



The first Parish Synod meeting took place on Wednesday 1st Dec in the Parish hall.

For those who were unable to attend the meeting but would like to participate in the discussions and answer the questions, below is the scripture from **Matthew's Gospel [8:5]** which was shared. Prayers were said for the Holy Spirit to bring Guidance and then the following two questions were discussed:

Q1. What is your dream for the Church, so it may be more outward looking, and more missionary, especially for those in the margins of society?

Q5. What hinders the baptised from being active in Mission? How does the Church community support its members (social/political/educational/human rights/caring for the environment)?

Further dates and times of future meetings are to be shared soon.

Please send any responses to questions directly to Father Neil at the Church (not via Facebook).

Many thanks

Jesus Heals a Centurion's Servant:

When he entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, appealing to him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, in terrible distress." And he said to him, "I will come and cure him." The centurion answered, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only speak the word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and the slave does it." When Jesus heard him, he was amazed and said to those who followed him, "Truly I tell you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and will eat with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the heirs of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; let it be done for you according to your faith." And the servant was healed in that hour.