



# Holland Park Mt Gravatt Parish News



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**32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Times**

**Year C**

**November 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**They are alive in our hearts and thoughts and in the presence of God.**

Dear friends

December, with all the wonders of Christmas, is approaching and it is natural that our thoughts turn to those whom we have loved who are no longer with us.

The month of November is a special time when we remember all those who have 'fallen asleep in the peace of Christ'. As we gather at each Mass throughout November, we hold in our hearts a special intention for all those who have died so that they come into God's presence without fault. Our hearts are especially with those who have experienced the death of a loved one during these past months.

We know that all the departed will live again; they will live like angels (Lk 20:36) united with God. We believe that one day we, too, will reach heaven and live with them: we all will be like angels, we all will be united with God, enjoying the love and life of God for ever as those good times will never end. But it is necessary to assist all the departed souls with our prayers for their communion with all the saints. Therefore, let us remember the importance of praying and attending Holy Mass for the departed ones.

During this month we especially remember all those who have passed from this life into the next. We remember all who have died, especially all our relatives, friends and all the departed souls. And also let us remember and pray for all those who have nobody to remember them and pray for them. We pray for:

- those who taught us good things and made sacrifices for us.
- those who prayed for us while they were on this earth.
- the most forgotten souls.
- those who had great responsibilities while they were on earth.

Let us all wish that these people are saved, having been purified, and they can be with God, face to face.

In the order of Christian funeral, we have a very meaningful prayer- into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our Brother/sister in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, he/she will rise with him on the last day. Merciful Lord. Turn towards us and listen to our prayers, open the gates of the paradise to your servants and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurance of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with our brother/ sister for ever. Amen

**Readings: 33rd Sunday Ordinary Time**

Malachi 3:19-20

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Luke 21:5-19

# READINGS FOR 32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

## 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.'

With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.'

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

## Responsorial Psalm

**Response: Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.**

Lord, hear a cause that is just, pay heed to my cry.  
Turn your ear to my prayer: no deceit is on my lips.

I keep my feet firmly in your paths; there was no faltering in my steps.  
I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God.

Turn your ear to me; hear my words.  
Guard me as the apple of your eye. Hide me in the shadow of your wings.

As for me, in my justice I shall see your face  
and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory.

## Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 2:16 – 3:5

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;  
glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.  
Alleluia!

## Gospel

Luke: 20:27-38

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached Jesus and they put this question to him. 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?'

Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'

# Parish Diary

## Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

Mass 9:00am  
St Joachim's

## Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>

Mass of Remembrance

10:00am St Agnes'

Reconciliation 5:30pm  
St Joachim's

## 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Times

## Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>

Mass 6:00pm  
St Joachim's

## Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>

Mass 7:30am  
St Joachim's

Mass 9:00am  
St Agnes'

Mass 6:00pm  
St Agnes'

## PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS

Immortal God, holy Lord, Father and Protector of all You have created, we raise our hearts to You today for those who have passed out of this mortal life.

In Your loving mercy, Father of all, be pleased to receive them in Your heavenly company, and forgive the failings and faults they may have done from human frailty.

Your only Son, Christ, our Saviour, suffered so cruelly that He might deliver them from the second death. By his merits may they share in the glory of His victory over sin and death.

For all the faithful who have died we pray, but in particular for those dear to us, parents, relatives and friends nor do we forget all who did good to us while on earth, who helped us by their prayers, sacrifice and example.

We pray also for any who may have done us harm, and stand in special need of Your forgiveness.

May the merits and prayers of our Virgin Mother, Mary, and those of all the Angels and Saints, speak for us and assist them now.

This we ask in Christ's name.

Amen.

Continuing on our faith journey during changed times; when our faith will sustain us through our challenges.

## PARISH NEWS

### WE REMEMBER

We remember Ian Bone. May he rest in the peace of Christ.

### WE REJOICE

With the Skelton and the Guglielmino and Johnson families as they celebrate the baptism of Sophia and Mateo in the parish this weekend.

### WEEKDAY MASSES

The regular Monday, Wednesday and Thursday masses will be cancelled this week. Fr Joson will be away on a retreat. He will be returning to celebrate the regular Friday morning Mass which will include a farewell to Christine Ioannides and Dan Hodge, the Principal and Asst Principal at St Joachim's who are transferring.

