirmation classes***: Monday evenings from 18h00-19h00 – Grades 8-10.

**NB: No Catechism/Confirmation classes on 23/24 September 2018.**

**Adult Enquiry Class**: Every Tuesday at 18h00 in the office meeting room. **NB: there is no class on 25 September 2018.**

**Marian Crusade, Mother of Mercy Shrine, Magaliesburg**: The crusade will take place from 21-23 September 2018. There will be Confessions, praise & worship, Masses and night vigils each day. For further information, please take a flyer on the table in the porch of the church.

**Parish Pastoral Council**: The PPC will meet on **Wednesday 19 September at 18h00** in the Lectio Room.

**Family of God Healing Seminar**: Takes place at St Charles Catholic Church, Victory Park every Tuesday from **9 September-30 October 2018 at 19h00**. Contact **Mary: 0828733372 or David: 0826071554** for further details.

## **24th Sunday in Ordinary Time** **Sunday Reflections**

### **1. Scott Hahn**

[Following the Messiah: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time](#)

[Listen Here:](#)

Readings:

[Isaiah 50:4-9](#)

[Psalm 116:1-6, 8-9](#)

[James 2:14-18](#)

[Mark 8:27-35](#)



In today's Gospel, we reach a pivotal moment in our walk with the Lord. After weeks of listening to His words and witnessing His deeds, along with the disciples we're asked to decide who Jesus truly is.

Peter answers for them, and for us, too, when he declares: "You are the Messiah." Many expected the Messiah to be a miracle worker who would vanquish Israel's enemies and restore the kingdom of David (see John 6:15). [Read More](#)

### **2. Word on Fire by Bishop Robert Barron**



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### **3. The Jesuit Institute South Africa**



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## **Spiritual Enrichment**



### **WE GET WHAT WE ASK FOR**

Jesus told us many times that we should come to the Father and ask Him for His gifts. How do we do this and when is a good time to ask? Fr. Bartunek shares his tips in today's Spiritual Smoothie. Don't miss it! [Watch Here](#)



### **Opening Our Ears**

Fr. Hugh Barbour

Why do the Gospels on a few occasions convey the literal words of Our Lord in his native Aramaic in the middle of the Greek original? There is this Sunday's healing command, and there is Our Lord's command to the departed young girl, Talitha kum, and, most powerfully, his praying of Psalm 21 in crying out to his Father, Eli, Eli lama sabbacthani? ...

[Read More:](#)