### COUNTERS

Alison's team.

### YOUTH AND FAMILY MASS

Our November Youth and Family Mass is scheduled for next Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at the 6:00pm Mass. Hospitality will follow mass which will include a light supper.

### GOD'S WORD 2023

God's Word is available in the churches or Parish Office from this weekend. Cost \$15

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### ST AGNES' SCHOOL MERRY MARKETS

Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> from 2:00pm – 6:00pm

A festive afternoon of Christmas shopping, live music, local eats and free face painting. Everyone welcome.

### INFORMATION DAY PROSPECTIVE CATHEDRAL GUIDES/WELCOMERS

The guides and welcomers' group at The Cathedral of St Stephen warmly invites you to attend an Information Day on becoming a tour guide and/or a welcomer at the Cathedral on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November from 10 am to 2 pm at Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, Cathedral of St. Stephen.

Being a guide and welcomer is a wonderfully rewarding, enriching experience. Your training will cover the artwork, history, and architecture, and you'll discover the unique and beautiful stained-glass windows and their significance. Learn how to share this knowledge. We look forward to welcoming you. Please register your interest with Carmel Devery at the Cathedral Office 3324 3006 or by emailing: [deveryc@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:deveryc@bne.catholic.net.au)

### ST FRANCIS SOCIAL – GOOD TUNES - GOOD DANCING - GOOD NIGHT

Due to unforeseen circumstances this dance has had to be postponed until February 23

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Communities in American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Zambia are seeking to fill a variety of roles. Enquire about those roles via [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au)

### HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Fr George, from Manly Parish will be leading a 14 day pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Egypt from 11 – 24 March 2023. This pilgrimage will include stops in Bethlehem, Jericho, Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, Mt Sinai and Cairo. For more information and to receive a booking form please email [manly@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:manly@bne.catholic.net.au). Bookings for this pilgrimage will close at the end of November 2022. The cost of this pilgrimage is \$6590 for 20 pilgrims (price quoted as per twin sharing basis).

### HOLY SPIRIT PILGRIMAGE

Holy Land and/or Italy May 1-23, 2023 Contact us asap for full details/itinerary. Fr Emmanueltv (SpiritualDirector) [fremmanueltv@gmail.com](mailto:fremmanueltv@gmail.com); [holyspiritp@gmail.com](mailto:holyspiritp@gmail.com); 0417999553, 0893413079; Dax (Coordinator): 0420643949; Didith (Coordinator): 0473246029

### The Catholic Leader \$4

November Issue available in the churches this weekend.

- Vatican seminar looks at why people avoid confession.
- Truth-telling unfolds in special Blanket Exercise
- Prayer revitalises the soul, Pope says.
- Ready for Advent, reflecting on amazing journeys
- Holocaust museum opening in cathedral precinct
- Uluru voice on the agenda.
- United in faith forever.

### Australian Catholic Magazine

The Summer edition of this quarterly magazine is available in the churches this weekend.

## NOVEMBER MASSES

It's our Christian tradition to make a special effort to offer masses and pray for our deceased family members and friends during the month of November. We should also pray for those who have died and have nobody to pray for them. If you would like to have those who have gone before us remembered in all Masses in November, could you please write their names on the Book of Remembrance. Mass envelopes are also available at both churches for Fr Joson to offer your mass.



## MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Traditionally, November is the month when we, the Church, celebrate and remember those family and friends who have gone before us. Our annual Mass of Remembrance for all who have died will be held on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> commencing 10am in St Agnes Church. Mass will be followed by morning tea. If you have a loved one who has died in the last 12 months and would like to have their name included with those to be read out, please notify the parish office. All parishioners are invited to attend the mass.

**SATURDAY 19 NOVEMBER**  
**10:30 AM TO 7 PM**

To celebrate World Youth Day locally, the Archdiocese will host a Brisbane WYD Festival day!

**Picture this:** a fun day playing touch footy (youth group vs youth group), live music, Mass, food trucks, new friends and more!



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## **SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY**

*... for it is to such as thee that the kingdom of God belongs.*

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

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